

**Historic Property** George House  
**Inventory Report for** 125 - 17th Avenue SE Olympia, Thurston, 98501

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**LOCATION SECTION**

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**Historic Name:** George House **Field Site No.:** 839  
**Common Name:** (#34-890) **OAHP No.:**  
**Property Address:** 125 - 17th Avenue SE Olympia, Thurston, 98501  
**Comments:** OLYMPIA

**County** **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**  
**[REDACTED]** T18R02W 23 TUMWATER

**UTM Reference**  
**Zone:** 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com  
**Sequence:** 0 **Easting:** 508700 **Northing:** 5208620

**Tax No./Parcel No.** **Plat/Block/Lot**  
70800202400 Riggs L23 Blk 2 & part L 24

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

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

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**Field Recorder:** Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 7/1/1997 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

**Owner's Name:** Scott & Catherine Smith **Owner Address:** 125 17th Ave SE **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98501

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

**Within a District?** Yes Local Register

**Contributing?** Yes

**National Register Nomination:**

**Local District:**

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

**DESCRIPTION SECTION**

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

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

**Plan:** Rectangle **No. of Stories:** 2

**Structural System:** Plank

**Changes to plan:** Intact

**Changes to original cladding:** Slight

**Changes to windows:** Slight

**Changes to interior:** Slight

**Changes to other:**

**Other (specify):**

**Cladding** Wood - Clapboard

Wood - Drop Siding

**Style** Vernacular

**Roof Material** Asphalt / Composition

**Foundation** Concrete - Block

**Form/Type** Single Family - Gable Fronter / Homestead Hou

**Roof Type** Gable

**NARRATIVE SECTION**

Study Unit	Other
Architecture/Landscape Architecture	

Date Of Construction: 1896  
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): Yes - National  
Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

**Statement of Significance** The house is modest example of the Pioneer Style with intact windows although changes have been made on the porch. The house also has an outbuilding in the same style. This could have been a barn. This property is part of the Riggs Plat. Thomas and Catherine Riggs sold the property in 1892 to Albert Wilson who sold it in 1893 to Dan and Luella Munro for \$1350. This may have been part of the inflated prices during the boom times of 1892. Dan & Luella probably built the house and sold it in 1907 to O. George for \$2000. O. Orville George owned it until 1932 when it was sold to Bert Coulson. Munro, George and Coulson all worked in the lumber industry. The Sandborn maps for 1908 end just short of this area so it is unknown if it was at this location originally or moved later.

**Description of Physical Appearance** Historic Features: 1. Two and one half story Pioneer style, front gable house with a steeply pitched roof. 2. Two over two paired double hung sash windows with decorative window heads on some windows. 3. Drop siding. 4. Shed roof porch with turned posts and open work trim (may not be original. ) 5. Rear outbuilding of similar style. 6. Transom over the front door. Non-historic additions Newer front door. Lost Features: 1. Front door. 2. Porch railing.

**Major Bibliographic References** Source: Pioneer Title Company Records; Polk City Directories.

**PHOTOS**



View of North Facade  
taken 7/1/1997  
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):  
41-2A  
Comments: