

DAYTON HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY

ASSESSOR MAP NUMBER: 4-3-17 DB TAX LOT NUMBER: 8000

PLAT NAME: Lippincotts First Addition LOT: Part of 4 BLOCK: 2

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 421 Sixth Street

CURRENT OWNER: Pamela Oleman

421 Sixth Street, P.O. Box 186, Dayton, OR.

ORIGINAL OWNER: Benjamin Lewis Contributing: 1 Residence

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Benjamin Lewis 1 Outbuilding

STYLE OF ARCHITECTURE: Italianate YEAR BUILT: 1891-2

HISTORIC NAME: Lewis-Shippy Residence HISTORIC USE: Residence

CURRENT NAME: Oleman Residence CURRENT USE: Residence

CONDITION: Good-Fair ALTERATIONS: Major-Moderate

PHOTOGRAPH ROLL-FRAME: 2-36A INTERVIEWEE: _____

RESOURCE NUMBER: 37 RECORDER: Demuth & Rees DATE: 10-28-84

SITE DESCRIPTION: THEME: Architecture

The Lewis-Shippy Residence is situated at the northern corner of Sixth and Ferry Streets in a neighborhood of older homes. The Joel Palmer Residence is across Ferry Street to the south, and Dayton Elementary School is to the east. The house is on a large, grassy lot with a large native maple tree in the front yard.

Less than one acre.

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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Lewis-Shippy House is a two story Italianate house with Bungalow style porches added during the early 1920's. It has a concrete foundation, beveled horizontal siding, and a bellcast hip roof with boxed eaves and decorative brackets. The windows are one over one double hung sash with decorative, bracketed cornices. The side porch has a hip roof, exposed purlins and boxed truncated posts which rest on brick piers. These brick piers extend around to the front of the house, showing the configuration of the original porch. The residence originally had a central fireplace and a square bay on the south end. The original chimney has been removed and replaced with two large exterior chimneys. The original brick fruit cellar remains in the backyard. The house measures 48' X 36'.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION:

According to Ruth Stoller, a local historian, the Lewis-Shippy Residence was "built by Benjamin Lewis in 1891 or 2. Lewis was a farmer-carpenter who built this house in town for his retirement." In the 1870 and 1880 census records, prior to moving to town, Lewis and his family are listed as living west of Dayton. After Lewis' death in 1900, Mary, his widow, moved out of the house. She is listed in the 1900 census records as living near Fourth and Oak Streets, and owning her own home.

The 1910 census records indicate that Lester Shippy, a dry goods merchant, and his family rented the house. It is believed that Shippy's store, "L.J. Shippy & Son," was located in the southern half of the Commercial Club-S.C. Stuckey Building (Resource #13). In later years his son, John joined with Emmett Filer and ran the "Shippy & Filer, General Merchandise" store in the same place. According to long time residents, the Glass and Sherman families are also associated with the Lewis-Shippy Residence. John and Carrie Sherman bought the property in about 1914 and are responsible for the Bungalow modifications.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Lewis-Shippy residence remains today as a well preserved, although slightly modified example of the late-Italianate style of architecture. Criterion c.

SOURCES:

- .Cemetery Survey, Brookside, Dayton, Oregon,
- ."Historic Background of Some Dayton Structures", Ruth Stoller.
- .United States Census, Yamhill County, Dayton, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910.
- .Lippincotts First Addition, annotated map, Venita Mayberry, c. 1934.