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The John D. Boon House, built in 1846 or 1847, is a one and a halfstorey building of slab or "box" construction measuring 26 by 22 feet in which rough sawn planks, about 2 by 8 inches, were nailed vertically against 10 by 10-inch hand-hewn sills. The clapboard siding is of 1/2 by 6-inch boards. The front elevation is formally organized with a double-hung sash window on either side of a central door and brick flues for stoves offset from center at the ridge of medium-pitch gable roof. Rafters of the overhanging eaves are exposed. The initial addition to the rear of the house, which was preserved in the relocation process, measure 11 1/2 by 11 1/2 feet, approximately, is covered with board and batten siding, and has a side porch.



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The simple slab house built by John D. Boon near the Methodist mission mill and Jason Lee's house about 1846 or 1847 is one of Salem's few remaining buildings dating from pre-Territorial days. Early documentary evidence indicates that at one time there were a great many similar single-storey houses of box construction in the Willamette Valley. It is doubtful that many other examples of the type could be identified today. Boon arrived in Oregon in 1845, about the time of dissolution of the Methodist mission. He married the sister of former mission member Lewis H. Judson and became associated with Judson in the enterprise which had originally been the mission's lumber and grist mill. Boon served in the Territorial Legislature, was Territorial Treasurer from 1851 to 1855 and from 1856 to 1859 and the first State Treasurer from 1859 to 1862. In addition, he was one of the original incorporators of Willamette University in Salem, the Pacific Telegraph Co., and the Oregon-California Railroad, and was involved in many other commercial enterprises.

In the 1850s Boon and his family moved into "Mill Place," a house owned by Jason Lee now standing on the same grounds as the Boon House, and the Boon house began a long history as a rental property. Very delapidated, it was given to the Marion County Historical Society in 1972 where a new owner desired to clear the original site at 876 Liberty Street NE in an old district of Salem once known as "Boon's Island." Funds for moving and restoration were provided by a private source, and the house now stands as part of the Thomas Kay Historical Park, site of the original Methodist **miss**ion and the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill. It is thought to be the third oldest house in Salem.



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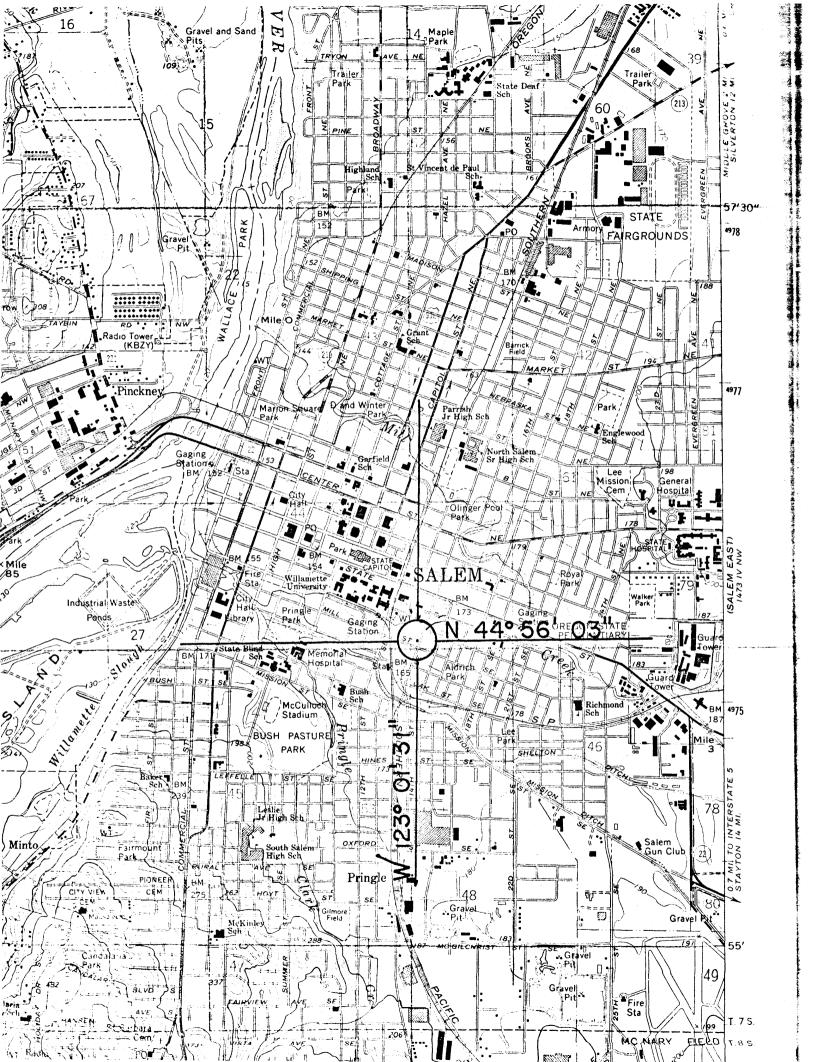
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#### 2. Location

Thomas Kay Historical Park comprises fractions of Blocks 35, 36, 37, and 38 of the University Addition to Salem. It is located in the NW 1/4 Sec. 26, T. 7S., R. 3W. of the Willamette Meridian, Marion County, Oregon.





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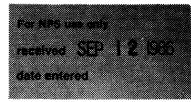
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The purpose of this continuation sheet is to verify that the correct and current address of the above-named property is 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem, Marion County, Oregon. The address change owes not to a change of location, but the establishment of a new address for the owner organization, whose property fronts both 12th Street and Mill Street.

1 Deputy St Preservation Officer ic

Date: September 5, 1986

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