

**OREGON CITY  
PARK PLACE NEIGHBORHOOD  
HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY 1990**

**HISTORIC NAME:** Tucker, Albert, House  
**COMMON NAME:**  
**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 16422 S. Front Avenue  
**OWNER:** Lentz M. Ferrell  
**OWNER'S ADDRESS:** 16422 S. Front Avenue  
**RESOURCE TYPE:** Building  
**PRESENT USE:** Residential  
**THEME:** Culture  
**ARCHITECT/BUILDER:** Unknown  
**COUNTY:** Clackamas  
**QUAD:** Oregon City  
**T/R/S:** 2-2E-28BC  
**TAX LOT:** 5700  
**ADDITION** Clackamas Heights - Supplemental  
**BLOCK:** E  
**LOT:** 5, 6  
**LOT SIZE:** .68 acres +  
**ZONE:** R-10 Single-Family

**HOUSE**

**DATE BUILT:** c. 1890  
**STYLE:** Vernacular  
**PLAN TYPE/SHAPE:** Asymmetrical  
**NO. OF STORIES:** 1½  
**FOUNDATION MATERIAL:** Concrete  
**BASEMENT:** No  
**ROOF FORM AND MATERIALS:** Intersecting gable w/ comp. shingles  
**WALL CONSTRUCTION/STRUCTURAL FRAME:** Wood/stud  
**PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE:** Double-hung, 4/4 and 1/1  
**EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS:** Wide shiplap, corner boards  
**DECORATIVE FEATURES:** None  
**OTHER:** Full-width gabled porch w/enclosed balustrade and battered supports w/caps, w. elev.; partially enclosed hip porch w/plain posts, w. elev.; paneled and glazed doors, shed roof ell w/double bevel siding, e. elev.; interior chimney  
**CONDITION:** Good  
**EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS (DATE):** Window replaced, w. elev. (c.1935); window replaced, n.

elev. (n.d.); rear porch enclosed (c1983); sliding glass door added, (n.d.); doors replaced (1989); porch posts replaced on partially enclosed porch (n.d.)

**NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES:**

Mature deciduous trees; diseased apple near north property line, nut trees, snowball tree.

**NON-CONTRIBUTING FEATURES:**

None

**SETTING:** Located on west side of Front Avenue. Houses in this area date from late 19th century to mid-20th century. Parcel is deep, level and landscaped with ornamental plantings.

**RECORDED BY:** Koler/Morrison

**DATE:** August 1990

**SHPO NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

**ADDRESS:** 16422 Front

**HISTORIC NAME:** Tucker, Albert, House

Albert Tucker is believed to be the original owner of the subject property, which he purchased in 1890. Tucker, a native of Pennsylvania was born in 1834. His wife Mary E. was born in Illinois in 1837. Sara Jane Rittenhouse was the second owner. She was born in Iowa and sold the house in 1932 to Casper White. Two years later he sold it to A.P. and Bertha Lehman, who sold it to J.B. and Emma J. Edwards in 1941.

According to Mel Freeman, grandson of Sara Jane and Wilson Rittenhouse, the subject house was built by his grandfather. The elder Rittenhouse also built several other houses on Front Street with his sons, Claude, Calvin, Austin and Clarence.

The house is a good example of the Vernacular style. It is composed of perpendicular volumes covered with wide, dropped siding and finished with corner boards. The four-over-four double-hung sash window on the rear elevation is evidence of the late 19th century date of construction. The house was apparently altered in the 1930s, presumably by Casper White. At that time the Bungalow style porch was added. It is identified by the battered supports and caps, as well as the enclosed balustrade. The addition to the rear, which is clad with double-bevel siding was most likely done at the same time. Despite the additions the original building envelope and the evolution to date is clearly visible.

Landscape features, including nut trees and a snowball bush, contribute to the historic character of the dwelling.

**Sources:**

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- Oregon City Landmarks Inventory, Urban Growth Boundary, 1982.
- Oregon City Telephone Directory, 1916.
- Oregon Journal. 24 January 1924, page 7.
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**SHED**

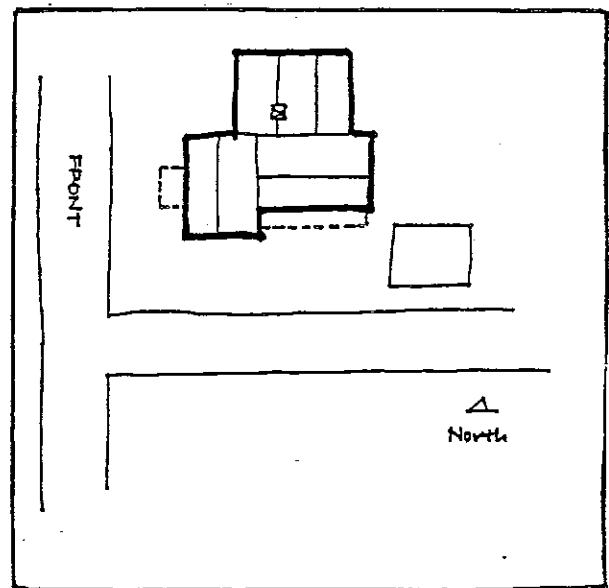
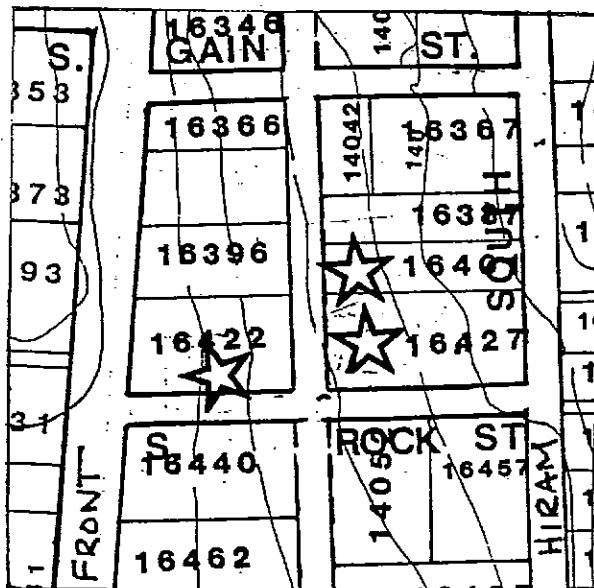
**DATE BUILT:** Unknown  
**STYLE:** Vernacular  
**PLAN TYPE/SHAPE:** Rectangular  
**NO. OF STORIES:** 1  
**FOUNDATION MATERIAL:** Concrete  
**BASEMENT:** No  
**ROOF FORM AND MATERIALS:** Gable w/cmpl shingles  
**WALL CONSTRUCTION/STRUCTURAL FRAME:** Wood/stud  
**PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE:** None  
**EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS:** Dropped siding w/corner boards  
**DECORATIVE FEATURES:** None  
**OTHER:** None  
  
**CONDITION:** Good  
  
**EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS (DATE):** Window removed (n.d.)  
  
**NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** Same as house  
  
**NON-CONTRIBUTING FEATURES:** Same as house  
  
**SETTING:** Same as house

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SITE PLAN AND PHOTOGRAPH: 16422 Front Avenue



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