

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

**Site Information**

**Site Address**

536 NW 10th St.

**Owner at Time of Survey**

Judith Teneau

**Map/Tax Lot**

R4420AB03800

**Current Zoning**

R-1

**Special Tax Assessment**

No

**Downtown Historic District**

No

**Subdivision Name**

Vanecek Addition

**Block**

10

**Lot**

**Lot Size**

7,560 sq.ft.

**Quadrant**

NW

**Site Number**

1.18

**Aerial Number**

I-9

**Resource Classification**

B

**Resource Number**

61

**Historic Significance**

**Historic Information**

**Date of Construction**

ca. 1880

**Early Additions/ Remodels**

**Builder/Architect**

Unknown, rebuilt by Peter Teneau

**Historic Name**

J.P. Brown House

**Original Use**

Residence

**Common Name**

**Present Use**

Residence

**Condition of Structure**

Excellent

**Comments (at time of Survey)**

**Building Type**

Residential

**Outbuildings**

Attached Greenhouse

**Building Style**

Rural Vernacular

**Stories**

2

**Porch**

**Basement**

**Roof Style**

Gable/Low Hip

**Roof Type**

Composition

**Moved**

**Demolished**

**Year/Date**

**Permit Number(s)**

**Additions/ Alterations**

**Resource Information**

**Recorded By**

Beth Westford, Elizabeth Atly

**Date**

10-12-1983

**Sources**

Peter Teneau, Conversation January 5, 1984

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Statement of historical significance and description of property:

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Two massive evergreen trees frame the central north one-bay low hipped roof entrance porch of this two story rural vernacular home. Double hung sash windows with cornice and lugsilles are symmetrically placed on each side of this north entrance. There is cut out decorative moulding on the northeast and northwest corners of the eaves. The gable roof has close eaves and plain projecting verges on the east and west.

The layout of this two story main section is rectangular and the south wing is one story. There is a porch on the west side of the house with a shed roof supported by two turned posts. The wall construction is shiplap with corner boards. The foundation is cinder block and the roof is composition shingles.

In 1976 this house was completely salvaged and rebuilt by Portland sculptor Peter Teneau. A foundation was built at that time, total structure was rehabilitated and restored, and many fine details enhance the historic character of the house. The turned posts from the front porch were placed on the back porch which had been earlier enclosed. The front porch posts were replaced by 4 x 4 square posts and trimmed out the brackets salvaged from another older house. The form of the brackets is repeated in curved corner plates at the upper corners of the façade. The front door is also salvaged from another older house. Recycled materials have been used effectively throughout the restoration, inside and out. On the back porch a distinctive window treatment has been created with architectural elements, featuring slender engaged colonnettes and a segmental arch over a panel covering a former window and now flanked by two narrow obscure glass windows for the bathroom location. Earlier ad hoc additions were removed resulting in a more integrated structure.

This is the oldest house in the neighborhood and was a farm for many years. According to Mrs. Della DeRaeve who grew up in the house, "My dad Mike Vanecek raised hay for our own use. We used to have a cow for milk and goats to clear blackberry briars down below the hill. All houses in its place now." (letter received April 6, 1984) The Vaneceks lived here from 1940 to 1958.

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Original 1983 Survey Photo



Photos October 2001