

# Forest Grove Historic Resource



## 1837 DOUGLAS STREET

### Description:

This is a 1-1/2 story, vernacular farmhouse single family residence. It has a composition shingle-clad cross-gable roof and is an excellent example of a vernacular farmhouse. Its primary facade consists of both a gable end and an eave side. A front porch spans the full eave side of the primary facade. Windows on the front elevation are mostly one-over-one double-hung sash. Small conifer and large, mature deciduous trees shade the yard.

### History:

The house at 1837 Douglas Street, probably built in the 1890s, is significant as a fine representative example of the vernacular farmhouse form found throughout Forest Grove and Oregon. The original owner is not known at present. In 1909, Anna L. Billinger owned this house. Two years later, J.E. and M.E. Patton were the owners of record. In 1912 the footprint of a far different house, an elongated structure with a porch across the main facade facing Douglas Street, stood on the site of this house. It is probable that the existing one-story ell extending from the side of the house was added in more recent years. Owners in the 1950s and 1960s included: W.L. Wright (1952); Richard J. Miller (1960); Theodore Fagin (1964); and Hugh Whetstone and Kathleen Hagen (1968).