

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:  
AREA: Middle East

SURVEY NO.: B-4276  
MAGI NO.: 0442763604

ADDRESS: 612 North Chester Street  
CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK: 1636 LOT: 35  
HEIGHT: 2  
CONDITION: Good

LOT SIZE: 12 ft. x 86.5 ft.  
MATERIALS: Formstone, alum. siding  
OWNER: Mayor & City Council  
ADDRESS:

USE: Residential  
DESIGNATION:

ACCESSIBLE: Yes, restricted  
LIBER/FOLIO: Dept. of Law letter

HISTORIC NAME: Vasicek Dry Goods  
DATE: Ca. 1885  
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:  
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

The two-story storefront building has a recessed entrance flanking a projecting display window which has been covered with aluminum siding. The plain storefront cornice is intact, but the upper facade is covered by Formstone and the main cornice is enclosed in aluminum. The same cornice treatment extends to 614 and 616 N. Chester St. The two upper story windows are one/one in segmental arched openings. The flat roof slopes toward the rear of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE:

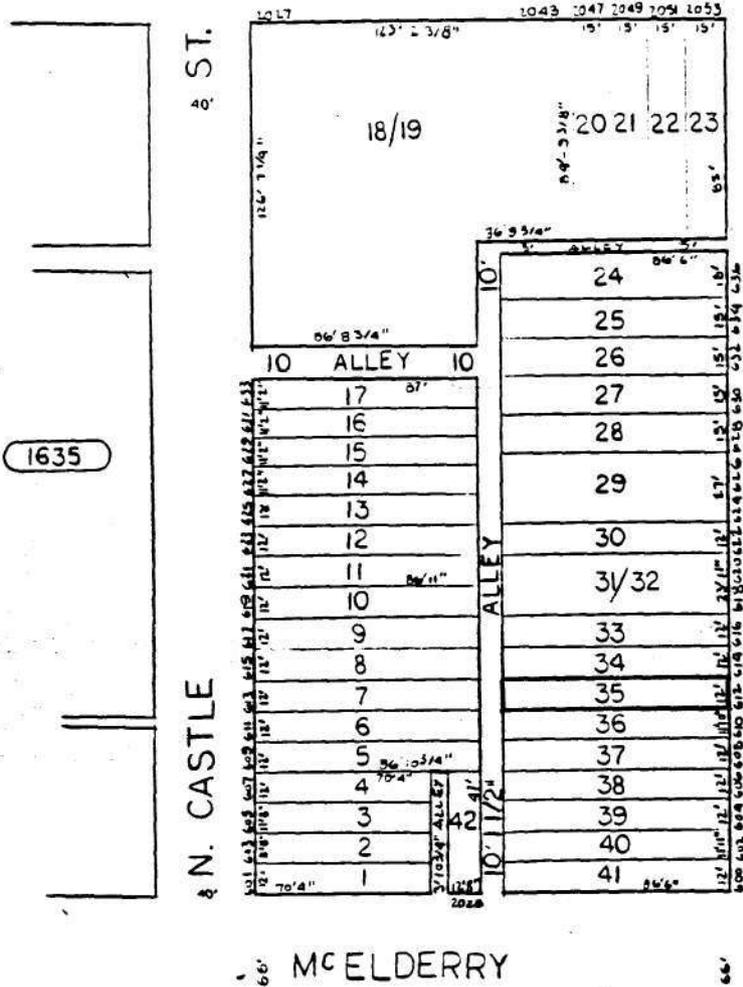
AREA: Architecture LEVEL: Local

The Vasicek Dry Goods building is a fair example of the small storefront building in late 19th century Baltimore. Although its exterior has been covered with modern materials, the form of the storefront rowhouse is still intact. John Vasicek's dry goods store and Jaroslav Vasicek's tailor shop were in business in the building concurrently from about 1918 to 1928; the dry goods store continued on until the late 1940's. The Vasicek family lived above the store as did most shopowners in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

