James Knox Taylor

Biographical Data

Birth: 10/11/1857 Place: Knoxville, Illinois

Death: 8/27/1929 Place: Tampa, Florida

Family: Parents: H. Knox and Mary Young Taylor. Married Adele Chambers, 2/3/1887, no children

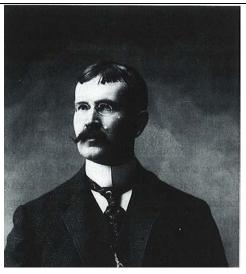
Education

High School: Public school, St. Paul, Minnesota

College: Special course in architecture, 1877-79, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Graduate School:

Apprenticeship: C.C. Haight, Bruce Price, New York, 1879-1882



Source: Lee, Architects to the Nation, 198

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DC Architects' Regis	stration Regis	tration Number: n/a	Date Issued:	
Permit Database	Earliest Permit:	Latest Permit:	Total Permits: 0	Total Buildings: 0
Practice		Position		Date
Gilbert and Taylor, St.	Paul, Minnesota	Partner		1885-1891
Boyden and Taylor, Pl	hiladelphia	Partner		1892-1895
Office of the Supervis.	ing Architect	Head draftsman		1895-1897
Office of the Supervising Architect		Supervising Architect	t	1897-1912
Massachusetts Institute of Technology		Director, Departmen	t of Architecture	1912-1914
Private practice, variou	us locations	Principal		1914-1929

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: 1889 Fellow of the AIA: 1889

Other Societies or Memberships: President, Washington Architectural Club, 1897-98.

Awards or Commissions:

Buildings

Building Types: Residences, churches, commercial buildings, public buildings

Styles and Forms: Eclectic revival styles in early career, Colonial and Classical revival styles in government career

DC Work Locations:

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
U.S. Court House and Post Office	San Francisco, California	1897-1905	NRHP DC Historic Site
U.S. Custom House	Portland, Oregon	1898-1901	NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
U.S. Court House and Post Office	Butte, Montana	1903-1904	NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
U.S. Court House and Post Office	Grand Forks, North Dakota	1905-1906	NRHP DC Historic Site
U.S. Court House and Post Office	Atlanta, Georgia	1906-1910	NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

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Significance and Contributions

James Knox Taylor, as Supervising Architect of the Treasury from 1897 to 1912, promoted academic classicism in the design of federal buildings. He was widely credited with elevating the quality of federal building design over the course of his long tenure. As described in 1907 by one trade magazine, *The Brickbuilder*, Taylor's incumbency was "a splendid success in keeping abreast with the spirit of the times," in an era when many of the best American architects had trained at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris.

Taylor was born in Knoxville, Illinois, but raised in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he attended public schools. He studied architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology from 1877 to 1879 where the influence of the Ecole des Beaux Arts was already manifest. His

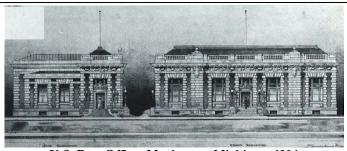


Atlanta, Georgia, Courthouse www.gsa.gov/portal/category/100000

classmates included Cass Gilbert with whom he later formed a partnership and William Martin Aiken, his predecessor as Supervising Architect of the Treasury. He then trained in New York under C.C. Haight and later under Bruce Price. In 1882 he returned to St. Paul to practice and formed a partnership with Cass Gilbert in 1885. Together they designed residences, churches and office buildings in various revival styles from Norman Romanesque to Colonial.

In 1892, Taylor moved to Philadelphia, his wife's home town and formed a partnership with Amos J. Boyden. However, in the lean years following the panic of 1893, he successfully sought a position as a draftsman of the Office of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury under his classmate William Aiken. He rose quickly, becoming head draftsman by 1897 and, when Aiken resigned that year, Taylor succeeded him as Supervising Architect.

