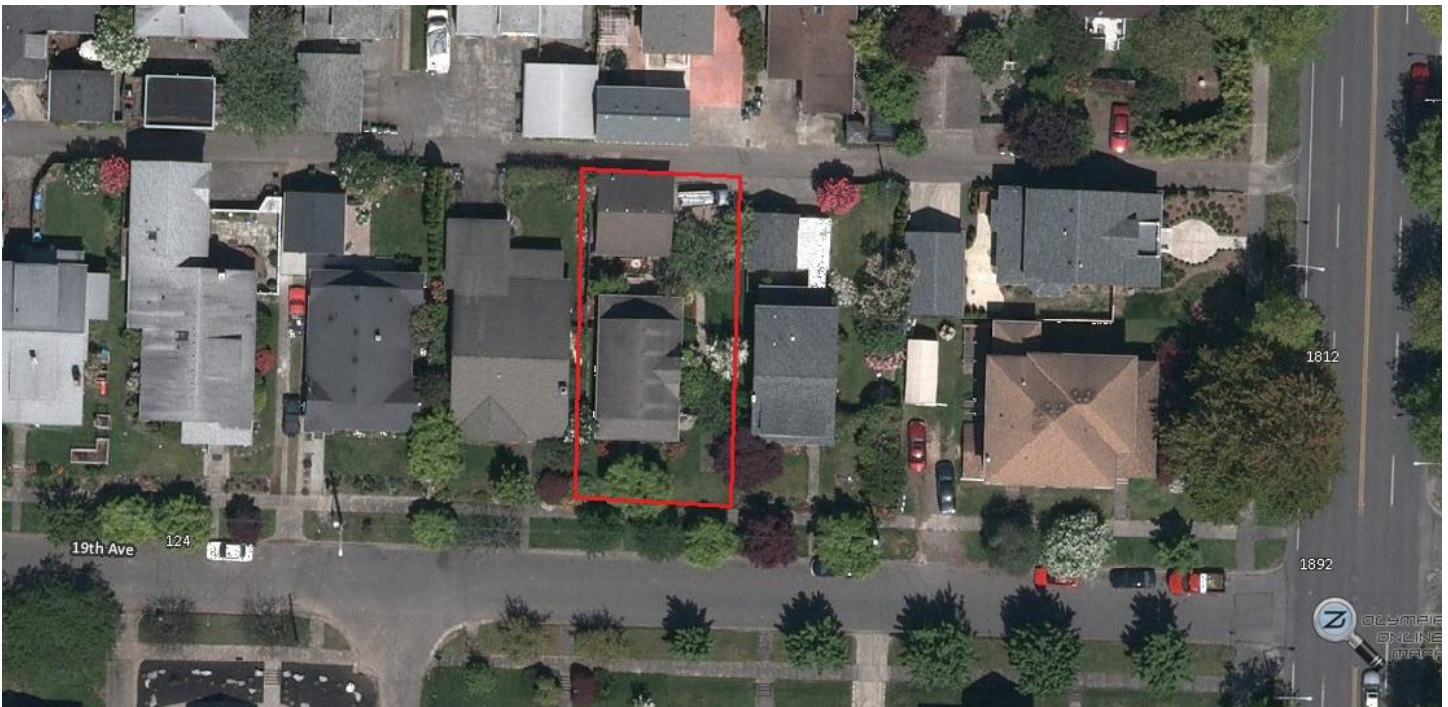


Additional Research on Osborn/Lee House
118 19th Ave SW

- This building is designated as a Non-Contributing property in the South Capitol Neighborhood Historic District.
- The Thurston County Assessor lists the construction date for the property as 1908.
- Sanborn Fire Insurance Company maps provide the following information:
 - 1908 – No buildings constructed on this site
 - 1924 – House (but not garage) shown in its current footprint configuration
 - 1947 – No change
- *Polk's City Directories* indicate that the Lee family lived in the house almost continuously from ca. 1936 until ca. 1973; according to the 1934 Polk Directory, their previous address was 400 W 15th Ave. Based on initial research, there appears to be no mention of this address in the Polk directories prior to the Lee family's residence.
- The application mentions an S. S. Osborn on the deed for the property from dating from February 17, 1908. A Stephen Osborn and family are listed at 113 W 18th Ave as far back as the 1906 directory. This parcel is immediately north of the alley behind 118 19th Ave SW.

2010 Aerial Image of Area

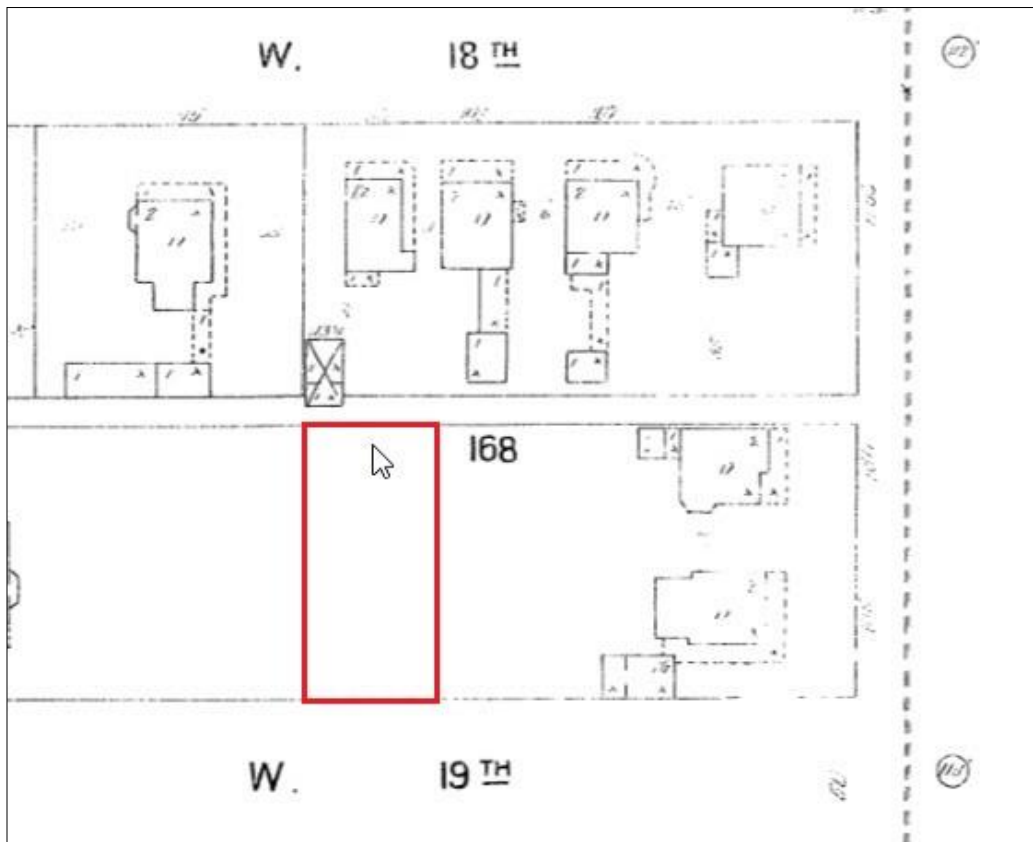


Aerial Imagery Courtesy of City of Olympia Online Mapping

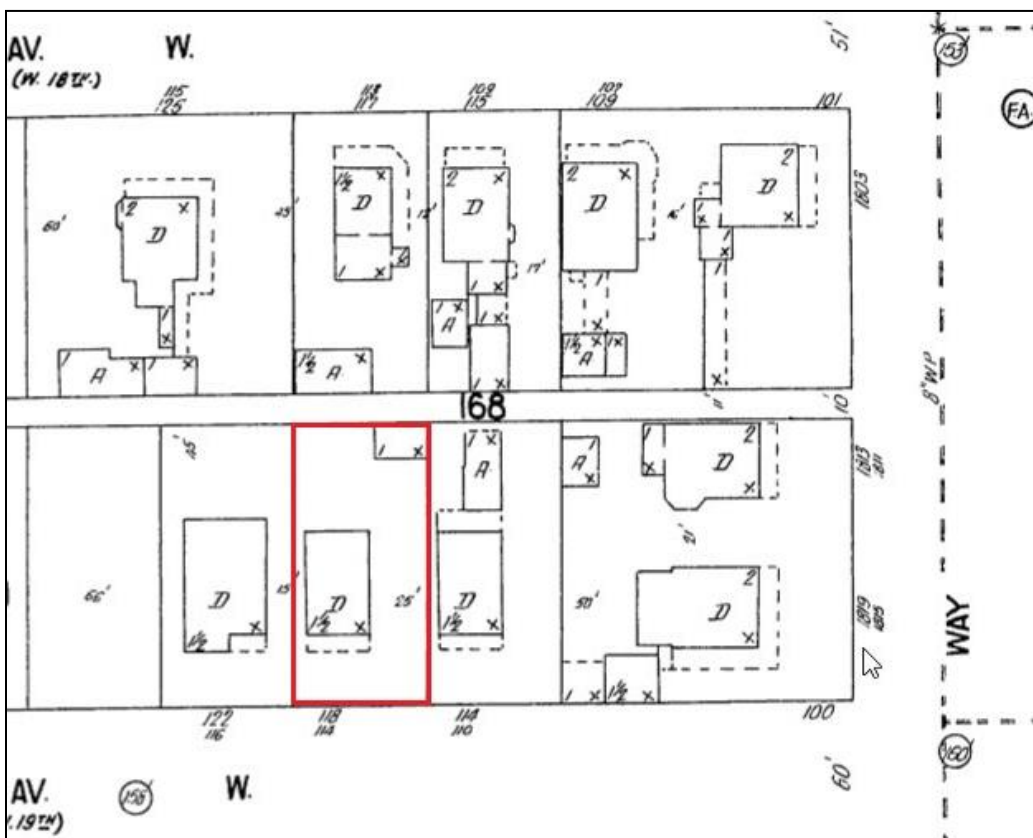
1974 = Richard Nichols

A black and white photograph of a single-story bungalow house. The house features a gabled roof with a small dormer window containing three panes. The main body of the house has horizontal siding. A small front porch with a flat roof supported by two white columns covers the entrance. A person in a dark suit stands in the doorway. To the left of the porch is a large, dense bush. To the right is a smaller bush and some plants. A sidewalk leads from the foreground to the porch steps. The house number '3709' is visible in the bottom left corner of the image.

1908 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map



1924 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map



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MARRIAGE RETURN.

1. Date of license April 9 1904
 2. Full name of groom Ralph Benson Lee
 3. Age last birthday 26
 4. Color (a) White
 5. No. of groom's marriages first
 6. Residence Spokane Wash
 7. Birthplace (b) Ogden Utah
 8. Occupation Time Keeper
 9. Father's name George T. Lee
 10. Mother's maiden name Anna Benson
 11. Full name of bride Elizabeth Luane Pearson
 Maiden name if a widow _____
 Age last birthday 19
 Color (a) White
 No. of bride's marriages first
 Residence Spokane Wash
 Birthplace (b) Independence Oregon
 Occupation _____
 13. Father's name Wm T. Pearson
 19. Mother's maiden name Frances Hall
 20. Date of marriage April 9, 1904
 21. Place of marriage Spokane Wash
 22. By whom married, and official station Olivier H. Van Osdel Minister of Baptist Chh
 23. Names of witnesses and their residences:
 No. 1 J. B. Uren Spokane
 No. 2 Anna E. Uren "

NOTE.—(a) State color distinctly, so race may be known, as White, Black, Mulatto, Indian, Chinese, Mixed White and Indian, etc.
 (b) Give state or foreign country, so nationality is plainly shown.

1904 Marriage Certificate for Ralph & Elizabeth Lee

Name	Relationship	Sex	Age	Marital Status	Birthplace
Lee, Ralph B.	Head	M	33	M	Utah
- Bessie	Wife	F	26	M	Oregon
- Ralph Jr.	Son	M	5	S	Washington
- Virginia	Daughter	F	2	S	Washington

1910 Census Records for City of Spokane. Names listed as Ralph B., Bessie, Ralph Jr., and Virginia

Selection of Olympia Society Page Listings for the Lee Family

Costume Party

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Bassett entertained their bridge club Monday evening with a costume and bridge party. Honors for the most unusual costume went to Mrs. Lane and bridge favors to Mrs. Penrose, Mr. Maillian and Mr. and Mrs. Ball. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee, Mrs. Penrose, Mr. and Mrs. Horace M. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sauls, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Maillian.

Morning Olympian, July 2, 1930, p 3

*Guild Meeting
Held Thursday*

Mrs. B. F. Littlejohn entertained members of the 21st avenue Orthopedic guild with a meeting at her home Thursday afternoon. The next meeting of the guild will be with Mrs. Olaf Olsen.

Guild members present for the meeting were Mrs. A. J. Turnbull, Mrs. Roy Ryberg, Mrs. Arthur Buell, Mrs. Ralph Lindsay, Mrs. C. H. Flood, Mrs. O. R. Dinsmore, Mrs. Olaf Olsen, Mrs. Ralph Lee, Mrs. C. H. Eowen, Mrs. Phil Wyvell and the hostess, Mrs. E. J. Sullivan was a guest of the guild.

Morning Olympian, October 13, 1930, p 3

Sunday Here—

Mr. Ralph Lee spent Sunday in Olympia with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lee, while enroute to his home in Portland. Mr. Lee, who is employed on the staff of the Portland Oregonian as an artist has been vacationing in Seattle and Vancouver, British Columbia.

Morning Olympian, August 27, 1932, p 3

Barbain Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee entertained several guests over the Fourth of July at their Hick's lake cottage, including Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ransom and daughter, Janet, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neville and children, Barbara and Jack, all of Seattle, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Olaison, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blanchard, and Mrs. Frances Penrose, all of Olympia.

Morning Olympian, August 16, 1935, p 3

TROOP 12**By Joann Peters**

The newly organized troop of Girl Scouts met at the Washington school Tuesday with Mrs. Stanley Blanchard, captain and Mrs. Ralph Lee, lieutenant, in charge.

The following patrols were formed and the leaders chosen. Star patrol, Marjorie Mead, leader; Claudine Cram, assistant; Joann Peters, Eileen Goodrick, Betty Ann Graves. Blue bird patrol, Jean Parr, leader; Jewel Hughes, assistant; Margaret Nixon, Doreen Owre. Pine tree patrol, Mary Katherine Rogers, leader; Marta Joyce Clark, assistant; Bonnie Lou Burrell, Marie Carlson.

Joann Peters was elected scribe.

Instruction was given in tenderfoot work and plans made for the first court of honor to be held at the home of Mrs. Blanchard Saturday afternoon.

The next Scout meeting will be Monday January 13.

Morning Olympian, January 11, 1936, p 3

OLYMPIANS, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee, are the grandparents of (probably) a future cartoonist. They have received word that a son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee, Jr., of Portland, Oregon. Lee is cartoonist for the Portland Oregonian. The new son's paternal great grandmother, Mrs. Frances Penrose, is also an Olympian.

Morning Olympian, August 16, 1942, p 6

READY TO GIVE SERVICE



Always alert and active in Girl Scout projects in the city is this group of girls, troop 12, winners of an award in connection with bringing friends and parents out to a recent Girl Scout assembly in connection with the Little House project. They are photographed at the Washington school at their Monday meeting with the American flag, a gift to the troop of the American Legion. In the front row, left to right, are Eva Fain, Thelma Jean Koski, Betty Jean Revell, Bonnie Lou Burrell, Marjorie Mead, Eileen Goodrick, Joann Peters and Doreen Owre. At the left of the back row is the leader, Mrs. Stanley Blanchard, and her assistant, Mrs. Ralph Lee, Marla Joyce Clark, Eileen Lewis, Ruby Faulkner, Betty Lou Olson, Mary Catherine Rogers and Marie Carlson. Girls in troop 12 and runners-up in Mrs. Alan Goldberg's troop 11 were honored last Saturday afternoon with a skating party at the Tumwater rink.

—Photo by Staff Photographer

Morning Olympian, May 10, 1938, p 3

Lee Family Activities in Lacey

Red Cross Chapter Short Of Quota In War Fund Campaign

Final day of Red Cross War Fund Drive Wednesday found Thurston County Red Cross chapter short of its goal of \$32,000, with \$24,074 in its coffers, but with tag ends coming in satisfactorily, according to Mayor Truman Trullinger, drive chairman. Still to be heard from are drive captains in Bucoda, Tenino, and Vail, and CIO solicitors.

Members of Red Cross Motor Corps, canvassing rural routes, have collected a total of \$148.88 within the last few days. Mrs. Ernest Gribble and Mrs. Ralph Lee, calling at homes near Lacey, brought in \$97, and Mrs. H. C. Brodie, Mrs. Harry Lindley, and Mrs. Clyde Jeffers, working south of Tumwater, collected \$51.88.

Mrs. Maude Gouber has reported \$485 from Yelm.

Thurston County chapter would be most grateful if unsolicited county residents who have contributions ready would send or deliver them to the drive headquarters, 516 Capitol Way, in order that the campaign may be completed as quickly as possible.

Morning Olympian, March 31, 1943, p 1

ABOUT RED CROSS

Thurston County Red Cross workers are pleased as punch with the overwhelming success of their recent drive. And well they might be, for they not only made the quota of \$44,500, which was set for Thurston, but exceeded this amount by some \$5,500.

When it was pointed out that Lacey's quota of \$127 was over-subscribed to the amount of \$647.38, Mrs. Ralph Lee, captain of the Lacey team, responded to the applause with the short speech that her team was, in truth, "all in." Mrs. Lee told of the thorough and conscientious service her team members had given to the drive, citing how Mrs. Ralph Goodrick, for one, had done over four miles of country hiking and brought in \$100 from her section. Other members of Mrs. Lee's team were Mrs. Gordon L. Foy, Mrs. Alma Watkins, Mrs. Wanda V. Hall, Mrs. E. W. Gibson, Mrs. Doyle Watkins, Mrs. Harry Moir, Mrs. Chester Ziegler, Mrs. Carl Isaacson, Mrs. Claude Dayton, Mrs. Roy Weihs, Mrs. Lyman Fleetwood, Mrs. Henry Turner, Mrs. Vi Waldron, Mrs. N. R. Spinning, Miss A. M. Hilme, C. P. Skillman and Ralph Lee.

Morning Olympian, March 22, 1945, p 5

Elephants Lead the Way

By no means is the Spring cleaning and painting movement confined to the city of Olympia. Other communities in Thurston County are joining enthusiastically in the campaign to tidy up property.

Enterprising residents of neighboring Lacey, for example, not only are sprucing up their premises with rake and brush but also are fostering a scheme that will improve conditions for a long while to come.

The Lacey Elephants Club, of which Ralph Lee is grand trunk (an office comparable to the presidency of other organizations), is negotiating for the purchase of a tract of land which can be utilized as a dumping ground by families in the area. The site is a short distance from the mushroom plant. If the land is acquired, as it probably will be this week, Lacey residents will be invited to deposit their refuse on it, with the compliments of the Elephants—meaning, of course, that no fee will be charged for the privilege. Direction signs will be posted conspicuously along several prairie roads. All the Elephants ask is that Laceyites take full advantage of the offer—that is, haul their litter onto the designated lot, not get rid of it half, or even three-quarters of the way to the dumping grounds.

Lacey, a steadily growing suburb, has no municipal government. The Elephants, who take great pride in their neighborhood, are endeavoring to provide a much-needed facility that doubtless will be appreciated, and are doing it in such a way that residents will not be required to pay extra taxes or be subjected to additional assessments.

The Lacey Elephants are working on a plan that could well be adopted by civic groups in other small communities.

When Ed Stettinius was proposed as permanent chairman for the United Nations conference Commissar Molotov gave out with an emphatic No.

When the British suggested a compromise, Molotov again said No.

Those Molotov Nos, together with other Soviet negative answers, are further proof that Russian production methods are not as modern as those of the U. S. and England.

The Reds haven't got around to producing yes-men.

Morning Olympian, April 29, 1945, p 5