

**CITY OF FOREST GROVE INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON**

**Historic Name:** First Church of Christ, Scientist

**Date of Construction:** 1916

**Common Name:**

**Original Use:** Church

**Address:** 1904 Pacific Avenue

**Present Use:** Church

**City:** Forest Grove

**Architect:** Spencer S. Beman

**Zoning:** CBD

**Builder:** James S. Loynes

**T/R/S:** T. 1S., R. 4 W. Sec. 36

**Theme:** Culture: Religion

**Map No.:** 1 S 3 6BB      **Tax Lot:** 7000

**Style:** Georgian Revival

**Addition:** Original Town Plat

**Block:** 5    **Lot:** 3    **Quad:** USGS Forest Grove 7.5'    **Building**     **Structure**     **Site**

**Plan Type/Shape:** Rectangular

**Number of Stories:** 1

**Foundation Material:** Concrete

**Basement (Y/N):** Y

**Roof Form and Materials:** Hip, composition shingles

**Wall Construction:** Brick

**Structural Frame:** Stud.

**Primary Window Type:** arch headed 11/6 DHS;

**Exterior Surfacing Materials:** Brick, running bond

**Decorative Features:** 3 Palladian style windows with 11/6 DHS in center and 4 lite flanking sash; frieze w/ narrow wood architrave; hip roof porch on N elevation

**Other :** 15 light glazed entry doors with 17 pane transom fanlight; 2 projecting window bays on W elevation;

**Condition:** Good     Fair     Poor     Moved \_\_\_\_\_ (Date):

**Integrity:** Virtually Intact     Minor Alterations     Major Alterations

**Exterior Alterations/Additions (Dated):**

**Noteworthy Landscape Features:**

**Associated Structures:**

**Known Archaeological Features:**

**Setting:** The Christian Science Church is located on the SE corner of the intersection of Pacific Avenue and A Street. The area is commercial and traffic is heavy.

**Negative No.:**

**Recorded By:** Peter J. Edwards, *Columbia Historical Research*

**Slide No.:**

**Date:** August 1993

**Resource #:**

**SHPO Inventory No.:** 441



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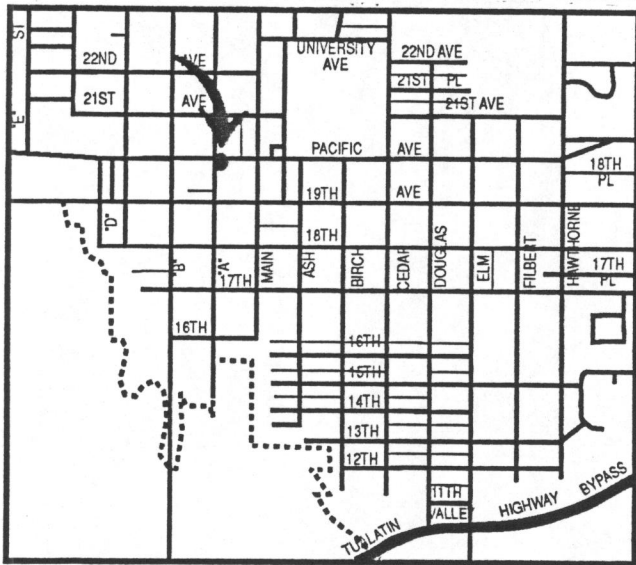


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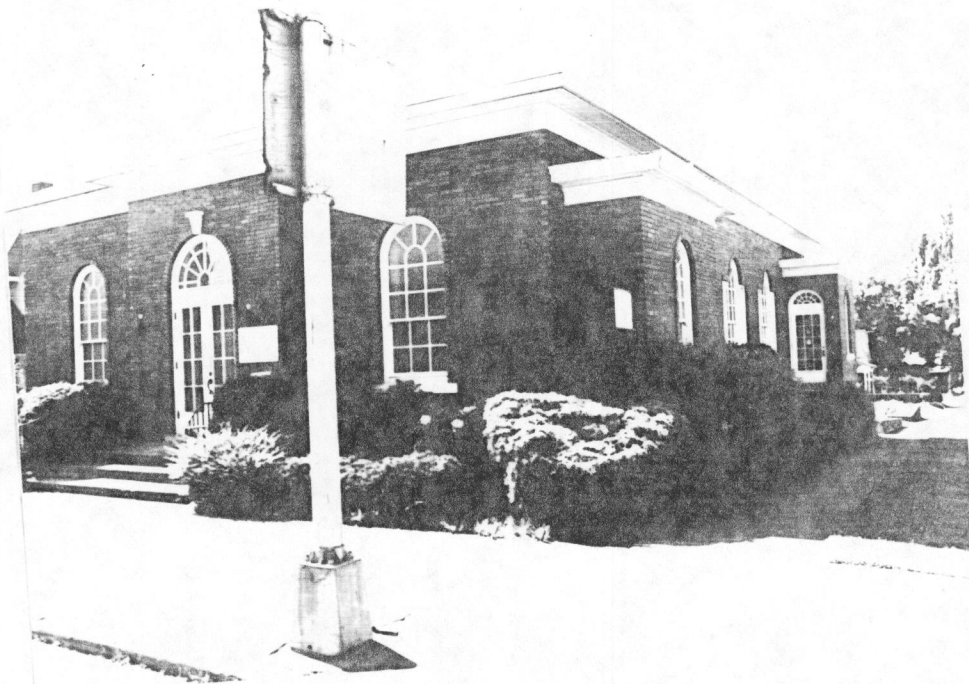
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**Graphic and Photo Sources:** City of Forest Grove, Peter J. Edwards *CHR*, Forest Grove Historic Landmarks Board

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HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

S. S. Beman, an architect from Chicago designed the church and James A. Loynes was the builder. The church was completed in 1916. The Estey pipe organ was made in Brattleboro, Vermont and was donated by Adeline Rodger's, one of the church's founding members. This is the first Christian Science Church founded in Washington County and the only Georgian Revival building in Forest Grove.



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**Statement of Historical and Architectural Significance:**

The First Church of Christ, Scientist is an important architectural feature of Forest Grove. Designed in the Georgian Revival Style by Spencer S. Beman and built in 1916, the structure is almost completely intact. James S. Loynes, a local builder constructed the church.

The church was nominated for the National Register of Historic Places in 1993 under National Register criteria B and C.

The church was built in part through the generosity of Adeline Fisk Rogers a long time benefactor of the Forest Grove Community.

**Sources:** Forest Grove Inventory of Historic and Cultural Places, 1985.  
NRHP Nomination Form, 1904 Pacific, 1993.