SOURCES: Land records, City directories

SURVEYOR AND DATE: Janet L. Davis, CHAP, May 1989

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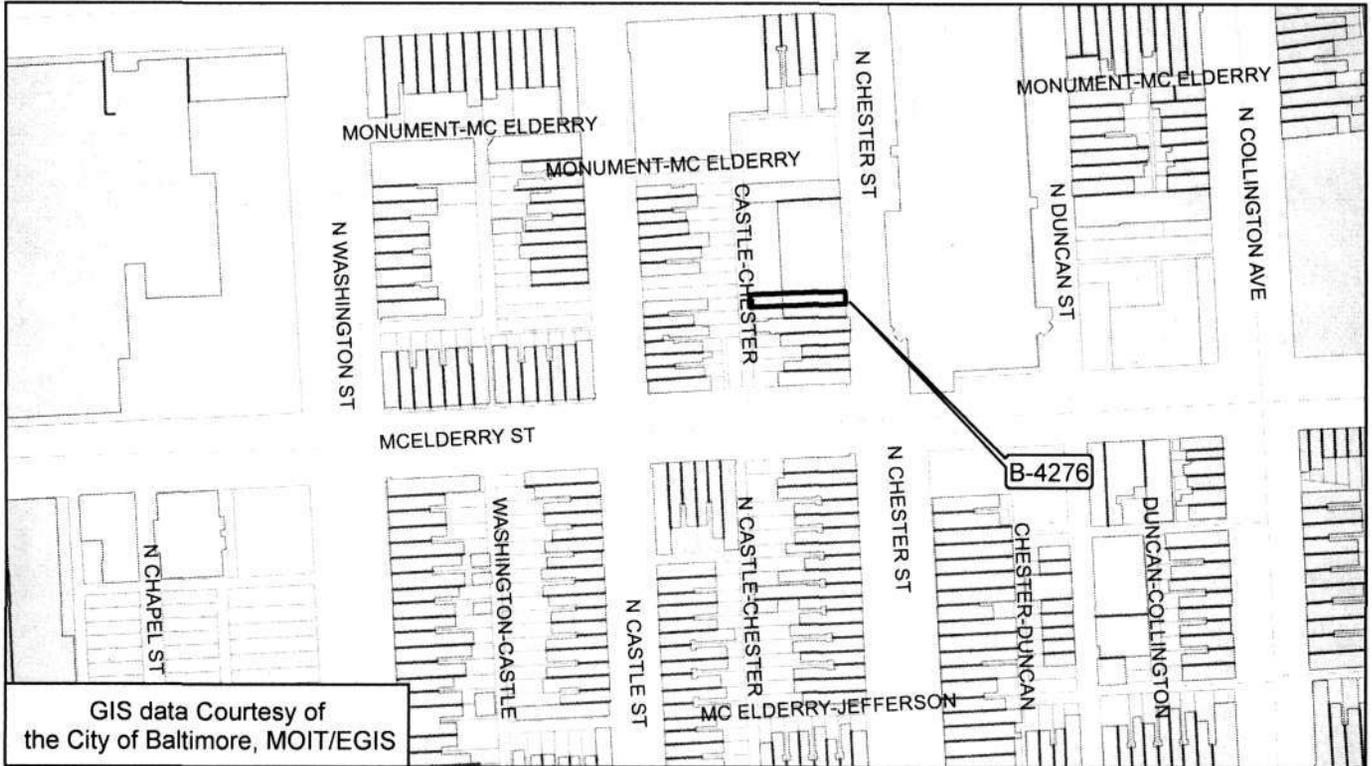
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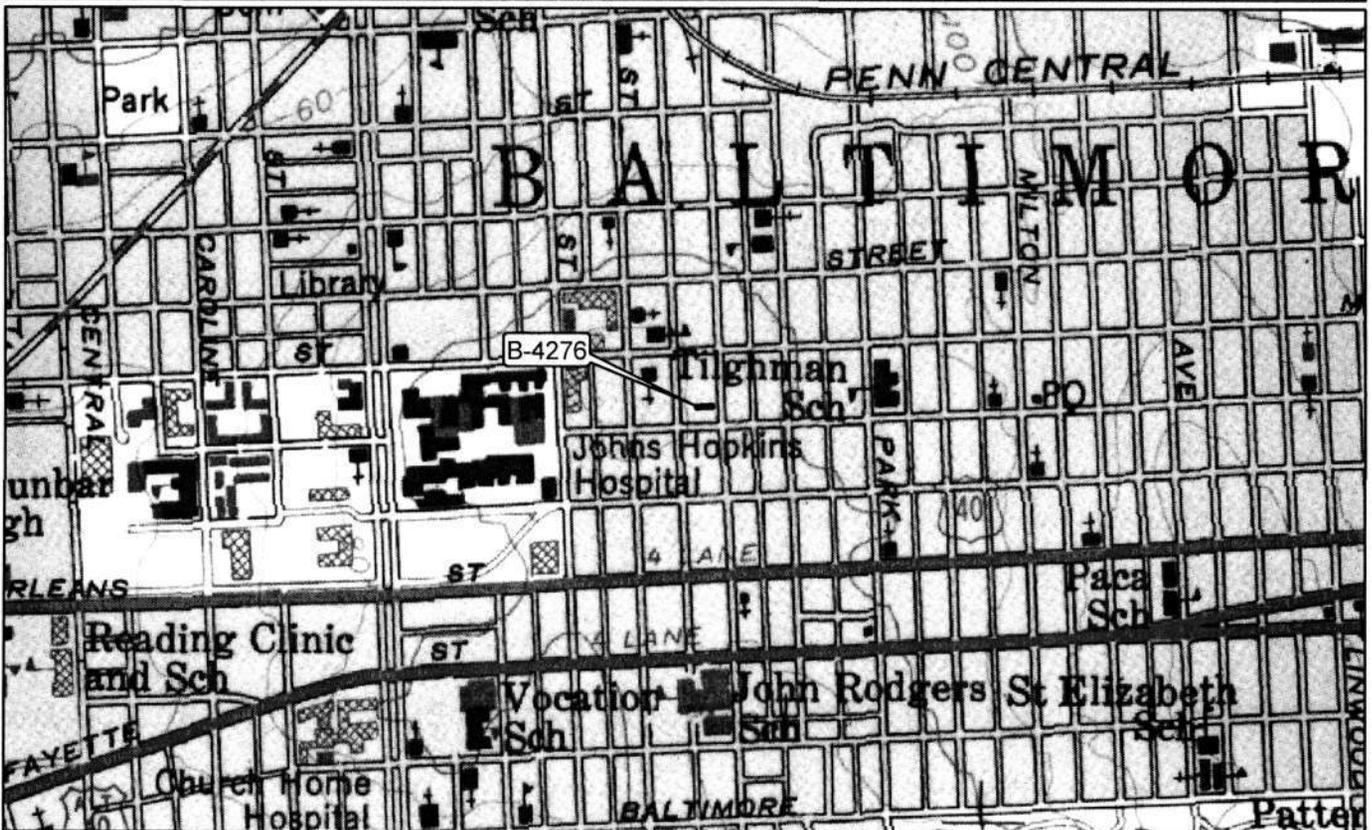
