

AREA: Cathedral Hill

MAGI NO.: 0420805411

Address: 19 West Franklin Street
Current Name:

Block: 565	Lot: 4	Lot size: 23 ft. x 100 ft.
Height: 3		Materials: Brick and wood
Condition: Good		Owner: The First Company
Use: Commercial		Accessible: Yes, restricted
Designation:		Liber/Folio: MLP 7967/314



Historic Name: Gregg House
Date: ca. 1830
Architect/Builder:
Style (if appropriate):

Description: The three-bay rowhouse has been greatly altered by the lowering of the doorway to the street level and the addition of plate glass windows to the first floor and basement. The door is an aluminum and glass modern unit which does not fit the opening, a narrow glass infill forming a sidelight. A projecting marquee above the door is a simple box. The display windows are united by a plain frame with a simple entablature. The first floor window has muntins which flare from the sill to the upper frame. The upper floors retain the three original bays and flemish bond brickwork. The windows are 2/2 with gauged flat arches. The cornice is a plain box. The gable roof has two dormers with segmental arched 6/6 windows.

Significance:

Area: architecture

Level: local

The upper part of the facade is suggestive of the residential use of the original rowhouse. No. 17 and 19 West Franklin are the two remaining houses in a complete block of 1830 buildings. No. 19 was owned for 40 years from about 1830 to 1870 by Andrew and Thomas Gregg and their families. In the early 20th century, it was the office of Frainie Brothers and Haigley, a building contractor firm.

Sources: Land records; city directories
Surveyor and Date: Janet Davis, May 1985



Baltimore Metrocenter Survey
 Cathedral Hill Area
 Gregg House
 19 West Franklin Street
 B-2080



Gregg House B-2080
19 West Franklin Street
Cathedral Hill - Metrocenter Survey
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Janet Davis
Date: August 1984
Neg. loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
North elevation

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Franklin Realty & Finance Company
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 19 West Franklin Street
CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore
STATE: Maryland COUNTY:

3. CLASSIFICATION

Table with columns: CATEGORY (Check One), OWNERSHIP, STATUS, ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. Includes sub-section: PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) with categories like Agricultural, Commercial, Educational, etc.

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: The First Company
STREET AND NUMBER: 19 West Franklin
CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Baltimore City Courthouse
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): MLP 7967 Folio 314

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: City of Baltimore, Neighborhood Survey
DATE OF SURVEY: November 12, 1975
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Commission for Historical & Architectural Preservation
STREET AND NUMBER: City Hall Room 900 26 S. CALVERT ST.
CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore STATE: Maryland

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The present structure is one of two remaining buildings of an original group of eleven rowhouses. Originally the third house from the west corner, it now stands next to a corner parking lot. The Federal style rowhouse is $3\frac{1}{2}$ stories with two dormers on the hipped roof. The building is three bays wide; the symmetrical fenestration, lacking ornate decoration, is set off with flat arched brick lintel and stone sill. Sash windows are two over two on the second and third stories; the dormers are six over six. The original Flemish bond brick pattern has been maintained on the front, though the rear additions use a "common" brick pattern, alternating every sixth row with headers. The first story has been modernized. The plain rectangular glass door is located on the right side of the front and has no transom. There is a wooden overhang several feet above the door and slightly wider than the door. The storefront picture window supplies the only decoration as such. The upper portion (slightly more than half) is divided into six panes and is set off from the lower portion by a wooden cross-member.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE			
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	
SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)			
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE			
<p>The present structure was erected between 1828 and 1830. It has been owned at various times by several prominent Baltimoreans. Of particular interest is Joshua Levering who owned the property from 1911 to 1917, and had represented the National Prohibition Party as its nominee for President of the United States. There is, however, no indication that Levering occupied the building, but more probably used it for income property. From 1921 to 1940, the building housed the contracting firm of Frainie Brothers & Haigley (later Frainie Brothers). This firm was, for some time, one of the more prominent and highly regarded firms in the city. A few of the buildings accredited to them are the Alcazar Holy Rosary Catholic Church and Union Memorial Hospital. They also contracted buildings for the C & P Telephone Company and the B & O Railroad, and built some of the produce buildings near Camden Station.</p> <p>Unfortunately, the building has lost some of its architectural character by the removal of nine of the rowhouses.</p>			

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Baltimore City Directory
 Baltimore News September 13, 1937

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:
 23' X 100'

