

# Forest Grove Historic Resource



## 2206 12TH AVE

### Description:

The two story house at 2206 12th Avenue was built around 1916 in a Craftsman or Arts and Crafts style. It has a square plan and sits on a poured concrete foundation which is partially parged and scored. The front facing gable roof is covered with composition shingles and has decorative projecting eave brackets under its wide overhanging eaves. The walls of the house are clad in wood lap siding on the first story and wood shingles on the second story. These shingles are laid in bands with various widths of reveal to create a decorative effect and the walls at the second story level flare slightly at the bottom. The primary window type on the house is multi-pane-over-one double hung sashes and multi-pane fixed wood windows. Some diamond paned windows exist at the attic level. The inset porch across the building's front façade is supported by square columns arranged in groups and joined by horizontal wood pieces that appear to pass through the upper portions of the columns. An oriel bay window projects from the front façade and has a wide shed roof. Small decorative brackets are located beneath the overhang of this oriel. A two story bay window projection is located on the west side of the house. A chimney of bricks projects from the ridge of the roof near the rear of the house. This house is in excellent condition and its integrity is excellent.

A very large oak tree stands to the northeast of the house. Associated structures include a shed at the rear of the house.

### History:

The property was bought by James T. Buxton in 1904 and he owned it until it was sold by his estate in 1928. The house was constructed on the property in 1916. James T. Buxton was born on March 16, 1854 on a donation land claim northwest of Forest Grove. He was the grandson of Henry Buxton Sr. who came to Oregon in 1841 as part of the Red River migration. His father was Henry Buxton Jr, a Forest Grove farmer. In 1878 he married Pharabe Bailey and they had 12 children. Buxton served as a City Councilman and was listed as a blacksmith in the City Directories from 1881 to 1905/06. The property was owned by various people from the twenties and thirties including Albert and Emma Ellis, who purchased the property in 1928. Mr. Ellis was a farmer through his life. Daniel and Florence Moore owned the property from 1951 until 1997. Florence Moore was a deputy at Lincoln County Courthouse until she married her husband Daniel in 1936. They moved to Forest Grove in 1951 and Daniel Moore was an accountant for Pine Products Corp. from 1937 to 1949. While living in Forest Grove he operated a machine shop and was a realtor and developer.