

## 319 10 ½ Street NW



**Significance:** High

**Date of Construction:** c.1919

**Architect:** Unknown

**Parcel ID:** 040179000

**Original Owner:** Barley Clark

**Builder:** Unknown

### **Building History:**

This three-bay, one-story, symmetrical frame and stucco dwelling house was built around 1919. The house had several rehabilitations in 1954, 1976, and 1982. Originally a cross-gable, T-shaped house, the T was filled into a square with a pair of shed roof additions (one on either side of the T) in 1960. The multi-gable roof has asphalt shingles and rectangular louvered vents in each gable pediment. There is a three-bay porch with a hipped asphalt shingle roof, rectangular stuccoed posts and a parged concrete foundation. The paved driveway in the side yard leads to a one-bay, gable roof, open-air carport/garage which was built in 1960. Front facing windows appear to be 1/1 vinyl sash. Several large hedge plantings are located around the porch and around the concrete block wall which separates the front yard from the sidewalk. A concrete path leads from the sidewalk up to the central entrance.

### **Ownership History:**

G. M. McNutt, trustee sold the property to Barley Clark on April 2, 1918(City 31 – 319). Barley Clark died on Sept 25, 1926. All five Children of Barley Clark and their spouses (Gertrude Clark Cooper and husband Edward; Mary Clark Cooper and her husband Dewey; Violet Clark Lewis and her husband William; William Clark (separated); George Clark (single)) willed the property to Bertie Clark (Barley's widow, and their mother) on July 23, 1929(City 66 – 74). The Clark family continued to own the home, exchanging between siblings through the 1970s.

### **Social History:**

From 1919 when the house was built until his death in 1926, African American chauffer Barley Clark lived in the home with his wife Bertie Clark. After his death, Bertie Clark continued to own the home until her death in 1956. Daughter Mary E. Williams, a widow, took over the property and ran a beauty shop from 1956 through the 1960s. She remarried in 1960 to Hubert Stanley, an African American chauffer, changing her name to Mary Williams Stanley.

**Statement of Significance:**

This house was in the Clark/Williams/Stanley family for over fifty years. The house was used as a business, a beauty shop, in addition to being a residence. Most of the original materials have been replaced in the dwelling, but it has social and community value.