

Historic Property Bridges House
Inventory Report for 301 21st Ave SW, Olympia, WA 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Bridges House **Field Site No.:** 657
Common Name: Goldberg House (#34-546) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 301 21st Ave SW, Olympia, WA 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA/OLYWOMEN

County	Township/Range/EW	Section	1/4 Sec	1/4 1/4 Sec	Quadrangle
<u> </u>	<u>T18R02W</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>SW</u>		<u>TUMWATER</u>

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507450 **Northing:** 5208290

Tax No./Parcel No. 51100300100 **Plat/Block/Lot** Graingers S&D L1-2-3 Blk 3

Supplemental Map(s) **Acreage**
City of Olympia Planning Department 1.84

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 10/2/1985 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Alan E Goldberg **Owner Address:** 301 21st Ave SW **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building **Resource Status** Survey/Inventory **Comments**
Within a District? Yes

Contributing? Yes

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name: SOUTH CAPITOL NEIGHBORHOOD HISTORIC DISTRICT

DESCRIPTION SECTION

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

Plan: T-Shape **No. of Stories:** 1 1/2

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: <u>Intact</u>	Changes to interior: <u>Unknown</u>
Changes to original cladding: <u>Intact</u>	Changes to other:
Changes to windows: <u>Intact</u>	Other (specify):
Cladding <u>Shingle</u>	Foundation <u>Concrete - Poured</u>
Style <u>Tudor</u>	Form/Type
Roof Material <u>Asphalt / Composition</u>	Roof Type <u>Hip</u>

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit	Other
Architecture/Landscape Architecture	Women's History
Commerce	
Politics/Government/Law	

Date Of Construction: 1923
Architect: Elizabeth Ayer
Builder:
Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places: Yes
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 most distinctive and finest homes in Olympia, the Bridges House was built in 1923 in a design by Elizabeth Ayer, a local Olympian. Miss Ayer has the distinction of being the first woman graduate of the University of Washington Architecture School. She practiced with Edwin Ivey of Seattle. Jesse B. Bridges, a Washington Supreme Court Justice, was born in Indiana in 1862. He practiced law there and in Aberdeen and was prosecutor of Grays Harbor County before being appointed to the bench in 1919. He served until 1927. Longtime residents of the house are the Alan Goldbergs. Originally beginning in South Dakota, Goldbergs opened their furniture store in Olympia in 1934 at a site on 5th Avenue. They built their new store in the 1950's. Brothers Alan and Arthur have been active in the firm.

Description of Physical Appearance Located on a landscaped lot adjacent to a wooded slope above Capitol Lake, the Bridges House is an elongated, T-shaped wood frame structure of one-and-one-half stories, built in the English Revival style on a poured concrete foundation. It sits on an east/west axis, with a rear wing projecting to the south. Its hipped and gabled roof is covered with composition shingles and has close eaves with exposed rafters; the roof is broken by shed-roofed dormers on the front (north) and rear facades. Walls are clad with wood shingles. The arched entry door beneath the central front gable is recessed in an archway, which is flanked by pilasters and topped by flush balustrade. To the right of the entry on a slightly lower level, shuttered multi-paned french doors flank the wide brick chimney; above the doors are decorative walls plaques with garlands in relief. Other fenestration includes shuttered multi-paned casements and double-hung sash. The east wall has a double garage door. The house is a fine example of its architect's work, and is maintained in excellent condition.

Major Bibliographic References Fagan, Mary, "Background and Selection Patterns of Justices of the Washington State Supreme Court: 1889-1974", research paper, Pullman, 1974.
Information from Elizabeth Ayer.

PHOTOS



View of north facade
taken 9/27/1985
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
21-34A
Comments: