

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JULY 22, 2013
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2013-0489
1306 CANTERBURY STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1900 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, hipped-roof frame house with aluminum siding over original board-and-batten; partial-width shed-roof independent porch on plain wood posts; transom over central entry; 2:2 fenestration. The east porch towards the rear of the house shown on early Sanborn maps has been enclosed and covered with the same aluminum siding on the rest of the house. The original board-and-batten siding of the house appears at the bottom of the aluminum siding, and is in a deteriorated condition.

RESEARCH

The house appears on the 1900 Sanborn map with a slightly different configuration than shown on later maps, and the style of the house indicates a turn of the century construction date, but further research will be necessary to determine the actual date of construction and the occupants or owners before 1905. The house has been a rent house for most of its existence. T.W. Williams, the proprietor of a job wagon, is listed as the resident of the house in the 1905 city directory, but he does not appear in the 1903-04 directory. He lived here until around 1906, when the city directory shows A. Volley Young, a laborer, at this address, through 1910. A. Volley Young had been living in rural Travis County before moving into this house. Teamsters and laborers occupied the house until the mid-1920s, when it was rented by Jim and Pearl Whitaker. Jim Whitaker was a city fireman; Pearl Whitaker was a teacher and principal at Govalle School. They lived here until the late 1920s, and eventually divorced – the 1940 U.S. Census shows Pearl Whitaker living on the campus of the Austin State School, where she was a recreation teacher. Following the Whitakers were another series of renters, each for a relatively short period of time. The tenants included a grocery salesman, a meat cutter, a painter, a driller for the LCRA, and a truck driver for an express company. Not until around 1950 was the house owned by its occupants – the first were William and Eula Scrivner; he was a grocery clerk. They lived here in the early 1950s. Emmett Trevino and his wife, Josephine, owned and occupied the house through the mid-1960s. He was a gardener when they first lived here, but had no occupation listed in later directories. Ascencion and Frances Rodriguez are listed as renters of the house in the early 1980s and owners of the house thereafter. Ascencion Rodriguez worked as an assembler for Glastron, a boat manufacturing company, then at the University of Texas.

STAFF COMMENTS

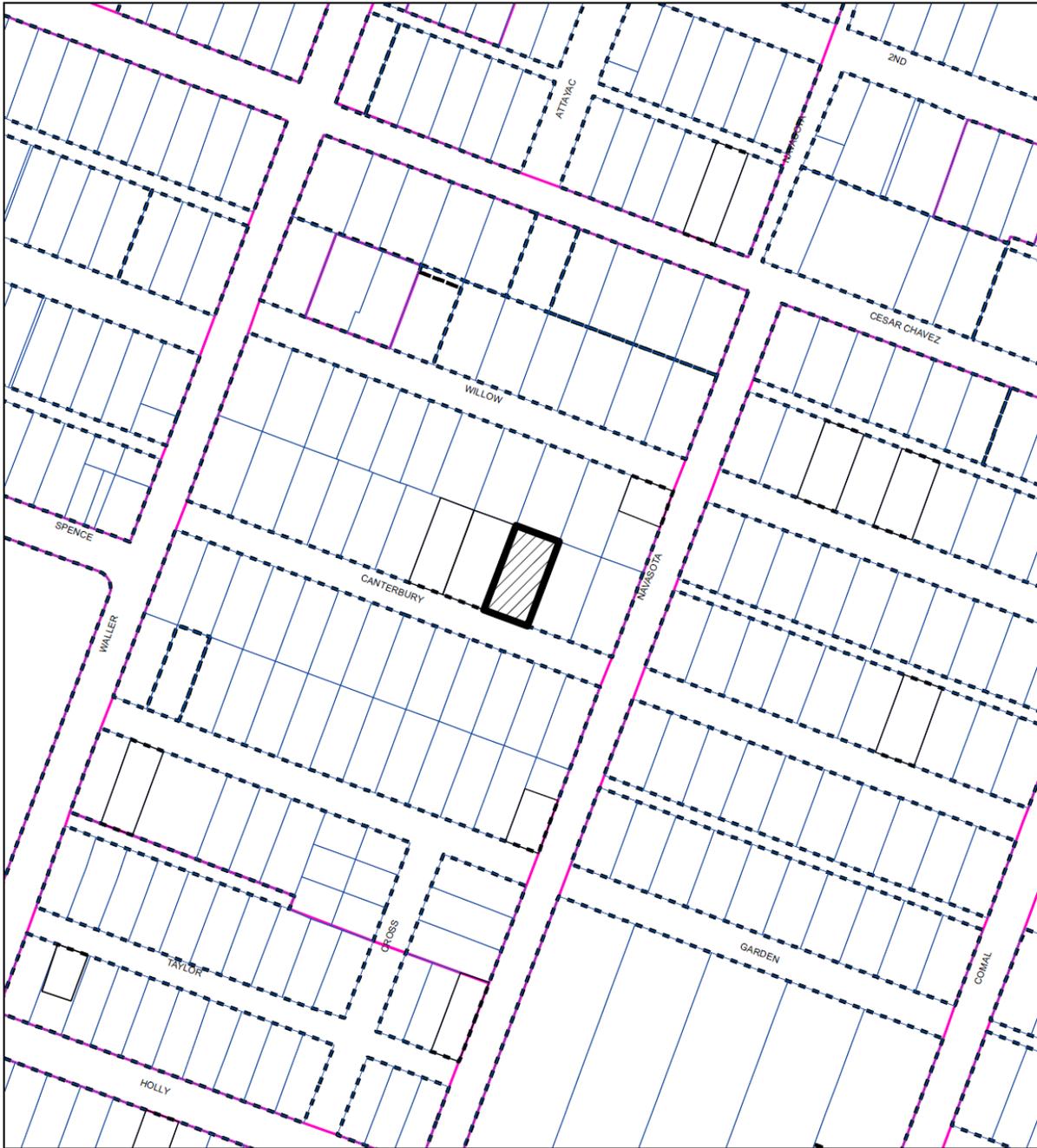
The house does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Explore rehabilitation of the house on site, and encourage additions to the rear so as to maintain the historic appearance and set-back of this house from the street. This house is in a potential historic district and retains most of its original historic features, although deteriorated. The house represents an example of working-class housing in East Austin, and should be considered for rehabilitation, if feasible. If the Commission votes to release the requested permit, staff recommends the preparation of a City of Austin Documentation

Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history for archiving at the Austin History Center.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDp-2013-0489
LOCATION: 1306 Canterbury Street



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1306 Canterbury Street
ca. 1900



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1306 Canterbury Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
July, 2013

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| 1992 | Ascencion T. and Frances T. Rodriguez, owners
Employed by the University of Texas |
| 1985-86 | Ascencion T. and Frances T. Rodriguez, owners
Nurse, Travis State School |
| 1981 | Ascencion T. And Frances T. Rodriguez (not listed as owners)
Employed by the University of Texas |
| 1977 | Ascencion T. and Frances Rodriguez, renters
Assembler, Glastron Boat Company, 9108 Reid Drive. |
| 1973 | Ascencion T. and Frances Rodriguez, renters
Assembler, Glastron Boat Company, 9108 Reid Drive. |
| 1968 | Ascencion T. and Frances Rodriguez, renters
Laborer |
| 1962 | Emeterio C. and Josephine Trevino, owners
No occupation listed
NOTE: Ascencion and Frances Rodriguez are not listed in the directory. |
| 1959 | Emmett C. Trevino, owner
Not listed in the main section of the directory. |
| 1955 | Emmett C. and Josephine U. Trevino, owners
Gardener |
| 1952 | William L. and Eula Scrivner, owners
Clerk, Vernon P. Johnson, groceries, 1311 E. 1 st Street and 1001½ E. 1 st Street. |
| 1949 | Lucian B. and Doris Dyer, renters
Pressman, Austin <u>American-Statesman</u> |
| 1947 | Neil W. and Jenny McEachern, renters
Driver, Brown Express, 209 E. 1 st Street. |
| 1944-45 | Neil W. and Jenny McEachern, renters
Laborer |
| 1941 | Oscar E. and Wilnora Bobbitt, renters
Driller |
| 1939 | Milton B. and Josephine Ayers, renters
Custodian, Police Department |

