

Historic Property McClelland House
Inventory Report for 327 Northwest Sherman Street Olympia, Thurston, 98502

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: McClelland House **Field Site No.:** 687
Common Name: (#34-598) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 327 Northwest Sherman Street Olympia, Thurston, 98502
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
█ T18R02W 15 NE TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 506610 **Northing:** 5210270

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
85002201400 Woodruff L14 B22

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

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 10/4/1985 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Heather Reed **Owner Address:** 327 North Sherman **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98502

Classification: Building **Resource Status** **Comments**

Within a District? No **Survey/Inventory**

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:** 2 1/2

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: Intact

Changes to interior: Intact

Changes to original cladding: Intact

Changes to other:

Changes to windows: Intact

Other (specify):

Cladding Wood - Drop Siding

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Shingle

Style Vernacular

Form/Type Single Family - Gable Fronter / Homestead Hou

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition

Roof Type Gable

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1904

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

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**

A well-preserved decorated pioneer style house, this house was part of the development by J. R. Chaplin on the West Side. It was sold in 1904 by Chaplin to B. R. McClelland, a high school principal. J. R. Chaplin was a Congregationalist Minister who sat about building a utopian community and college on Cooper Point in 1891. He did succeed in operating the People's University from 1902 to 1906. His son, Emery was editor of a school publication. Chaplin also developed homesites in this area of the West Side. He purchased about 30 lots from Sam Woodruff in 1893 and built homes for sale on them.

**Description of
Physical
Appearance**

The McClelland House is a rectangular, two-and-one-half-story wood frame structure of Pioneer style with Neo-Colonial detailing, on a poured concrete foundation. Its gable roof is covered with composition shingles and has bracketed eaves and exposed rafters; walls are clad with drop siding and cornerboards, with fishscale shingles in the front (east) gable set off by horizontal banding. Spanning the front (east) facade is a one-story, hip roofed porch with latticework foundation panels, turned posts and a simple balustrade; the porch shelters the main entry door and the roof has a pedimented, shingled gable above the door. Fenestration includes tall double-hung sash with one-over-one lights, and a multi-paned fanlight window in the front gable. A one-story, gable-roofed extension projects to the rear, and behind the house is a double garage of later vintage.

**Major
Bibliographic
References**

Stevenson, Shanna, Olympiana: Historical Vignettes of Olympia, State Capital Museum, 1982.
Pioneer Title Company Records.

PHOTOS



View of east facade

taken 10/4/1985

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

23-20A

Comments: