

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0411355711

Address: 100 St. Paul Street  
Current Name:

Block: 623	Lot: 7	Lot size: 29 ft. x 89 ft.
Height: 8		Materials: Brick
Condition: Excellent		Owner: 100 St. Paul St. Partership
Use: Commercial		Accessible: Yes, unrestricted
Designation:		Liber/Folio: CWM 4181/766



Historic Name: Gunther Building  
Date: 1904  
Architect/Builder: Simonson & Pietsch  
Style (if appropriate):

**Description:** The Gunther Building at the corner of East Fayette and St. Paul Streets is a seven bay wide, eight story high, brick structure with terra cotta and wood trim. Despite some alterations, in particular on the first and second floors, several of the original details have been retained such as the keystone consoles with gargoyles, large wreaths flanking the round arched windows and pronounced cornices. The building also features black iron railings at the second floor windows and elaborate consoles. The upper floors are not as highly decorated as the base. The outermost bays of the east facade on St. Paul Street project out slightly from the central portion. The facade is capped by a simple console cornice. The south elevation is three bays wide and contains very similar details to the St. Paul Street facade.

**Significance:**

Area: architecture

Level: local

The Gunther Building, located on the corner of East Fayette and St. Paul Streets, was designed in 1904 by the well known, local architectural firm Simonson & Pietsch. The Gunther building was built by George Gunther, owner of Gunther Brewery. The general contractor was Henry Smith & Sons Co. and the building was finished in 1905. At one time, back in 1906, the Gunther Building housed the Fayette Street Cafe and Restaurant. The building has experienced extensive alteration on the lower levels of the facade yet many of the significant details have been retained. The building features large wreaths flanking round arched windows and pronounced cornices, keystone consoles with gargoyles and some newer additions include black iron railings and elaborate consoles. The building is in excellent condition and it is a considerable contribution to the historical character of the area.

Sources: History of Baltimore Police, p. 121 A, 1906 Baltimore City Directory  
Surveyor and Date: Caroline Hardy, May 1985

