

# Oregon Historic Site Record

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME			
<b>address:</b>	16022 SE River Rd Oak Grove, Clackamas County (97267)	<b>historic name:</b>	Starkweather, Harvey G, House
<b>assoc addresses:</b>		<b>current/other names:</b>	Starkweather, Harvey G & Alice Risley, House
<b>location descr:</b>	Milwaukie	<b>block/lot/tax lot:</b>	N/A / N/A / 05300
		<b>twnsHP/rng/sect/qtr sect:</b>	2S 1E 11 DA
PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS			
<b>resource type:</b>	Building	<b>height (stories):</b>	2.5
<b>elig evaluation:</b>	eligible/significant	<b>total elig resources:</b>	<b>total inelig resources:</b>
<b>prim constr date:</b>	c.1909	<b>NR Status:</b>	
	<b>second date:</b>	<b>date indiv listed:</b>	
<b>primary orig use:</b>	Single Dwelling	<b>orig use comments:</b>	
<b>second orig use:</b>		<b>prim style comments:</b>	
<b>primary style:</b>	Colonial Revival	<b>sec style comments:</b>	
<b>secondary style:</b>		<b>siding comments:</b>	Tongue-and-groove with corner and rake boards
<b>primary siding:</b>	Horizontal Board	<b>architect:</b>	
<b>secondary siding:</b>		<b>builder:</b>	
<b>plan type:</b>	Crosswing		
<b>comments/notes:</b>			
GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS			
<b>Survey/Grouping Included In:</b>	<b>Type of Grouping</b>	<b>Date Listed</b>	<b>Date Compiled</b>
Clackamas County Historic Landmarks	Survey & Inventory Project		2008
Clackamas County Trolley Line ILS 2008	Survey & Inventory Project		2008
SHPO INFORMATION FOR THIS PROPERTY			
<b>NR date listed:</b>	N/A	<b>106 Project(s):</b>	None
<b>ILS survey date:</b>	09/30/2007	<b>Special Assess Project(s):</b>	None
<b>RLS survey date:</b>	06/01/1986	<b>Federal Tax Project(s):</b>	None
ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION			
<i>(Includes expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings and alterations)</i>			
<p>ROOF FORM &amp; MATERIALS: Intersecting gable with partial return PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Double-hung with architrave molding DECORATIVE FEATURES: Paneled and glazed door with sidelights and transom. Chimney. OTHER: Doric columns on paneled bases support hip roof porches. Stone balustrades.</p> <p>ALTERATIONS: Porch enclosed n.d. On nob of hill on heavily wooded lot. In neighborhood of post World War II ear residential buildings. Above River Road which is moderately heavy traffic.</p>			
HISTORY			
<i>(Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period - preferably to the present)</i>			
<p>SUBJECT PROPERTY The Harvey G. and Alice Risley Starkweather House is an excellent example of Colonial Revival architecture. Situated atop a nob above Rive Road, the 1 ½ story house has many features which contribute to the grand composition. These features include hipped porches with Doric supports on paneled bases, stone balustrades, paneled and glazed doors with sidelights and transom. Alice Starkweather (c 1865 – 1920) was the daughter of pioneer Jacob Risley, on whose donation land claim the house is built. Her husband Harvey Gordon Starkweather (1868 – 1851) was a teacher, politician, farmer and real estate professional. Harvey G.'s father, Harvey A. Starkweather, was a pioneer of 1850 who was attracted to the West Coast by "gold fever". After several months of unsuccessful panning, the senior Starkweather ventured to Oregon. Here, he married Eliza Gordon, pioneer of 1846 and sister of Hugh Gordon who designed the state seal and was the state's first printer. H.A. Starkweather was representative to the territorial legislature and member of the Constitutional Convention. He was reelected in 1860, 1866, 1870, and 1876. In 1880 he was elected State Senator. In 1860 and 1865 he was the register of U.S. Land Office at Oregon City. After his death, Eliza supervised the operation of the largest poultry farm in the state. Their home was located near the present-day McLoughlin Boulevard. It was demolished prior to the 1983-1986 Clackamas County Historic Resources Inventory. Harvey Gordon Starkweather began his professional career as a teacher. He was made Clackamas County superintendent of Schools, LaGrande Superintendent, and regent of the state normal schools. In 1901 he became a farmer. Starkweather was a member of several fraternal organizations including the State Grange, the Chamber of Commerce, and the City Club. Between 1916 and 1920 he ran for U.S. Senator, but was defeated. Woodrow Wilson appointed Starkweather to tour Europe "to study rural credits and country life conditions." The commission's report was the basis fo the Federal Farm Loan program. Starkweather was an advocate for better roads. The Super Highway – McLoughlin Boulevard – was built partially as result of his efforts. In 1940 he married Justice-of-the Peace, Edna Marie Thiessen.</p>			
RESEARCH INFORMATION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Title Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Obituaries <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Directories	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Census Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biographical Sources <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newspapers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Permits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property Tax Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHPO Files <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Archives <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Histories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interviews <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic Photographs
<b>Local Library:</b>		<b>University Library:</b>	
<b>Historical Society:</b>	Oregon Historical Society	<b>Other Respository:</b>	
<b>Bibliography:</b>			

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