

Architectural And Historic Survey



Identification

STREET ADDRESS: 413 Seventh Street, NE
MAP & PARCEL: 53-122.1
CENSUS TRACT AND BLOCK: 3-419
PRESENT ZONING: B-1
ORIGINAL OWNER: E. L. Cave
ORIGINAL USE: Rental Property (2 apartments)
PRESENT USE: Offices
PRESENT OWNER: Robert M. Musselman
ADDRESS: 413 Seventh Street NE
Charlottesville, VA

HISTORIC NAME: Cave-Musselman House
DATE / PERIOD: 1923
STYLE: Vernacular
HEIGHT (to cornice) OR STORIES: 2 storeys
DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 106' x 69' (7314 sq. ft.)
CONDITION: Good
SURVEYOR: Bibb
DATE OF SURVEY: Fall 1980
SOURCES: City Records

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Changes in the two-storey veranda have significantly altered the facade of this house. The house is two storeys tall, four unequal bays wide, and double pile. It is set on a low concrete foundation and has a half basement. Wall construction is of brick laid in 6-course American bond. The facade has been penciled in stretcher bond. The medium-pitched hip roof is covered with standing-seam metal and has projecting eaves, boxed cornice, and a wide frieze. Narrow hip-roofed dormers, each with a double-sash, 2-over-2 light attic window, are centered on the side elevations. There is one small interior chimney. Windows are double-sash, 2-over-2 light, with wooden sills. They are taller and segmental-arched at the first level. Basement windows are segmental-arched 6-light casement. A two-storey veranda covers the southern two-thirds of the facade. The southern plane of the roof continues into its matching hip roof. The floor has been replaced with flagstone, and it and the simple balustrade have been extended across the entire facade. A flight of steps rises from each side to a landing one step below the center bay of the veranda. There are four fluted Doric columns at the first level. The second level of the veranda has been enclosed with white weatherboarding (probably vinyl) and has two small 2-over-2 light windows on the facade. The entrance to the first level apartment is in the third bay, but is centered on the facade. The stair entrance to the second level apartment is in the south bay. Both doors have one light over a single panel and have rectangular transoms. A two-storey back porch, set into the two south bays, has also been enclosed and has full-sized 6-over-2 light windows.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

E. L. Cave built this two-apartment house next door to his home at 425 Seventh Street NE in 1923 as rental property. The second level of the veranda may have been enclosed before he sold it to Werter H. Hurt in 1955 (City DB 186-366). Robert M. Musselman bought it from Hurt in 1959 (DB 211-72) and converted it into offices. Additional References: City DB 16-73.