

Historic Property Barnes Bank
Inventory Report for 114 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Barnes Bank Field Site No.: 710
Common Name: (#34-677) OAHP No.:
Property Address: 114 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

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

UTM Reference

Zone: 10 Spatial Type: Point Acquisition Code: TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 Easting: 507600 Northing: 5210000

Tax No./Parcel No. Plat/Block/Lot
78501300100 Sylvester Pt L1 & L2 Blk 13

Supplemental Map(s) Acreage
City of Olympia Planning Department .03

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson Date Recorded: 10/16/1985 Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Nancy A Sigafoos Owner Address: 114 1/2 Capitol Way N City/State/Zip: Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building Resource Status Survey/Inventory Comments

Within a District? Yes

Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name: OLYMPIA DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Commerce/Trade - Financial Institution

Current Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Plan: Rectangle No. of Stories: 2

Structural System: Brick

Changes to plan: Intact

Changes to interior: Moderate

Changes to original cladding: Intact

Changes to other:

Changes to windows: Extensive

Other (specify):

Cladding Brick

Foundation Brick

Stucco

Style Commercial

Form/Type

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition - Rolled

Roof Type Unknown

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit	Other	Date Of Construction:	<u>1869</u>
<u>Commerce</u>		Architect:	<u>Mr. Abbott</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): Yes
Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

Statement of Significance Built in 1869 by George Barnes, it was the first bank in Olympia and only the third in Washington Territory and the first brick building in downtown Olympia. Barnes had crossed the plains in 1850 and opened a store in Portland. In 1851 he moved to Olympia and again opened a store. Barnes became a very prominent Olympia citizen. He organized the Barnes Hook & Ladder Volunteer Fire Company and paid for its equipment and uniforms. He was also the first mayor of Olympia after the town was incorporated. He was active in 1865 in bringing the Mercer Girls to Olympia. He also helped build the narrow gauge railroad line from Olympia to Tacoma in 1872 and was founder of the Humane Society in 1890.

Description of Physical Appearance This is a rectangular, two-story structure of brick masonry construction with a flat roof. The walls are clad with stucco, although a large hole in the surface at the southwest front corner shows the original brick below. The front facade has a modern storefront with plate glass windows topped by a frosted glass transom, and three metal casement windows on the second floor. The south side wall has some older double-hung sash on the second floor.

Major Bibliographic References Newell, Gordon, "Olympia's Yesterdays," Olympia News, May 5, 1983.

PHOTOS



View of SW corner
taken 10/16/1985
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
25-22A
Comments: