



VIRGINIA HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

HISTORIC DISTRICT SURVEY FORM

File No. 104-130

Negative no(s). 7217

Street address 1883 University Circle

Town/City Charlottesville

Historic name

Common name

- Material**
- wood frame (siding: weatherboard, shingle, aluminum, bricktex, _____)
- brick (bond: Flemish, stretcher, _____-course American, probably veneer)
- stone (random rubble, random ashlar, coursed ashlar, _____)
- log (siding: weatherboard, shingle, aluminum, bricktex, _____)
- stucco
- concrete block cast iron
- enameled steel terra cotta
- other: _____ glass and metal

Number of Stories	Roof Type	Roof Material
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2½ <input type="checkbox"/> 1½ <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> shed <input type="checkbox"/> mansard <input type="checkbox"/> gable <input type="checkbox"/> gambrel <input type="checkbox"/> pediment <input type="checkbox"/> parapet <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hipped <input type="checkbox"/> flat <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> slate <input type="checkbox"/> tile <input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle <input type="checkbox"/> pressed tin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> composition <input type="checkbox"/> not visible <input type="checkbox"/> standing seam metal <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Dormers	Number of bays -- Main facade
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> shed <input type="checkbox"/> hipped <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> gable <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> pedimented	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> _____

Porch	Stories	Bays	General description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 (center) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (side) <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Hip-roofed distyle front porch.

Building type

<input type="checkbox"/> detached house	<input type="checkbox"/> garage	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
<input type="checkbox"/> detached town house	<input type="checkbox"/> farmhouse	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial (office)	<input type="checkbox"/> school
<input type="checkbox"/> row house	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> apartment building	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial (store)	<input type="checkbox"/> church
<input type="checkbox"/> double house	<input type="checkbox"/> gas station	<input type="checkbox"/> railroad	

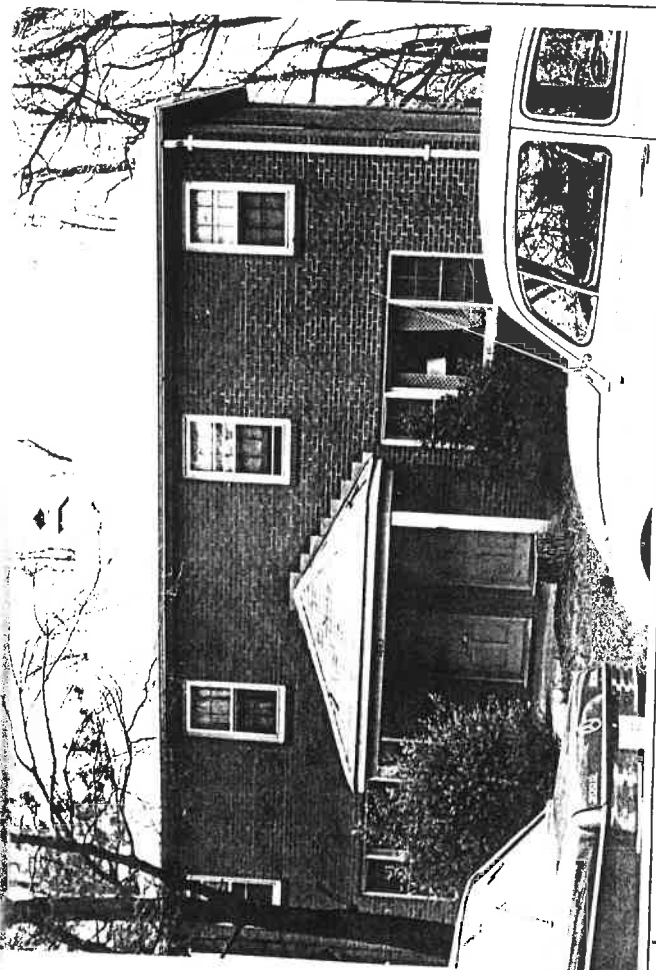
Style/period Vernacular

Date

Architect/builder

Location and description of entrance

Two front entries side-by-side.



Miscellaneous descriptive information (plan, exterior and interior decoration, cornice/eave type, window type and trim, chimneys, additions, alterations)

This apartment building, identical to the one next door at 1885, is undistinguished architecturally, but blends reasonably well with its older neighbors by virtue of its scale, materials and roofline.

Historical information

Source

Surveyed by Jeff O'Dell, VHLC

Date 4-83; 9-83

STREET ADDRESS: 1883 & 1885 University Circle
MAP & PARCEL: 6-87
VDHR FILE NUMBER:
CITY FILE NUMBER:
PRESENT ZONING: R-1
ORIGINAL OWNER: Hugh T. & Berice E. Piggan
ORIGINAL USE: Apartments
PRESENT USE: Apartments
PRESENT OWNER: Robert D. & Marilyn C. Brugh
ADDRESS: 235 West Terrell Road
Charlottesville, VA 22901
Piggan Apartments
1957
HISTORIC NAME:
DATE/PERIOD:
STYLE:
HEIGHT IN STORIES: 2 stories
DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 121' x 146.82' (C
CONDITION: Good
SURVEYOR: Bibb
DATE OF SURVEY: Fall 1999
SOURCES: City Records
Sanborn Maps Co, 1929-57

Arch
1883
Descr

1883 & 1885 Union St

are four unequal bays wide and

These two identical apartment houses ~~are~~ ^{are} two stories, ^{tall,} above a high foundation, ~~that~~ ~~is~~ filled with the front yard filled in to the level of the water table. Walls and foundation are veneered with brick laid in stretcher bond. The medium-pitched hipped roof is covered with composition shingles. Windows are double-sash, 6-over-6 light. In the side bays at the first story level of the facade, there are ~~two~~ single-light "picture" windows flanked by 4-over-4-light windows. Basement windows are one-light sliding sash.

A one-story entrance porch covers the ~~on~~ two central bays of the facade. ~~Two~~ Square piers support a steep hipped roof with a boxed cornice and plain frieze. The concrete porch floor is at ground level. There is a 6-paneled entrance door in each of the two central bays.

On the rear elevation, each half of ~~each~~ ^{the} house has ~~entrance~~ a first story entrance stoop reached by a flight of concrete steps, and a basement entrance below it, reached by a stairwell.

There is one central flue, but no chimney.

There are several surviving boxwoods at the corners of the buildings, by the porches, and along the concrete front walk. The backyard parking lot has its entrance on University Way.

Must
check records

This large lot apparently remained undeveloped until these two apartment houses were built in 1957 by Hugh T. Pippin, et al., who ~~had~~ purchased this large, undeveloped lot in 1950 (City, DB 152-202). According to tax records, they built these two apartment houses in 1957 and immediately sold the property (DB 202-269). There have been several owners since then (DB 242-365, 371-480, 383-194, 473-340, 486-17).