

LANDMARK



SURVEY

Bibb/Spring 1979

IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 219-221 W. Main Street
 Map and Parcel: 33-272
 Census Tract & Block:
 Present Owner: Allen G. Bennett
 Address: 911 Elliott Avenue
 Present Use: Shoe Store(2)9 and Taxi Office (221
 Original Owner: A. G. Carter
 Original Use: Shoe Store(2)9 & Clothing Store(221

BASE DATA

Historic Name: Carter-Bennett Building
 (Victory Shoe Store)
 Date/Period: 1921
 Style: Victorian
 Height to Cornice:
 Height in Stories: 2
 Present Zoning: B-4
 Land Area (sq.ft.): 34.2' x 158' (5403.6 sq. ft.)
 Assessed Value (land + imp.):

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This is a 2-storey, 5-bay duplex store building. Construction is of pressed brick laid in stretcher bond on the facade, and ordinary brick laid in 6-course American bond on the other sides. The facade is painted yellow with white trim. The western store is the width of three bays; it has a modern storefront with a flush central entrance and walls faced with imitation stone siding below the display windows. The eastern store is the width of two bays, and its storefront is probably original: The walls are faced with black tile, and display windows with rounded corners flank a deeply recessed entrance. A wooden cornice with dentil moulding and cornice stops extends across the entire facade above the storefronts. The windows at the second level are double-sash, 1-over-1 light, with rusticated stone sills and lintels. Single board-&-batten shutters are mounted on the wall beside the windows. Above the second-storey level, there is a rusticated stone sill with slightly projecting round arch in the shape of a thermal window in each bay, suggesting a thirdstorey. A projecting cornice with paneled frieze, dentil moulding, modillions, and cornice stops crowns the parapet, behind which a shed roof covered with standing-seam tin slopes to the rear. The rear of the building is divided into three stories with lower ceilings. Windows are segmental-arched, double-sash, 6-over-6 light, with stone sills.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

This block was marshy and remained undeveloped until the last half of the nineteenth century. A. G. Carter bought this lot from Alfred Carpenter's heirs in 1920 (City DB 37-317), tore down two small buildings on the site, and erected this duplex store building the next year. He sold it in 1926 to A. G. Bennett (DB 52-272), whose family still owns it (City WB 5-100, DB 265-110). The Victory Shoe Store has occupied the eastern half (219 W. Main) since 1922, while the western half (221 W. Main) has housed a variety of businesses.

GRAPHICS

CONDITIONS

Good

SOURCES

City Records
 Sanborn Maps - 1920
 Charlottesville City Directories



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SURVEY FORM

File no. 104-72(A)
Negative no(s). 37(558)

Historic name		Common name VICTORY SHOES, YELLOW CAB	
County/Town/City CHARLOTTESVILLE			
Street address or route number 219-221 W. MAIN			
USGS Quad CHARLOTTESVILLE WEST EAST		Date or period	
Original owner		Architect/builder/craftsmen	
Original use			
Present owner		Source of name	
Present owner address		Source of date	
		Stories	
Present use		Foundation and wall const'n	
Acreage		Roof type	
State condition of structure and environs GOOD			
State potential threats to structure			
Note any archaeological interest			
Should be investigated for possible register potential? yes ___ no ☒			
Architectural description (Note significant features of plan, structural system and interior and exterior decoration, taking care to point out aspects not visible or clear from photographs. Explain nature and period of all alterations and additions. List any outbuildings and their approximate ages, cemeteries, etc.)			
PRESSED BRICK (RUNNING BOND). 2 STORY. LOW PITCHED ROOF. 5 BAYS.			
ITALIANATE COMMERCIAL. CA. 1910. 1 ST STORY ORIGINAL DENTILED METAL CORNICE,			
2 ND STORY 1/1 SASH, DOUBLE HUNG. STONE SILLS, STONE LINTELS. APPLIED SHUTTERS			
SEMICIRCULAR BRICK ARCH PANELS OVER WINDOWS.			
DENTILED & BRACKETED METAL CORNICE.			
219 W. MAIN (VICTORY SHOE). CA. 1935 GLASS & BARED GLASS OVER			
BRICK. RECESSED CENTRAL ENTRANCE.			
221 W MAIN (YELLOW CAB). CA 1950 STONE VENEER OVER BRICK,			
GLASS STOREFRONT. CENTRAL ENTRANCE.			
Interior inspected?			
Historical significance (Chain of title; individuals, families, events, etc., associated with the property.)			

