

STREET ADDRESS:
MAP & PARCEL:
VDHR FILE NUMBER:
CITY FILE NUMBER:
PRESENT ZONING:
ORIGINAL OWNER:
ORIGINAL USE:
PRESENT USE:
PRESENT OWNER:
ADDRESS:

214 Fifteenth Street, SW
11-128
R-3
Anthony B. Buckner
Residence
Vacant
Rector & Board of Visitors of U. Va.

HISTORIC NAME:
DATE/PERIOD:
STYLE:
HEIGHT IN STORIES:
DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA:
CONDITION:
SURVEYOR:
DATE OF SURVEY:
SOURCES:

Buckner - Robinson House
c. 1870 Dem. 1998
Vernacular
2 stories
65.2' x 339.25' (21,695 sq ft)
Poor
Bibb
1998
City/County records
Sanborn Map Co - 1920, 1929-57
Ch'ville City Directories

Arch Description

This ~~house~~ 2-story, 3-bay, single-pile house, set on a high ^{brick} basement, is very similar in size & massing to the one next door. Its walls are covered with asbestos shingles. Its medium-pitched gabled roof is covered with composition shingles.

There is a single central chimney.

It is possible that, like its neighbor, this house was once a duplex. The central entrance gives access to a small vestibule with doors to the rooms on both sides.

Windows are double-sash, 6-over-6 light, with plain trim.

A one-story ~~gabled-roofed~~ entrance porch covering the central bay of the facade appears to be a later addition. Its gabled roof is supported on four square piers; the floor is concrete.

The front yard is filled in to the level of the water table & is surrounded by a low cinderblock retaining wall.

The 1920 Sanborn map shows a wider porch.

Final Receipt

In 1870, only five years after the Civil War, Anthony Buchner purchased a one-acre lot on as yet unnamed street ^{near the University.} (ACDB 65-87).

In 1892 he sold the southern half of the lot, with a house (ACDB 98-68). It may have been at that time that he established a grocery store at 904 or 906 West Main Street. The 1895 City Directory (the earliest one available) shows him living next to his store.

~~He had already~~

to Ellen Robinson

The house remained in the Robinson family until 1953 (ACDB 198-258; City DB 174-343).

It became rental property at that point.

Dennis H. & Lillian E. Flora bought it in 1955 (DB 186-88) and Mrs. Flora sold it to U.V. in 1997 (DB 697-502). At that time the house had been vacant for several years.

and covered the walls with asbestos shingles. The porch was probably rebuilt about the same time the next year. The house had been vacant for several years when Mrs. Flora sold it to U.V. in 1997 (DB 697-502). It was demolished in 1998 to make way for a parking garage.