# HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS APRIL 26, 2021 HR-2021 048417 WEST LINE NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT 1003 MAUFRAIS STREET

#### PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1947 house and ca. 1951 accessory dwelling unit.

#### ARCHITECTURE

The primary building is a one-story side-gabled house with horizontal siding, attached carport, and 1:1 screened wood windows. The secondary building is a one-story side-gabled accessory dwelling with stucco cladding and 1:1 replacement windows.

#### RESEARCH

The buildings at 1003 Maufrais Street were constructed in 1947 and 1951 for Paul and Geneva Bennight. Paul Bennight worked as an assistant claims supervisor, personnel management assistant, and general supervisor for Austin Transit. Geneva Bennight worked as a secretary and clerk for Payne and Wiley and the Texas Highway Department, where their daughter Peggy also found a job. During the 1950s, the Bennights leased the rear structure on the lot to tenants. By the late 1950s, both buildings housed renters, including a clerk and a UT student.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS**

Both buildings on the property contribute to the West Line National Register Historic District.

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The buildings are more than 50 years old.
- 2) The buildings appear to retain moderate integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352). Staff has evaluated the property and determined that it does not meet two criteria:
  - a. Architecture. The buildings do not appear to convey architectural significance.
  - b. Historical association. The property does not appear to have significant historical associations.
  - c. *Archaeology*. The property was not evaluated for its potential to yield significant data concerning the human history or prehistory of the region.
  - d. *Community value*. The property 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

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, then relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. Commission review of new construction plans is required for demolition permit release.



1"=166'

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#### PROPERTY INFORMATION







Source: applicant, 2021

Occupancy History: Historic Preservation Office, April 2021

1959 Elizabeth Knape, renter

Jim R. and Peggy B. Palmore, renters

Student

1957 Eliz Guyton, renter

Clerk, Southern Union Gas

1955 Paul R. and Geneva D. Bennight, owners

Supervisor, Austin Transit

Clerk, State Highway Department

Peggy P. Bennight, renter

Clerk, State Highway Department

Elrena Jenkins, renter

Full time regular at Nan's

Paul and Geneva Bennight, owners

Assistant to personnel manager, Austin Transit

Clerk, State Highway Department

1949 Paul and Geneva Bennight, owners

Assistant supervisor of claims, Austin Transit

Secretary, Payne & Wiley

1947 Address not listed

## 35 Complete **Tourist Trade Clinic Course**

Certificates Given: Others Expected To Finish Work

Certificates have been awarded 35 tourist conscious citizens, S. M. Apperson, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce publicity commit-tee, announced Saturday. Apper-son expressed satisfaction that an award is being presented those who complete all three sessions of the Tourist-Courtery Clinic. The certificates were mailed or distrib-uted during the past week by the University of Texas Division of Extension and the State Department

of Vocational Education.
"Receipt of one of the certificates,"
Apperson said, "indicates that the
person has learned the importance of a good tourist trade, how to make a good impression upon visitors, how to give directions, and has received basic information about city, community, and stee points of interest.'

Other Certificates

Bill Newman, course instructor, indicated that other certificates would be awarded as the additional classes were completed. He noted that the Bureau of Industrial and Business Extension Training at the University was not allowed to give certificates to those who have not attended all three class meetings, but that these who missed one or

more meetings could qualify by making them up this week. Certificates have thus far been awarded to the following hotel perawarded to the following hotel personnel: Miss Emma Jean Berry, W. A. Cantrell, Cecil Catchings, J. E. Cobb, J. M. Hogan, Mrs. Olen Hogan, R. E. Menger, Horton G. Oliver, Charles Shepherd, W. A. Stuart, Mrs. Flora N. Terral, Zollie Thompson, Ernest Warden, J. J. Whatley and Mrs. J. J. Whatley, Austin Transit Company employes receiving the certificates were as

receiving the certificates were as follows: Paul R. Bennight, Charles Bowman, C. W. Ellison, A. L. Fischbeck, E. E. Hutto, A. T. Jackson, John McKean, A. A. Ward, L. A. Wells, D. A. Young, and J. O. Young.

T. DICKENSON, 1505 Corona, a boy, Thursday at Bergstrom AFB Hospital. AIRMAN FIRST CLASS and MRS. RON-ALD W. CONNOLLY, 1003 Maufrais, a girl. Friday at Bergstrom AFB Hospital. TECHNICAL SERGEANT and MRS.

# Carolyn Knape Head of Club

WACO, Oct. 16—Miss Carolyn Knape, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Knape of 1003 Maufrais in Austin, has been elected president of Delta Alpha Pi, women's social club at Baylor University.

She is also a member of Sigma

Alpha Eta.

Miss Knape is a senior at Baylor where she is majoring in speech therapy with a minor in psychology.

### 2 TEI Workers Hospitalized

Two employees of Transportation Enterprises Incorporated were hospitalized Friday afternoon following an argument as to just who was going to drive the next bus route.

The driver, who reportedly popped his supervisors over the head with a pop bottle, disappeared from the shop parking lot before police arrived but turned himself in later.

The supervisors, H. L. Criswell, 51, of 1312 Richcreek and Paul Bennight, of 1003 Maufrais were both released after being treated for head injuries at Brackenridge Hospital, officials said.

The Austin Statesman; Oct 16, 1958 and Oct 31, 1970

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