

Architectural And Historic Survey



Identification

STREET ADDRESS: 301 Fifth Street, SW	HISTORIC NAME: Shelton-Fuller House
MAP & PARCEL: 29-104	DATE / PERIOD: Before 1876
CENSUS TRACT AND BLOCK:	STYLE: Victorian Vernacular
PRESENT ZONING: R-2	HEIGHT (to cornice) OR STORIES: 2 storeys
ORIGINAL OWNER: John and Rebecca Shelton	DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 56' x 130' (7280 sq. ft.)
ORIGINAL USE: Residence	CONDITION: Good
PRESENT USE: Residence	SURVEYOR: Bibb
PRESENT OWNER: Lonnie Vest, Jr., Bertha M. Vest	DATE OF SURVEY: Spring 1984
ADDRESS: 301 Fifth Street, SW	SOURCES: City/County Records Bertha Vest
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901	1877 Gray Map Ch'ville City Directories
	Sanborn Map Co. 1907

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This is a basic 2-storey, 3-bay, single-pile Virginia I-house set on an English basement. The front yard has now been filled in behind a brick retaining wall that curves around the front of the house from each side of the entrance porch. Walls and foundation are constructed of brick laid in 7-course (and some 9-course) American bond. The medium-pitched bellcast gable roof is covered with standing-seam metal and has projecting eaves and verges, a boxed cornice with sawn brackets on the front and side elevations, and a plain frieze. There is a low central gable on the facade. Each of the two exterior end chimneys has a small cap and one set of weatherings at the sides. The south chimney also has two weatherings on the face of the chimney, both between the first and second storey levels. Windows are double-sash, 2-over-2 light, with plain trim at the basement level and architrave trim at the two upper levels. First storey windows are somewhat taller than those at the other two levels. A one-storey, entrance porch covers the central bay of the facade. It has a bellcast truncated hip roof covered with sheet metal with a boxed cornice, paired cornice brackets, and a plain frieze. Two of the original chamfered square posts with large sawn brackets remain attached to the facade, but the other two posts have been replaced with wrought iron, as has the balaustrade. There is a concrete floor. The entrance door has also been replaced, but the rectangular transom and 3-light sidelights over panels with moulded rails remain. There is a one-storey semi-octagonal bay window in the northern bay of the facade. Its roof matches that of the entrance porch, except that the cornice brackets are not paired. There are narrow 1-over-1 light windows at the sides and a 2-over-2 light window in the center plane. At the basement level, there is only a 6-over-6 light window in the center plane. A one-storey cinderblock wing with a low-pitched gable roof covers the center bay of the rear elevation, probably replacing an earlier frame wing. It has now been extended to both sides.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

An 1876 deed of trust noted that John N. Fry had contracted to sell to John & Rebecca Shelton "the house and lot where they now reside on the west side of the Old Still House Road...." (ACDB 70-262). This house appears on the 1877 Gray Map. Shelton died before he finished paying for the house, and his son-in-law Charles Fuller paid the rest and received a deed in 1896 (City DB 7-286). A one-storey frame rear wing was added before 1907. After the deaths of Fuller and his wife, their heirs used the house as rental property for many years before finally selling it in 1979 to Lonnie & Bertha Vest (DB 307-217, 404-175).

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R-3
56x130

501 5th SW

#303

404-175	Lornice Jr + Bertha M. Vest	1979
	Rebecca F. M ^{rs} Binner	1970
307-217	Rebecca F + MM M ^{rs} Binner	1969

dec.
lived on Brown St

	Julia Fuller et al	
	Charles " estate	1916
7-286	" "	1896

heirs of Charles Fuller

John N. Fry, et al.