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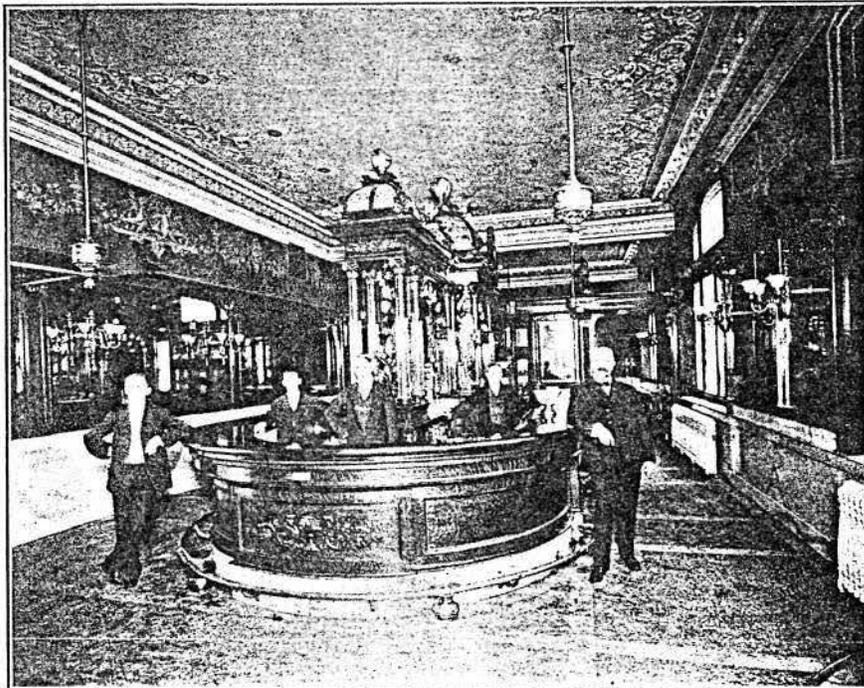
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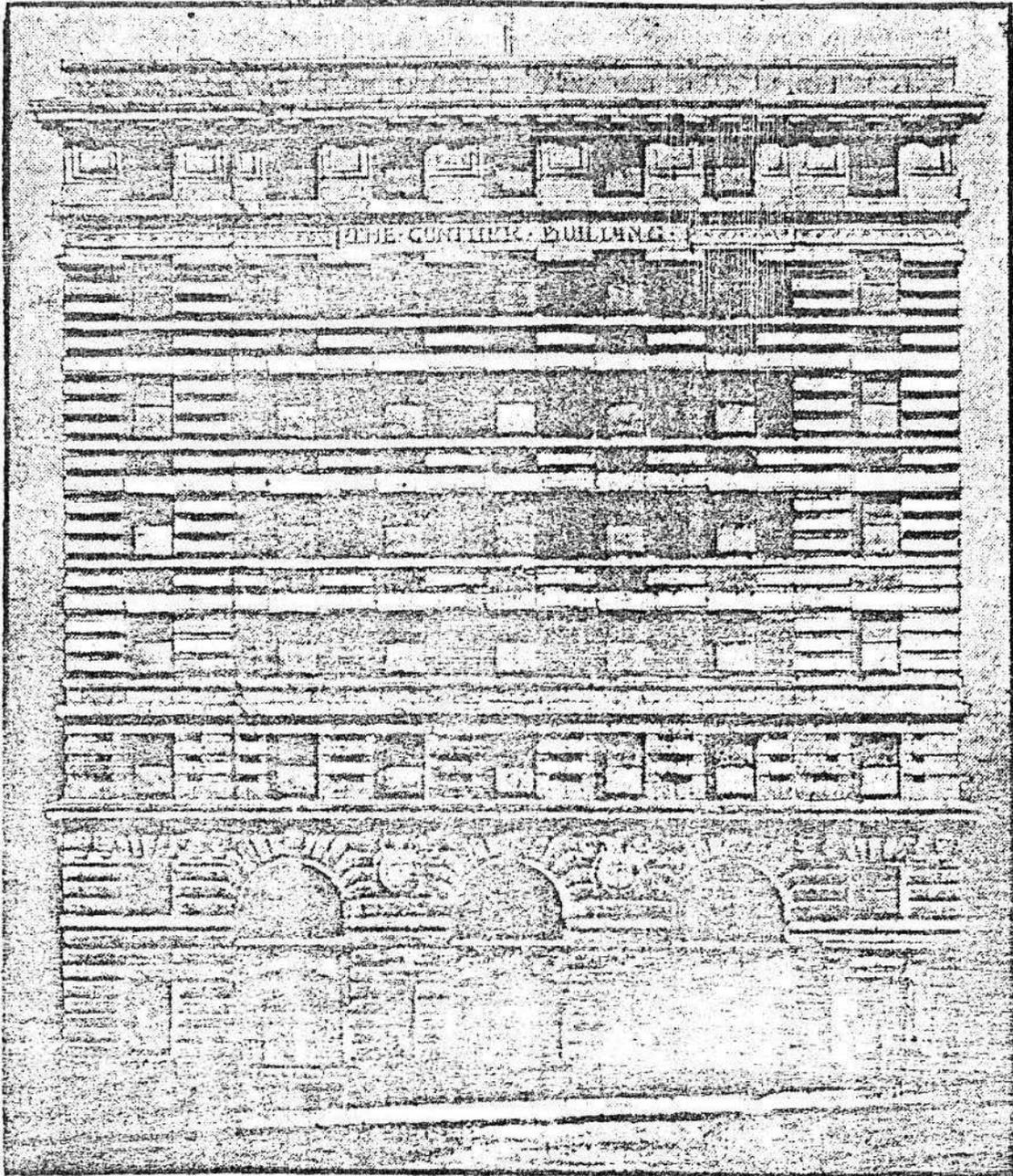
Corner Fayette and St. Paul Plaza  
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## THE NEW GUNTHER BUILDING