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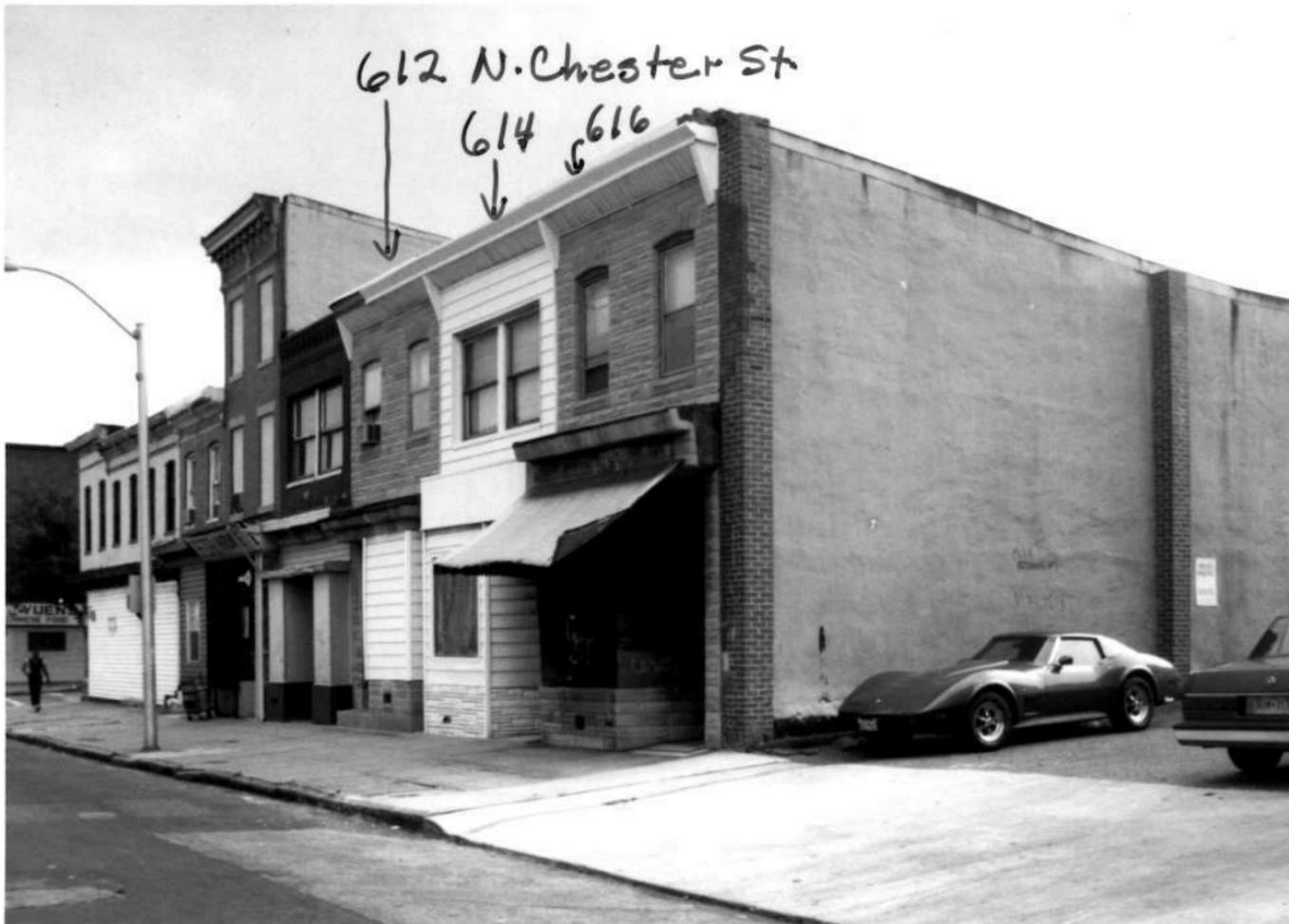


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Photographer: Janet Davis

August 1988

Neg. loc.: Maryland SHPO

East elevation in streetscape context