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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Charles Patnude House
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 1239 Eighth
CITY, TOWN Olympia
STATE Washington
VICINITY OF 3rd - Donald L. Bonker
CODE 53 COUNTY Thurston CODE 067

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY: DISTRICT, BUILDING(S), STRUCTURE, SITE, OBJECT
OWNERSHIP: PUBLIC, PRIVATE, BOTH, PUBLIC ACQUISITION, IN PROCESS, BEING CONSIDERED
STATUS: OCCUPIED, UNOCCUPIED, WORK IN PROGRESS, ACCESSIBLE, YES: RESTRICTED, YES: UNRESTRICTED, NO
PRESENT USE: AGRICULTURE, COMMERCIAL, EDUCATIONAL, ENTERTAINMENT, GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRIAL, MILITARY, MUSEUM, PARK, PRIVATE RESIDENCE, RELIGIOUS, SCIENTIFIC, TRANSPORTATION, OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME James Stephenson
STREET & NUMBER 1239 Eighth Avenue
CITY, TOWN Olympia STATE Washington
VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Thurston County Courthouse
STREET & NUMBER E. 11th and S. Capitol Way
CITY, TOWN Olympia STATE Washington

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Washington State Inventory of Historic Places
DATE December, 1974
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
CITY, TOWN Olympia STATE Washington

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Built by Charles Patnude in 1893 for \$2,000.00, the two-story frame house at 1239 Eighth Avenue in Olympia, Washington, is an interesting combination of roof forms and exterior ornamentation. Originally the house stood on a double lot until 1924 when the property was divided. The foundation is of brick, probably manufactured at the builder's own kiln in Olympia.

Multiple gables and round-arched window mouldings on the second floor are Gothic influences. However, the L-shaped front porch on the north side, as well as the back porch and bay windows, all have Mansard roofs. Three square bay windows are located off the front parlor on the north and east and adjoining the living room on the west. Most notable on the exterior is the scalloped wood trim which decorates a broad frieze below the boxed eaves. Another scallop motif ornaments the bay windows and the porches at the front and rear. Additionally, a sawtooth moulding along the porch frieze forms unusual fan brackets at the top of each turned porch post. Small pendants hang from the center of the spaces between posts.

The interior of the house is remembered by members of the Patnude family to have been exceptional for its woodwork and its five fireplaces, one of which was built of local Tenino sandstone. The house is now in very poor condition on the interior. Only one fireplace remains in place. Most of the original architectural fabric has been either covered over or torn out by various owners of the house. Only the front parlor has an intact plaster relief ceiling; the remainder have been lowered. A service porch has been added to the back west side of the house and the main stairway has been boarded up, so that access to the second floor is provided only by means of a back stairway. Although the house is presently occupied, only the ground floor is livable, most of it being in deteriorated condition.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1893

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Charles Patnude, builder

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Charles Patnude came to Olympia from Wisconsin in the 1880's. He was a builder by trade, and constructed or helped to construct many of Olympia's major public buildings, including the Old State Capitol, the old St. Peter's Hospital, the Providence Academy, and the 1902 County Courthouse. Patnude manufactured brick in a kiln located where the armory now stands in Olympia. He was a bricklayer, plasterer and mason, as well as the owner of one of the first incorporated businesses in Olympia.

The Patnudes lived in this house for only two years - from 1893 to 1895. At that time it was foreclosed by the Oregon Mortgage Company, as were many Olympia homes, all victims of hard times. Patnude eventually built another home on Jefferson Street in which he lived with his family of fifteen children. The Eighth Avenue house was later purchased by Earl Barton for \$12,850 in 1917. Since that year it has had various owners and was at one time converted into apartments.

The jigsaw ornament of the Patnude House was typical of the era and has remained in remarkably sound condition. The richly-trimmed gables, porches and bays bespeak the optimism of the 1890's in Olympia. Unfortunately, the interior and the foundation have deteriorated to such an extent, it is doubtful the old house can survive without immediate attention.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Where the Washingtonians Lived. Lucile McDonald. Superior Publishing Co., Seattle, 1969.
Interviews with members of the Patnude Family; Kermith Patnude, Carl Reder, Delia Nelson, and James Stephenson.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one

UTM REFERENCES

A	1,0	5,0,8,8,4,0	5,2,0,9,6,6,0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The Patnude House occupies Lot 8, Block 69 of Swan's Addition, Olympia, Washington.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Shanna Stevenson

December 1, 1976

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

712 Carlyon Avenue

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CITY OR TOWN

Olympia

STATE

Washington

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Jeanne M. Welch

TITLE

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

December 15, 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

Katherine Cole

DATE

5-23-78

DATE

5-12-78

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER