

Historic
Resource
Inventory
CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON

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5298 S.W. Dosch Road

Dosch Estates, Lot 7
QUARTER SECTION MAP #: 3526
Bridlemile-Robert Gray

ORIGINAL FUNCTION: Residence

DATE BUILT: 1892

STYLE: Rural Vernacular

ARCHITECTURAL PLANS BY: Dosch, Henry E.

ORIGINAL OWNER: Dosch, Henry E.

OTHER OWNERS: Campbell, David

TAX ASSESSOR'S ACCOUNT #: R-21430-0330

ZONING: R7

DESIGNATION: Landmark, National Register

SPECIAL FEATURES AND MATERIALS:

Gable roof with three wall dormers. Balcony at center dormer. Five-bay front porch with square chamfered posts on wood pedestals, scroll brackets and plain architrave. One-over-one, double-hung windows. Imbricated cedar shingles at gable and dormers; remainder of house has drop siding. Brick foundation. Ornate front door with stained glass. Interior trim of native fir. Oak mantle and balustrade. Copper bath tub.



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SPECIAL F/M - ORIGINAL REMOVED:

Front porch stair. Shutters (in storage).

SPECIAL F/M - SIGNIFICANT ALTERATION:

Northeast wing, northwest addition, 1893. Sunroom, west entry, bathroom added, ca. 1915. Second floor balcony balustrade replaced, ca. 1950.

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, Development

Development: The Dosch House, which stands on the site of the original cabin of S.G. Kelly, was built as a country summer house.

Curiosity: Library bookcases are from the Portland Hotel.

Commerce, Development in association with Henry E. Dosch: Dosch was born in Kastel-Mainz, Germany in 1841 and graduated from the School of Commerce and Industry in that town. He came to St. Louis in 1860, served in the Union Army during the Civil War, and arrived in Canyon City, Oregon in 1865. He operated a general store in Canyon City until burned out in 1871. He moved to Portland and built a successful wholesale shoe business until 1889. After retiring from the business, he turned his attention to horticulture and served many years on the State Board of Horticulture. He organized the Oregon exhibits to several expositions held throughout the country and to the Chicago World's Fair of 1893. He was appointed director general of the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Lockley, Fred, HISTORY OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY (Chicago, 1928).

Driscoll, James G., National Register of Historic Places, nomination form, 1978.

Present owner as of May 1981: James G. and Priscilla A. Driscoll

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Special Property Tax Assessment

Negative: 117-1, 117-2

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