

LANDMARK



SURVEY

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IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 313 Steep Hill Street
Map and Parcel: 55A-135
Census Tract & Block: 3-110
Present Owner: Clinton E. & Evelyn G. Spencer
Address: 313 Steep Hill Street
Present Use: Residence
Original Owner: C.E. Mallory
Original Use: Residence

BASE DATA

Historic Name: Mallory-Spencer House
Date/Period: 1891
Style: Victorian Vernacular
Height to Cornice:
Height in Stories: 2
Present Zoning: R-2
Land Area (sq.ft.): 100' x 225' (22,500 sq. ft.)
Assessed Value (land + imp.):

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

In its original form this two-storey gray weatherboarded house on a low foundation was two bays wide, double-pile, with a side hall. The medium-pitched slate roof was T-shaped with gables front and back and on the south side over the hall, which extended only the length of one room. A one-over-one room addition on the south side, faithful to the original in nearly every detail, made the facade three bays wide. Its roof matched the original, so that the whole is now H-shaped with gables over both side bays on the facade and rear and a third ridge between and at right angles to the other two. The roof has projecting eaves and verges and a boxed cornice with returns. There are two interior chimneys with simple caps and stringcourses, one between the rooms in the original section, and one between the original and the addition. There are three fireplaces with Victorian mantels. Windows and doors have triangular headed architraves. The windows are double-sash, six-over-six light in the original part of the house and two-over-two in the addition. The windows at the second level are somewhat shorter. A one-storey veranda covers the two bays of the original facade. It has a low-pitched hip roof and a simple balustrade. The plain four-paneled entrance door has a shallow three-light rectangular transom and narrow sidelights over panels. A single flight of open stairs with simple turned balustrade rises from the central hall and makes a 90° turn with winders at the top. A short second flight into the addition branches off from it at the turn. A hip-roofed back porch in the corner of the ell has been enclosed.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

C.E. Mallory purchased two one-acre lots on the north side of Woolen Mills Road (East Market Street) in 1890 (ACDB 94-233). Tax records show that this house was built the next year. It faces east, toward the river and the Woolen Mills. Mallory lived on the other side of Woolen Mills Road, and this house was occupied by his father W.F. Mallory, who made coffins. After his father's death, Mallory sold the property to the Charlottesville Woolen Mills, Inc., in 1897 (ACDB 109-327). The house was enlarged and for fifty years was rented to Howard Tilman, a foreman at the Woolen Mills. The present owners bought it in 1953 (ACDB 304-503). They have added modern conveniences and extensively renovated the house. Additional Deed References: ACDB 105-272.

GRAPHICS

CONDITIONS

Good

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City/County Records
Mrs. Clinton E. Spencer
Mrs. Luther Cash (Sallie Mallory Cash)

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