Historic Resources Survey City of McMinnville Yamhill County, Oregon

Site Information

Elizabeth Shellin Atly

Sit	e Intor	matic	on						
Site Address				Owner at Time of Survey					
900 SW Baker S	t.			Linfield Col	lege				
Map/Tax Lot		Current Zoning		Special Tax Assessment			Downtown Historic District		
R4420DD00400 R-4 PD			D	No		No	No		
Subdivision Na	me			Block	Lot	Lot Siz	e Quad	drant	
							SW		
Site Number	ite Number Aerial Number Resource Classificat			Resource Historic Significance ion Number					
40.	J-13		A	503.1					
Histo	oric Inf	orma	ition						
Date of Constru			tions/ Remo	dels Ruild	ar/∆rchi	itect			
1928-29	otion La	ny Addi	tions, iteme		el Lanca				
Historic Name Original Use				Commo	Common Name Present Use				
McMinnville Fields, Baptist College Football Field,				. Linfield College Campus			College Campus Grounds		
Condition of St	ructure		ents (at time		Dollege	Oampus	Oampus Oroc	11103	
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Excellent									
Building Type Outbuild			ıtbuildings	s Building S			Style Stories		
		All	Campus Bu	ildings					
Porch Basem	ent Roo	f Style		Roof Type		Moved	Demolished	Year/Dat	
Permit Number	(s) Ad	dditions	/ Alterations	.					
Reso	urce In	form	ation						
Recorded By			Dat	e	Source	es			
					"Stein"	Jonassen, In	terview Nov. 29,	1983;	
Elizabath Shallin Atly				Portrait and Bibliographical Record; Jonas					

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Jonasson "Bricks Without Straw" 1938

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Statement of historical significance and description of property:

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When Samuel Cozine and his bride Mahala arrived on the first emigrant train to the Willamette Valley, they bought the right of Thomas Owens to a claim of 640 acres, of which Samuel owned the eastern half, Mahala the western. Cozine donated twenty acres of his portion to McMinnville Baptist College in 1881, and the college was moved from its location on First and Cowls (where the Baptist Church now stands) on completion of Pioneer Hall in 1883. The observatory was built just behind Pioneer Hall in 1894, and sometime during that decade, the present Newby Hall originated as a gymnasium, and other buildings no longer standing were erected.

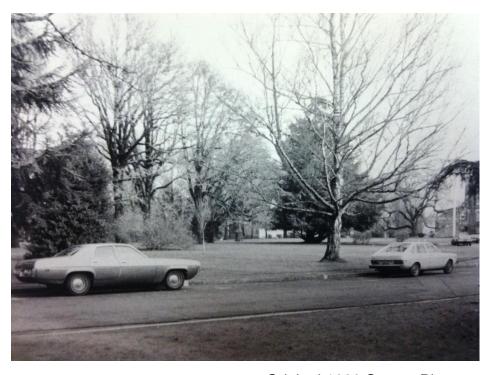
The campus grounds remain a wilderness accessible by wooden bridges over the Cozine Creek until 1928 when a campus improvement program was undertaken, to include the construction of Melrose Hall, the campus Administration Building. Samuel Lancaster, the architect of the Columbia Gorge Highway, was engaged to design a campus plan at that time.

"Gracefully curved concrete drives and walks traversing extensive and well kept lawns soon were a reality. The proposed lake, to be formed by a dam in the Cozine, however, was never anything but a dream. These campus improvements, including the erection of the new building Melrose, necessitated the relocation of the athletic field...during the year ending in June 1929 more money was invested on the campus than in the previous seventy years since the founding college." (Jonas Jonasson, <u>Bricks Without Straw</u>, 1939, p. 122.)

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