

Historic Property H.L. and Clara Lewis House
Inventory Report for 2405 Old Oregon Trail SW Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: H.L. and Clara Lewis House **Field Site No.:** 899
Common Name: (#34-873) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 2405 Old Oregon Trail SW Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** T18R02W **Section** 23 **1/4 Sec** SW **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle** TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507480 **Northing:** 5208050

Tax No./Parcel No. 38500200200 **Plat/Block/Lot** Capital Park Lot 1/2 Blk 2

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

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

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

Owner's Name: Glenn and Marci Waugh **Owner Address:** 2405 Old Oregon Trail SW **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98501

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

Within a District? Yes **Survey/Inventory** Local Register

Contributing? Yes

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: Rectangle **No. of Stories:** 1 1/2

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 Wood - Clapboard

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Shingle

Style Arts & Crafts - Craftsman

Form/Type

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition

Roof Type Gable

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1911

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

Commerce

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 is an excellent example of the Craftsman/Bungalow Style. It was built for Harry L. and Clara Lewis. Harry L. Lewis was a native of Lansing, Michigan and came to Olympia in 1905. He was editor of the Daily Olympian for many years and was Thurston County Auditor for two terms. He also operated the Capitol Service Bureau. His wife, Clara E. (Stiegler) Lewis was born in Ellensburg. She came to Olympia in 1902 and worked for the Department of Public Instruction. She married Harry Lewis in 1908.

Description of Physical Appearance

1. Large one and one-half story rectangular wood frame structure built in the Craftsman/Bungalow Style set on a concrete foundation. 2. The house has wide eaves with brackets and fascia boards on the gable ends. 3. The porch is recessed under the main gable and has a sun porch on the south side. The north side has groups of four square posts supporting the porch which has a low railing. The main entry is a paneled door in the recessed section. 4. The sun porch has large three-section windows with some casement windows. The top sections are vertically segmented. The sun porch has a multi-pane entry door flanked by sidelights. 5. The front (east) side has a low shed roof dormer with small windows with segmented panes. 6. Clapboard cladding with shingling on the second story. 7. Windows have vertically segmented top sections and are casement and double hung sash.

Major Bibliographic References

Obituary for Clara E. Lewis, Daily Olympian, May 4, 1960. Obituary for Harry L. Lewis, Daily Olympian. November 4, 1949. p.1.

PHOTOS



View of East Facade

taken 8/1/1997

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

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Comments: