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938-900 S. Charles St. (West side)

Baltimore, Md.

Private access

1840-1850/1870's

With the exception of the large, early twentieth century department store occupying the north-west corner of Charles and Hamburg Streets (930-938 S. Charles St.), the houses located along this side of the 900 block of S. Charles St. are all three stories in height with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, except for 900 S. Charles St., which has a gable roof, and 902 S. Charles St. which is three stories plus an attic story in height, with a gable roof. All of the houses are two bays wide, except for 912 and 900 S. Charles St., which are three bays wide. The houses were originally built in the 1840's with gable roofs but were remodeled after the Civil War in the currently fashionable Italianate style with shed roof and bracketed cornices. Most of the houses have always served a mixed commercial/residential function, with the first floor area serving as a storefront and the upper floors serving as a residence. The group of houses extending from 914 to 922 S. Charles St. are currently in a state of some deterioration.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

926-928 S. Charles St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" 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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

These two buildings, now occupied by the Shofer Furniture Co., were once gable roofed houses, probably with first floor shop-fronts, and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Charles St. 926 S. Charles is three stories in height and 928 two stories. Both have shed roofs now.

926 S. Charles St. is three stories in height; 928 S. Charles St. is two stories in height. 926 S. Charles is 13' wide. 928 is 12 1/2' wide. Both houses occupy lots 74' deep. They are constructed in running bond. The shed roof of each house is capped by a bracketed wood cornice. That of 926 S. Charles St. consists of a deeply projecting crown molding set over a deep, plain frieze area. Modern, triangular end brackets support the cornice. The cornice of 928 S. Charles St. consists of a deeply projecting crown molding, reeded along its underside, set above a deep, plain frieze area. Neo-Grec style end brackets, terminating in modified anthemions, support the cornice.

The window openings of 926 S. Charles St. have segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanums, on the second floor; the third floor openings have no lintels. The window openings of 928 S. Charles St. have common arch lintels. All of the sills are wood. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 sash. Both houses have had their first floors converted into extensions of the Shofer Furniture Co. The store-fronts have plate glass store windows set in vertical aluminum siding.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 1850-51

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Peter Lehr

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 914 S. Charles St.

926 S. Charles St. was the original gable-roofed house built by Lehr in 1850 and later enlarged and remodeled. 929 S. Charles may have been built at the time of the remodeling of 926 or it may just represent a remodeling of an early two story, gable-roofed structure.

The builder of the original houses was Peter Lehr, who operated as a cooper at this site in the 1850's, 1860's, and 1870's. Lehr and his brothers, who were in business with him, also owned the lots on Olive St. to the rear of these houses.¹

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber AWB 435, Folio 51; Baltimore City Directory, 1849-50, 55-56, 1874

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. & Eccles

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STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Ruxton

Maryland 21204

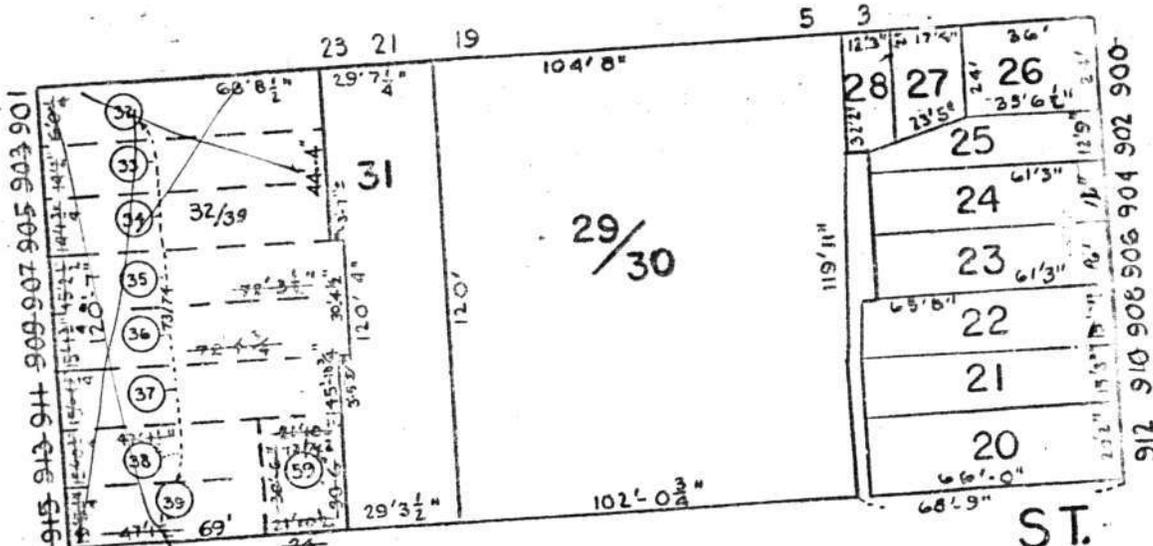
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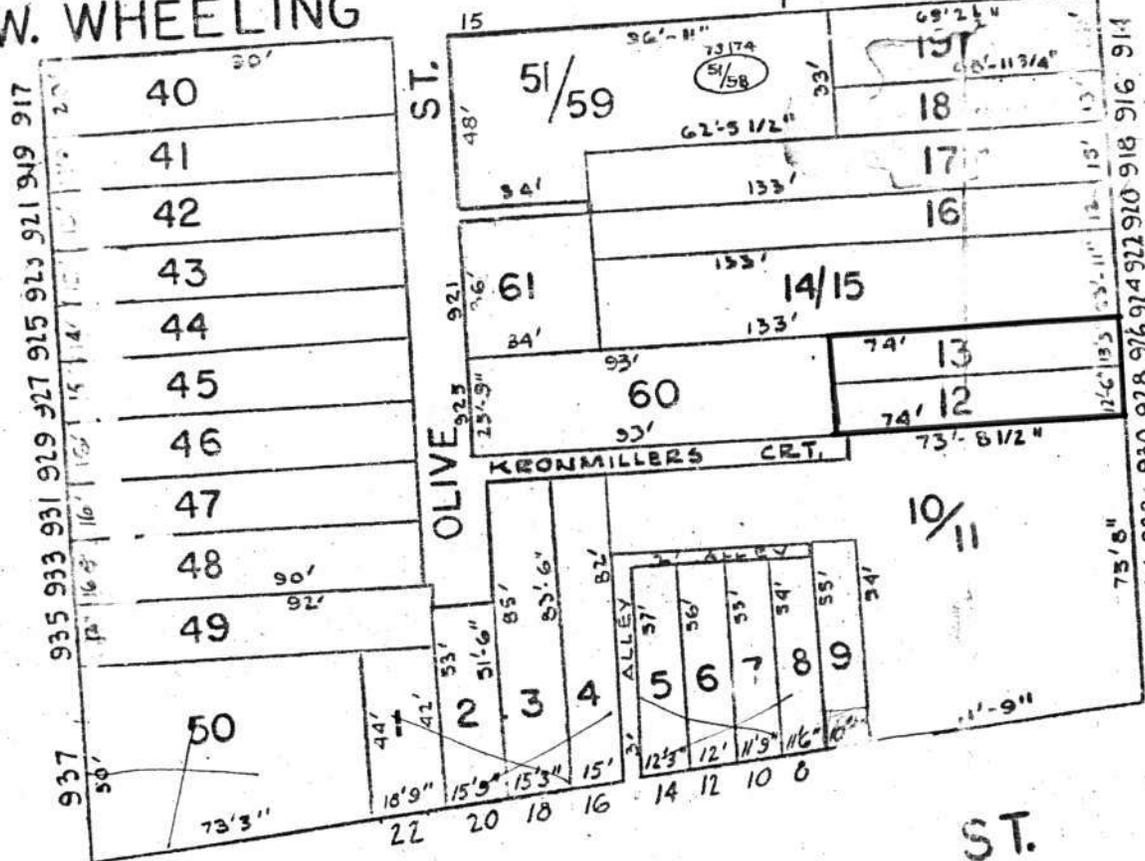


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S. HANOVER



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S. CHARLES

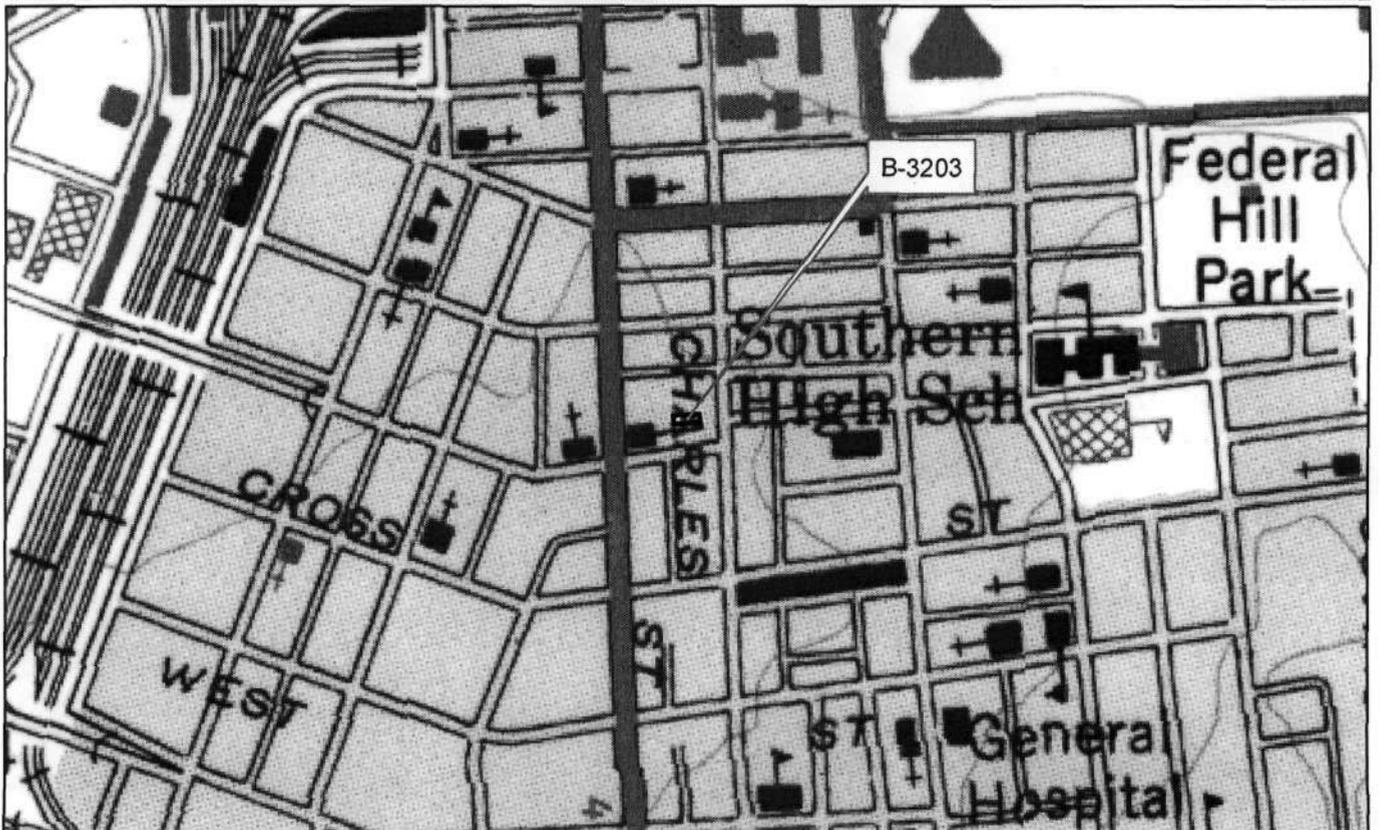
ST.

W. HAMBURG

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Demolished

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926-928 S. Charles Street
Block 0917 Lots N/A
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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926-928 S. Charles St.

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East elevation