

Forest Grove Historic Resource



1620 MAIN STREET - McCready House

Description:

This is a 1-1/2 story, single-family residence with a composition shingle covered gable and hip roof. It is wood-framed, wood-clad Bungalow style house with some probable modification to the primary facade. Primary facade windows are predominately one-over-one double-hung sash. The structure is architecturally distinguished by its full-width front porch protected by the house's principal roof supported by four large tapered boxed columns that rest atop a solid balustrade. The porch roof extends beyond the side of the house to form the roof of a porte cochere. The primary facade has a roof dormer with a gable roof and twin one-over-one double-hung sash windows. The south elevation has twin gable-roofed dormers centrally joined. Broad, over-hanging eaves. Rear yard shaded by mature evergreen tree.

History:

The McCready House at 1620 Main Street, built around 1916, is significant as a fine example of a substantial Bungalow style and for its association with W.J. McCready. Although the date of construction of this rambling, two-story Bungalow is not known with certainty, the style of architecture suggests a circa 1916 date. McCready, the original owner, founded what became Copeland Lumber Company. He may have bought this property from Ellen Keen, who owned the entire southeast quarter of this block.

Occupants of this house in the 1950s and 1960s include the families of: H.J. Block (1952) and Howard Barkley (1960s).