



County Lane

Theme 10-A

Name
 (Common) Keeney (Andrew J.) House

(Historic) (same)

Address ½ m. east of Goshen at junction of
 Highway 58 and Mathews Road

Present Owner _____

(Address) _____

Original Use Residence

Date of Construction c. 1870's

Physical

The Andrew J. Kenney house probably dates from the 1870's. It appeared in a lithograph in 1884 in A. G. Walling's history of Lane County (facing p. 256).

This house is a two story, wood frame building in a "T" shape. The wing on the south (rear) elevation is of one story. The building has a gable roof and faces north. It is adjacent to present highway 58. The exterior of the building is now covered with asbestos shingles or shakes. The windows are four-over-four, double hung sash in simple wood surrounds. The two story, main section of the house has a large, decorated central chimney. The decorations are bands of bricks. The house has wide eave boards and a poor roof of composition shingles. A newer front porch has been erected on the north (front) elevation; it has a gable roof. A recessed porch is located on the east side of the rear wing of the house.

Andrew J. Kenney was born in LaFayette County, Missouri, October 7, 1821. After residing in various locations in Missouri, Kenney journeyed overland to California in 1850. He then returned to Missouri when in May, 1857, he moved with his wife and four children by sea to Portland, Oregon. He soon thereafter purchased the Milton Riggs Donation Land Claim near Goshen and by 1884 had a farm of 842 acres. Kenney was a farmer and stock raiser. He married Elizabeth Mulholland in Clinton, Missouri. His second wife, Mrs. Cooper, he married in Atchison County, Missouri. His third wife was Mrs. A. J. Mathews. Kenney had nine children.

Continue back if necessary

Recorded by Stephen Dow Beckham Date 26 May 1976 Sources Consulted:

For Oregon State Historic Preservation Office "Andrew J. Kenney." A.G. Walling. Illustrated History of Lane County, Oregon. Portland, Ore.,: A. G. Walling, 1884, 482.
 Please enclose map Township 18 ^N _S Range 3 ^E _W Section 24
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After Keeney's death at age 75 years in the 1890's, his son, Benjamin Keeney, (a son by Keeney's third wife), settled on the farm and continued its development.

Sources:

"Benjamin F. Keeney." Portrait and Biographical Record of Willamette Valley, Oregon. Chicago: Chapman Publishing Co., 1904, 1524-1525.

The house was probably built from the 1850's. It appeared in a 1850's plan in the A. G. Walling's history of Lane County (p. 250). This house is a two-story, wood frame building in a T-shape. The line on the south (rear) elevation is of one story. The building has a gable roof and faces north. It is adjacent to present Highway 50. The exterior of the building is now covered with asbestos shingles or shakes. The windows are four-over-four, double hung sash in single wood surrounds. The two-story, main section of the house has a large, decorated central chimney. The decorations are bands of bricks. The house has wide eave boards and a roof of composition shingles. A newer front porch has been erected on the north (front) elevation. It has a gable roof. A recessed porch is located on the east side of the rear wing of the house. Andrew J. Keeney was born in Lafayette County, Missouri, October 10, 1811. After residing in various locations in Missouri, Keeney journeyed overland to California in 1850. He then returned to Missouri when in May, 1851, he moved with his wife and four children by sea to Astoria, Oregon. His son, Spencer, purchased the Willamette plantation and claim near Goshen and by 1854 had a farm of 500 acres. Keeney was farmer and stock raiser. He married Elizabeth Mulholland in Stanton, Missouri. His second wife, Mrs. Cooper, he married in Atchison County, Missouri. His third wife was Mrs. J. J. Andrews. Keeney had nine children.

Oregon State Historic Preservation Office
History of Lane County, Oregon, Portland, Oregon, 1904, p. 250.
Walling, A. G., History of Lane County, Oregon, Portland, Oregon, 1850, p. 250.
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