

# Oregon Historic Site Record

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME			
address:	905 E Main St Hillsboro, Washington County		historic name: Shorey, Charles, House
assoc addresses:			current/other names: Shorey, Charles, House
location descr:			block/lot/tax lot: twnsHP/rng/sect/qtr sect: 1N 2W 31
PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS			
resource type:	Building	height (stories): 2.0	total elig resources: 1      total inelig resources: 1
elig evaluation:	eligible/significant		NR Status: Individually Listed
prim constr date:	c.1908	second date: 1987	date indiv listed: 06/16/1989
primary orig use:	Single Dwelling		orig use comments:
second orig use:			
primary style:	Queen Anne		prim style comments:
secondary style:			sec style comments:
primary siding:	Horizontal Board		siding comments:
secondary siding:	Other		
plan type:			architect: Unknown
			builder: Shorey, Charles
comments/notes:			
NC garage			
GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS			
Survey/Grouping Included In:		Type of Grouping	Date Listed      Date Compiled
Hillsboro Local Inventory Update 2008		Survey & Inventory Project	2008
SHPO INFORMATION FOR THIS PROPERTY			
NR date listed: 06/16/1989	Special Assessment		106 Project(s): None
ILS survey date:	Status Closed	Term 1st	Federal Tax Project(s): None
RLS survey date: 07/01/2008	End Yr 2005		
ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION			
<i>(Includes expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings and alterations)</i>			
<p>Architectural Description: The Shorey House is one of the finest remaining residences in Hillsboro which date from the turn of the century era. The house is cross-gabled in plan, with additions attached to the back elevation. The facade volume is gambrel-roofed, and the back and side volumes are steeply gabled. It is a wood framed structure, sided with shiplap and built on a post and beam foundation. Two corbelled brick chimneys are present near the gable peak. The facade is asymmetrically composed. The porch is original and is detailed with large turned posts adorned with turned and jig-sawn brackets. The main door is elaborate, featuring an etched glass light, original brass doorknob and escutcheon, and highlighted by a wide transom. A leaded diamond and lozenge piano window flanks the door. The windows are one-over-one double-hung sash, in pairs or in single groupings. The window surrounds feature pointed brackets visually supporting the sill, and corbelled head molds.</p>			
HISTORY			
<i>(Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period - preferably to the present)</i>			
<p>Historical Significance: This house was probably built in 1908 by Charles Shorey, who bought the lot from Wesley Boscow. This land was part of the Boscow dairy farm. (See Resource No. 34) Charles Shorey was fifty-seven when he built this residence. It is something of an anachronism due to its jig-sawn brackets and turned porch posts, which are characteristic of earlier architectural styles. The piano window and the gambrel roof, however, are elements found in houses from this era. Charles Shorey may have built houses before the turn of the century, and preferred some of the details found in those houses, which he combined with later elements when he built this house. He and his wife Sarah were from Maine. Their daughter Eliza was a stenographer in the law office of John Wall. The family lived in this residence at least ten years, and Ella inherited the property from her parents. The house was later divided into apartments, and is currently a rental. This house merits inclusion in the inventory due to its unique construction. It exhibits fine workmanship, is in near original condition on the exterior, and retains its architectural integrity. It is associated with Charles Shorey, who was presumably a craftsman representative of Hillsboro's "middle class."</p>			
RESEARCH INFORMATION			
Title Records	Census Records	Property Tax Records	Local Histories
Sanborn Maps	Biographical Sources	SHPO Files	Interviews
Obituaries	Newspapers	State Archives	Historic Photographs
City Directories	Building Permits	State Library	
Local Library:	University Library:		
Historical Society:	Other Repository:		
Bibliography:			