## Historic Resources Survey City of McMinnville Yamhill County, Oregon

# Site Information

Site Address			Owner at 1	Owner at Time of Survey					
347 NE 4th St.			Oregon Mu	Oregon Mutual Insurance					
Map/Tax Lot		<b>Current Zoning</b>			Special Tax Assessment		Downtown Historic District		
R4421BC02300		C-3		No	No		No		
Subdivision Name			Block	Lot	Lot Siz	ze Quad	drant		
McMinnville, Original Town of					11		NE		
Site Number Aerial		Number Resource Classification		Resou	•		ignificance		
5.30	J-10	A		378	Primary Re		esource #132		
Historic Information									
Date of Construction Early Additions/ Remodels Builder/Architect									
1922					A.E. Doyle				
Historic Name		Original Use			n Name		Present Use		
Oregon Fire Relief Association		Oregon Mutual Insurance		Oregon Mutual I	Oregon Mutual Insurance			Oregon Mutual Insurance	
Condition of S	tructure	Comments (at time of Survey)							
Building Type		Outbuildings			Building Style		Stories		
Commercial		None			Classic Revival Rectangular Tem		ple 2		
Porch Baser  □ ✓	ment l	Roof Style		Roof Type		Moved	<b>Demolished</b>	Year/Date	
Permit Number(s)		Addition	s/ Alterations						
98B0661		Exterior Addition							
Resc	ource	Inforr	mation						
Recorded By		Date		e	Source	es			
Janice Rutherfor	d								

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Statement of historical significance and description of property:

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One of McMinnville's finest architectural monuments, the Oregon Mutual building is a classical revival design by Portland's well-known A. E. Doyle. Of smooth dressed stone, the two-story building with basement was originally a rectangular temple form oriented toward the north with a three bayed façade and six-bayed side elevations. The façade has a simple pediment, a restrained entablature which encircles the building, and four full Ionic columns. A central door has little ornament: architrave surround and egg and dart moulding. It is superimposed by a one-over-one window with sidelights. The lateral bays are two one-over-one superimposed double hung windows. The east elevation has regular tall windows, the end two are superimposed double-hung, the middle four are nine-lighted casement, separated by Doric pilasters. All windows are recessed without ornament. The north elevation (rear) has two regular two-over-two double hung windows on the second floor and two, twelve lighted fixed windows on the first. There is quoining on the two visible original corners.

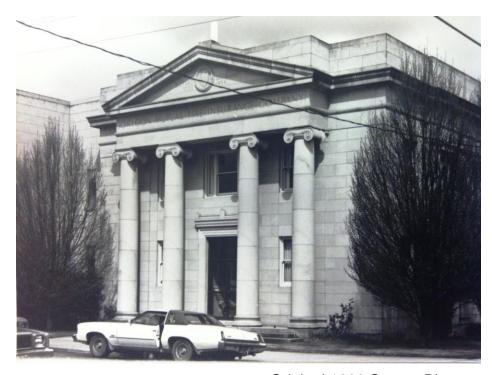
A large ungainly addition has been constructed on the west of Doyle's original, beautifully symmetrical design, and seriously compromises it. Its stepped forward façade is also of smooth dressed stone, has a simple entablature and simple piers separating four nine-lighted casement windows of aluminum frame. Its west elevation is of brown aggregate with regular triple aluminum casement windows. The north of the addition is plain stucco.

Oregon Mutual Fire Relief Association was established in 1894 by Charles Grissens. His house on Fifth and Lafayette was the first property the company insured.

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Original 1983 Survey Photo