

Historic Property Parr House

Inventory Report for 1518 Columbia Street SW Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Parr House **Field Site No.:** 885
Common Name: (#34-878) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 1518 Columbia Street SW Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County	Township/Range/EW	Section	1/4 Sec	1/4 1/4 Sec	Quadrangle
<u></u>	<u>T18R02W</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>NW</u>	<u></u>	<u>TUMWATER</u>

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507380 **Northing:** 5208870

Tax No./Parcel No. 31300500400 **Plat/Block/Lot** Allen L4 Blk 5

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: <u>Karl Herzog</u>	Owner Address: <u>1518 Columbia Street SW</u>	City/State/Zip: <u>Olympia, WA 98501</u>
Classification: <u>Building</u>	Resource Status	Comments
Within a District? <u>Yes</u>	<u>Survey/Inventory</u>	
Contributing? <u>Yes</u>	<u>Local Register</u>	

National Register Nomination: 0
Local District:
National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name: SOUTH CAPITOL NEIGHBORHOOD HISTORIC DISTRICT

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House
Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House
Plan: Square **No. of Stories:** 2
Structural System: Balloon Frame
Changes to plan: Moderate **Changes to interior:** Moderate
Changes to original cladding: Extensive **Changes to other:**
Changes to windows: Slight **Other (specify):**
Cladding Shingle - Concrete/Asbestos **Foundation** Concrete - Block
Style American Foursquare **Form/Type**
Roof Material Asphalt / Composition **Roof Type** Hip

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1893

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

Politics/Government/Law

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 according to available information was built in the 1890's and stood where the Temple of Justice is now located. It was moved prior to the construction of that building in 1912. (The 1891 and 1908 Sanborn Maps of Olympia show a number of houses in that location. First owners of the house after it was relocated were Harry and Evelyn George Parr. They lived in the home until 1961. Harry Parr was a longtime Olympia attorney originally from Ohio and Canada who practiced law privately and for the state. His son William Parr was a longtime practitioner in Olympia and his grandson, William Parr Jr. continues to practice law in the city. Evelyn George's family were grocers in Olympia. Her father Orville George had a store on 4th near the waterfront and her brother M. E. George had a grocery in the Angelus Hotel Building after the turn of the century. According to Mrs. William (Esther) Parr, the house looks from Columbia Street much as it did when her husband grew up in the house.

Description of Physical Appearance

1. Two story, four square style house set on a rusticated concrete block foundation. 2. Hipped roof with wide eaves. 3. Asbestos shingle siding. 4. Long, narrow, paired one over one double hung sash fenestration. 5. Shed roof front porch has plain posts and a low turned post railing (could be a replacement). 6. Entry is centered on the front facade and is flanked by multi-pane french doors. 7. North side full-height brick chimney. 8. One story rear addition. 9. Historic landscape features include a California Redwood and "King George" Rhododendron Non-historic additions 1. Newer rear dormer and deck. 2. Cladding 3. Porch roof

Major Bibliographic References

Source: Sanborn Fire Insurance maps, 1891, 1908, 1924. Telephone interview with Esther Parr, July 15, 1992.

PHOTOS



View of West Facade

taken 7/1/1997

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

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Comments: