

B-4445

1118-42 GILMOR STREET

BALTIMORE CITY, MD

This is a rare streetscape of semi-detached modest brick houses, two-stories high and two-bays wide. They are Italianate porch-fronted duplexes from the late 1860s/early 1870s. Private access.

MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES FORM
SANDTOWN-WINCHESTER SURVEY

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name N/A

other names/site number semi-detached houses/ B-4445 (preferred)

2. Location

street & number 1118-42 Gilmor St. not for publication ___

city or town Baltimore vicinity N/A
state Maryland code MD county Baltimore City code 510
zip code 21217

3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

4. National Park Service Certification N/A

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
12	_____ buildings
_____	_____ sites
_____	_____ structures
_____	_____ objects
12	_____ Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: multiple dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: multiple dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation BRICK

roof

walls BRICK

other WOOD, METAL: cast iron

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.) See continuation sheet.

8. Statement of Significance

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Community Planning and Development

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Period of Significance c. 1869-1940

Significant Dates c. 1869

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Thomas McCammon, builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.) See continuation sheet.
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9. Major Bibliographical References
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Maps

Bromley, G.W. and Co. Atlas of the City of Baltimore, Vol. 1. Philadelphia: 1885, 1896.
Hopkins, G.M. Map of the City of Baltimore, Maryland. 1876, 1877.
Sanborn Map Company. Insurance Maps, Baltimore, Maryland, Vols. 2,3, and 7. New York: 1890, 1901, 1914, 1928.
Simmons, Isaac. 1852 Revision of the Thomas H. Poppleton Map. Baltimore: 1852.

Baltimore City Directories.

Baltimore City Land Records.
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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property Lot = 35'6" x 157'

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	—	—	—	3	—	—
2	—	—	—	4	—	—

— See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Block 42, Lots 8-19

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundaries are based on a city lot(s) retaining original property lines.

11. Form Prepared By

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Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name multiple owners _____
street&number _____ telephone _____
city or town Baltimore state MD zip code _____

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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HISTORIC CONTEXT

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Agricultural-Industrial
Transition; Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape
Architecture, and Community Planning; Social/Education/Cultural

Resource Type:

Category: building(s)

Historic Environment: urban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): domestic

Known Design Source: Thomas McCammon, builder

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DESCRIPTION

This rare streetscape of semi-detached modest brick houses, two-stories high and two-bays wide, is comprised of porch-fronted duplexes, their front yards defined by iron fences. It is an interesting example of a more suburban influence appearing at the very beginning of the urban rowhouse development which would characterize the entire neighborhood.

The houses have flat roofs and frame one-story porches with brick foundations and parapet walls. Some porches have wood filigree added to form arched openings. The flat-headed openings have stone sills and double-hung windows with a variety of sash. The cornices are of wood; some with dentils and others with modillions.

These houses are generally in very poor condition. One has suffered extensively from fire damage. Many have had their windows removed, with openings now boarded up.

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SIGNIFICANCE

This block contains the earliest multi-unit dwellings surveyed, and is a rare remnant of the pre-blockscaled rowhouse development of Sandtown-Winchester. The grassy setback of the units indicates a more suburban orientation than the ubiquitous rowhouses built forward to the lot line. The bulk of this streetscape appears to have been the work of a builder by the name of Thomas McCammon.

On September 21, 1869, Thomas Sewell Jr. and his family leased the west side of Gilmor Street 360 feet north of Tennant (now Riggs) to Thomas McCammon. (See attached partial copy of Liber G.R. 436, Folio 477.)

According to the 1868-69 City Directory, Thomas Sewell ran his own tanning business (Thomas Sewell & Sons) at 485 Pennsylvania Avenue. He also resided at that same address. Although not in the 1869 City Directory, Thomas McCammon is listed in the 1899 City Directory as a bricklayer, who lived at 1639 W. Lanvale Street in the survey area.

The Sewells also executed a lease on October 14, 1869 to Sarah Heusel (Liber G.R. 439, Folio 395) and one on December 9, 1869 to John Vaudauiker (Liber G.R. 446, Folio 191). These may have been leases for smaller groups of lots to be developed with improvements. Philip Heusel (presumably the husband of Sarah) executed a mortgage with Brotherhood Building Association on December 7, 1869 (Liber G.R. 446, Folio 98). None of these parties, however, were listed in the City Directories for the year 1869, or several years thereafter.

SANDTOWN-WINCHESTER/PENN-NORTH
RECONNAISSANCE-LEVEL SURVEY FORM

Survey No. B-4445

Neg. No. 1/29,30

Historic Name _____

Current Name/Use _____

Address(es) 1118-1142 Gilmor Street

Resource/Property Type

<input type="checkbox"/>	Rowhouses
<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial Structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public/Institutional Building
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Housing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other

Note: semi-detached houses

Stories 2, 3

Primary Material brick Secondary Material wood, iron

Roof Form flat

No. of Bays in Unit/Facade 2 If Rowhouse: Flat Front Swell Front Porch

Window Type: Double-Hung 1/1 Sash 2/2 Sash 2/1 Sash Other Sash Transom

Door Type: Single-Leaf Double-Leaf Number of panels (if visible) Transom

Architectural Style Italianate Date c. 1852-90

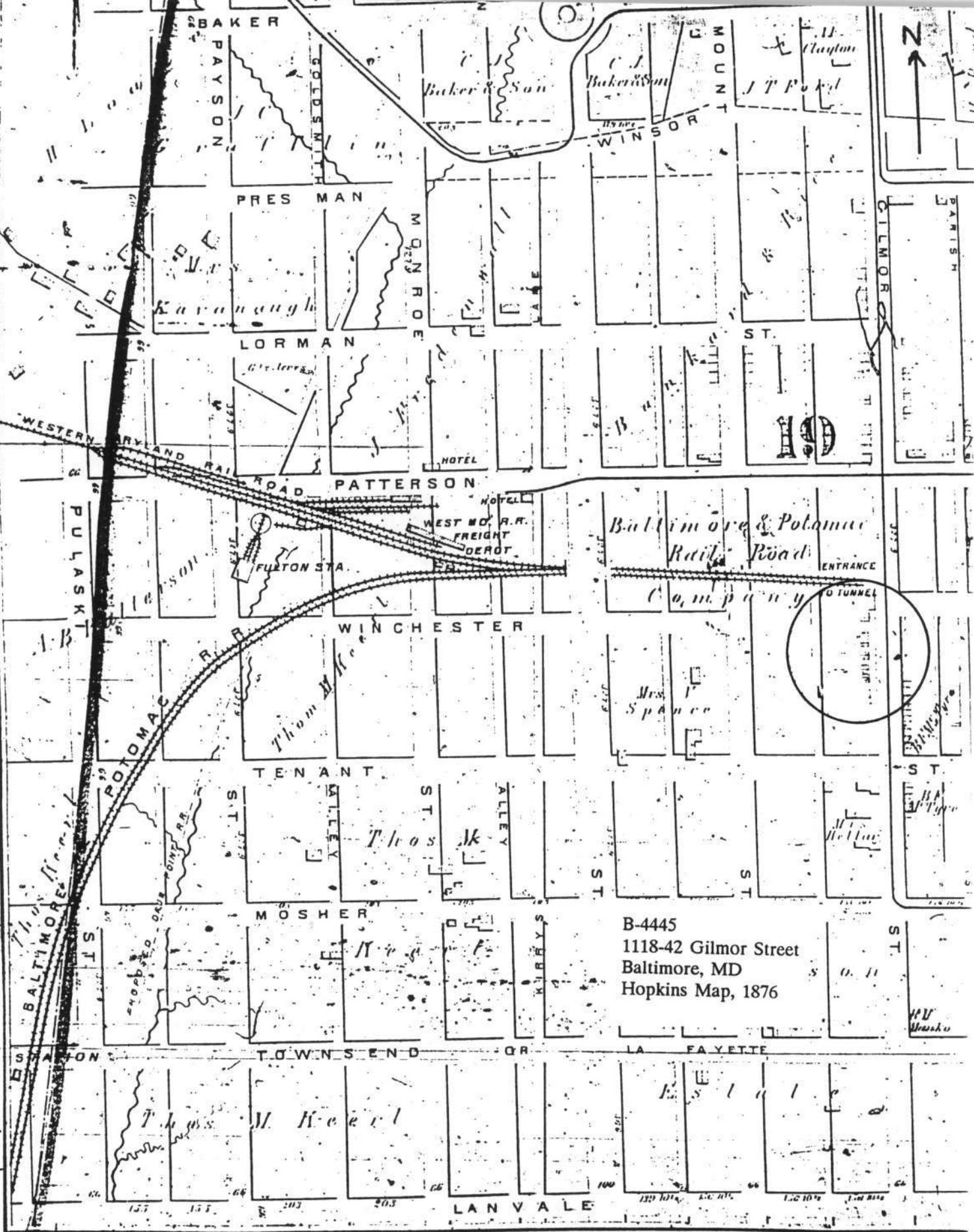
Summary/Noteworthy Features: Rare streetscape of semi-detached houses set back from the street with front yards defined by iron fences. Interesting example of more suburban influence appearing contemporaneously with more urban rowhouse development in neighborhood. Houses in poor condition, for the most part. Frame cornice porches, some with wood filigree arches. Flat-arched openings. Modillioned and denticulated wood cornices. 1132 suffered fire. 1138 was store in 1890.

Alterations:

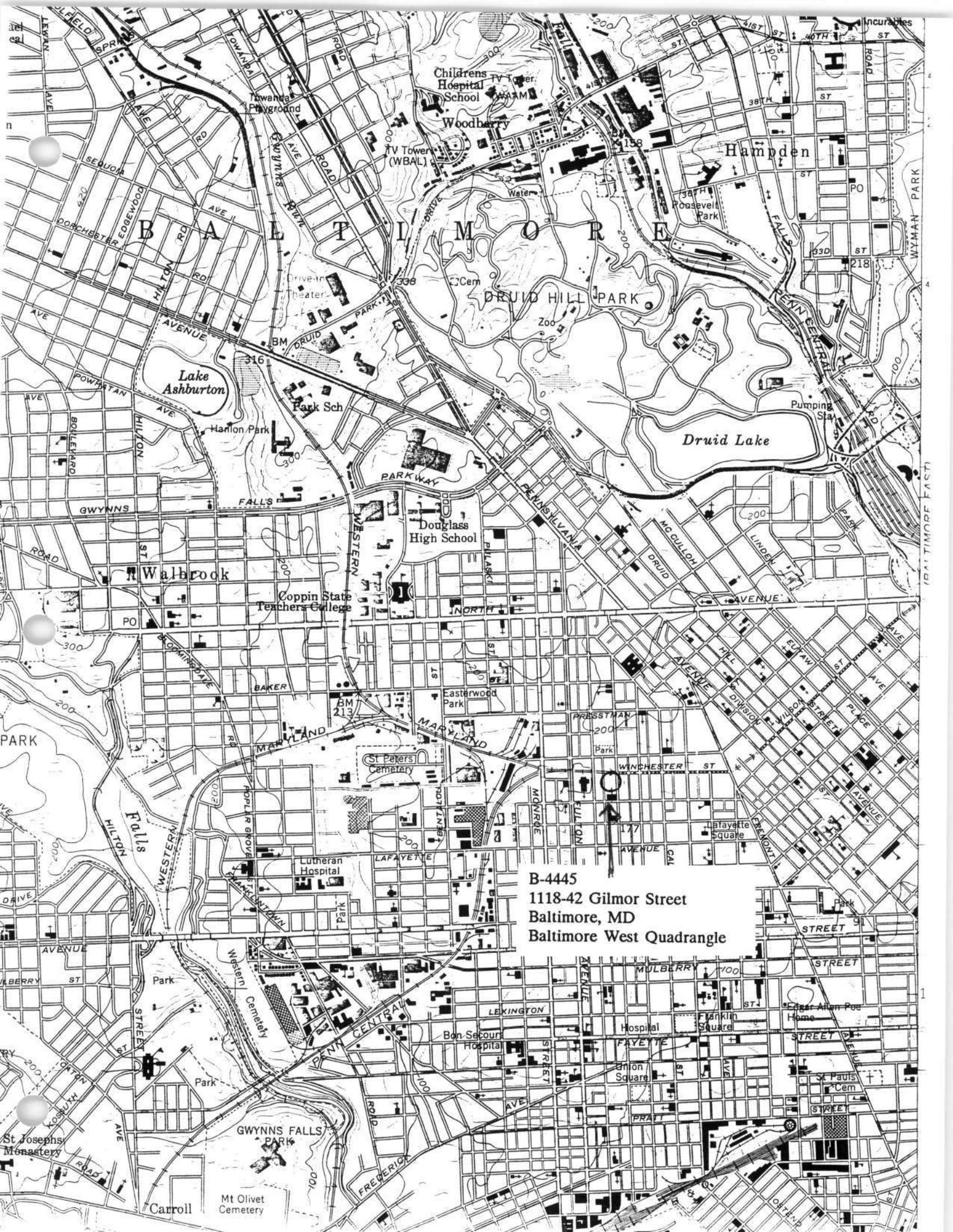
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Vinyl/Aluminum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Window/Door Changes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Awnings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Missing Cornice Elements
<input type="checkbox"/>	First-Floor Use Change	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

Status: Occupied Vacant Mixed
NR Evaluation: Contributing Non-Contributing
Recommended for Intensive Level: Yes No

Surveyor: Joey Lampl Affiliation: Robinson & Associates
Date: February-April 1992



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Hopkins Map, 1876



Childrens Hospital
TV Tower
School
Woodberry

Hampden

DRUID HILL PARK
Zoo

Lake Ashburton

Druid Lake

Douglass High School

Walbrook

Coppin State Teachers College

St Peters Cemetery

Lutheran Hospital

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Baltimore West Quadrangle

Bon Secours Hospital

Hospital

GWYNNS FALLS PARK

Carroll Mt Olivet Cemetery

BALTIMORE EAST

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1118 (104) - 1130 GILMOR ST.
EAST ELEVATION?
ROLL 1 / NEG 30
1 of 2



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1132 (1887) - 42 GILMAN ST.

EAST ELEVATIONS

ROLL 1 / NEG 27

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