- 1937 Roscoe C. and Pearl Coltrine, renters
Painter
NOTE: Milton and Josephine Ayers are listed at 919 Longfellow Street; he was a janitor.
- 1935 Lewis F. and Fannie M. Skog, renters
Meter mechanic, Texas Public Service Company
- 1932-33 Clyde L. and Bernice Buckner, renters
Chauffeur, Railway Express Agency, 111 E. 9th Street.
- 1930-31 James T. and Irene Beard, renters
Meat cutter, Austin Drive-In Market, meats, 500-02 Brazos Street.
- 1929 Mrs. Gabie Johnson, renter
Widow, John C. Johnson
No occupation listed
- Morris M. and Ruby Perry, renters
Salesman
NOTE: James and Pearl Whitaker are listed as living at 2104 Garden Street; he was a hoseman for Engine Company No. 1, Austin Fire Department.
- 1927 James M. and Pearl Whitaker, renters
James: Fireman, Engine Company No. 1, Austin Fire Department, 114 W. 8th Street.
Pearl: Principal, Govalle School, west side of Pleasant Valley Road, 3 buildings north of E. 1st Street.
- 1924 G. Thurston and Minnie Cloud, renters
Teamster, City Street Department
NOTE: James and Pearl Whitaker are listed at 1008 S. 1st Street in South Austin; he was a hoseman for the City Fire Department.
- 1922 Robert T. and Mattie Crumley, renters
No occupation listed
Also listed are Floyd Crumley and Luvina Crumley; neither had an occupation listed.
- 1920 Vacant
- 1918 Vacant
- 1916 Hiram Bryant
Laborer
Also listed are Charles N. Bryant, a laborer; George W. Bryant, a laborer; Jesse Bryant, a laborer; Martha Bryant, no occupation stated; and Myrtle Bryant, no occupation stated.
NOTE: Oscar Hicks is listed as a driver for the Becker Lumber Company; he lived at 1106 S. 1st Street in the Bouldin Addition.
- 1914 Oscar Hicks
Teamster, Calcasieu Lumber Company

- 1912-13 Joseph Johnson
Teamster
- 1910-11 Unknown – the page is torn from the directory.
- 1909-10 A. Volley Young
Laborer
- 1906-07 Penelope J. Wells
Works at the canning factory (unknown business name or location)
- Alex V. Young
Laborer
- 1905 T.W. Williams
Job wagon
NOTE: A. Volley Young is listed as farmer living on Rural Route 1.
- 1903-04 Unknown
T.W. Williams is not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:**Hiram and Leora Bryant (ca. 1915 – ca. 1917)**

Hiram and Leora Bryant appear in the 1920 U.S. Census, living in a rented house at 1112 E. 3rd Street in Austin. Hiram Bryant was then 65, had been born in Texas, and was a general laborer. Leora Bryant was then 58 and had been born in Texas. She had no occupation listed. Son Jesse Bryant, 33, was a laborer for a business that is indecipherable in the census report; sons Charles, 28, and Hiram F., Jr., 16 were laborers in the street car shed, and son George, 30, was a laborer in a creamery.

Robert T. and Mattie Crumley (ca. 1921 – ca. 1923)

Robert T. (Tom) and Martha Crumley appear in the 1930 U.S. Census as the renters of a house at 1104 E. 3rd Street in Austin. Tom Crumley was then 57, had been born in Texas to Colorado-born parents, and was a laborer for the City. Martha Crumley was then 55 and had been born in Texas. She had no occupation listed. Son Thomas, 27, was a carpenter, and they had a younger daughter, Ruby, 16. The 1920 U.S. Census shows R.T. and Mattie Crumley living on a rented farm in Bastrop County, Texas, with their children: Ethel, 19; Floyd, 16; Luvinia, 13; and Ruby, 6. R.T. Crumley was a general farmer; Ethel Crumley was a farm laborer.

Jim and Pearl Whitaker (ca. 1925 – ca. 1928)

Jim and Pearl Whitaker appear in the 1930 U.S. Census. They rented a duplex at 1406 Guadalupe Street. Jim Whitaker was then 30, had been born in Texas, and was a city fireman. Pearl was then 29, had been born in Texas, and was a rural school teacher. They had no children listed. By the time of the 1940 U.S. Census, Pearl Whitaker was a divorced recreation teacher at the Austin State School; she lived on the campus.

Morris and Ruby Perry; Gabie Johnson (ca. 1928 – ca. 1930)

Gabie Daniel [?] is listed as the renter of this house in the 1930 U.S. Census. She was then a 54-year old Georgia-born widow with no occupation listed. With her lived her son-in-law and daughter, Maurice and Ruby Perry. Maurice Perry was a 28-year old Texas-born grocery salesman. Maurice and Ruby Perry are listed in the 1940 U.S. Census as the renters of a house at 1006 Taylor Street. With them lived Ruby's mother, Gabie Johnson. Maurice Perry was a 33-year old Texas-born independent gas fitter; Ruby Perry was also 33, had been born in

Texas, and had no occupation listed. Gabie Johnson was a 66-year old Georgia-born widow with no occupation listed. Gabie Johnson died March 24, 1947 in Travis County.

