

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
OCTOBER 26, 2020
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2020-0419
1117 LINDEN STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1940 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, roughly rectangular-plan stone-veneered frame house with Tudor Revival stylistic influences, including the “cat-slide” roof; partial-width inset porch; brick surrounds for all windows and the attic vent; variety of fenestration patterns.

RESEARCH

The house was built around 1940 by Marvin W. Pehl Sr. and his wife, Nobie, who lived here until around 1943. Marion W. Pehl was listed as a clerk at the Gugenheim-Goldsmith Company in the city directories, and a shipping clerk at a wholesale produce company, according to the 1940 U.S. Census. They had lived at 1802 Riverview Street prior to building this house. Marvin William Pehl Sr. died 1990; Nobie Pehl died in 1995. They are buried in Tyler, Texas.

After a short period of tenancy by a renter in the mid-1940s, the house was purchased by Roy H. and Lillie Mae Gartman, who lived here until around 1954. Roy Gartman was a carpenter for Brown and Root, general building contractors; from this house, they moved to 1901 Bluebonnet Lane in South Austin. From 1954 through the end of the 1950s, the house was rented, then purchased by Charles F. and June E. Beadle. Charles F. Beadle was a native of Arkansas, who served in the U.S. Army during World War II, and was a city firefighter while living here.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey to date.

Staff has evaluated this house for designation as a historic landmark and has determined that the house may meet the criteria for landmark designation as set forth in City Code:

- a. **Architecture.** The house is a minimal traditional house with aspects of Tudor Revival design and ornamental brick surrounds for the windows and attic vent, indicating a high degree of artistry in construction and architectural significance.
- b. **Historical association.** The house was the home of several middle-class families over time, including a shipping clerk for a wholesale produce and beer distributor, a carpenter, and a city firefighter. The historical significance of the individual residents likely does not rise to the level of satisfying this criterion, but the house is certainly unusual in its setting and architecture, reflecting the lifestyle of the lower middle class and atypical ornamentation for a house in this neighborhood.
- c. **Archaeology.** The house was not evaluated for its potential to yield significant data concerning the human history or prehistory of the region.
- d. **Community value.** The house does not possess a unique location, physical characteristic, or significant feature that contributes to the character, image, or cultural identity of the city, the neighborhood, or a particular demographic group.

- e. **Landscape feature.** The property is not a significant natural or designed landscape with artistic, aesthetic, cultural, or historical value to the city.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Consider postponing to November 16, 2020 to fully evaluate alternatives to demolition. If the Commission does not vote to postpone, then staff recommends strongly encouraging rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, then relocation over demolition, but release of the permit upon completion 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



1" = 333'



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2020-0419

LOCATION: 1117 LINDEN ST

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1117 Linden Street
ca. 1940



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1117 Linden Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
October, 2020

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| 1959 | Charles F. Beadle, owner
No occupation listed |
| 1957 | Charles F. and June Beadle, renters
City firefighter |
| 1955 | Charles F. and Jane E. Beadle, renters
City firefighter
NOTE: Roy H. and Lillie M. Gartman are listed at 1901 Bluebonnet Lane. He was a carpenter supervisor for Brown and Root, Inc., building contractors, 608 Nalle Building [Ewell Nalle Building], 610 Brazos Street. |
| 1952 | Roy H. and Lillie M. Gartman, owners
Carpenter
NOTE: Charles F. and Jane E. Beadle are not listed in the directory. |
| 1949 | Roy H. and Lillie M. Gartman, owners
Carpenter |
| 1947 | Roy H. and Lillie M. Gartman, owners
No occupation listed |
| 1944-45 | Lonnie F. and Vonna B. Kanetzky, renters
Assistant parts manager, Capitol Chevrolet, 220-24 E. 5 th Street.
NOTE: Roy H. and Lillie M. Gartman are not listed in the directory. |
| 1941 | Marion W. and Novie Pehl, owners
Clerk, Gugenheim-Goldsmith Company, wholesale fruit and produce, wholesale beer distributors, 410 E. 3 rd Street. |
| 1939 | The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Marvin W. and Nobie Pehl are listed at 1802 Riverview Street; he was a driver for Gugenheim-Goldsmith Company, wholesale liquors and produce, 410 E. 3 rd Street. |

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Marvin W. and Nobie Pehl (ca. 1940 – ca. 1943)

Marvin Pehl married Nobie Basey in Travis County in December, 1932.

