

Oregon Historic Site Form

Pittenger, Mary M (Eagleton), House
337 2nd
Hillsboro, Washington County

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME

address: 337 NE 2nd apprx. addr

historic name: Pittenger, Mary M (Eagleton), House

Hillsboro vcnt Washington County

Optional Information
 assoc addresses:
 (former addresses, intersections, etc.)
 location descr:
 (remote sites)

current/
other names:

block nbr: _____ lot nbr: _____ tax lot nbr: _____
 township: 1N range: 2 W section: 31 1/4: _____
 zip: _____

PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS

resource type: building height (# stories): 2

total # eligible resources: 1 total # ineligible resources: 1

elig. evaluation: eligible/contributing

NR status: _____
 NR date listed: _____ (indiv listed only; see Grouping for hist dist)

primary constr date: 1919 (c.) secondary date: _____ (c.)
 (optional--use for major addns)

primary orig use: Single Dwelling

orig use comments: _____

secondary orig use: _____

primary style: Arts & Crafts / Craftsman

prim style comments: _____

secondary style: _____

sec style comments: _____

primary siding: Cement Fiber Siding

siding comments: _____

secondary siding: Wood:Other/Undefined

architect: _____

plan type: _____

builder: _____

comments/notes:

GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS

survey project name or other grouping name: Hillsboro Local Inventory Update 2008 2008 Survey & Inventory Project

farmstead/cluster name: _____ external site #: 10
 (ID# used in city/agency database)

SHPO INFO FOR THIS PROPERTY

NR date listed: _____

ILS survey date: _____

RLS survey date: 7/1/2008

Gen File date: _____

106 Project(s)



East façade

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ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

(Include expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings, and alterations)

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This two-story house is a good example of an American Foursquare style. Typical of the Foursquare, it is stoutly massed, composed in a square plan, and topped with a pyramidal hip roof. The roof features dormers on the south, east, and west elevations; each has a hip roof and is pierced by a window of 24 panes. Asbestos shingles have compromised the exterior walls, although some of the detailing, such as the plain frieze boards that also serve as the window headmolds, have weathered past updating.

The main entry porch spans the width of the east facing façade. Three boxed posts support the one-story hip-roof structure; jigsawn scrolled brackets, found next to the posts, are not commonly found on this type of house. A five-paneled door with a single light is utilized for the main entry located at the south end. A large single light with a transom light is adjacent to the north.

Fenestrations are primarily comprised of single, one-over-one double-hung sash with simple surrounds.

Attachments include a back porch that extends across the back of the mass. A gabled wing projecting from the back porch and a side porch on the south elevation, providing access to the basement, are not original to the structure.

CONTEXTUAL DESCRIPTION

Mary Pittenger's house is situated on the west side of Second Avenue across from Bagley Park. The residential neighborhood is shaded by a variety of deciduous trees; walnut trees front the sidewalk of the Calkins House and holly trees grow to the sides.

HISTORY

(Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period [preferably to the present])

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

This home was built circa 1909 on the south 50 feet of Lot 14, Block 2 of Thorne's Addition for Mary M. Pittenger. Mary M. (Eagleton) Pittenger was a schoolteacher and the widow of William D. Pittenger, a dry goods merchant and former mayor of Hillsboro. She most likely lived in the house herself, although it is not actually known when Mr. Pittenger died.

Mrs. Pittenger was originally from Indiana, born June 12, 1846. She and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Eagleton, pioneered to Oregon and settled in Hillsboro in 1860. Her parents settled on a farm in the South Tualatin area with other family members. William Pittenger and Mary were married prior to 1871 and raised their family in Hillsboro.

Mrs. Pittenger occupied this house for only a short time. It was sold to J.H. Bettis for \$3000 in 1911, and the elderly woman moved in with W.E. Pittenger. Pittenger was a Hillsboro dentist and, presumably, her son.

James S. Bettis, an ice machine man at Hillsboro Mercantile Company, only owned the property for two years. It was next conveyed to Addie S. Kimble who owned the property until 1920. The Charles Calkins family acquired the home in 1960 and have lived in it since.

RESEARCH INFORMATION

(Check all of the basic sources consulted and cite specific important sources)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Title Records | <input type="checkbox"/> Census Records | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Tax Records | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Histories |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps | <input type="checkbox"/> Biographical Sources | <input type="checkbox"/> SHPO Files | <input type="checkbox"/> Interviews |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obituaries | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers | <input type="checkbox"/> State Archives | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Photographs |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Directories | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Permits | <input type="checkbox"/> State Library | |

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Historical Society: _____ Other Repository: _____

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