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1845-1900

828-814 S. Charles St. (West side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private and semi-public access

This side of the 800 block of S. Charles St. is essentially commercial in character, with the early houses on the block having been replaced by a 1920's-era department store (now Stark's furniture and appliance store) at 816-826 S. Charles St. and other later, modern warehouse buildings. The only surviving early house on the block is 814 S. Charles St., a small two story, two bay wide brick house with gable roof that was built about 1845. Stark's furniture store is three stories in height and five double bays wide, constructed in yellow glazed brick with geometric, Art-Deco influenced trim set in contrasting colors. At 828 S. Charles St. there is a three story high, three bay wide building with shed roof and bracketed cornice that was built to serve a combination residential/commercial use but now serves only as storage space for a local piano company.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 814 S. Charles St.

CITY, TOWN Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

STATE Maryland

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: restoration contemplat

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Mayor and City Council

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21202

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE  
Maryland 21202

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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 DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE
 

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This two story, two bay brick house with gable roof is the only surviving member of a row of such houses that at one time extended along this side of Charles St. The first floor area has been converted into warehouse space with a wide garage door opening which is now boarded over.

The house is two stories in height, 13 1/2' wide, and occupies a lot 45' deep. There is a two story high, three bay deep rear addition. The house is constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roof has a two-tier brick cornice. The second floor window openings on the Charles St. facade have flat wood lintels and wood sills. The window openings on the Churchill St. facade have common arch lintels and wood sills. All of the window openings are boarded. The first floor area of the facade facing Charles St. has been replaced by a wide garage door opening. The house is in a severe state of disrepair.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES      c. 1840-45

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is significant as being the only surviving residential structure on this side of S. Charles St. in the block bounded by Montgomery St. and Henrietta St. The house is representative of a group of extremely modest two story, gable-roofed houses built in the 1840's-1860's to serve as inexpensive housing for the influx of newly arrived immigrant families seeking work in harbor-related activities. In terms of design, the houses are basically the descendants of earlier Federal-style house working class housing built in the early decades of the century, but without the usual dormer story of such houses. Because there is no dormer story the roof slope is less steep in these later versions of the style.

The house was owned and occupied in the 1840's by a Julius Willard, a butcher. Later, in the 1860's, the house was owned by a Frederick Ochs, who operated as a tailor from this location.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Baltimore City Land Records, Liber AM 281, Folio 368; Baltimore City Directory, 1845, 1849-50, 1867

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. &amp; Eccles

STREET &amp; NUMBER

5/79

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Ruxton

Maryland 21204

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

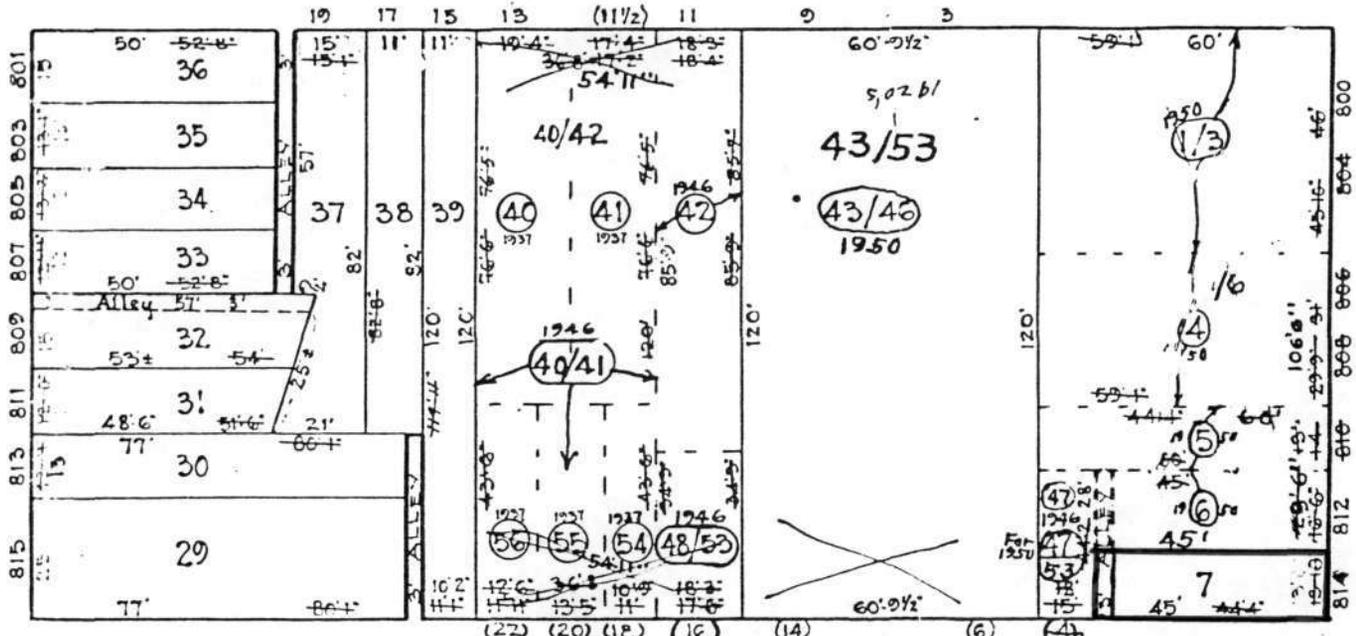
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

