

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:NA
 AREA:Walbrook

SURVEY NO.:B-4190
 MAGI NO.:0441908704

ADDRESS:3304 Clifton Avenue
 CURRENT NAME:



BLOCK:	LOT:	LOT SIZE:
HEIGHT:3 stories		MATERIALS:Brick
CONDITION:Good		OWNER:
		ADDRESS:
USE:Dwelling		ACCESSIBLE:No
DESIGNATION:		LIBER/FOLIO:

HISTORIC NAME:
 DATE:1906-1913
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER:
 STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):Mission Revival

DESCRIPTION:

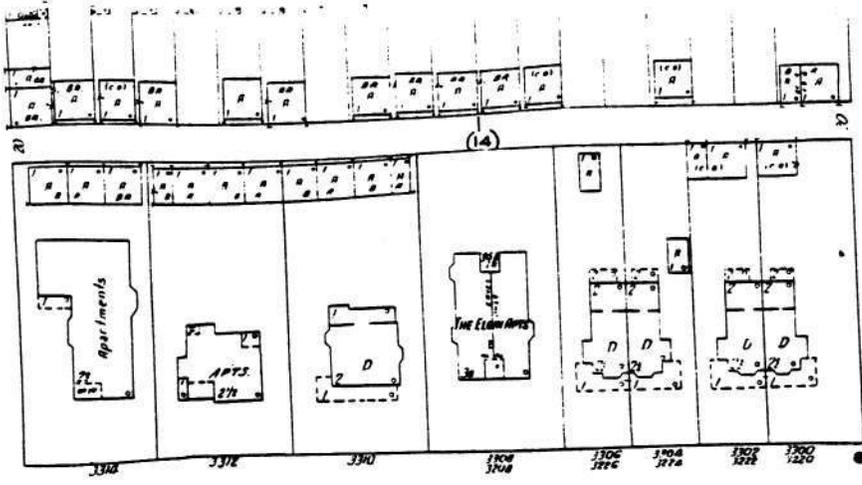
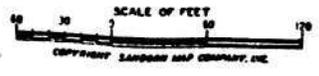
3304 Clifton Ave. is the center building of 3 [3302 (B-4189), 3304, and 3306 (B-4191)] matching stuccoed brick apartment buildings located on the north side of Clifton, between N. Hilton St. and Denison Rd., in the west Baltimore neighborhood of Walbrook. They closely resemble 3512-3516 Clifton (B-4192-4). 3304 has a flat roof with a Mission shaped roof parapet. The parapet of 3304 is identical to the parapet of 3306. 3302's parapet differs from that of the other two buildings. The Mission details are continued in 4-centered arches, square wood piers, and decorative quatrefoils in the roof brackets of the 3 story porch which dominates the building's facade. The apartment building is 3 bays wide with a center door on the first floor and 2 rounded 3 sided bays, each with its own multipaned glass center door. The facade's windows on are largely vertical 3 over 1. There are 3 story rounded bays on the side elevations.

SIGNIFICANCE:

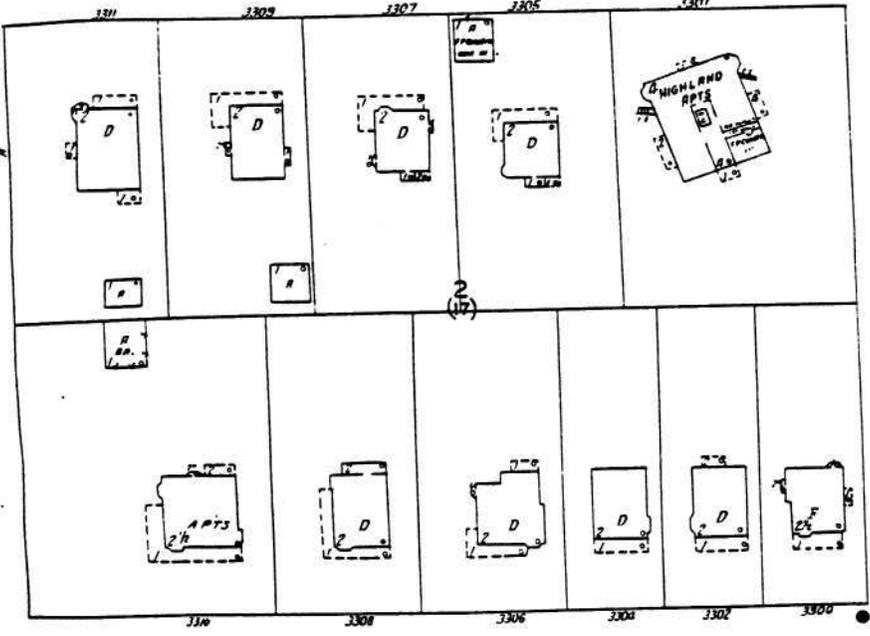
AREA:Architecture LEVEL:Local

3304 Clifton Ave. would be considered National Register eligible within a district of undetermined boundaries in the Walbrook neighborhood of northwest Baltimore. It was built in the early 20th century, maps indicate between 1906 and 1913. It is an example of the use of the Mission Revival style in suburban development. The Mission Revival style was most common outside of the southwest between 1905-1920. (A Field Guide to American Homes, p.408-415) The Mission style details of this row of apartment buildings includes smooth stucco walls, shaped Mission roof parapets, square porch supports that are arched above, and decorative quatrefoils. Walbrook is considered by some sources to be one of Baltimore's earliest suburbs. It was originally called Walbrook Park, named for Galloway Cheston's estate Walbrook, located at what is now the intersection of Hilton St. and Walbrook Ave. This block of Clifton was included in the area described in an 1890 ad for Walbrook Park. It extended as far east as Tenth (now Ellamont) St. Walbrook Park merged with another early suburb--Highland Park, located to its north. The combined area was called Walbrook. These apartment buildings are not the product of Walbrook's earliest suburban years, instead they are the result of later development and urban expansion. Walbrook is located in the section of Baltimore Co. which was annexed in 1888. Development increased in Walbrook and its vicinity after 1890 when the City electric street car line was extended further north. The 1896 Bromley Atlas indicates that then this block was part of the property of W. H. Jones, whose frame house faced 11th St. (now Hilton). The vast majority of buildings built in Walbrook before 1896 were frame.

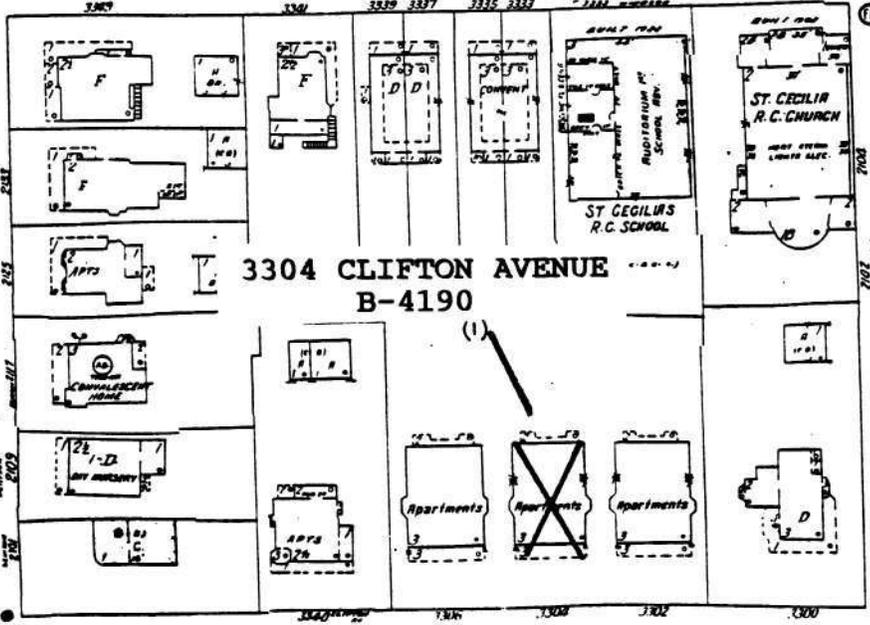
SOURCES:Bond,Allen K.,Guide to Baltmre & Environs.1926/Beyond Wht Mrble Steps/ Bromley Atlas 1896/ CHAP Files & Ashburton Survey/McAlester/MHS, V.Files/Pratt, V.Files.
 SURVEYOR AND DATE:Mary K. Mannix, February 2, 1988



ELGIN AV.



WINDSOR AV.