NORTHWEST CORNER OF COURTHOUSE PLAZA AND FAYETTE STREET

The above illustration is of the Gunther Building, which is to be erected at the northwest corner of Fayette street and the new Courthouse Plaza. It shows one of the best type of smaller office buildings being constructed in the new district. Near it, on the west side, will be the Hotel Junken, work upon which has considerably advanced. The new structure is to be built for Mr. George Gunther, owner of the property, and Messrs. Simonsen & Pletsch are the architects.

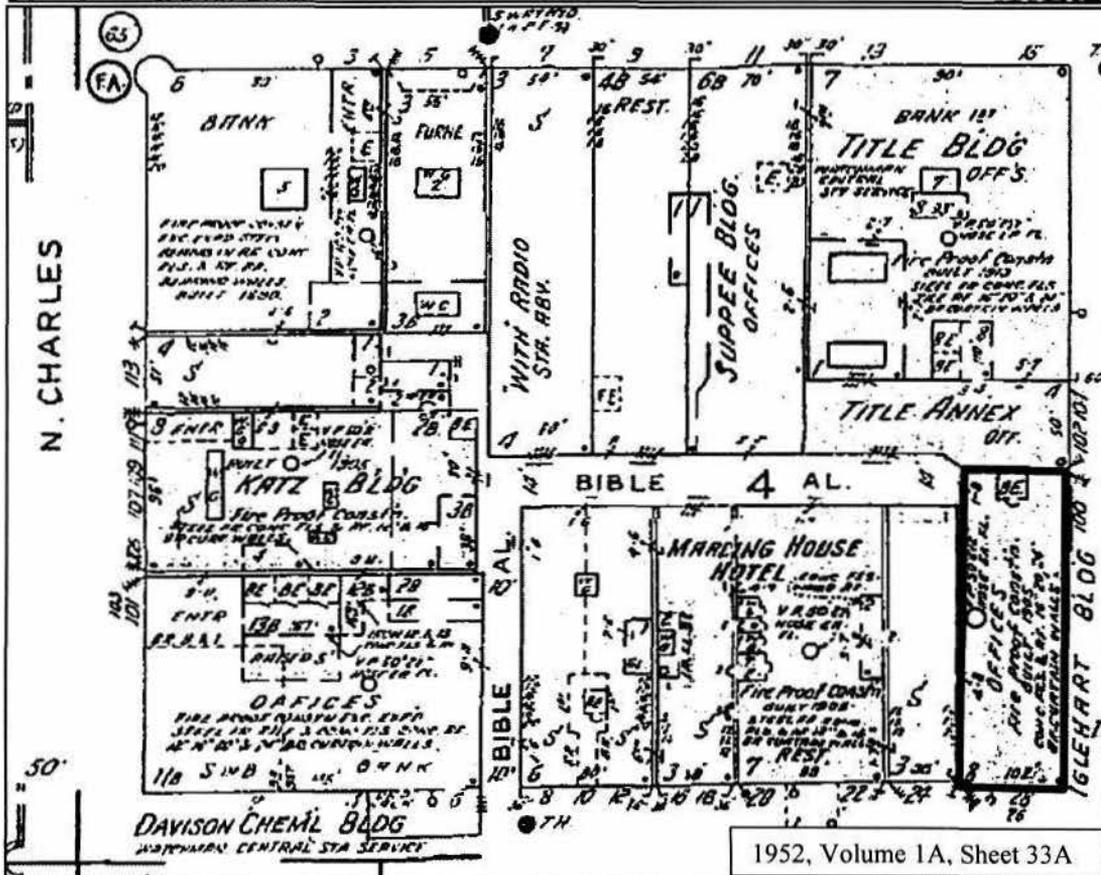
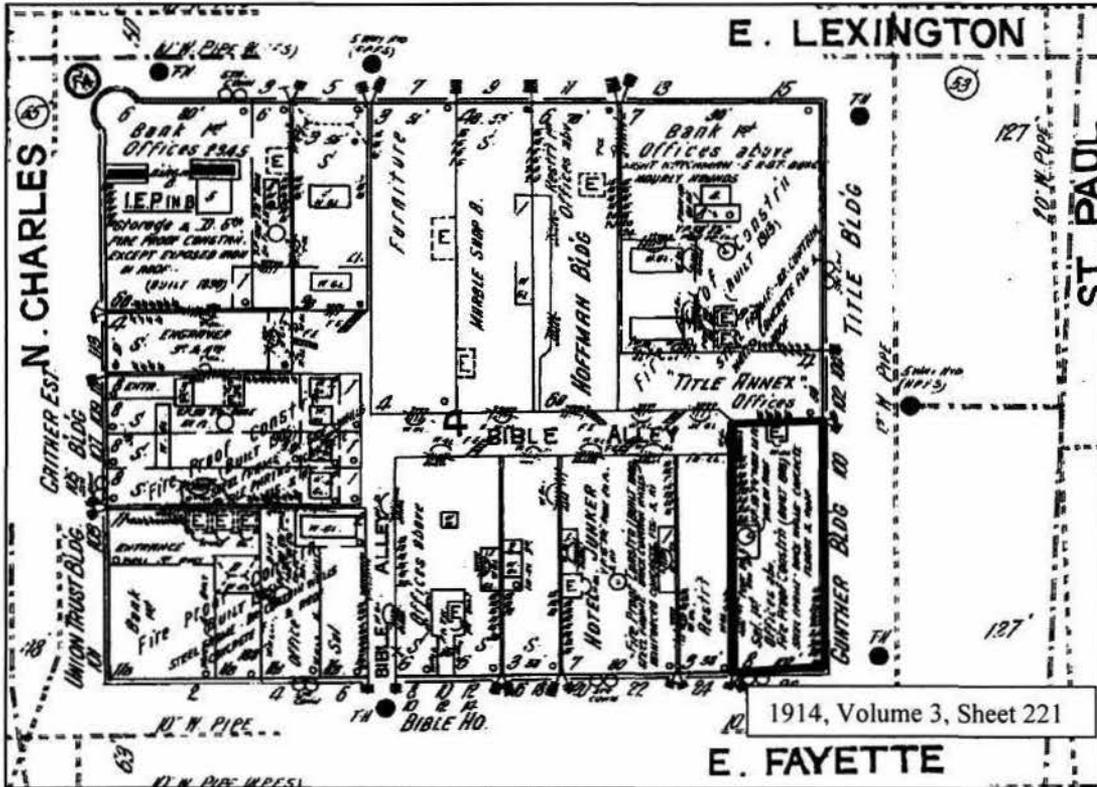
The contracts have been awarded as follows: General construction of the building,