W. MONTGOMERY

82

ST.

S. HANOVER



ST.

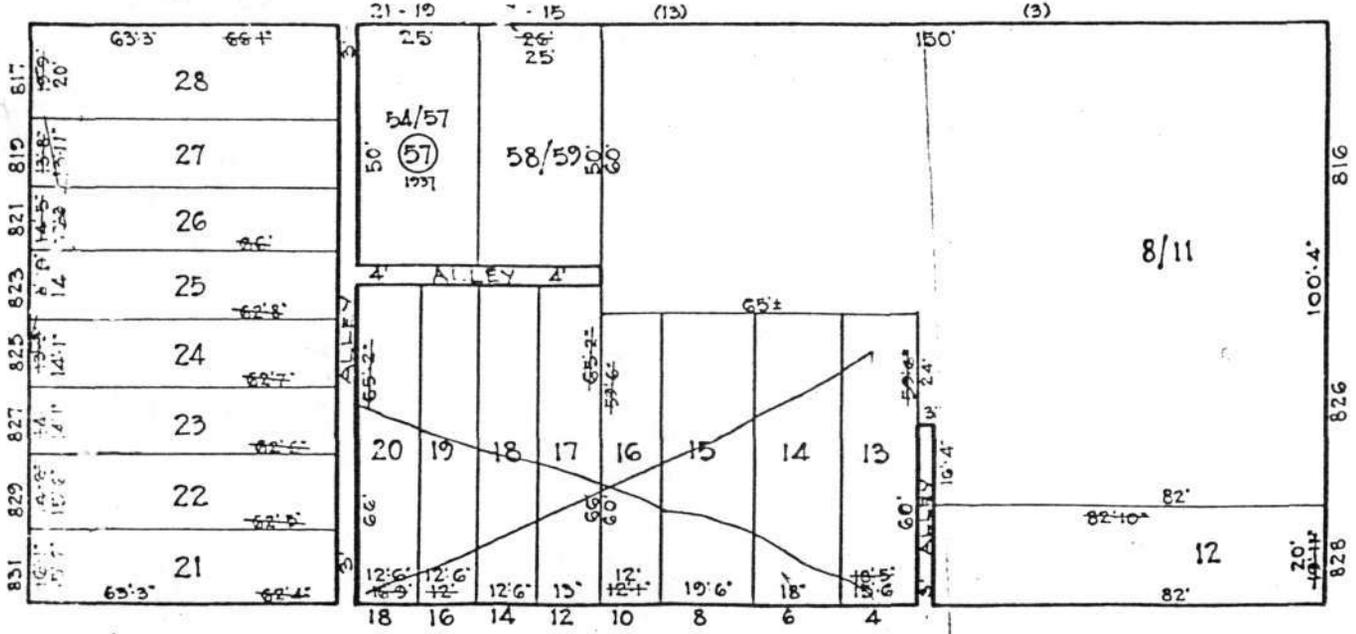
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W. CHURCHILL

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ST.

