

Historic Property Clark House
Inventory Report for 2932 SE Orange Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Clark House Field Site No.: 574
Common Name: (#34-423) OAHP No.:
Property Address: 2932 SE Orange Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County Township/Range/EW Section 1/4 Sec 1/4 1/4 Sec Quadrangle
TUMWATER T18R02W 25 NW TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 Spatial Type: Point Acquisition Code: TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 Easting: 508900 Northing: 5207430

Tax No./Parcel No. Plat/Block/Lot
76800300500 Stratford Place L5 Blk 3

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

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson Date Recorded: 9/18/1985 Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: William A. Frick Owner Address: 2932 Orange Street SE City/State/Zip: Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building Resource Status Survey/Inventory Comments
Within a District? No

Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0
Local District:
National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House
Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House

Plan: Rectangle No. of Stories: 1 1/2

Structural System: Concrete - Block

Changes to plan: Intact Changes to interior: Unknown
Changes to original cladding: Intact Changes to other:
Changes to windows: Intact Other (specify):

Cladding Wood - Clapboard Foundation
Concrete

Style Tudor Form/Type
Roof Material Asphalt / Composition Roof Type Gable

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1941

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

John Clark had the house built in 1941 in a plan by Joseph Wohleb. The house was one of a number of structures built by Frederick Schmidt during the years of World War II. The houses feature concrete block construction erected on a concrete pad. The pad was placed on top of a subfloor of gravel and ash to deter drawing moisture. The concrete block was also extended to the interior of the houses some of which had interior concrete walls while others had some frame construction. Concrete block came from the Greystone Concrete Company in Olympia. Frank Hallmeyer did the concrete work and B. B. Jensvold also assisted in the project. The houses were constructed of concrete because of the difficulty in procuring wood during the war. They were well built with double wall construction with a two inch airspace and good ceiling insulation as well. About 8 to 10 houses were built in the area of Eskridge and Orange streets.

Description of Physical Appearance

The Clark House is rectangular one-and-one-half-story structure of simplified English Revival design, resting on a concrete block foundation. The gable roof is covered with composition shingles and has close eaves. Walls of the first story are of unpainted concrete brick, and two chimneys of similar brick rise on the north and south walls. The gables are clad with rusticated clapboards. The interior walls are of concrete block. Beneath a small offset gable on the front (west) facade, the main entry door is recessed in a segmental arch with brick lintel and quoins. A cross gable extends to the north, over a wide porch with slender square columns which connects the house to a double garage. Fenestration consists of a multi-paned fixed and casement windows, and french doors open onto the covered porch. The house is maintained in good condition but has had some renovations from the original including enclosure of the car port.

Major Bibliographic References

Information from Frederick Schmidt, Jr. and Alvin Padget who both worked on the construction of the houses.

PHOTOS



View of south facade

taken 9/1/1997

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

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Comments: