

Historic Property Edward Anderson House
Inventory Report for 417 Southwest Olympic Way Olympia, Thurston, 98502

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Edward Anderson House **Field Site No.:** 690
Common Name: (#34-605) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 417 Southwest Olympic Way Olympia, Thurston, 98502
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
[REDACTED] T18R02W 15 SE TUMWATER

UTM Reference

Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 506770 **Northing:** 5209840

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
68600500500 Percival L5&6 Blk 5

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: Mark Harriman **Owner Address:** 417 Olympic Way SW **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98502

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

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

Contributing? Local Register

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

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 Stucco

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Style Spanish - Mission

Form/Type

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition

Roof Type Unknown

Hip

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit	Other	Date Of Construction: <u>1928</u>
<u>Architecture/Landscape Architecture</u>		Architect:
<u>Manufacturing/Industry</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 The house was built in 1928 by Adolf and Ella Bloom and purchased in 1934 by Edward and Helena Wickstrom Anderson of Tumwater Lumber Mills Co. Edward was the fourth of the brothers, born in Sweden in 1893 and coming to America in 1912. He was employed on a sailing vessel in New York Harbor and worked at Fort Dodge, Iowa as a cabinet maker. He embarked from Seattle in 1918 to Alaska to supervise the erection of a cannery building there. He served in the army in World War I and in 1919 joined his brothers Arthur and Ossian in Olympia to develop the Anderson Brothers Mills. Natives of Ursviken, Sweden, the Anderson brothers successively immigrated to the United States. Their father had extensive interests in lumber in Sweden. The brothers purchased the Ward Mill near Tumwater falls in 1920 and logged at Mud Bay and Shelton. They built a mill at Mendota in Lewis County and in 1922 began the production of pre-cut houses, the first operation of its kind in the west. The houses were very successful and were shipped throughout the United States and Europe. In 1924 the brothers formed the Olympia Harbor Lumber Company and in 1928 imported the first Swedish Gang Saw in the United States to cut smaller diameter trees. They also built during that time the first sulfite pulp mill on the Pacific Coast to manufacture chemical wood pulp at Anacortes. Other mills followed at Bellingham and Everett, thus introducing one of the largest industries to the state. Listed on the Olympia Heritage Register. The Andersons owned the house until 1966.

Description of Physical Appearance The Anderson House is a rectangular, two-story stucco structure built in the Mission Revival style on a poured concrete foundation. The hip roof of the two-story north section is covered with composition shingles and has close eaves, while the one-story south section has a flat roof with a stepped parapet. Centered on the front (east) facade is a small hip-roofed porch with a stucco archway; it shelters the mahogany entry door. The porch is flanked by shuttered, tripartite windows with multi-paned upper sash, topped by projecting hoods. Other fenestration is shuttered double-hung sash with six-over-six lights. A wide concrete block chimney of later vintage rises on the south wall. The Andersons enlarged the house in 1954.

Major Bibliographic References Pollard and Spencer, The History of Washington, 1937, Vol III pp.

PHOTOS



View of east facade
taken 10/4/1985
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
 23-27A
Comments: