

# Oregon Historic Site Form

Young, James T, House  
205 Edison  
Hillsboro, Washington County

## LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME

address: 205 NE Edison  apprx. addr

historic name: Young, James T, House

Hillsboro  vcnt Washington County

current/  
other names: Emmott House

Optional Information

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

location descr:  
(remote sites)

block nbr: \_\_\_\_\_ lot nbr: \_\_\_\_\_ tax lot nbr: \_\_\_\_\_

township: 1N range: 2 W section: 31 1/4: \_\_\_\_\_

zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS

resource type: building height (# stories): 1.5

total # eligible resources: 2 total # ineligible resources:

elig. evaluation: eligible/contributing

NR status: \_\_\_\_\_

primary constr date: 1892 (c.)  secondary date: 1907 (c.)

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

(optional--use for major addns)

primary orig use: Single Dwelling

orig use comments: \_\_\_\_\_

secondary orig use: \_\_\_\_\_

primary style: LATE 19TH/20TH REVIVALS: Other

prim style comments: \_\_\_\_\_

secondary style: Vernacular

sec style comments: \_\_\_\_\_

primary siding: Horizontal Board

siding comments: \_\_\_\_\_

secondary siding: Wood:Other/Undefined

architect: \_\_\_\_\_

plan type: Crosswing - Center

builder: \_\_\_\_\_

comments/notes: EC garage

## GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS

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

farmstead/cluster name: \_\_\_\_\_ external site #: 8  
(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)**



South façade

# Oregon Historic Site Form

Young, James T, House  
205 Edison  
Hillsboro, Washington County

## ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

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

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Emmott House is an excellent example of the American Farmhouse style of architecture. It is a one-and-one-half-story wood-framed structure, constructed in an "ell" formation with the front porch in the inside corner. The back addition dates from prior to 1902, and may be a filled-in porch. It is a one-story, hipped roof structure with a small gabled projection, built in 1912, on the north side.

The house is sided with shiplap. The cornerboards have pilaster capitals. The frieze is narrow, and the enclosed eave is shallow. The roof is low-pitched.

There is only one size and style of window: vertically scaled four-over-four panes with a double-hung sash. They are in groupings of one, except for the parlor window that features a grouping of two. The window surrounds include decorative shutters (not original) and corbelled headmolds.

The porch was added between 1092 and 1912. The porch roof is hipped and is supported by two truncated obelisk posts set on a half wall. Above the main entry door is a filled-in transom with a projecting headmold.

The house was built on a post and beam foundation. A recent brick chimney is situated on the ridge of the west gable. The house is in near original condition and retains its architectural integrity.

## HISTORY

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

### HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

In 1890 J.J. Morgan, a land developer, sold this lot to James T. Young for \$250. Young may have built the house himself. James was a farmer and this may have been a farmhouse when it was built. He was born in New Jersey in 1847, but his wife Adelene was from Wisconsin. They had seven children, but had only lived in the house two years when they sold it to N.A. Barrett.

Barrett lost the house through foreclosure in 1896, and Henry Wehrung received the deed. He soon sold it to Cephas Eisenhauer. Cephas Eisenhauer was born in Nova Scotia in 1841. He came to the United States in 1880. He was a single man who lived with his niece when the 1900 census was taken, and listed his occupation as farm laborer.

The house exchanged hands three more times before it was sold in 1904 to Louis Emmot, and he was a meat cutter for the Hillsboro Mercantile Company. He was born in Iowa in 1872. His wife Catherine was two years older. They had three children: Edna, Eva, and Louis. In 1910 Alfred Emmott, Louis's widowed father, was living with them and working at the mercantile store with Louis. He was from England and was seventy years old at the time.

In 1912 Homer and Hope Emmott were living with Louis. Homer was the vice-president of the Hillsboro Mercantile Company.

The house is significant due to its architectural merit and for its interpretive historical potential.

## RESEARCH INFORMATION

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

- |  |  |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Title Records    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Census Records | <input 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 checked="" 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        |   |

Local Library: \_\_\_\_\_ University Library: \_\_\_\_\_

Historical Society: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Repository: \_\_\_\_\_

Bibliography: Sources Consulted:

1910 Census, Thirteenth census of the United States; Department of Commerce and Labor

Ownership Directory, Northwest Oregon; Health Map and Directory Co., Inc., Portland OR, c1915

Polk's Oregon and Washington Gazetteer

Polk's Washington County Directory; 1912-1913

# Oregon Historic Site Form

Young, James T, House  
205 Edison  
Hillsboro, Washington County

Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, City of Hillsboro; 1892, 1902, 1912

Ticor Title Company  Recorded by: McLaughlin, Emde; 1980 / O'Brien, Cole; 1985