Names and addresses of persons interviewed

Plan (Indicate locations of rooms, doorways, windows, alterations, etc.)

[illegible]

Site plan (Locate and identify outbuildings, dependencies and significant topographical features.)

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Name, address and title of recorder
Richard Bryan

Date MAR 1980

see file

219-221 W Main (Victory Shoe; Yellow Cab)

265-110

Allen B. Bennett 1945

plat 37-323

WB 5-100

A L " 7/9/42

52-272

A B " et -

apt & commercial
concrete found, brick walls, flat metal roof
metal ceiling
O basement

CB garage 1964

see

old card: no apt over Victory Shoe Store
1946 - new plumbing

≥ 1921 (DB 38-106); Sanborn agrees ²¹⁹ (not on 1920)
(221 in present form)

~~1896 Sanborn indicates 221 might be c1896~~ pictures & Sanborn version > 1920

Early Ch'v doesn't mention Carpenter, so must be one of "small dealers"
"of recent date" & enlarged 1876-80

prob 1924 when party wall agreement made w/ 223
& before 1/1926 Leed

~~analysis~~

owner: Carter 1921-1926 = 5 yr

~~Bennett~~
~~1926~~ 1926 - present = 53 yr

store: 221

mine

219

Victory Shoe Store

-1978

Mrs Miller

~~been~~

been there since 1922, 1st tenants

Bennett

Victory Shore, Yellow Cab (219-221 W)

52-272 AB + Mayna B Carter -> AG Bennett \$41,000

1/1/1926 219-221 W main w/ brick storehouse

34.2' x 124.4'

same as 37-317-323 except for 38-106

eastern ~~prop~~ party wall agreement

46-234 western " " "

37-317

Delia Amanda Carpenter (s), ^(Mrs Stephen A) Mrs M A Carpenter (wid), Caroline C

12/22/1920

+ John F Farin, Fannie C + Wm A Lewis, James S Carpenter,

Wm A Carpenter, Johnson T Carpenter, ^(Mrs Wm A) Mrs Isabel M Carpenter (wid)

Helen M + John M Higginson, Richard W Carpenter

-> AG Carter

Alfred Carpenter dec ~1880 owning parts of L 37 + 28 of orig Ch's plat, same as ACDB 61-⁽¹⁸⁶⁴⁾95496⁽¹⁸⁷⁶⁾, 70-244, except 14' eastern strip ACDB 65-30

wife: Fannie

ch: Delia Amanda

Wm L Lloyd

Stephen A

ACDB 92-177

City DB 1-316

ACWB 30-109

City WB 1-330

Stephen gave his share to mother

1888

Fannie left estate to her ^{same} ch

1912

others named are Wm L's + Stephen A's ch

ACDB 99-164 Delia + Wm L returned Stephen's share to him

1892

ACWB 32-84 Wm L's will

1911

ACWB 32-119 Stephen's "

1912

ACDB 167-174 " ch -> their mo

1914

59' on west side since 1880 to JB Anderson (11-294)

38-106 Carter → Michter
1921 "Carter reserves right to the western wall of that bldg" in case he
should decide to put up a storehouse on the lot retained
by him to the west"

ACDB (see 100-106 Preston Ave)

61-95 & 96

1/4/1864

70-244 Manajah Woods, comm in Watson vs Watson adm & other
4/26/1876 → Alfred Carpenter \$920.26

real estate sold to John T Barchdale 1860 for \$3479

61-95 1/4/1864 Barchdale sold property to Alfred Carpenter
"lot w/ improvements on north side Main St... lately occupied
by Walter Berry..."

(deed to Carpenter, \$920 = balance due on \$3479

219-21 W

1922, 24

AB Carter

221-223

$3800 + 10000 = 13,800$

for Carpenter
bldg added

1921

alf Corp, est

215-221 (220)

$5800 + 3520 = 9320$

~~1924~~

nl 1926-

owner: A.L. Bennett (life estate - can't sell it)
600 14th St.

bought by A.G. Bennett (A.L.'s father)
c. 1926(?)

c. 1970



ROLL # 5058
NEG # 37
FILE # 104-72A

219-221 W MAIN
MAR 1980

219-221 W. MAIN ST.

c. 40 yrs. old (A.L. Bennett
says within his lifetime)

33-272



apt. upstairs
over cleaners

#219 Victory shoe store
has been here since
the beginning

#221 a variety of
tenants

#281