

Architectural And Historic Survey



Identification

STREET ADDRESS: 221 Fourth Street, SW

MAP & PARCEL: 29-44

CENSUS TRACT AND BLOCK:

PRESENT ZONING: R-3

ORIGINAL OWNER: Anna D. Buckner

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PRESENT OWNER: Lucy M. White

ADDRESS: 221 Fourth Street, SW
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

HISTORIC NAME: Anna Buckner Cottage

DATE / PERIOD: 1894

STYLE: Vernacular

HEIGHT (to cornice) OR STORIES: 2, 1 storey

DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 20.5' x 103' (2112 sq. ft.)

CONDITION: Fair

SURVEYOR: Bibb

DATE OF SURVEY: Spring, 1984

SOURCES: City Records Lucy M. White
Sanborn Map Co. - 1896
Charlottesville City Directories

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The main block of this small cottage has the appearance of a square, 2-storey Italianate tower. It has a low-pitched hip roof covered with standing-seam metal with projecting eaves, a boxed cornice, and a plain frieze, lacking the typical Italianate cornice brackets. A brick chimney is located interior to the rear wall and slightly north of center. The house is set on a low foundation. Its walls are now covered with imitation brick composition siding, probably over weatherboarding. The tall windows, another Italianate feature, are double-sash, 2-over-2 light, with architrave trim. Those at the second level are slightly shorter. A one-storey porch covers the facade. It has a medium-pitched shed roof with exposed rafter ends, plain square piers, a simplified Chinese Chippendale balustrade, and a concrete floor. The entrance door has three horizontal lights over three panels. A long one-storey wing on piers covers the rear elevation. Its roof matches that of the main block, but its windows are 6-over-6 light. A shed porch behind the wing has been extended and partially enclosed.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

In 1812, Abraham Conrad, who had built a house just north of this c. 1874, sold 20½ feet off his side yard to Anna D. Buckner (City DB 3-219). Tax records show that she built this house two years later. The rear wing was added before 1907. At some point the walls were covered with composition siding. Lucy M. White, who was raised next door, bought the house from Mrs. Buckner's son, Roscoe W. H. Buckner, in 1962 (WB 3-219, DB 235-412), and it is not owner-occupied, perhaps for the first time, as the Buckners rented it for at least most of the time they owned it.

29-44✓

R-3

30.5 x 103 (2112 ~~2112~~)

221 4th SW

412

235-~~235~~

same add

1962

only son

WB 3-219

Lucy M. White

Robbie W. B. Buckner

40-352

Annie D. Buckner

A. Conrad estate

2-3, 4 rooms

wooden walk up ramp, shingle siding, metal hip roof, on piers
"old"

1966 - bath & repairs

Home c. 16' x 36'

☞ Annie Buckner House

☞ built 1894

It's reasonable for this house to be later than 219:

- It was built after 223, because it has side windows & this doesn't.
- No one would build such a narrow house so close to side line of a 52' lot, so it must have been built after lot was divided.

~~Owner would not~~

Sanborn —

whole
near wing 1896-1907

219 4th St was $1\frac{1}{2}$ storey, I-house w/ wooden shingled roof, very close to 221, but set a little farther back on lot

City Directories

no Buchners there 1895, 1910-11, 1914-15, 1927, 1936, 1940, 1953

221 4th SW

235-412
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Roscoe W. H. Buckner (dir) → Lucy M. White

#1800

10/29/62

20' on 4th SW x 120' W

same as 3-219

3-219

Abraham & Kitty Conrad → Anna D. Buckner

#200

6/15/1892

20' on 4th x 102' back

part of ACDB 69-204, 1/20/1894, Philip & Frances Smith → Conrad
(Both signed w/ mark.)

ACDB

Drury Wood, spec. comm. in chancery case of John T. Barksdale

69-204

vs. Frances Smith et al, ^{John T. Barksdale &} Philip & Frances Smith

1/20/1894

→ Abraham Conrad

#150

lot bounded by street behind Dice house, Peter Harman
on N, R. F. Harvin on W, lot occupied by Philip's Smith on S
52' x 102'

Tax

1875, 76 Abraham Conrad - $\frac{1}{10}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$ mi S + 200 = 400 fr ST Buckner
~~1889~~ " "

1887, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 98, ~~1902~~ " " W side Bar Alley / 6¹/₂ St / Dice St / + 300 = 400
 1902 " " 219 4th St " ;

1893, 94 ^N 3rd Annie D. Buckner — + 0 = 200
 1895, 96, 98, 1902, ~~94~~ " " 221 4th St + 300 = 400

poor fair cond

221 4th SW

2-5, ~~the~~ f-bay (N blank at end), single side
sq main block, w/ 1-5 rear wing

low found

imitation brick siding

low-med hip roof, 55m, proj eaves, boxed cornice, pl frieze
etc

1-5 porch covers facade - med shed roof,
exposed rafter ends, pl sq pier, simple chin chip bal,
conc floor

2 1/2 windows, tall, w/ arch. trim, 1 shorter 2nd. 71
~~1st~~ windows entered, front 5, no rear or 5 (!: after 223 =)

ent door 5 bay 3 horiz 1/3 panels

int end chin^(brick) on rear, N of center

long 1-5 rear wing in 2 sections, rear section sliding down,
low 55m hip roof, cornice, + frieze match
6/6 windows in 2 bays; 2 rooms

~~rear~~ shed porch behind end w/ w/b w/ open section behind

~~shin~~

