

Oregon Historic Site Form

Shute Estate
210 12th
Hillsboro, Washington County

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME

address: 21 SE 12th apprx. addr

historic name: Shute Estate

Hillsboro vcnt Washington County

current/ other names: _____

Optional Information

assoc addresses: _____
(former addresses, intersections, etc.)

location descr: _____
(remote sites)

block nbr: _____ lot nbr: _____ tax lot nbr: _____

township: _____ range: _____ section: _____ 1/4: _____

zip: _____

PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS

resource type: building height (# stories): 2

total # eligible resources: 1 total # ineligible resources: 2

elig. evaluation: eligible/contributing

NR status: _____

primary constr date: 1913 (c.) secondary date: _____ (c.)
(optional--use for major addns)

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

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: Concrete Block

siding comments: _____

secondary siding: Horizontal Board

architect: _____

plan type: Bungalow

builder: _____

comments/notes: NC garage & shed

GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS

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

farmstead/cluster name: _____ external site #: 58
(ID# used in city/agency database)

SHPO INFO FOR THIS PROPERTY

NR date listed: _____

ILS survey date: _____

RLS survey date: 3/1/2013

Gen File date: _____

106 Project(s)



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ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

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

Architectural Description: The Shute House II is a formal, high-style example of a Craftsman Bungalow. Its low-pitched, hipped roof is bell-cast and has multiple-hipped dormer windows, and projecting eaves with exposed rafters with decoratively milled ends. The building is horizontally-massed, and composed of two volumes joined together to form a complex configuration. The structure is wood-framed but sided with "wonder block," a rough-faced concrete block molded to resemble rough-quarried rock. The dormers are clad with clapboard siding. An expansive porch wraps around the west and north elevations: like the house, the piers are faced with "wonder block." The main entry is on the west elevation, and an oval, beveled light. A porte-cochere projects from the south elevation in connection with the original circular driveway which provided access to the house. Among the out buildings of the estate was a carriage house, which has since been converted to apartments. Shute House II is a significant example of bungalow architecture which displays an uncommon surface material, (wonder block), and several high style elements, including two formal entries, a porte-cochere, and an expansive porch.

HISTORY

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

Historical Significance: John Shute sold his house on Main Street (see Resource No. 60) in 1908, and it is likely that the house which is the subject of this sketch was built at that time. John W. Shute was a banker and held large tracts of land in the Hillsboro area. He was born in Montgomery County, New York State in 1840, and came to Oregon via the Panama Route in 1858. His first employment here was as a partner in a general store and warehouse in Springville. He bought a farm in Washington County in 1862. In 1888 John Shute incorporated the First National Bank in Hillsboro. The bank was reorganized in 1897 and called the American National Bank in Hillsboro. The bank was reorganized in 1897 and called the American National Bank and the Shute Savings Bank. (See Resource No. 24) John was married in 1867 to Elizabeth Constable. They had four children: Lewis, Arthur C., Ira, and Mattie, who died at age 16. John's second wife was Mary E. Smith, who was born in 1877. John and Mary had one child, Henry. In 1897 John was ambushed by eight men who were dissatisfied with his bank, and wanted the money in the bank vault. They tied him up, marched him to the creek and threatened to strangle him if he didn't provide the means to the money in the vault. Because of a time lock, it was impossible to open the vault, and the men were compelled to free the banker. John retired in 1911, and his son Arthur bought out his father's interest in the bank. John W. Shute died in 1922 at the age of eighty-three. His wife Mary died in 1968 at the age of ninety-one. Shute House II merits inclusion on the inventory due to its association with John W. Shute, a prominent Hillsboro banker and former County Commissioner.

RESEARCH INFORMATION

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Title Records | <input type="checkbox"/> Census Records | <input type="checkbox"/> Property Tax Records | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Histories |
| <input 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 type="checkbox"/> City Directories | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Permits | <input type="checkbox"/> State Library | |

Local Library: _____ University Library: _____

Historical Society: _____ Other Repository: _____

Bibliography: