

Survey Identification

STREET ADDRESS: 310 Fifth Street SW

MAP & PARCEL: 29-111

CENSUS TRACT AND BLOCK: File No. 66

PRESENT ZONING: R-1A

ORIGINAL OWNER: N. B. Lilienfeld

ORIGINAL USE: Rental Property (Residence)

PRESENT USE: Residence

PRESENT OWNER: Joseph and Josephine T. Nowell

ADDRESS: 310 Fifth Street SW
Charlottesville, VA

HISTORIC NAME: Lilienfeld-Skeeter House

DATE / PERIOD: c. 1877-79; c. 1988

STYLE: Vernacular

HEIGHT (to cornice) OR STORIES: 2 stories

DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 76' x 104' (7904 sq. ft.)

CONDITION: Good

SURVEYOR: Bibb

DATE OF SURVEY: Spring 1993

SOURCES: City/County Records
Sanborn Map Co. - 1907, 1913, 1920, 1929
Ch'ville City Directories

Arch. ^{Design} ~~Sketch~~

This is one of a ~~cluster~~^{group} of identical workers' cottages which ~~used to be~~ have gradually changed over the past century & assumed their own separate identities.

The basic form ~~was~~^{was} a common one in late 19th century Ch'ville: a 3-room ~~cottage~~^{structure} consisting of a ~~one-over-one-room~~ 2-story section & a 1-story side or rear wing.

More commonly, the walls were stuccoed, but this ~~house~~ one's walls are weatherboarded.

They are painted a buff color with dark brown trim. ~~The medium-pitched gabled roof~~

Composition shingles have replaced the original standing-seam metal on the medium-pitched gabled roof. ~~There is a brick~~

exterior end chimney with one set of weatherings ~~at~~ at the northern end of the 2-story section, between it & the one-story northern wing. A later 1-story wing covers the rear elevation of ~~both sections of the~~

~~the~~ entire house. The gabled roof of the original side wing extends over the rear wing as a lower pitched shed roof.

~~Windows are double-sash.~~

Windows are double-sash, of 6-over-6 light in the original portion & 2-over-2 light in the rear addition, all with plain trim.

A 1-story porch covers the facade of the main block & half of the side wing. It has a ~~shed~~ roof, covered with composition shingles, with exposed rafter ends; a plain frieze; square posts; a simple balustrade; & wooden floor.

& extends beyond it ~~at~~^{to} the northern end.

William Shepherd ^{bought} ~~possessed~~ this house from Portner
in 1901 (DB 18-322), but lost it in 1913 after a
series of difficulties (DB 18-323, 23-68469, 25-330).
G. W. Skeeter bought the house in 1923 (DB 45-415).
His family owned & occupied the house for
over ⁶⁰ ~~40~~ years ^(DB 50-151, 58-177, 110-300, 117-488, WB 29-626, 30-89)
~~at one time in the 1920's & 30's~~

~~Skeeter~~ The walls were faced with asbestos
shingles in 1962.

Joseph & Josephine Nowell bought the house in
1988 (DB 518-85). They have removed the
asbestos shingles & restored the house.

Additional References; City DB 43-415, 45-447, 298,
492-589.

Final Descrpt

N. B. Lilienfeld purchased a one-acre lot on Fifth Street in 1876 (ACDB 72-234). The purchase price of \$665 would seem to indicate that there were no buildings on the lot, & none are shown on the 1877 ^{Lilienfeld} Gray map of Ch'ville. Tax records indicate that ~~he~~ built six houses there before 1880. They were apparently used as rental property.

The entire tract was sold at auction in 1898 to satisfy four deeds of trust (City DB 1-461, 3-265, 4-157, 6-160). The purchaser was Robert Portner, one of Lilienfeld's creditors (DB 9-87).

He immediately began to sell ^{off} the ~~separate~~ houses separately (plat DB 11-328).