



## NARRATIVE SECTION

<b>Study Unit</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Date Of Construction:</b> <u>1906</u>
<u>Architecture/Landscape Architecture</u>		<b>Architect:</b>
<u>Commerce</u>		<b>Builder:</b>
		<b>Engineer:</b>

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 handsome house was built in 1906 by Paul Neuffer. Neuffer first established his jeweler's business in Olympia in 1890. A native of Germany who had worked in New York, Arizona, New Mexico and Los Angeles, Neuffer first had a shop at 4th near Washington downtown in Olympia. In 1906 he built the present Neuffer business block on Capitol Way in concrete construction. The Neuffer House was also the residence of Tom O'Leary, a local attorney for many years. Listed on the Olympia Heritage Register.

**Description of Physical Appearance** The Neuffer House is a rectangular, one-and-one-half-story wood frame bungalow on a poured concrete foundation. Its hip-roof is covered with composition shingles and has wide eaves with exposed rafters; it has wide hip-roofed dormers on the front (east) and side facades. Walls are clad with narrow clapboards. Offset on the front facade is a recessed porch with square columns, which shelters the main entry door; the door has a bevelled, leaded glass window and sidelights. To the left of the porch is a polygonal bay. The north facade has another polygonal bay, and a rectangular bay is located on the south facade. Fenestration includes large single and double-hung sash with multi-paned upper lights, and smaller double-hung sash in the dormers. A recessed porch on the north facade leads to another entry door. At the rear of the house is a detached garage.

**Major Bibliographic References** Ingham, Dr. Reed, "The 17th Street Story Continues," Olympia News, May 5, 1982.  
"Neuffer's Is Pioneer Store in this City," Daily Olympian, April 20, 1916.

## PHOTOS



**View of** southeast corner

**taken** 9/27/1985

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