



**TACOMA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
 NOMINATION FORM**

This form is required to nominate properties to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places per Tacoma Municipal Code 13.07.050. Type all entries and complete all applicable sections. Contact the Historic Preservation Office with any questions at 253-591-5254.

PART 1: PROPERTY INFORMATION (for 'HELP' press the F1 key)

| Property Name | |
|--|---|
| Historic Name The Well R. Sears House | Common Name <u>The Sears House</u> |
| Location | |
| Street Address 3334 North Gove Street (previously 3404 North Gove Street) Zip 98407 Tacoma | |
| Parcel No(s). 0221253000 | Legal Description and Plat or Addition: Section 25 Township 21 Range 02 Quarter 32: BEG 100 FT S of SW COR of N 35 th & Gove ST TH W 120 FT TH S 150 FT TH E 120 FT TH N 150 FT to BEG |
| Nominated Elements | |
| Please indicate below significant elements of the property that are included in the nomination by checking the appropriate box(es) below. These elements should be described specifically in the narrative section of this form. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Principal Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Additions <input type="checkbox"/> Accessory Buildings/Outbuildings | <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Landscaping, Fencing, Walkways, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Spaces/Other (inventory in narrative) |
| 04/2017 | |

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747 Market Street ❖ Room 345 ❖ Tacoma WA 98402-3793 ❖ 253.591.5254

Owner of Property

Name Celena Kathan and Robert Koehne

Address 3334 North Gove Street City Tacoma State WA Zip 98407

Is the owner the sponsor of this nomination? If not, please provide evidence that the owner has been contacted.

Yes No

Owner Signature, if possible:

Form Preparer

Name/Title Celena Kathan Company/Organization _____

Address 3334 North Gove Street City Tacoma State WA Zip 98407

Phone 206-849-8279 Email Ckathan@hotmail.com

Nomination Checklist—Attachments

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$100 Filing Fee (payable to City Treasurer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation Sheets |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site Map (REQUIRED) | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Plans |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photographs (REQUIRED): <i>please label or caption photographs and include a photography index</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please indicate): _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Last Deed of Title (REQUIRED): <i>this document can usually be obtained for little or no cost from a titling company</i> | |

FOR OFFICE USE

Date Received _____

Fee Paid _____

Narrative (continued)

PART 2: PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Extent of Changes

Please summarize the changes that have been made to the original plan, exterior, materials, cladding, windows, interior, and other significant elements by selecting the choices below. If the property has been previously documented, these may be indicated on the Washington State Historic Property Inventory Form. These changes should be described specifically in the narrative section of this form.

| | Original Materials Intact | | | Original Materials Intact | |
|---|---|--|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Plan (i.e.: no additions to footprint, relocation of walls, or roof plan) | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Interior (woodwork, finishes, flooring, fixtures) | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Original cladding/exterior materials | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Other elements | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Windows (no replacement windows or replacement sashes) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | |

Physical Description Narrative

Introduction:

The Wells R. Sears house sits on a .41-acre parcel of land near the corner of North Gove Street and North 35th Streets in Tacoma's Sherman neighborhood. Set in a residential area, bungalow-style and post-World War II homes surround the home. The 2-story home, with a full attic and basement, is orientated east-west. The house faces the east with the front porch set up on a small hill. The detached front 2-car garage is at the base of the small hill and faces the street. The south side with the stacked 3-window bays overlooks the neighbor's yard (hidden by a laurel bush). The west side faces the alley and includes a 2nd floor access door and the kitchen. The north side overlooks the side yard, a detached 3-bay shop, and two large trees. The Tacoma Daily Ledger newspaper wrote on May 18, 1902, "W.R. Sears will build a residence of eight rooms on a five-acre tract near Whitworth college, which will cost about \$4,500. The tract will be improved. It will be a modern, up-to-date house, the wood in the halls and floors being of fir; also a stone cellar and hot water and heat. George W. Bullard prepared the plans and specifications."

Exterior:

This home is an American Four-Square home with a square, boxy design, a center dormer, and a large wrap-around front porch. The porch boasts three sets of stairs with 2-3 Tuscan columns per box. The wood frame home has a granite foundation, cedar wood clapboard siding with corner boards, and the interior walls are made of lathe and plaster. On both the first and second floors, there is a 3-sided bay stacked on top of each other. The front of the house has a balcony on the 2nd floor, accessible through the front window of each bedroom. The external portion of the 2 chimneys were missing when purchased in 2016. They may have fallen down during the Nisqually earthquake, but this has not been confirmed. There was a windmill to the north of the home by the 1912 Sanborn Fire Insurance map. The windmill notation was covered as well as several outbuildings on the property.

Interior:

The inside has some touches of the late Victorian era with beautiful hemlock and fir woodwork. Most of the 44 windows (majority are one over one double hung sash windows) are original (and working!) to the home and include 5 leaded glass windows in the front niche and grand staircase landing. The main floor retains the original details such as 2 working pocket doors, built-in cabinets on either side of the fireplace, Tuscan columns and spindle detailing is used to separate the front and back parlors, and wainscoting and a large built-in with leaded glass in the dining room. The interior doors in the home are original (save 1 on the 2nd floor) as is the front door. Most of the hardware is also original to the home. A boiler and radiators are used to heat the home. The second floor has 4 bedrooms (one bedroom has a small fireplace) and a bathroom. The master bedroom is separated from the fireplace bedroom by a "Jack and

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Jill" closet. The bathroom has the original claw foot tub, sitz bath, and marble sink. The attic and basement are rough and largely untouched save for the bedrooms/closets added in the 1940s. One interesting detail is a corner sink (not functioning) on the small landing between the basement and the 1st floor kitchen area. The floors on the main floor have been finished in oak prior to 2016, the second-floor floors and the grand staircase are the original fir.

Modifications prior to 2016:

Although there have been some modifications to the inside of the home, the exterior of the home has been left largely untouched (and subsequently, in poor repair). Here is the list of known modifications:

The home was converted into a boarding house in the 1940s with the dining room converted into a bedroom (all rooms were reverted back to their original use prior to 2016), and one of the upstairs bedrooms converted into a kitchen to service the tenants on the 2nd floor. An exterior door and staircase were added to the servant's staircase as an outdoor access for the 2nd floor tenants. The large butler's pantry was converted to a full bath and all elements of the pantry were lost save for two original windows. A bedroom/closet was built in the basement and rented to a local schoolteacher and there was also a bedroom/closet built in the attic.

The Assessor gives the garage a 1905 year of construction (location unknown), but the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps show a garage at the current location only after circa 1945/1950. The current garage is a two-car concrete building with single-pane windows and wooden carriage doors. Another 3-bay shop was added to the property in 1975 (brand: Quonset). There was also a metal double door added to the basement at some point.

Restoration after current homeowners purchased the home October 31, 2016:

- Several windows were broken and were replaced with either old glass or modern glass that had the wavy look of old glass. The weights were put back in place so each window functions.
- The porches were restored, and a third staircase was added with the porch extension (during the kitchen/bathroom remodel).
- The plumbing was updated (during the kitchen/bathroom remodel).
- The electrical was updated.
- The boiler was replaced, and all radiators serviced.
- There were significant holes/rotten plaster/water damage in the interior walls that were fixed. The lathe and plaster were restored where possible and very little dry wall was used.
- Carpet was removed throughout the house and the floors were refinished throughout the two main floors and restored where needed.
- The first-floor fireplace mantel was painted in the past so was stripped as much as possible to original beautiful taupe colored bricks.
- The metal basement door was upgraded to a fir door with beveled glass windows to mimic the look of the front door.

The kitchen/bathroom was remodeled in 2018-2019 by MRF Construction with special care taken to preserve the architectural and historic integrity of the house:

- The back porch was enclosed to create a larger kitchen space. The kitchen has new one over one double hung vinyl clad wood windows (Andersen 400 series) to match the original exterior appearance of the house.
- The wrap-around porch was extended to include this addition.
- The full bathroom (in the original butler's pantry location) was reduced to a ¾ bath. During this remodel, the previously hidden passthrough as well as the small pantry

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window and hardware were discovered. Both were restored to working condition. The end of the hallway now boasts a small nod to the previous butler's pantry.

--The wood elevator mechanism was also found in the crawlspace between the floors. The builder recreated the wood elevation and it is now in good working order.

--The molding pieces were salvaged and restored where possible and when not possible, meticulously recreated to match the rest of the house. The door frames alone took 17 individual pieces of wood to recreate the original frames.

--The original maple kitchen flooring was taken up and saved for a future project. One interesting note, the tongue and groove boards are stamped "Tacoma".

--During the remodel, the builders discovered there was a kitchen fire sometime in the past, probably when the kitchen still used a wood burning stove that damaged the pocket door hardware, and is probably reason why the dining room wainscoting on the corresponding wall is different than the other 3 walls.

PART 3: HISTORICAL OR CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Criteria for Designation

Tacoma Municipal Code recognizes six criteria of eligibility for inclusion on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places. Please select any that apply to this property, for which there is documented evidence included in this nomination form.

- A Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; or
- B Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or
- C Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- D Has yielded or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history; or
- E Adjoins a property that is already listed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places and was constructed within the period of significance of the adjacent structure; or
- F Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or City.

Historical Data (if known)

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Date(s) of Construction | 1902-1904 | Other Date(s) of Significance | |
| Architect(s) | George W. Bullard | Builder | ? Wood frame, lathe and plaster walls, and granite foundation |
| Architectural Style(s) | American Four Square | Material(s) | granite foundation |
| | | Engineer | ? |

Statement of Significance

Describe in detail the chronological history of the property and how it meets the criteria for the Register of Historic Places. Please provide a summary in the first paragraph that lists the relevant criteria (use additional sheets if necessary). This section should include a thorough narrative of the property's history, context, occupants, and uses. If using a Multiple Property Nomination that is already on record, or another historical context narrative, please reference it by name and source.

Overview:

This house is a good example of an American Four Square by celebrated architect, George W. Bullard. This home is also one of the first homes in the neighborhood and now one of the last that retains the majority of its original architectural elements. This home celebrates life on the outskirts of Tacoma. The first owners were wealthy farmers with every convenience available to them at the time. The Sears Family were local poultry breeders and had their farm on this site. The farm included a windmill that took in water from a nearby creek and fed the pantry with continuous running water for cooling. Very little has been changed in the home over the years either inside or outside. The home retains almost all of its original elements and should be added to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places to preserve it for the future as another example of George W. Bullard's masterful work and an example of a wealthy Tacoma farmer's home. Joan Hanson (a resident of the home circa 1948-1949) stated in an oral history that the home was a wedding present from W.R. Sears to his wife and it was similar to the home she grew up in. This oral history also states that the home kiddy-corner to this home (corner of North Gove and North 35th street) was built for the servants that worked in this home. The 1912 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, 1912 do show this home as existing so this may in fact, be true.

From the Grand Homes Tour 1995 brochure:

This three-story frame house was built in 1902 for W. R. Sears and his wife Katherine, who for a time operated as a poultry breeder on the property and was later a dry good salesman. Architect George W. Bullard designed a home that was described at the time as a thoroughly "modern and up-to-date house" The cost was projected in 1902 to be around \$4,500 but the actual contract price was \$6,500. The house has a granite foundation that contains a full basement with laundry room, drying rooms, and a wood

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and coal storage rooms. Other amenities included a wood lift running down to the wood storage room below, and a pantry with continuous running water for refrigeration, eliminating the need for ice. The interior of the house was finished in native hemlock and fir, with walls of rough tinted plaster. A later owner was Reverend John R. Vance, pastor of St. Luke's Church.

From the Tacoma Daily Ledger, November 20, 1904:

W.R. Sears has erected a beautiful home at the intersection of Gove and North 35th streets. The house rests on a solid granite foundation which forms a basement under the entire house. In the basement there is a laundry with stationary wash tubs, also a large drying room, a large room for storing wood and coal, a vegetable room, and a dark room. On the first floor there is a reception hall with a little niche for writing desk and telephone, a front and back parlor, dining room, pass pantry and large kitchen. The kitchen has a wood life running down to the wood room below, thus doing away with the carrying of wood. In the pantry, there is running water, forming a sort of continuous refrigerator, doing away with the necessity of ice. The parlors have a large fireplace and are finished in native hemlock and have plate glass windows. The dining room has a wainscoting 5 feet high with plate rail on top. Upstairs are four large sleeping rooms, closets, toilet, and bathroom. Here, too there is a laundry shoot running down to the laundry in the basement. The second story is finished in native hemlock and fir. Throughout the house the walls are rough plaster and tinted. The house is wired for electricity and piped for gas and is heated by steam. The plans are by J.W. Bullard and the contract price \$6,500.00. See attached photo that accompanied article:



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List of Owners:

1. **Wells R. (Russel) and Katherine L. Sears, 1902-1948?**. W.R. Sears was born in 1868 and came to Tacoma circa 1902. Mr. Sears bred/raised poultry on the property, later by 1920 was a dry goods salesman. He died November 18, 1931 at his home. Katharine was born circa 1876 and died December 29, 1948 after moving to Portland 5 months previously.
2. **Walter C. and Laura L. Pennington, 1951-1965**. Mr. Pennington worked as the safety inspector for the ASARCO smelter. They rented out the upstairs to their daughter and son-in-law Lloyd M. Hanson and Joan Y. Hanson (married 1948) circa 1948-1949. Lloyd was a firefighter for the City of Tacoma from 1955-1985.
3. **Reverend John R. and Margaret Vance, 1966-1967**. Pastor, St. Luke's Memorial Church.
4. **Robert T. and Patricia A. Jolley, 1968-1973**. Robert was a dispatcher for Silver Eagle Trucking Co.
5. **Richard Page, 1974 - circa 1983/1984**.
6. **DeWitt and Karen Page, circa 1983/1984 - 2015**. Vacant circa 2015 until Celena and Rob purchased house. Oral history says the house was vacant for 13 months between Dewitt leaving for nursing home/dying until purchased by current owners.
7. **Celena Kathan and Robert Koehne, 2016-current**.

Resources:

Bullard, George Wesley. "Architect" Pacific Coast Architecture Database.

City of Tacoma Community Development Department. *Historic Preservation in Tacoma*. 1978.

Northwest Room Local History and Biography Index. Tacoma Public Library.

R.L. Polk's Tacoma City Directory: 1900, 1902, 1904, 1920, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1951, 1974, 1980, 1986.

Sanborn Map Company. *Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, Tacoma, Washington*. Sheet 18. 1912, 1945, 1951.

Tacoma Daily Ledger May 18 1902, p. 20.

Tacoma Daily Ledger November 20 1904, p.20.

The Tacoma Historical Society. *Third Annual Grand Homes of Tacoma Tour*. The Tacoma Historical Society, 1995.

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Tacoma Public Library, Northwest Room, Local History and Biography Index.

Narrative Continuation

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AUDITOR, Pierce County, WASHINGTON

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Robert R Koehne Jr.
3334 N Gove Street
Tacoma, WA 98407

Reference: **40177550-804-TT6**

BARGAIN AND SALE DEED

THE GRANTOR(S) George Robinson and Chad Page, Personal Representatives of the Estate of DeWitt Edwin Page, deceased

for and in consideration of **Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No/100's (\$515,000.00)**,

in hand paid, bargains, sells, and conveys to **Celena N Kathan and Robert R Koehne Jr., a married couple**

the following described real estate, situated in the County of **Pierce**, State of **Washington**:
SEE EXHIBIT A ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Abbreviated Legal: (Required if full legal not inserted above) **Ptn NW SW of 25-21-2E, Pierce County**

Tax Parcel Number(s): **0221253000**

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EXCISE COLLECTED: \$9,167.00 PROC FEE: \$0.00
AUDITOR
Pierce County, WASHINGTON TECH FEE: \$5.00

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Dated: **October 20, 2016**

Estate of DeWitt Edwin Page

George Robinson
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE 10-24-16

George Robinson, Personal Representative

Chad Page, Personal Representative

State of Washington

SS:

County of _____

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that CHAD PAGE is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he is authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as the Personal Representative of the Estate of DeWitt E Page, deceased to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: _____

Given under my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

Notary Public in and for the State of _____
Residing at _____
My Appointment expires: _____

State of Washington

SS:

County of Pierce

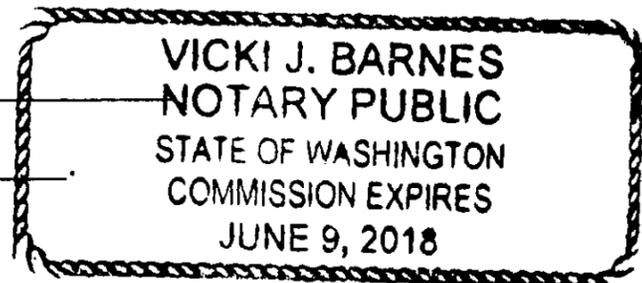
I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that GEORGE ROBINSON is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he is authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as the Personal Representative of the Estate of DeWitt E Page, deceased to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: October 24 2016

Given under my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

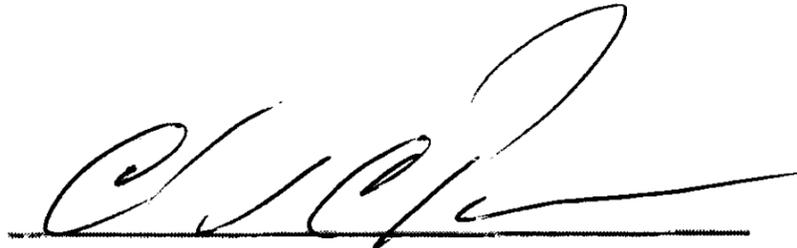
Vicki Barnes

Notary Public in and for the State of Washington
Residing at Payattus WA
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Estate of DeWitt Edwin Page



George Robinson, Personal Representative

Chad Page, Personal Representative

State of Washington

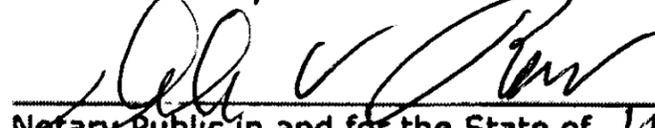
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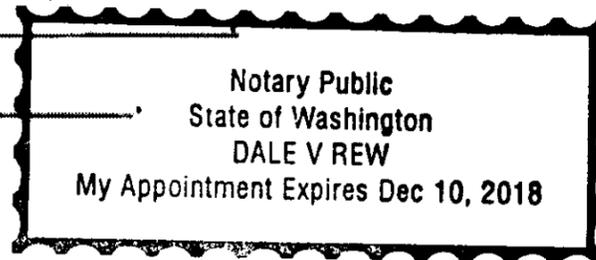
I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that CHAD PAGE is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he is authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as the Personal Representative of the Estate of DeWitt E Page, deceased to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: 10-21-2016

Given under my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.



Notary Public in and for the State of WA
Residing at Spokane, WA
My Appointment expires: 10-10-18



State of Washington

SS:

County of _____

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that GEORGE ROBINSON is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he is authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as the Personal Representative of the Estate of DeWitt E Page, deceased to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: _____

Given under my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

Notary Public in and for the State of _____
Residing at _____
My Appointment expires: _____

EXHIBIT A

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, W.M., IN PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON;
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THENCE NORTH 89°42' WEST 35 FEET;
THENCE SOUTH 100 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;
THENCE SOUTH 150 FEET;
THENCE NORTH 89°42' WEST 120 FEET;
THENCE NORTH 150 FEET;
THENCE SOUTH 89°42' EAST 120 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

SITUATE IN THE CITY OF TACOMA, COUNTY OF PIERCE, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

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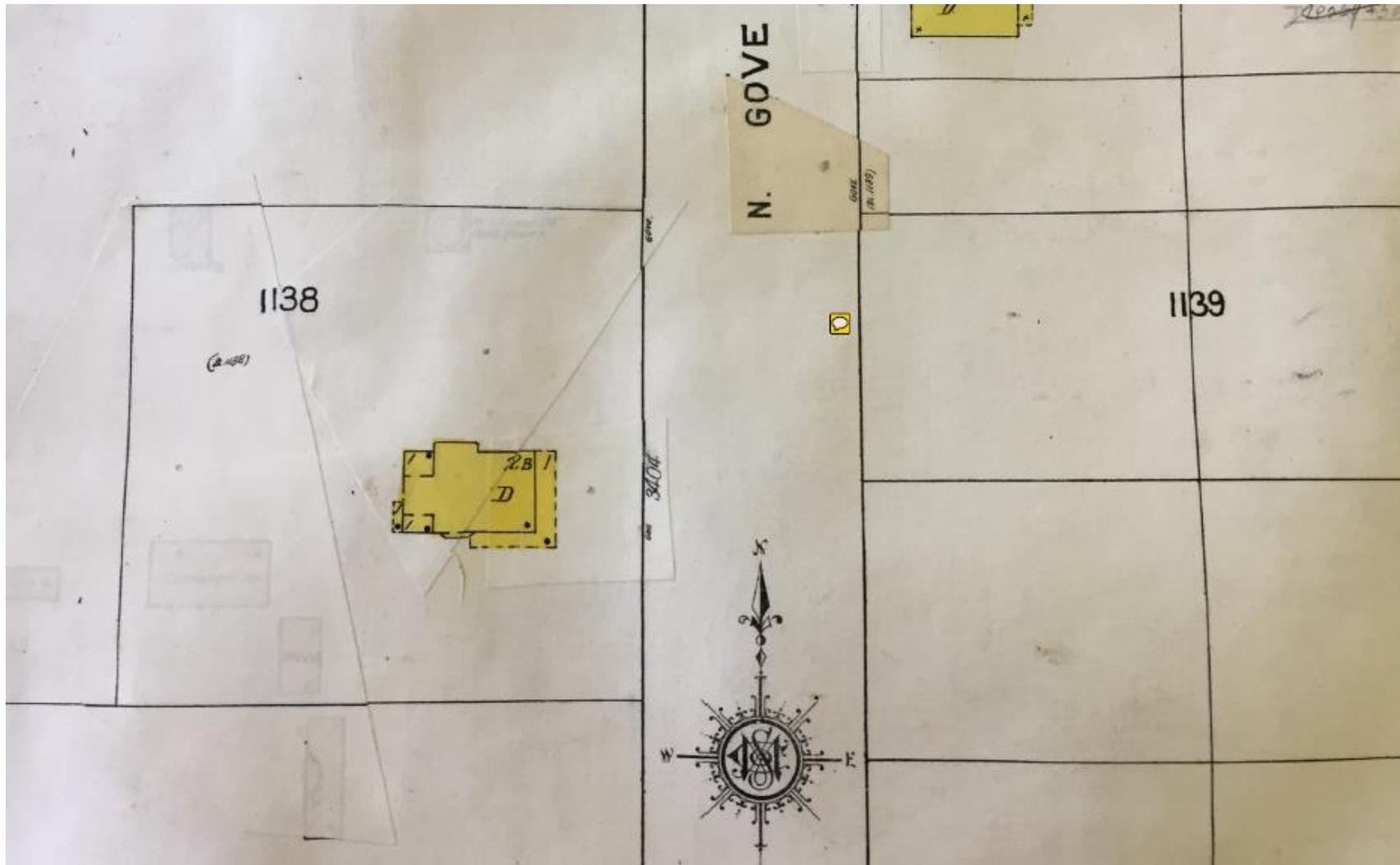
Aerial photo – 2016

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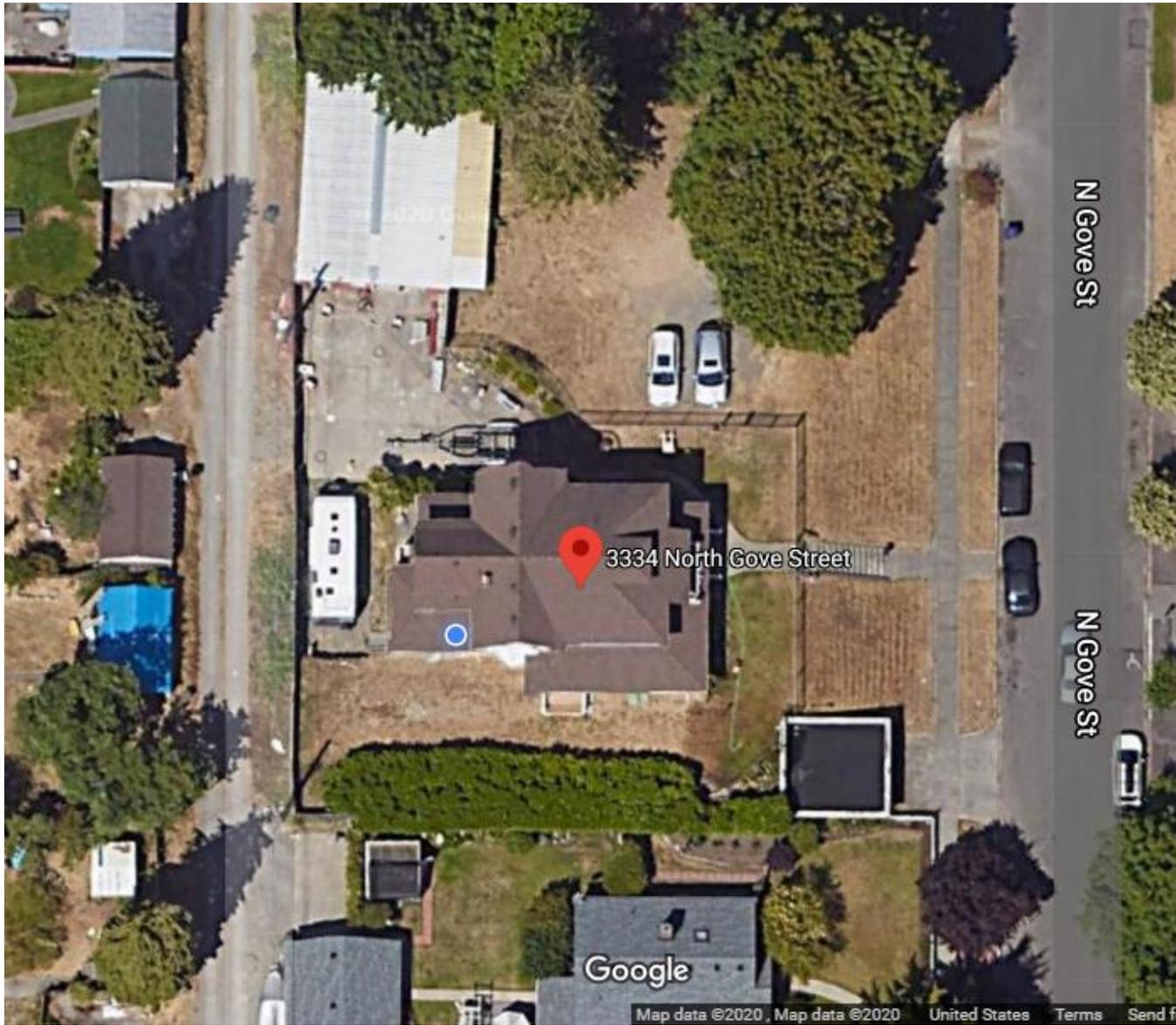
Aerial Photo Detail – 2016

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Historic Site Map - Sanborn Fire Insurance Map – 1912

3334 North Gove Street House Photos – Historical and Current



Current Site Map - Google Maps - 2020

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House During Construction – Circa 1902-1904

Mr. Bardsley owns the block at this corner, which is considered one of the most desirable pieces of property for business purposes in the city. Local architects are now working on plans for the proposed new building. It is probable that the lower floors will be designed for stores, and the upper floors will be arranged for hotel purposes. The cost of the structure will be not less than \$40,000, with the probability that it will exceed that sum.

To The Ledger Mr. Bradsley said: "It is true that I have had in mind the erection of a brick building on my property at the corner of St. Helens Avenue and Ninth street, and that architects are now working on plans for the proposed new building. Just when I shall be ready to let the contract for the building is something that I am not yet in a position to say, but it will not be this year. The weather is not propitious at this time of the year for construction work."

Mr. Bardsley owns the large apartment building on the corner of St. Helens Avenue and Ninth street which was recently moved from its original site to a position facing Ninth street on the same block.

Another projected structure is to be erected on C street between Ninth and Eleventh streets, by Charles N. Gardener, of the firm of W. W. Pickerill & Co. Mr. Gardener last week purchased the property, consisting of lots 13 and 14, block 804, map of New Tacoma, known as 923-30 C street, from David Gross, the Pacific Avenue cloak house man, paying the sum of \$25,000. The sale was made through the agency of Seeley & Co. Less than one year ago Mr. Gross bought the property, paying \$20,000 for it.

The buildings now standing on the two lots were formerly occupied by The Ledger. They will be torn down to make room for a three or four-story brick building, with plate glass front, which will probably be occupied by the W. W. Pickerill & Co.

Has Faith in C Street.

In commenting on the purchase of the property, Mr. Gardener, who is a recent arrival in Tacoma and a man of considerable means, said: "I have not been in Tacoma very long, but long enough to convince me that C street is the coming retail business section. In purchasing the two lots between Ninth and Eleventh street, I am satisfied that I have made a good investment. The Warburton, Cogswell and Dave Gross properties are an indication of public confidence in the future of C street, and I intend to improve my property next spring by erecting a three or four-story brick."

