

**Historic Property** Scott/Wright Property Historic Features  
**Inventory Report for** 10910 Case Road SW Olympia/Thurston/98512

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**LOCATION SECTION**

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**Historic Name:** Scott/Wright Property Historic Features **Field Site No.:** 106  
**Common Name:** Tibbetts Property (#34-340) **OAHF No.:**  
**Property Address:** 10910 Case Road SW Olympia/Thurston/98512  
**Comments:** COUNTY

**County** **Township/Range/EW Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**  
Thurston T17R02W 23 MAYTOWN

**UTM Reference**

**Tax No./Parcel No.** **Plat/Block/Lot**  
12728420000 Metes and Bounds

**Supplemental Map(s)** **Acreage**  
Thurston County

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

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**Field Recorder:** Shanna Stevenson/Tom C **Date Recorded:** 12/1/1998 **Survey Name:** COUNTY

**Owner's Name:** **Owner Address:** **City/State/Zip:**  
Melvin & Mildred Tibbetts 10910 Case Road SW Olympia, WA 98512

**Classification:** Object **Resource Status** **Comments**

**Within a District?** No **Survey/Inventory**

**Contributing?** **Local Register**

**National Register Nomination:** 0

**Local District:**

**National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:**

**DESCRIPTION SECTION**

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**Historic Use:** Agriculture/Subsistence - Unknown

**Current Use:** Agriculture/Subsistence - Unknown

**Plan:** Unknown **No. of Stories:**

**Structural System:** Unknown

**Changes to plan:** Unknown

**Changes to interior:** Unknown

**Changes to original cladding:** Unknown

**Changes to other:**

**Changes to windows:** Unknown

**Other (specify):**

**Cladding**

**Foundation**

**Style**

**Form/Type**

**Roof Material**

**Roof Type**

## NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1880

Transportation

Architect:

Other

Settlement

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

Located along the Case Road near what was historically McCorkle Road (113th Ave SW), the Scott/Wright Property has a cobblestone well. The mounting stone was previously in county right-of-way and has now been moved to the Tibbetts' property. According to an Abstract of Title owned by the Tibbetts, the property was Homesteaded by Joseph M. and Nancy Scott. They received their Homestead Patent in 1869. Scott and his wife divorced in 1879. In 1884 Joseph and Mary Scott sold their property to William & Sarah Littlejohn Wright (160 acres.) Joseph Scott died in 1884. Wright, a Delaware native, arrived in Washington Territory in 1854. His wife, Sarah Littlejohn Wright was a member of the pioneer Tumwater family. She came from Indiana as a child to Washington Territory in 1852. Wright and his wife were in the Indian service and spent several years at Fort Simcoe in Eastern Washington and on the Skokomish reservation. Wright was a harnessmaker. The Wright family owned the property until 1927 when Fannie and Ada Wright, daughters of William Wright, sold the property to Ophir Investment Company. They sold it in 1934 to E. J. and A. J. Sinnes who sold the property to George and Beatrice Nesbitt. The Nesbitts sold the property to the current owners Melvin and Mildred Tibbetts in 1944. The Tibbetts' operated a dairy, grew loganberries, sold eggs and grew turkeys on the property.

The Tibbetts planted the large trees on the property including the black walnut tree (next to Case Road), chestnut tree and the butternut tree. Mr. Tibbetts recalls that the black walnut tree blew down during the Columbus Day Storm in 1962 and he righted the tree and it continued to grow. The Tibbetts used the well on the property for a time and have since dug a well adjacent to the original hand-dug cobblestone well and filled the old well in. The original well could date from the ownership of the Scott family at the site. The mounting stone and horse ring probably date from the period of ownership of the Wright family since they are concrete. Albert Wright the oldest son was married to Ruth Bigelow. Mary Ann Bigelow recalls visiting the house and that the mounting stone was near the road.

### Description of Physical Appearance

Concrete structure measuring three feet high with three steps. A metal horse tethering ring is attached. The well is a hand-dug, cobblestone lined well.

### Major Bibliographic References

Abstract of Title for the property, from Melvin and Mildred Tibbetts. Interview with Mary Ann Bigelow, September 2, 1997. Obituary for Sarah E. Wright, Morning Olympian, August 2, 1921. Information from Biographical Files, Washington State Library.

## PHOTOS



View of Mounting Stone

taken

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

Comments:



View of Well  
taken  
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):

Comments: