

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 204 JEFFERSON ST					City: OREGON CITY		
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 07 N		Longitude: 122 36 25 W		
Tow nship: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 107	Lot: 5 & B13 5, 8x	Map #: 22E31DB	Tax Lot #: 2400	
Date of Construction: c. 1898		Historic Name: Busch, Frank and Annie, House			Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling		
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - single dwelling			Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown		
Architectural Classification(s): Queen Anne				Plan Type/Shape: Complex		Number of Stories: 2.0	
Foundation Material: Stone				Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No	
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle				Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung			
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Channel drop				Secondary: Wood shingle		Decorative:	
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: None apparent.							
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None							
Integrity: Excellent Condition: Good			Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site		National Register Listed? No		
<div>Potentially Eligible: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district</div> <div>Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old</div>							
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:							
<p>This two-story Queen Anne of a complex plan sits high above the street. It features original spindle work in the gables and at the porch. Two chamfered corners allow for a pendant and decorative brackets. There is a bay with a hipped roof, and a shed-roof porch with spindle railings, columns, and lattice skirting. The main porch window features a 1/1 fixed pane with a leaded upper light. Other windows are 1/1 wood double-hung. The entry door is multi-paneled and has one light. The gables feature fishscale shingles, and there is a ridge chimney. A water table with cap protects the basalt foundation. The house sits on a double lot with mature trees on all sides.</p>							
Statement of Significance:							
<p>This was the house of Frank Busch (1858-1939) and his wife Annie (1866-1960). Born in Germany, Frank Busch came to Oregon in 1883, joining his family who had settled in Oregon City. He founded the Busch Furniture Company and became one of Oregon City's most prominent businessmen. The Busch Furniture Company occupied a warehouse, factory and retail outlet in Oregon City. Busch also erected Busch Hall, the Busch Apartments and the Busch Dock in the commercial district, and fourteen houses in and around the McLoughlin District. He was one of the original incorporators of the Willamette Valley Southern Railroad, and served as its chairman and on the Board of Directors. In 1890, he married Annie Heitkemper, the daughter of a pioneer Portland businessman. They had three children. Busch owned the property from 1897-1919, selling the house to Royal Trullinger, a rural Post Office carrier. Trullinger owned the house until 1944, when Jess and Dorothy Gutzler bought the house. Jess worked for Publishers Paper, and the Gutzlers had two sons, Charles and Thomas. The family occupied the house through the remainder of the historic period, with Dorothy living alone in the house after Jess' death sometime between 1960 and 1962.</p>							

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