

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0412145711

Address: 30-36 Light Street
Current Name:

Block: 660	Lot: 7-10	Lot size: 81 ft. x 90 ft.
Height: 4		Materials: Brick
Condition: Good		Owner: Berry, Jr. & Hshld. Bank
Use: Commercial		Accessible: Yes, unrestricted
Designation:		Liber/Folio: SEB 120-222, SEB 404/34, SEB 401/497

Historic Name:
Date: 1904
Architect/Builder: Ellicott and Emmart
Style (if appropriate):



Description: This is one of the most distinctive structures in the Financial District. It is a 9 bay wide, 4 story high, red brick structure with cream colored wood trim. The first story has been altered and divided into several smaller commercial businesses. On the Lombard Street side the first story businesses have recessed entrances, flanked by 16 pane windows with transom windows above. Burke's restaurant on the corner is the most significantly altered portion of the building with an entrance on Light Street. The 2nd and 3rd story have 6/6 windows with a wide band of geometric details between 2nd, 3rd and 4th stories. The 4th story windows are 6/6, segmental arched windows with keystone consoles. All the windows are flanked by pilasters which are terminated by geometric designed brackets. Above Burke's restaurant on the south elevation there is a three bay area on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th stories with simple 6/6 windows and no other details. Brick extends two feet, above a simple cornice, to the roofline. Burke's Restaurant storefront is not consistent with the rest of the building on either elevation. The details on the east elevation are the same as the south elevation and the building is in good condition.

Significance:

Area: architecture

Level: local

This very distinctive structure at the corner of East Lombard and Light Streets was originally built in 1904 as a group of warehouses for no particular company. The architects were Ellicott and Emmart and the contractor was James Stewart & Co. The owner at the time was the Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Presently, the first story is divided into several small commercial businesses which was the buildings original purpose. The building's many architectural features include segmental arched windows with elaborate keystone consoles. Other details include geometric details and decorative brackets. Despite some major alterations by the corner occupants, Burkes's Restaurant, the building is in good condition and it makes a significant contribution to the historic character of the area, It is one of the largest buildings in the district built after the Baltimore Fire.

Sources: Maryland Institute Scrapbook
Surveyor and Date: Caroline Hardy, May 1985

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Address: 30-36 Light Street (10-18 E. Lombard Street)

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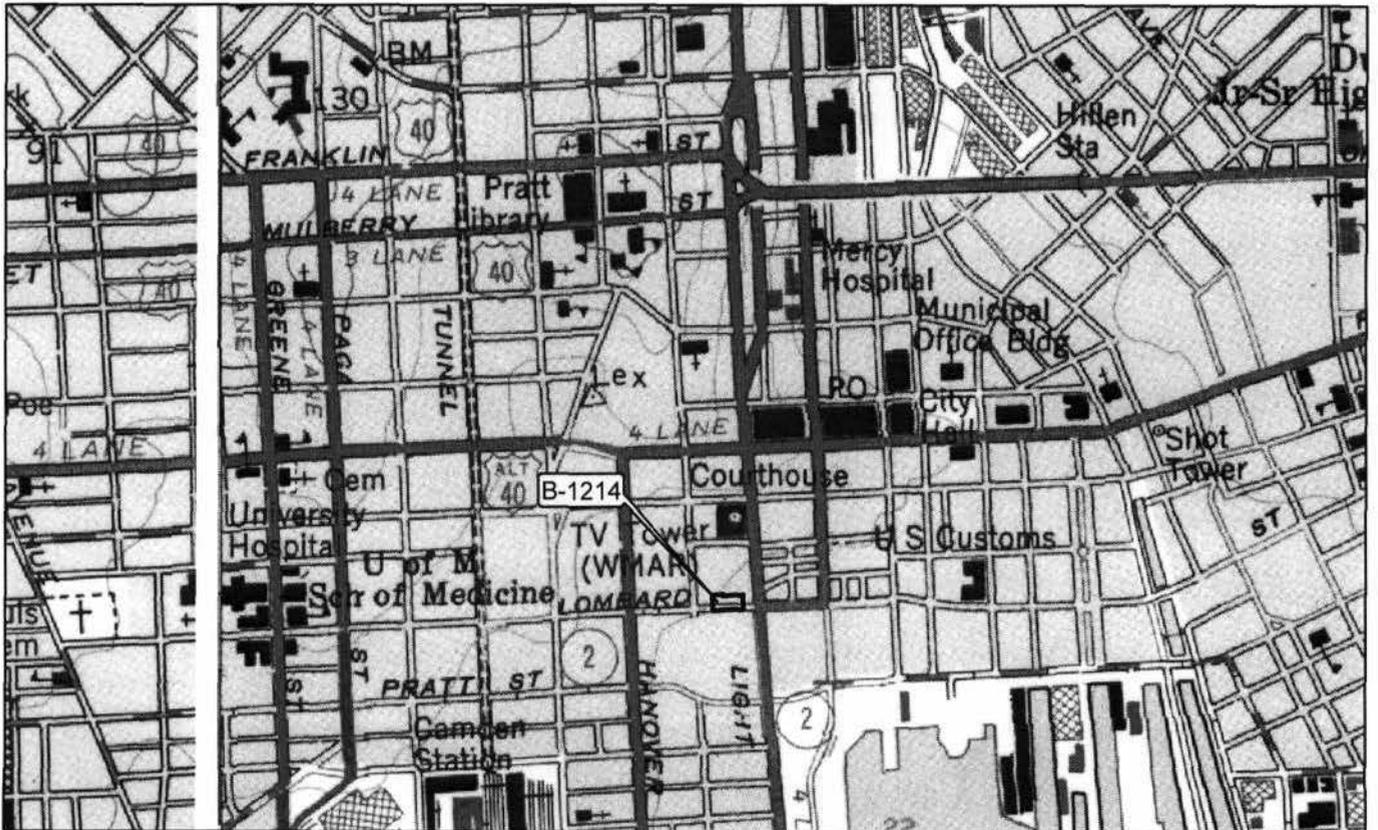
A striking group of new warehouses to be located on the north side of Lombard street and the west side of Light street is shown in the accompanying picture. The buildings are of uniform architecture, and the design, while simple, is pleasing and substantial. It is interesting to note that four ladies figure as the builders of eight of these

warehouses. They are Mrs. Charles H. Harding, Mrs. Margaret Schapiro of Austria, Mrs. Samuel Mercer of Germany and Mrs. James W. Tyson. The first three named are erecting seven of the buildings, Mrs. Tyson one, and Mr. Jesse W. Tyson is erecting the ninth. The Safe Deposit and Trust Company represents the owners. The buildings, while separate, are to

be so built that any number, or all of them, could be used by one concern if desired. The plans were prepared by Elliott & Emmart, and the contract has been awarded to James Stewart & Co. Five of the buildings will be located on the north side of Lombard street, and four will be on the west side of Light street. The Lombard-street warehouses will average about 22 feet wide, to a

depth of 37 feet 6 inches, and Light street will be 19 feet 4 inches and 29 feet 6 inches deep. They will be four stories high. They will have elevators and be lighted by electricity. They will be built of brick and red brick and galvanized iron. The construction will take about five months of the buildings.

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Burke's Restaurant & Cafe
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Block 0660, Lots 007-013
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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