S. HANOVER



S. CHARLES

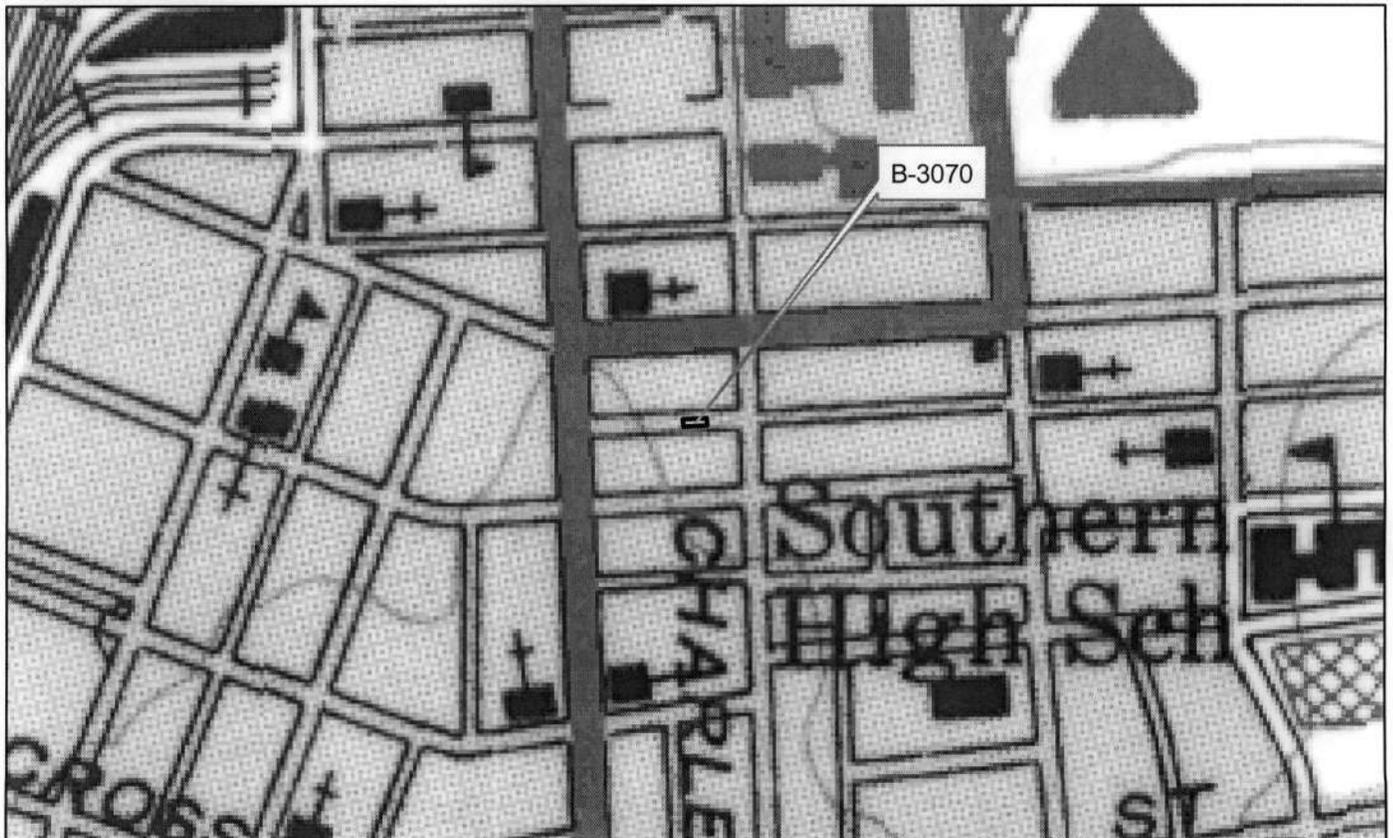
W. HENRIETTA

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ST.

**Demolished**

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814 S. Charles Street  
Block N/A Lots N/A  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.





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814 S. Charles St.

M.E.H.

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South and east elevations