

# LANDMARK



# SURVEY

## IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 627 Park Street  
Map and Parcel: 52-190  
Census Tract & Block: 3-510  
Present Owner: A. E. D. Howard  
Address: 627 Park Street  
Present Use: Residence  
Original Owner: John Gilmore  
Original Use: Residence

## BASE DATA

Historic Name: Gilmore-Watts House  
Date/Period: 1922  
Style: Colonial Revival  
Height to Cornice:  
Height in Stories: 2  
Present Zoning: R-3  
Land Area (sq.ft.): 150 x 250  
Assessed Value (land + imp.): 5190 + 15,370 = 21,060

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This house is a handsomely detailed example of the Colonial Revival style which was extremely popular for residences in the 1920's. A simple five bay rectangular mass, the fenestration has the small paned sash above a single, large paned sash in typical revival style. An arched pediment hood with Doric columns frames the nicely detailed Federal style fanlite entranceway. The Adamesque mantle in the parlour and the handsome staircase with turned balusters and scroll treadbrackets are extremely fine examples of high quality Colonial Revival woodwork.

## HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

In 1921, John Gilmore purchased the large lot on the southwest corner of Park Street and Northwood Avenue from Gordon G. Nelson who had subdivided this area. The lot was quite expensive reflecting the desirability of a Park Street location even in 1921. In 1922 Gilmore's handsomely detailed Colonial Revival house was built. John Gilmore conveyed the property to Cecil E. Watts in 1931 (DB 73-298). The present owner purchased the property in 1965 and has added minor interior improvements.



## CONDITIONS

Good

## SOURCES

Mr. A. E. Dick Howard  
City Records

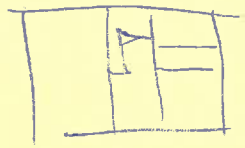
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 3000 + 7710 = 10,710

Doorway similar 515 - architectural description  
 hooded Doric portico 5 bay 2nd floor diminish - box cornice -  
 8 over 1 lg. common bond -  
 good Revival stair - scroll brackets - added mack  
 paneling & chair rail  
 gt. Adam revival mantle  
 arched openings -



side veranda -

Historic Description

Name of Persons Interviewed:



2 1 mile from Sunnyfields.  
son in 1755, Tufton re-  
family for over 70 years.  
oh added a story-and-a-half  
The brick portion which  
the house was constructed  
typical mid-18th century  
rooms each, with spacious  
main rooms are beautifully  
s and are charmingly fur-  
Grandquist, residents.

out 1,000 acres, 3.5 miles  
te 627. The present house  
Its architecture is classical  
demands of contemporary  
has been given to detail,  
for rare 18th century an-  
cutting garden, pool and  
his court with log cabin,  
untain garden, and green-  
r. John G. Jones, owner.

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sity Avenue. Home of President and Mrs. Frank L. Hereford,  
Jr.

**MOREA** -- 214 Sprigg Lane, off Emmet Street. Built  
in 1835 by John Patten Emmet, one of the first pro-  
fessors chosen by Mr. Jefferson for the University of  
Virginia. The spacious brick house was given to the  
University as a residence for distinguished visitors.  
There is a beautifully landscaped botanical collection  
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consists of flowering native trees and shrubs as well as  
many beautiful hybrid lilacs, tree peonies and spring  
bulbs. House and garden open. Present occupants are  
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and Mrs. Parker.

**LAWN ROOMS:** West Lawn -- Number 27, Catherine  
Powers; Number 55, Art Coleman  
East Lawn -- Number 18, Scott Blackwell; Number 50, Leslie  
Eliason

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**CASTLE HILL** -- Home of Dr. Thomas Walker --  
Route 231.

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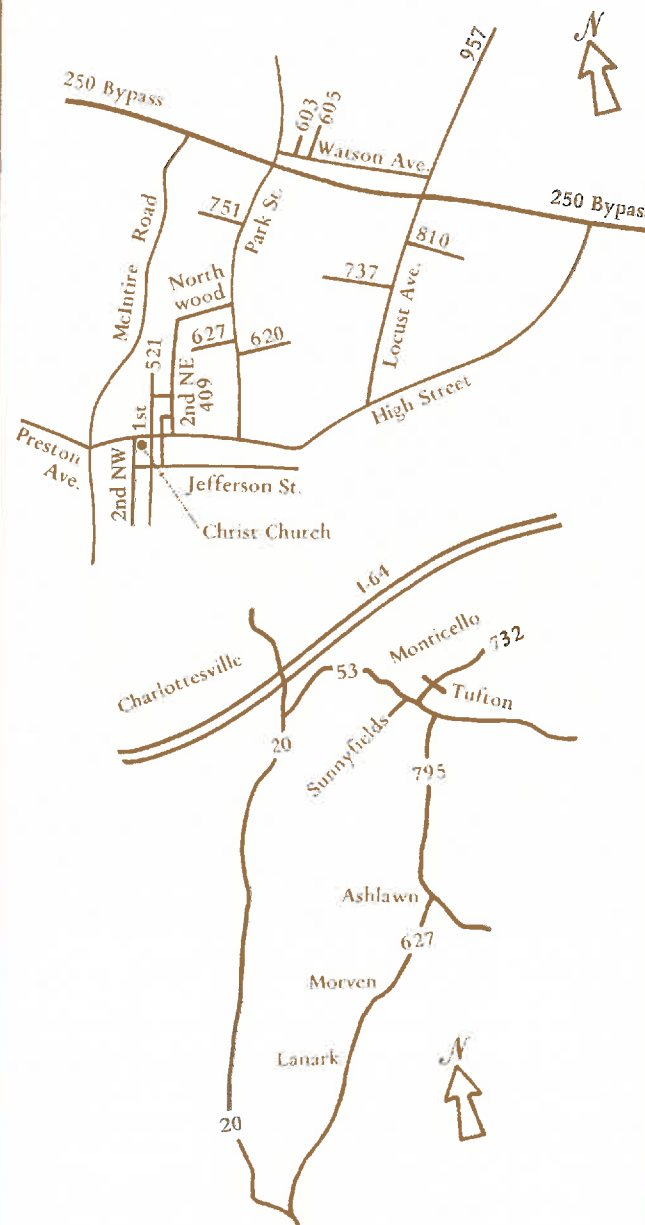
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