Through the agency of Morrison & Balkwill, Charles H. Evans, formerly of the Bostwick hotel, purchased lots 11, 12 and 13, block 610, being the northwest corner of South E and Seventh

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streets, \$750; to Hannah S. Hill, lots 15 and 16, block 882, South addition, South J and Thirty-ninth streets, \$375.

Morrison & Balkwill sold for Joshua Peirce lots 4, 5 and 6, block 18, Buckley's addition, to Miss W. Birmingham, for \$2,250. The property is located on Prospect street, near the residence of A. J. Hayward.

Sold to C. M. Cavanaugh, 7-room dwelling and lots 4-6 in block 425; consideration, \$1,650. This property Mr. Cavanaugh buys as a home.

Seeley & Co.: Residence property on D south of Eleventh, in block 1106, lots 11.



RESIDENCE OF W. R. SEARS, CORNER NORTH THIRTY-FIFTH AND GOVE.

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13-15 To M. F. Thurman, the consideration being \$3,200. This property is to be entirely improved and the residence re-

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House After Construction – Circa 1904

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House and Windmill – After 1904 and Prior to 1912

3334 North Gove Street House Photos – Historical and Current



House and Poultry Farm Image #1 – After 1904 and Prior to 1912

3334 North Gove Street House Photos – Historical and Current



Home and Poultry Farm Image #2– After 1904 and Prior to 1920

3334 North Gove Street House Photos – Historical and Current



Looking thru the Front Parlor to the Back Parlor – Date Unknown

3334 North Gove Street House Photos – Historical and Current



House in the Snow – Date Unknown

3334 North Gove Street House Photos – Historical and Current



Southeast Corner of House - 2020

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Northeast Corner of House - 2020

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North Side of House – 2020

Note: The set of 3 windows as well as the lower left window are leaded glass

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North Side of House Image #1– 2020

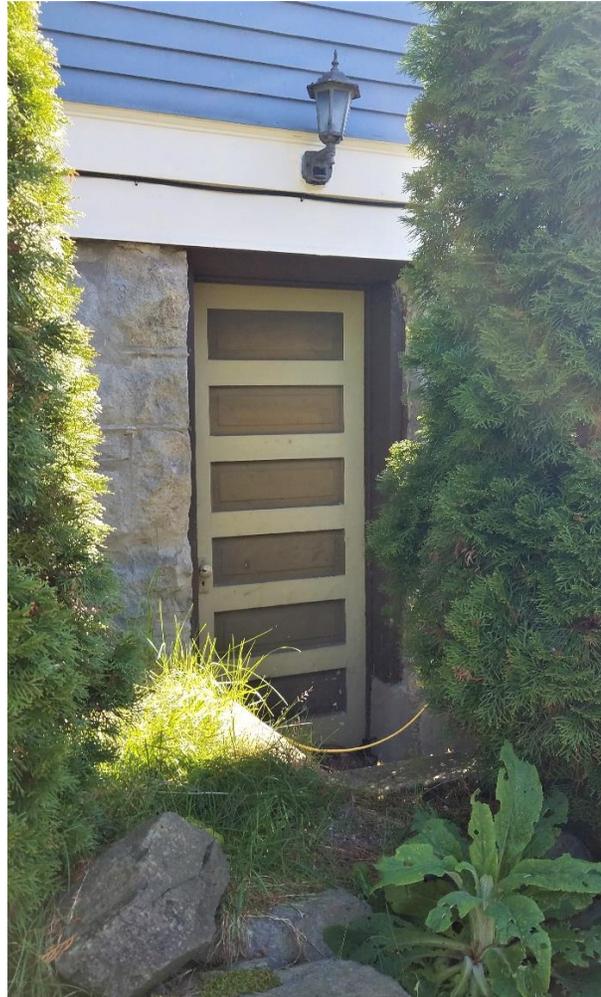


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Northwest Corner of House – 2020



Original Basement Door - 2020

Note: The original basement door is hidden by the shrubs

Note: The second-floor exterior door was added when the home was turned into a boarding house (the stairs were removed in the large kitchen/bathroom remodel in 2018-2019)

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Southwest Corner of House – 2020

Note: The remodeled kitchen added square footage by enclosing the original covered back porch

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