

**Historic Property** Council House  
**Inventory Report for** 231 North Central NE Olympia, Thurston, 98506

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**LOCATION SECTION**

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Historic Name: Council House Field Site No.: 540  
Common Name: (#34-350) OAHP No.:  
Property Address: 231 North Central NE Olympia, Thurston, 98506  
Comments: OLYMPIA

County Township/Range/EW Section 1/4 Sec 1/4 1/4 Sec Quadrangle  
TUMWATER T18R02W 13 NW TUMWATER

**UTM Reference**

Zone: 10 Spatial Type: Point Acquisition Code: TopoZone.com  
Sequence: 0 Easting: 509080 Northing: 5210250

Tax No./Parcel No. Plat/Block/Lot  
66500001300 Olympic Court L-12-13-14

Supplemental Map(s) Acreage  
City of Olympia Planning Department < one

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

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Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson Date Recorded: 9/6/1985 Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Judy L. Geier Owner Address: 231 North Central NE City/State/Zip: Olympia, WA 98506

Classification: Building Resource Status Survey/Inventory Comments

Within a District? No

Contributing? No

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

**DESCRIPTION SECTION**

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Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House

Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House

Plan: Rectangle No. of Stories: 1

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: Intact

Changes to original cladding: Intact

Changes to windows: Intact

Changes to interior: Slight

Changes to other:

Other (specify):

Cladding Stucco

Style Arts & Crafts - Craftsman

Roof Material Wood - Shingle

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Form/Type

Roof Type Gable

## NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1929

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect: Joseph Wohleb

Builder:

Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:

No

Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):

No

Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

**Statement of  
Significance**

This unusual interpretation of the bungalow style was built in 1929 by Wilson and Hunter Construction Company in a Joseph Wohleb design. The owner of the house was A. B. Council who was foreman of the Olympia Creamery.

**Description of  
Physical  
Appearance**

The Council House is a rectangular, one-story stucco bungalow on a poured concrete foundation. The shallow pitched gable roof is covered with wood shingles and has wide overhangs supported by oversized brackets, exposed rafters and wide gable-end fascia boards. A concrete ramp leads up to the gabled front porch, which has tapered stucco columns on elephantine bases supporting an open timber truss at the gable. The porch shelters the central entry door with its wide sidelights, flanked by tripartite picture windows. All the windows have unique Craftsman-style decorative mullions.

**Major  
Bibliographic  
References**

Pioneer Title Company Records.  
Flotree-Sogge Partnership Files. Now at the University of Washington Special Collections Library.

## PHOTOS



View of east facade

taken 9/6/1985

Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):

15-35A

Comments: