

# LANDMARK



# SURVEY

## IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 526 North First Street  
 Map and Parcel: 33-13  
 Census Tract & Block: 3-507  
 Present Owner: Theo VanGroll  
 Address: 526 North First Street  
 Present Use: Residence  
 Original Owner: H. M. Gleason  
 Original Use: Residence

## BASE DATA

Historic Name: Pendleton House  
 Date/Period: cir. 1889  
 Style: Victorian Vernacular  
 Height to Cornice:  
 Height in Stories: 2  
 Present Zoning: R-3  
 Land Area (sq.ft.): 54 x 206.25  
 Assessed Value (land + imp.): 1350 + 5100 = 6450

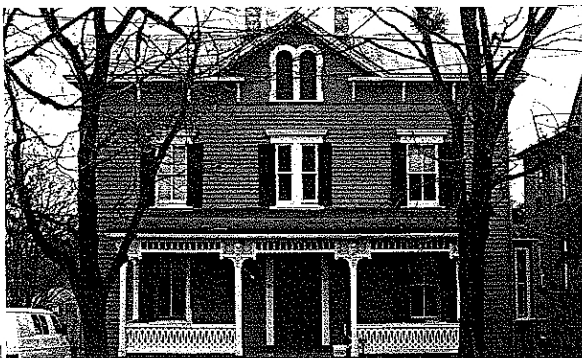
## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This house is a late but none-the-less outstanding example of the Victorian Vernacular. A frame house, the flush clapboard frieze and bracketed cornice, louvered double circular headed vents under the end and central gables are handsome refinements. The heavy sawn work porch with its spool frieze and loop balustrade is one of the finest in Charlottesville. The original blinds, two over two glazing, and four panel double doors have survived. The graceful open dog leg staircase is extremely fine. The step end brackets and wave motif on the exposed hall fascia reflect a style popular in the area from the 1850's. The plan was originally that of a two story single pile house, but later additions transformed the house into a double pile plan.

## HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

The land on which the Pendleton-VanGroll House stands was once the northern half of the garden lot to the Abel-Gleason House. In 1886 A. P. Abell sold a section which had 106' of frontage on Green Street to H. M. Gleason (DB 89 P 182). 1889 tax books indicate that buildings were added to the lot increasing the value to \$2750 for the land and \$3000 for the structures. The present house was probably built around 1889 by H. M. Gleason. Corrine D. Pendleton bought the house from Eddins in 1904 (DB 4 P 402), and it remained in the Pendleton family until 1972. Theo VanGroll bought the property in 1973.

## GRAPHICS

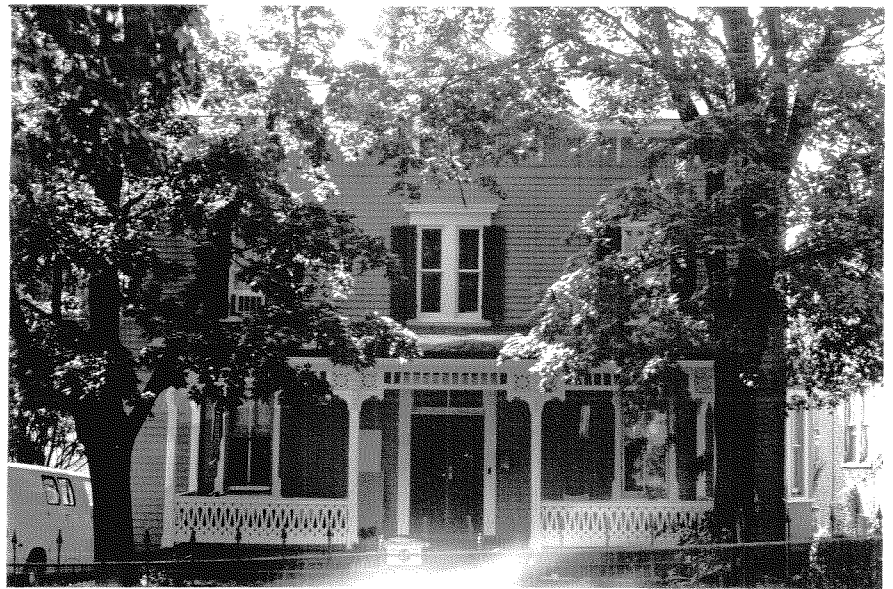


## CONDITIONS

Very Good

## SOURCES

Mrs. Theo VanGroll  
 City/County Records



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