2.5 + B, 7 rooms (5 orig)

1-fam

brick walls + found, metal gable

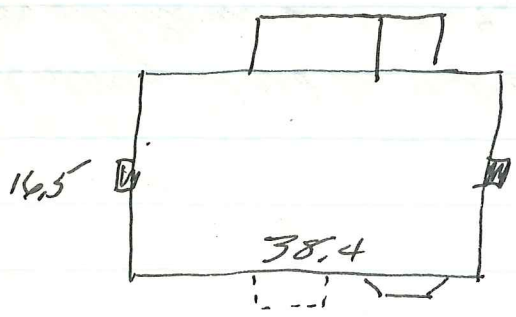
1 fireplace, 1 stack

"old", cheap const

1950 - 14' x 14' near addn

1981 - garage; also

1963 - repair fire damage - \$588 (w. T. Goings)



Sanborn—

2nd story added to central rear wing, 1907-1920
other additions since 1969, & 2-5 frame replaced w/
1-5 cinderblock

City Directories

1953—Julia Fuller n.l., Rebecca M^{rs} Ginner (teacher) on Brown St, house rented

56
130
180
—
366

1074

13-8

501 5th St SW

307-217 Fuller → M^{rs} Bimess

4/21/1967 58' on ~~line~~ 5th SW 1/4 ; SW corner 5th & Dice
same as DB 7-286

Charles Fuller dec. 1916 intestate

His widow, Julia, has since died

4 chn: Lillie Fuller Roy (by Chas Fuller's 1st marriage) -
she, husb, & 2 chn all dec. intestate < 1967

Carrice Belle Fuller Rogers & husb dec intestate & childless

Charles Henry Fuller dec 1930 intestate & single

Rebecca Fuller M^{rs} Bimess = only survivor

7-286

6/18/1896

John N. Fry (wid), Rebecca Shelton, Julia^{Shelton} Fuller, & John B. Shelton (heir of John M Shelton, dec) → Charles Fuller

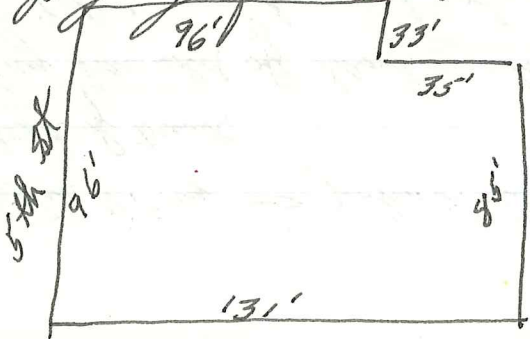
5th & Dice, 131'

ACDB 70-262, 5/9/1896, John N Fry → John L Lockman

certain lots, incl house John M & Rebecca Shelton were living in & had contracted to buy

John M. Shelton dec. intestate

~~Rebecca Shelton~~ Son-in-law Charles Fuller has finished paying for house



ACDB 65-60, 1866

Barksdale & Fry → Fry

Did all these
build homes in 1870's
also or soon
after 1877.

ACOB
70-262
5/9/1876

John N. Fry → John L. Cochran
deed of trust

Fry has sold off land on which he resides, ^{5 of ch'u} the following:

- Lot 11 - Edmund Johnson
- " 16 - B. T. unstaff
- " #1 - Jane Sullivan
- " 647 - Wm Henry Brown
- " 243 - Mat Lewis
- " 445 - A J Shackelford

He could have moved
between 1866 & 1876,

alley bet Shackelford & Fry

also → - John & Rebecca Shelton -

"the house & lot where they now reside on W side of
the Old Still House road & adj Shackelford & Wm H
Brown

- Val Wood

undiv int in a house & 2 acres owned w/ Farish on E side
Ridge rd

These are
probably
different
tracts

65-60
10/11/1866

John T Barksdale → John N Fry

\$11,820

his int in ~~fact~~ property, incl

- ? * tract near ch'u fr James Fife 1863 — part of land fr
Bramham & adj Joe Watson, Ben Locke, & Barksdale & Fry, w/ Fife
— "w side of side of the old Forge Rd", S side of it reserved
when Fife sold lot to Shackelford 1860 — 15.12 acre
- ? * Fry's residence SW ch'u, fr He Dowell 1858 w/ house,
2 1/2 acres, adj Fife, Watson; same house as fr Musgrave 1855
1/2 acre
lot W old & by Rd fr Belw 1858 w/ new house (1858)
4.6 acre
lot " " " " " " 1859