to Henry Smith & Sons Company; plumbing and heating, to J. E. Granberry & Co.; electric wiring, to the Arthur Frantzen Company; mail chute, to the Cutler Manufacturing Company. The proposals were opened on June 27, but the award has been delayed because the removal of the Herald Building did not make any building operations possible.

The building is of effective and artistic design and a handsome addition to the best class constructed buildings in the new Baltimore. It is of the wall bearing type, with steel beams and fireproof throughout.

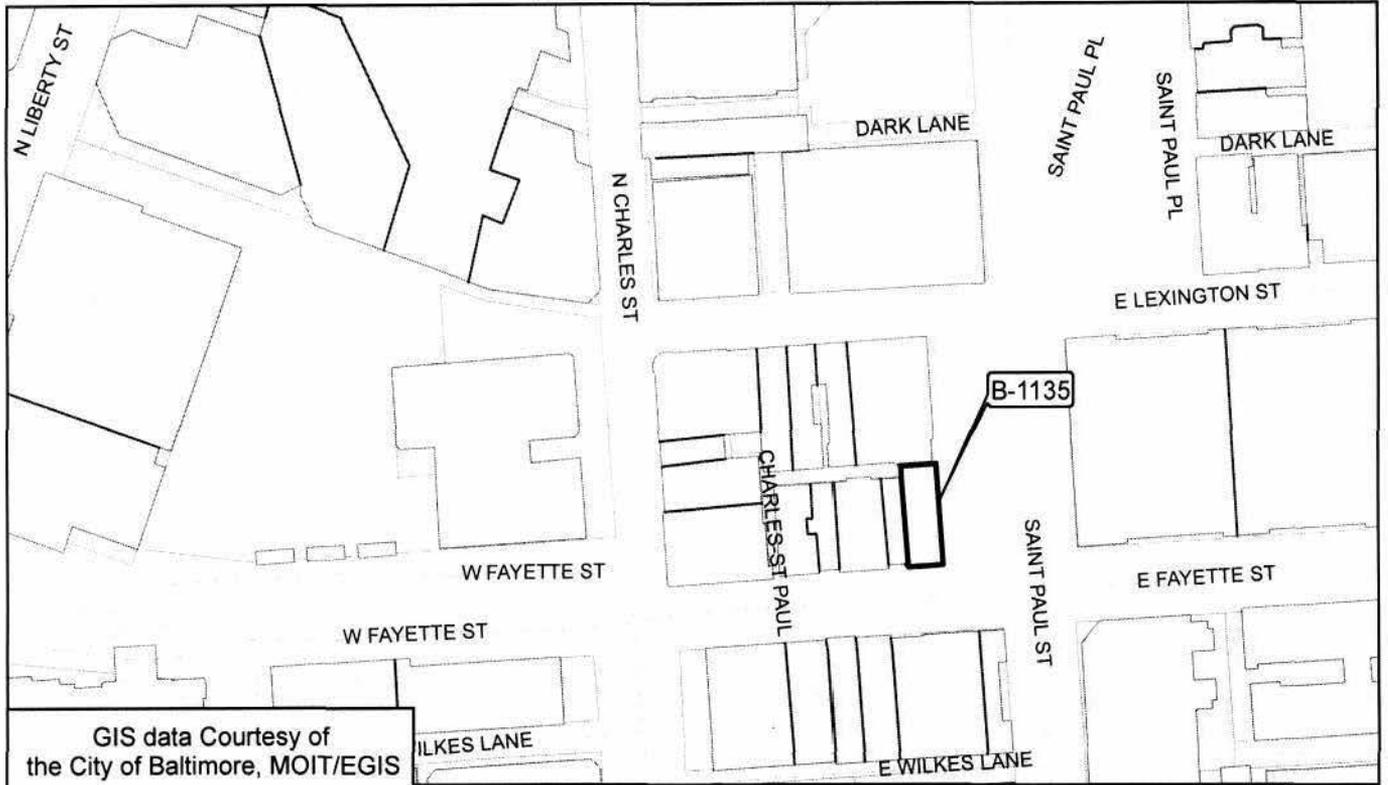
The fronts will have granite base and iron spot brick, with terra-cotta ornaments, trimmings and cornices. The first floor will have a marble finish and will be used as a bank, store or cafe, with entrance from Fayette street. All upper floors will contain choice offices, facing the new Courthouse Plaza, and the entrance to the offices is designed from the plaza. The building will have sanitary plumbing, be heated by steam and have electric elevator service. Work will be vigorously pushed to insure completion of the structure not later than next June.

