

Historic Property J.H. Post Store
Inventory Report for 314 Southeast Washington Street Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: J.H. Post Store **Field Site No.:** 613
Common Name: (#34-643) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 314 Southeast Washington Street Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
 T18R02W 14 NW TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507680 **Northing:** 5210220

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
78502100100 Sylvester L1 Blk 21

Supplemental Map(s) **Acreage**
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IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 10/11/1985 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: John D Hartung **Owner Address:** PO Box 1415 **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98507

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

Contributing? No

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

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Commerce/Trade - Business
Current Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Plan: Rectangle **No. of Stories:** 1

Structural System: Concrete - Poured

Changes to plan: Intact **Changes to interior:** Unknown
Changes to original cladding: Intact **Changes to other:**
Changes to windows: Slight **Other (specify):**
Cladding Concrete **Foundation** Concrete - Poured
Style Commercial **Form/Type**
Roof Material Asphalt / Composition - Rolled **Roof Type** Unknown

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit	Other	Date Of Construction: <u>1928</u>
<u>Architecture/Landscape Architecture</u>		Architect: <u>Joseph Wohleb</u>
<u>Commerce</u>		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 One of the best examples of commercial structures in the north end of downtown, the J. H. Post Store Building was built in 1928 in a Joseph Wohleb design. Born in Michigan in 1888, Post was proprietor of Post Electric and active in the oyster business in Olympia. He was state senator from 1929 to 1933 and active in many local fraternal organizations.

Description of Physical Appearance 1985 appearance: This is a rectangular, one-story concrete structure of utilitarian design. Its vaulted roof is surrounded by a Mission Revival steel stepped parapet. The long front (west) facade has six bays with plate glass and multi-paned windows and entry doors (mostly boarded over) topped by a flat metal canopy and multi-paned transoms. The north facade has a multi-paned transom and a tall garage door. 1997 appearance: The building has been completely renovated as a mini-storage facility and has lost the majority of its historic features.

Major Bibliographic References Maddox, Dawn, "Joseph Wohleb: resident architect of the State Capital," Landmarks, Vol. IV, No. 4. Obituary for J. H. Post, Daily Olympian, June 13, 1956 p. 1.

PHOTOS



View of NW corner
taken 10/23/1985
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
28-11
Comments: