

Historic Property A.S & Eva Purdue House
Inventory Report for 420 Lybarger Street SE Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: A.S & Eva Purdue House **Field Site No.:** 880
Common Name: (#34-870) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 420 Lybarger Street SE Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
 T18R02W 13 SW TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 509180 **Northing:** 5210002

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
36300101000 Boyd's L10 Blk 1

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

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

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

Owner's Name: Charlotte Simons/Jeff Smith **Owner Address:** 420 Lybarger Street SE **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98501

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:** 1 1/2

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: Slight **Changes to interior:** Intact

Changes to original cladding: Intact **Changes to other:**

Changes to windows: Intact **Other (specify):**

Cladding Shingle **Foundation** Concrete - Poured

Style Vernacular **Form/Type** Single Family - Side Gable

Roof Material Wood - Shingle **Roof Type** Gable

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit Architecture/Landscape Architecture	Other	Date Of Construction: <u>1922</u>
		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 This Vernacular Style home is located in East Olympia on a dead end street abutting 4th Avenue. From available records it appears that it was built ca. 1925 by a local carpenter, DeForrest Meeker who took out a mortgage on the property in 1922. The 1924 Sandborn map shows the house. The property changed hands to Tom and Estelle Robinson and then to Kathleen Mosher. Neither of those owners are shown from city directories as living in the house. Archie and Eva Purdue purchased the house in 1927 and owned it until the 1940s. Purdue was a millworker with Olympia Veneer and Washington Veneer. His wife was a saleswoman at a local grocery store. The house is a relatively unaltered property featuring shingle cladding and multi-pane windows and doors. The shed porch is supported by round posts. A newer flat one story addition is on the rear. An outbuilding is on the property. A puzzling feature of the house is a granite marker in the yard with the name "Elizabeth Johnson" engraved on it. The house was listed on the Olympia Heritage Register in 1996.

Description of Physical Appearance A. Historic Features: 1. One and one-half rectangular side gable structure set on a concrete foundation. 2. Shingle cladding. 3. Shingle roof. 4. Windows are multi-pane sash ranging from 10 over 10 to fewer panes. Two of the 10 over 10 windows flank the center front entry. 5. Front (west) side has a central entry with a multi-pane upper section which appears to be original. 6. A full width front porch is supported by rounded columns.

Major Bibliographic References Source: Pioneer Title Company Records, Polk City Directories, Thurston County Assessor's Records. Obituaries for Eva Purdue, Daily Olympian, March 7, 1975 and Archie Purdue, Daily Olympian December 4, 1974.

PHOTOS



View of Southwest Facade
taken 7/1/1997
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
42-32
Comments: