

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 817 12TH ST					City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 32 N		Longitude: 122 35 56 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 32	Block: 117	Lot: All	Map #: 22E32BB	Tax Lot #: 4800
Date of Construction: 1936		Historic Name: Barclay School			Historic Use or Function: Education - school	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Barclay School			Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Colonial				Plan Type/Shape: T-shaped		Number of Stories: 1.0
Foundation Material: Concrete				Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Hip / Composition shingle				Window Type/Material: 6/6 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Lap Secondary: Board & batten Decorative:						
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date:						
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None						
Integrity: Good Condition: Good			Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site		National Register Listed? No	
Potentially Eligible: ☐ Individually or ☒ As a contributing resource in a district Not Eligible: ☐ Intact but lacks distinction ☐ Altered (choose one): ☐ Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district ☐ Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction ☐ Irretrievable loss of integrity ☐ Not 50 years old						
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:						
This T-shaped building has simple Colonial detailing, centered primarily on the entries. The main entrance to the school is pedimented with paired square columns and pilasters. Dentils at the cornice are actually scored wood moldings. The entrance has a denticulated cornice and paneled and glass doors with a series of arched lights in the transom above. Other entries have curvilinear pediments. The corners of the building have triple vertical cornerboards. The windows are 6/6 wood double-hung with a wide simple trim. A hexagonal ventilator with a tent roof and iron weathervane houses the first school bell on the Pacific Coast, which came around the Horn to be placed in the first Barclay School. The interiors are quite intact with glazed classroom doors and fine lighting fixtures.						
Statement of Significance:						
This structure replaced the original Barclay School, an ornate building with a round tower and conical roof built in 1888, which was in turn a replacement for the Oregon City Seminary, Oregon City's first public school. In 1944, a time capsule was placed by students just southwest of the school, with the names of students and their predictions for the future. The spot was marked with a mortared stone pyramid and a wooden post with "Oregon Trail" printed on it. The marker was knocked down by a car in the 1970s and now lies under a lilac bush. The time capsule is probably still there, although students had intended for it to be opened 25 years after its burial.						

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