

Architectural And Historic Survey



Identification

STREET ADDRESS: 152 Stribling Avenue
 MAP & PARCEL: 18A-33
 CENSUS TRACT AND BLOCK: 5-221
 PRESENT ZONING: R-2
 ORIGINAL OWNER: S. Price Maury
 ORIGINAL USE: Residence
 PRESENT USE: Rental Property (6 apartments)
 PRESENT OWNER: Biro Realty Corporation
 ADDRESS: c/o Dorsey Bias
 Reservoir Road
 Charlottesville, VA

HISTORIC NAME: White Cross - Huntley Hall (C.M.R.H.)
 DATE / PERIOD: 1891, 1900
 STYLE: Victorian Vernacular
 HEIGHT (to cornice) OR STORIES: 2 Storeys
 DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 272.85' x 369' (2.02 acres)
 CONDITION: Good
 SURVEYOR: Bibb
 DATE OF SURVEY: Fall 1977
 SOURCES: City/County Records Ormond Deane
 Martin J. Romanac of Biro Realty Mrs. John Clark
 Mrs. Fred Tice (Judith Maury Tice) Gordon Granger IV

Mrs. George Maverick

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This is a Shingle Style house, despite the lack of shingled walls except in porch posts and railings, several of which have now been enclosed with shingled walls. Its horizontal lines, stone walls, Queen Anne massing, broad expanses of roof, circular tower, and small-paned windows are all typical of the Shingle Style popular in the 1880's and 1890's. The two-storey house is built of random fieldstone with a combination of moderately pitched gable and hip roofs, probably originally covered with wooden shingles, with projecting eaves and verges and exposed ends. Wings project from three sides of the central block, and its facade is covered by a low porte cochere with a small balcony above it and a touch of stickwork in the broad front gable. The entrance door is broad and fortress-like with multi-pane glazing and iron strap hinges. A three-storey circular stone tower is set into the corner beside the entrance. Its third level, reached by a very steep winding stairway, is a gazebo with shingled railing, stick style posts and braces, and pyramidal roof. The windows represent a variety of styles, shapes and sizes. Many are small-paned, either the entire window or just the upper half or the outside edge. Although it has been divided into apartments, the original plan is still discernable, and much original fabric remains. There are five fireplaces, some very ornate with columns or pilasters and decorated frieze, each one different. The large sunken living room in the later west wing has Ionic columns above the steps at each end, and French doors originally led onto a shingled porch with a bowed end. The kitchen appears to have been 1½ storeys tall originally, and it was separated from the rest of the house by an open porch.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

In 1890 Stephen Price Maury was deeded at tract of 104 acres by his father, Jesse Lewis Maury of Piedmont (ACDB 94-157). He built this house the same year and named it "White Cross". There is a cross of white stones in the side of the tower. Maury built another house nearby and in 1898 sold White Cross with 23½ acres to John Lovell (ACDB 110-230). The two-storey west wing was extended, probably by the same workmen, in 1900, according to tax records. The Lovell family changed the name to "Huntley Hall" and owned it for 47 years, except for 1932-1934 when it was owned by Robert S. Osburn (ACDB 217-430, 226-6). Osburn founded the Charlottesville School for Boys which occupied the house for over a decade. It stood vacant for a while after the school closed, and then was sold in 1946 to Mrs. Marion Wise Richardson who converted it into six apartments (City DB 125-77). It was probably at this time that the kitchen was enlarged to a full two storeys and connected to the main house. The present owners purchased the house and two acres in 1966 (DB 274-407).

Additional References: ACDB 250-218; City DB 120-290, 181-432, 183-325.

SIGNIFICANCE

White Cross, with its Queen Anne massing, stone and shingled walls and circular tower, is one of Charlottesville's only Shingle Style structures. Its builder was a member of one of the area's most prominent families, and it housed the outstanding Charlottesville School for boys in the 1930's.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Charlottesville Multiple Resource Area
State Virginia

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 61. <u>White Cross - Huntley Hall</u> | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Linda McClelland</u> | <u>10-20-82</u> |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 62. Maury-McCue House | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Ret.</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 63. Vowles House Kitchen | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Ret.</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 64. Lewis, Nicholas, House | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Ret.</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 65. McKennie-Cook Building | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Ret.</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 66. Chancellor Building | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Ret.</u> | |
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| 67. Anderson Brothers Building | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Linda McClelland</u> | <u>10-20-82</u> |
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| 68. Minor Court Building | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Ret.</u> | |
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| 69. Turner-LaRowe House | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Linda McClelland</u> | <u>8/10/82</u> |
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| 70. Enderly | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Linda McClelland</u> | <u>10-21-82</u> |
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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

White Cross - Huntley Hall (Charlottesville MRA)
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Working No. 9/7/82-2435
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83
Date Due: 10/7/82 - 10/22/82
Action: ACCEPT 10/21/82
 RETURN
 REJECT

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria Accept C
Reviewer J. McCallum
Discipline A. Hist
Date 10/21/82
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

Architectural  *And Historic*
Survey

Graphics



Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000882