301 5th SW

1871, 74	^{75, 76} John N. Frey	2 1/2 ac 1/4 ms	250 200 +2000 = 2500	← (Frey's residence)
"	"	4 1/4 " " "	+425 = 1350	
"	72, 73, 74, 75, 76	15 1/2 " " "	- = 2325 *	(Bramham)
1872, 73	"	2 1/2	+200 = 2500	←
"	73, 74, 75, 76	4 1/4	+425 = 1275	
1874	"	"	+	

~~1865~~ ~~Bramham~~

1889	^{93, 95} John N. Frey	W side Old L. by rd	500 + 1500 = 2000	
"	93, 96	" " "	+ 0 = 400	grass lands
"	^{98, 96} John Shelton	n l - also Rebecca		
1896	John N. Frey	W side Old L. by rd	500 + 2000 = 2500	
1897, 98, 02, 08, 11	Charles Fuller	301 5th SW	200 + 800 = 1000	fr Rebecca Shelton
1897	John N. Frey	W side Old L. by rd	1000 + 1500 = 2500	

House not shown because belongs to Shelton, not Frey?

301 5th

1872, 73, 74⁷⁶ John^W Shelton n l

1876 John L Cochran $\frac{1}{2}$ ac $\frac{1}{2}$ m s +300 = 500 loc 2 T Barksdale, dad for N Fry who was a _____

1884 " " Shelton n l

City 1889 — John N Fry W side Old L by rd +1500 = 2000

1878, 80 " 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ ac $\frac{1}{2}$ m s + 0 = 1912

1882, 86 " " " " + " = 1765

1886, 82 " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ac $\frac{1}{4}$ m s +1500 = 2000

1878, 75 " " $\frac{1}{2}$ m s + 2000 = 2500

1875, 72 " "Bramham" 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ ac $\frac{1}{4}$ m s + 0 = 2287

1872 " "Fry's residence?" 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ac $\frac{1}{2}$ m s + 200 = 2500

Fry must have moved between 1866 & 1876.

summary;

Fry's 1866 residence

1871-1878	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres	500 + 2000 = 2500
1882-1886	"	" + 1500 = 2000
1889-1895	W side Old X. by Rd	" " "
1896	" "	1000 + 2000 = 2500

Bramham land

1871-1876	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres	2287 2325 + 0 = 2325	2287
1878-1880	12 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	1912 + 0 = 1912	
1882-1886	" "	765 + 0 = 765	
1889-1896	Old X. by Rd	700 + 0 = 700	grasslands
1897-1911	{ W side Old X. by Rd } 301 5th St	200 + 800 = 1000	

Mrs
Bertha Vest


301 5th SW

Rebecca M. Binnema
on Brown St - was father's
Rev Hailstark's oldest son
to there

2-5, 3-bay, single-pile (Va I-house)

high found - brick, w/ front yard filled in behind
curving brick retaining wall
brick walls + found - 7 (some?) - e dm

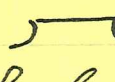
med, ^{bellcast} gable roof, 55m, proj eaves + verge
sawn brackets front & ends, pl frieze,
low vent gable

2 ext end chim w/ 1st set short weatherings, sm copings
3 also has 2 sets other way  both bet 1st & 2nd
trim yellow

2/2 wind w/ oak, trim; basement same w/ plain
1st level taller

1-5 bay window N bay facade, semi-art -
brick found w/ ^{pl trim} basement window w/ pl trim
2/2 + 1/1
wooden

bracketed boxed cornice
matchee porch roof, but w/ single brackets

1-5, 1-bay ent porch  metal roof,
boxed cornice w/ paired brackets, pl frieze
conc fl + wrought iron bal
had chamfered sq posts w/ large sawn brackets
(2 engaged posts remain)

cent ent: new solid door, 3-l sidelights / panels w/
moulded rails, — 1 rect. transom above

windows cut in, 2 sidelights covered

1-5 CB wing of low gable roof cent. rear
(prob replaces WB); now extended to sides of
vert. siding + shed roofs for peak of gable