The 1940 U.S. Census (April 15, 1940) shows Marvin and Nobie Pehl as the renters of a house at 3509 Wabash Avenue in Austin. Marvin Pehl was 24, had been born in Texas, and was a shipping clerk for a wholesale produce company. Nobie Pehl was 25, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a son, Marvin, Jr., 1, who had been born in Texas.

His October, 1940 World War II draft registration card shows that Marvin William Pehl was living at this address. He was born in 1911 in Austin, and was employed by Harold W. Hoefgen, the general manager of Gugenheim-Goldsmith, a wholesale produce and beer distributor. His wife

was Novie Basey Pehl. Marvin Pehl was 5'-9" tall, weighed 160 pounds, and had a light complexion with brown hair and blue eyes. He had a slight limp in his right leg.

Marvin Pehl died in 1990; Nobie B. Pehl died in 1995. They are buried in Tyler, Texas.

Roy H. and Lillie Gartman (ca. 1946 – ca. 1954)

His 1940 World War II draft registration card shows that Roy Hester Gartman was living at 2209 E. 2½ Street in Austin. He was born in Bell County, Texas in 1910 and was married to Lillie Mae Gartman. He worked for Brown and Root, building contractors, with offices in the Brown Building. He was 6 feet tall, weighed 220 pounds and had a ruddy complexion with brown hair and hazel eyes. He had a scar over his right eye.

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Roy and Lillie Mae Gartman as the owners of the house at 2209 E. 2 ½ Street in Austin; that house was worth \$1,000. Roy Gartman was 28, had been born in Texas, and was a carpenter in building construction. Lillie Mae Gartman was 23, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a daughter, Madine, 3, who had been born in Texas.

Roy Hester Gartman, Sr. was born in Youngsfort, Bell County, Texas in 1910, and died in Llano, Texas in 1997. Lillie Mae Gartman was born in Lytton Springs, Texas in 1917, and died in Llano in 2003. They are buried in Killeen, Texas.

Charles F. and June Beadle (ca. 1954 -)

Charles F. Beadle is listed in the 1940 U.S. Census at a military reservation in Bellevue, Nebraska. He was 20 years old, had been born in Arkansas, and was a soldier in the U.S. Army.

Charles F. Beadle married June Eleanor Gamble in Travis County in August, 1946.

Charles F. Beadle was born in 1920 and died in 1997. He is buried in Little Rock, Arkansas.

WATER SERVICE PERMIT		Nº 17143A	
Austin, Texas		Sec. 264	
Received of	Marvin W. Pehl	Date	Feb 17, 1940
Address	1117 Linden		
Amount	Two And 50/100 - - - -		\$ 2.50
Plumber	???	Size of Tap	1"
Date of Connection	3-26-1940		
Size of Tap Made	3/4"		
Size Service Made	3/4"		
Size Main Tapped	2"		
From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock			
From Prop. Line to Curb Cock			
Location of Meter	FRONT CURB		
Type of Box	LOCK		
Depth of Main in St.	2'		
Depth of Service Line	1'6"		
From Curb Cock to Tap on Main	35'6"		
Checked by Engr. Dept.	4-12-40 LE		

No. Fittings	Size	Description
1	Curb Cock	3/4"
1	Elbow	3/4"
1	St. Elbow	3/4"
1	Bushing	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Reducer	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Pipe	COOPER
1	Lead-Comp.	3/4" COOP
1	Nipples	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Union	3/4" COOPER
1	Plug	DRAIN TILE
1	Tee	1" LID
1	Stop	3/4"
1	Box	LOCK
1	Lid	1"
1	Valves	3/4" TAP IN SLEEVE
	Job No.	CGO-10150
	Req. No.	99294-44295

C. W. Beadle

Water service permit to Marvin W. Pehl for this house (1940)

Regalado
OWNER John Regalado ADDRESS 1117 Linden St.
PLAT 263 LOT 5 BLK 1
SUBDIVISION Cherico #2
OCCUPANCY Garage
BLD PERMIT # 145912 DATE 10-24-74 OWNERS ESTIMATE 500.00
CONTRACTOR Owner NO. OF FIXTURES
WATER TAP REC # Exist SEWER TAP REC # Exist
Frm. Acc. Bldg. 276 Sq.Ft.
Building permit for the construction of a garage (1974)