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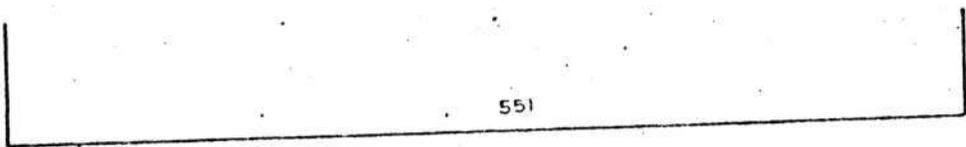
11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Juanita L. Schultz	
ORGANIZATION Goucher College in cooperation with	Commission for Historic and Archt. Preservation DATE 12/1/75
STREET AND NUMBER: City Hall	
CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore	STATE Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

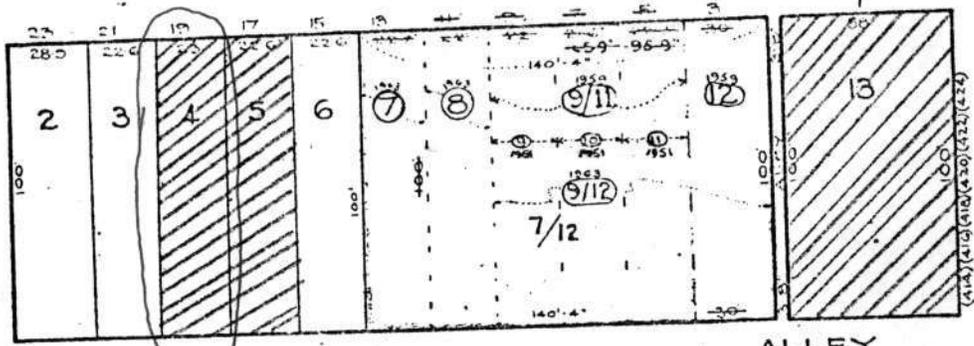
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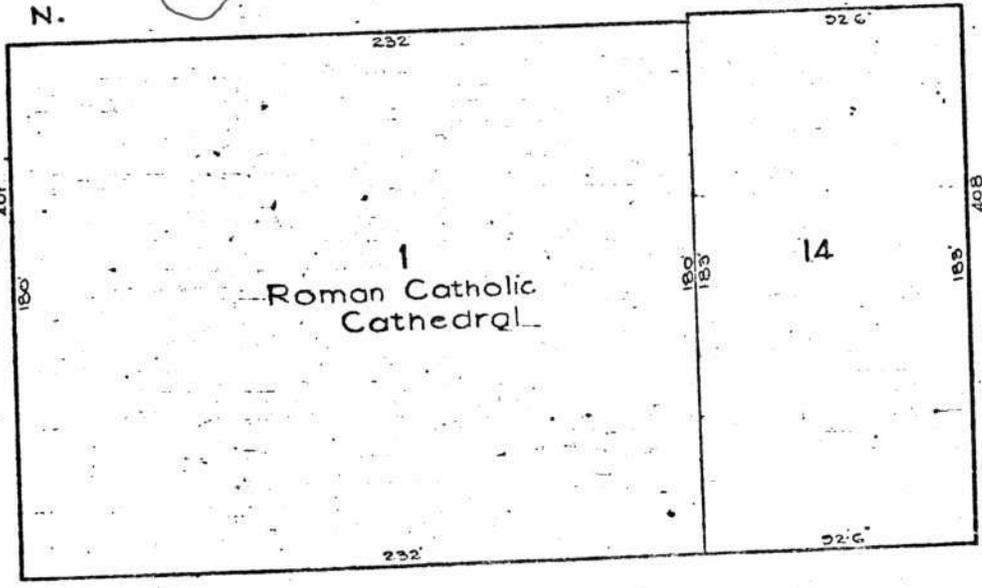
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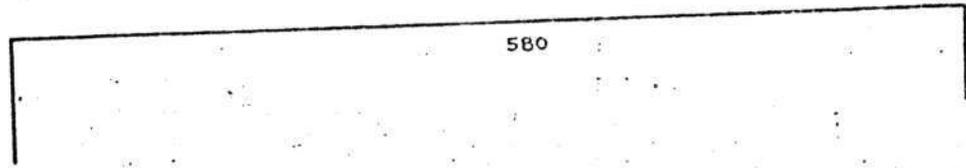
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N. CHARLES

W. MULBERRY ST.



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