James T. and Irene Beard (ca. 1930 – ca. 1932)

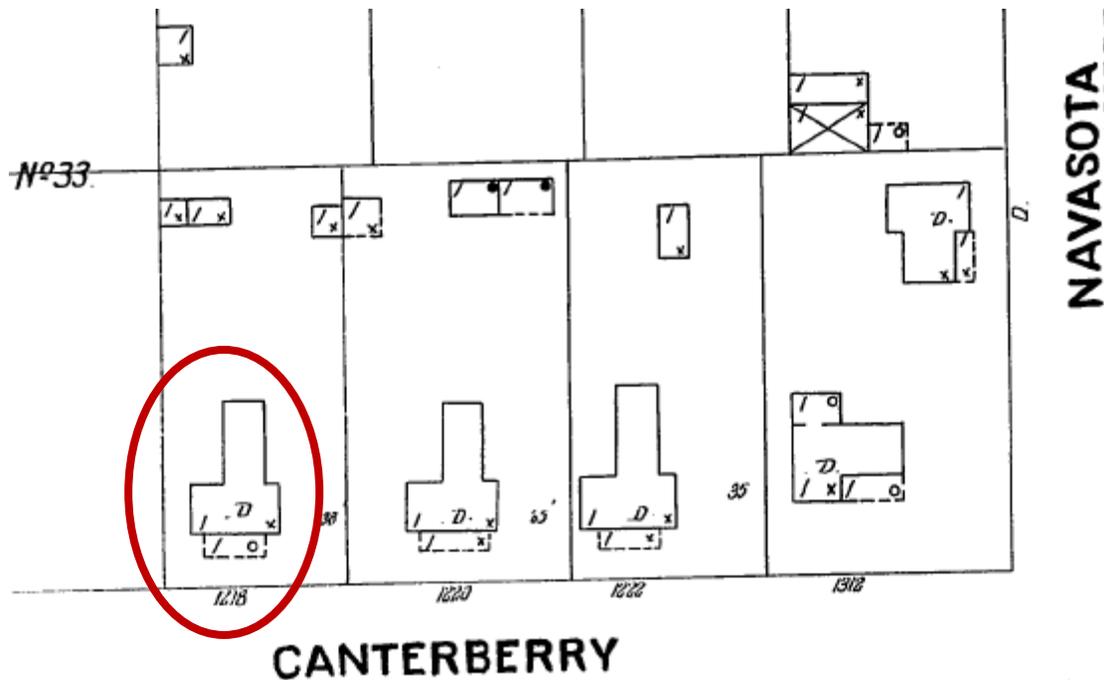
James T. and Irene Beard appear in the 1930 U.S. Census as living at 1205 E. 3rd Street, a house they rented. Both James and Irene Beard were then 23, and both had been born in Texas. James Beard is listed as a meat cutter in a market. They had two children: James, Jr., almost 4, and Betty Jo, 1.

Milton and Josephine Ayers (ca. 1938 – ca. 1940)

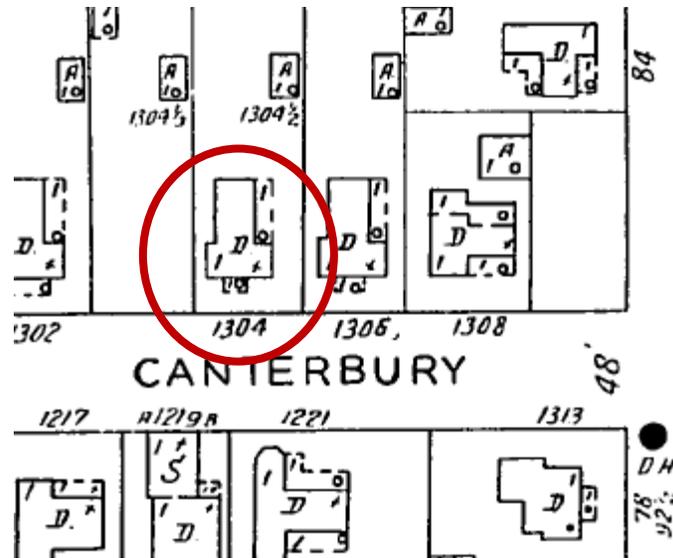
Milton and Josephine Ayers appear in the 1940 U.S. Census; they rented a house at 1600 Willow Street in Austin. Milton Ayers was then 52, had been born in Tennessee, and was a jailer at the City Jail. Josephine Ayers was then 49 and had been born in Texas. She had no occupation listed. They had three children: Hazel, 18; Joy, 15; and Milton, Jr., 13. All of the children had been born in Texas; none had an occupation listed. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Milton and Josie Ayers renting a house at 1608 Sabine Street. He was a jailer at the City Jail.