3304 CLIFTON AVENUE
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CLIFTON AV.

DENISON

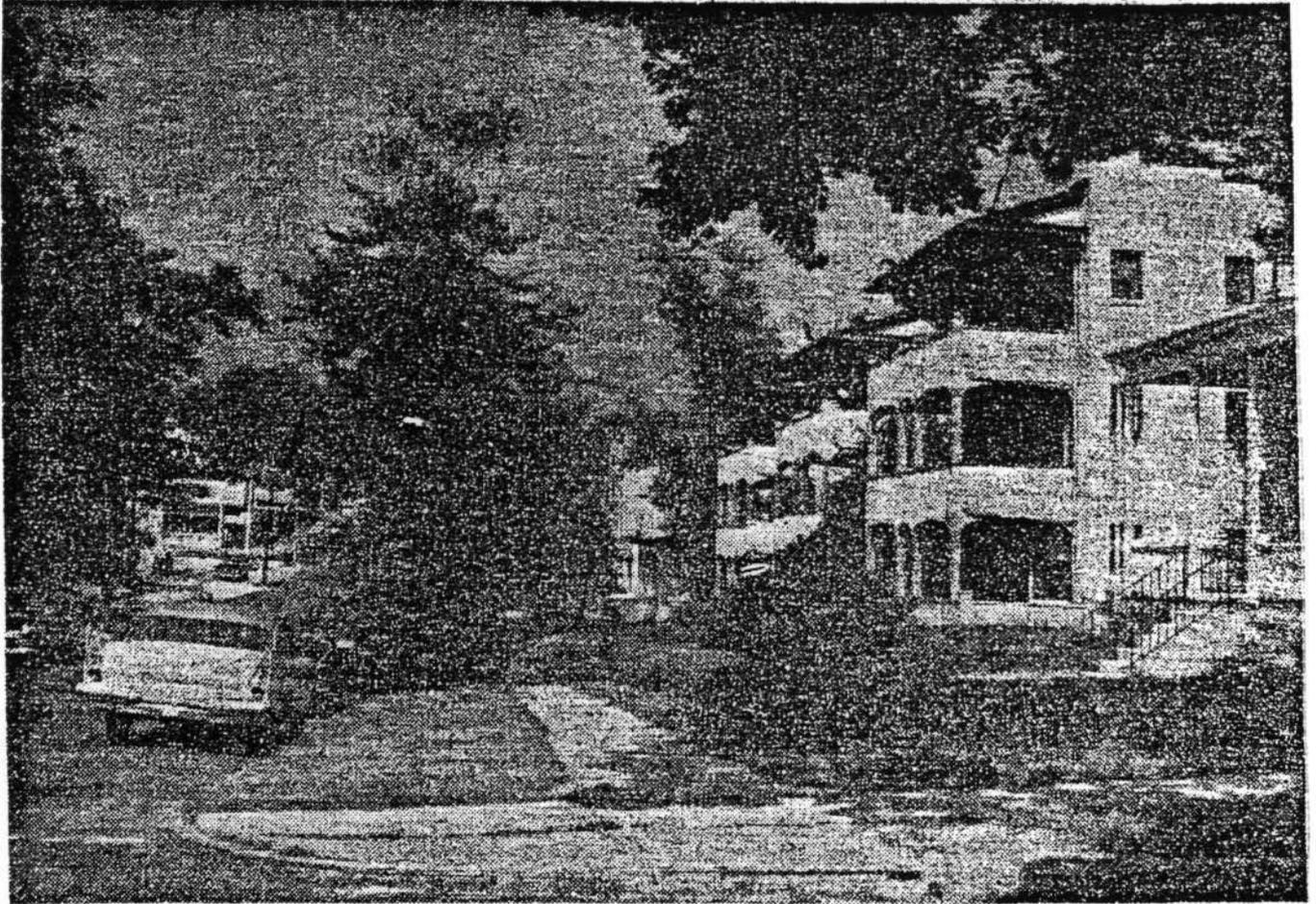
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Hi Neighbor—Walbrook



THIS VIEW OF WALBROOK LOOKING TOWARD NORTH AVE.

Possibly 3302-3306 Clifton Avenue from Hilton Street
(B-4189--B-4191)

General Vertical File--Walbrook, Maryland Historical Society, n.d.

B-4190
3304 Clifton Avenue
Block 3019 Lot 015
Baltimore City
Baltimore West Quad.





3304 Clifton Ave. B-4190
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Mary K. M...
Date: September 1987
Neg. loc.: MO. Hist. Trust
Southwest elevation

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3302-06 Clifton Ave. B-4190
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Mary K. Mannix
Date: September 1987
Neg. loc. MD. Hist. Trust
Southeast elevation, 3304
at center

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