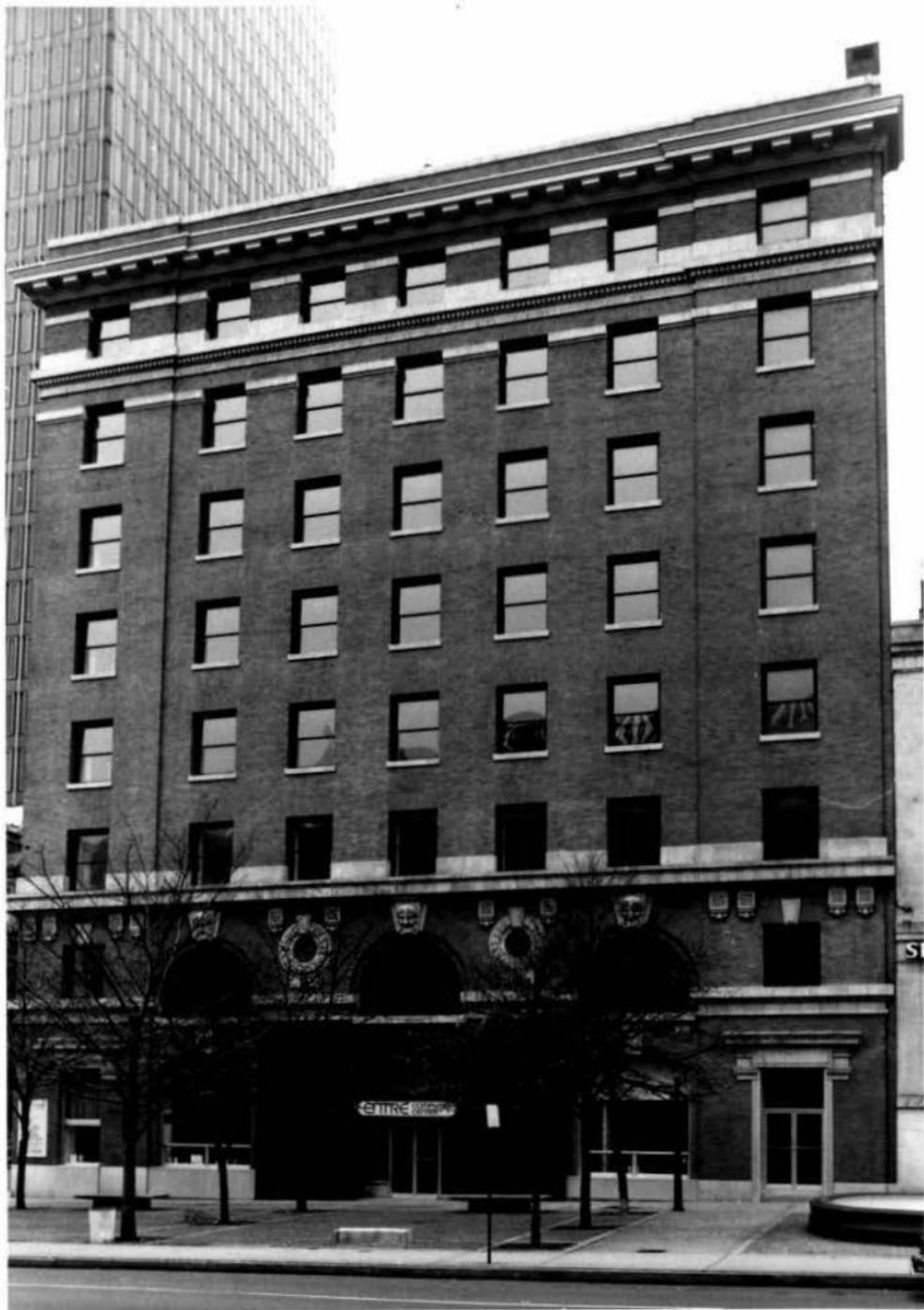
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Gunther Building  
100 St. Paul Street  
Financial District-Metrocenter Survey  
Baltimore (City), Maryland  
Photo: Fred Shoken  
Date: October 1983  
Neg.loc.: Maryland Historical Trust  
East elevation