Oscar and Wilora Bobbitt (ca. 1940 – ca. 1943)

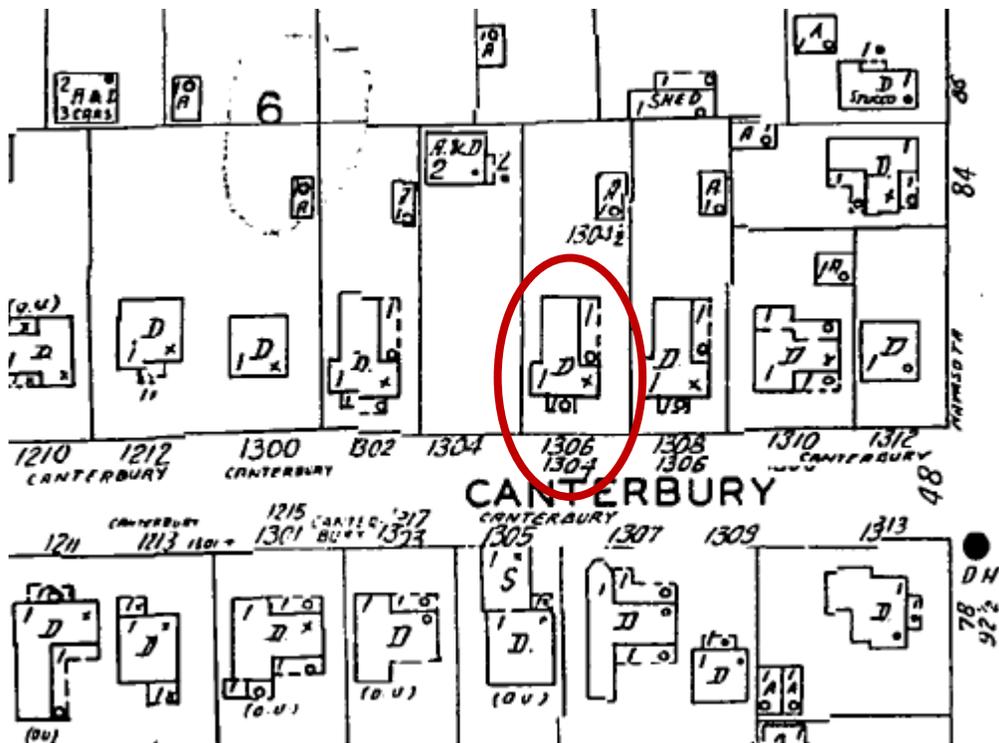
The 1940 U.S. Census shows Oscar and Wilora Bobbitt renting a house at 911 Blanco Street in Austin. Oscar Bobbitt was then 43, had been born in Texas, and was a driller for the LCRA. Wilora Bobbitt was then 34, had been born in Texas, and was a PBX operator for a hotel. They had a son, Oscar Joe, 10.



The house appears on the 1900 Sanborn map with an address of 1218 Canterbury Street. The configuration of the rear of the house differs somewhat from that shown on later maps, and the east porch to the rear is not shown on this map.



The 1935 Sanborn map shows the house with a smaller-than-appears today front porch and a porch on the east side of the house towards the rear. This porch has been enclosed.



The 1962 Sanborn map shows an old address of 1304 Canterbury Street with the current address of 1306 Canterbury. The configuration of the house remains the same as shown on the 1935 map above.

Emeterio Trevino

1306 Canterbury St.

135 38

none

Canterbury Square

Repairs to Residence.

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9-28-60

95.00

owner

REPAIR ROOF APPLY NEW SHINGLES

6-29-76- # 157730- Ascencion J. Roderquiz
Remodel - 2.720.00(Remodel Res,)

Building permit to Emeterio Trevino for roof repairs (1960) and to Ascension Rodriguez for a remodel (1976).