

# Forest Grove Historic Resource



## 1633 CEDAR STREET - Underwood/Evenson House

### Description:

This is a 1-1/2 story, wood-framed, asbestos-clad post-World War II Minimal Traditional single family residence with a composition shingle covered cross-gable roof. It has one-over-one double-hung sash with one large, fixed picture windows. Its landscaping is distinguished by large, mature deciduous tree in the rear yard. A wood fence encloses the front and side yards. Its architecture is distinguished by the gabled portion of the primary facade incorporates the small front porch. Front-facing gable has six-over-one double-hung sash window. Attached garage.

### History:

The Underwood/Evenson House at 1633 Cedar, constructed around 1945, is significant architecturally and historically. It is a fairly intact example of the Minimal Traditional style of architecture, designed and constructed in great numbers during the 1940s and especially during the post-World War II building boom around the country. This house is associated with the Underwood and Evenson families who contributed to the commercial development of Forest Grove.

Dale Underwood came to Portland in 1910 when he was ten. He attended Pacific University; he married Sadie McCoy in 1921. Sadie Underwood had also moved to Forest Grove when she was ten and had attended Pacific University. Dale Underwood operated Underwood's Market in Yamhill and in the 1940s. The Underwoods then moved their business to Forest Grove and opened a store, also known as Underwood's Market. Dale Underwood built and operated a new market in 1947. In 1954 he leased his building to Chet Evenson, who operated the business as Chet's Market. Arnold and Evelyn Evenson owned this house from 1945 to 1948. Subsequent owners included: J.R. and Carolyn Schavermann (1948-1950); Donald H. and Janet L. Shelton (1950-1954); and J.A. and Helen Crunican (1954-?).