Taylor's appointment coincided with the implementation of legislation, known as the Tarsney Act, which authorized the Supervising Architect to select private architects, through competitions, to design the federal government's public buildings. The legislation had long been advocated by the American Institute of Architects. The nation's rapid population growth and westward expansion had created great demand for post offices, court houses and customhouses. When Taylor ascended to the position of Supervising Architect it was assumed that the position would be primarily administrative and that most design work would be shifted to the private sector. However, as implemented, the larger federal buildings were generally designed by private architects, including some of the nation's most prominent ones, but several hundred smaller buildings, primarily post offices, were designed within the Supervising Architect's office under Taylor's direct supervision. Taylor believed that federal buildings should convey a sense of dignity and he favored buildings designed along the principles expounded by the Ecole des Beaux Arts. Some of the buildings produced by his office were designed in the Colonial Revival style but most were in the classical revival styles typical of the Beaux Arts school. Architectural historian Lois Craig quoted Taylor as writing in 1901 that, "The [Treasury] Department, after mature consideration of the subject, finally decided to adopt the classic style of architecture for all buildings so far as it was practicable to do so, and it is believed that this style is best suited for Government buildings. The experience of centuries has demonstrated that no form of architecture is so pleasing to the great mass of mankind as the classic, or some modified form of the classic, and it is hoped that the present policy



U.S. Post Office, Muskegon, Michigan, 1904 Lee, Architects to the Nation, 203.



Post Office, Annapolis, Md. Lee, Architects to the Nation, 202

may be followed in the future, in order that the public buildings of the United States may become distinctive in their character."

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The buildings designed under Taylor were standardized to some degree according to function and size but varied in detail. They exhibit the strong symmetry, horizontal emphasis and classical detailing typical of the Beaux Arts school. The buildings frequently were designed with a three-bay center section flanked by one bay projecting or receding pavilions. Roofs were generally flat or low hipped, often with a balustrade. The principal variations were in the architectural detail. By the end of Taylor's tenure as Supervising Architect, the policy of designing federal office buildings in classical revival styles was firmly established.

Although, while in Washington, D.C., Taylor's primary responsibility was for federal buildings across the nation, he was appointed to serve on the District of Columbia Schoolhouse Commission which reported to Congress in 1908 on the condition of the schools with recommendations on model schools and standards for school construction.

After serving longer than most Supervising Architects Taylor resigned in 1912 to accept a position as professor at his alma mater, M.I.T. At the time of his retirement the New York Times wrote that Taylor had "administered the affairs of his office with zeal, integrity, and admirable comprehension of its requirements.... The work of Mr. Taylor has been exacting and has been performed with large ability. His successor will find it difficult to live up the standard of excellence he has maintained."

Taylor was soon appointed head of the Architecture Department at M.I.T. and remained for two years. Little is known of his subsequent career. He moved from place to place, living for a year or two in Philadelphia, Northampton, Mass., and Yonkers, N.Y., before finally settling in Tampa, Florida where he died in 1929.

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Notes: When the Western Association of Architects merged with the American Institute of Architects in 1889, all its members were made Fellows because WAA members were known as Fellows.

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William Waverly Taylor, Jr.

Biographical Data

Birth: 1/29/1896 Place: Washington, D.C.

Death: 5/29/1986 Place: Washington, D.C.

Family: Father, William; mother, Georgia; brother, Raymond; wife,

Edmee S.; son, Gerald

Education

High School: Technical High School

College: George Washington University, 1915-18

Graduate School:

Apprenticeship:



Source: Washington Post, March 30, 1930, R3

Architectural Practice

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Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1915	Latest Permit: 1945	Total Permits: 76	Total Buildings: 583
Practice		Position		Date
Albert E. Landvoigt, A	Architect	Draftsman		1914-15
Shannon & Luchs, Inc		Vice President		1915-28
Shannon & Luchs Construction Company		Architect for Operations, Secretary, General Manager		1915-28
Waverly Taylor, Inc.		President		1930-38, 1940-43
Individual practice		Architect		1939, 1947-60
W. Waverly Taylor		Realtor		1945-46

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a Fellow of the AIA:

Other Societies or Memberships: Washington Real Estate Board (Pres. 1940-41), Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Washington (Pres. 1930-41), National Association of Real Estate Boards (Dir., 1934), National Association of Home Builders (as of 1940)

Awards or Commissions: Shield of Merit from *Good Housekeeping* for Better Standards in Building, for Rollingwood, Md., Development, 1937

Buildings

Building Types: Rowhouses, detached houses, semi-detached houses, duplexes, apartment buildings

Styles and Forms: Tudor Revival, Colonial Revival

DC Work Locations: Historic Burleith; Foxhall Historic District; Cleveland Park Historic District; Good Hope Hills, Southeast

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
Burleith Houses	R, S, T, 37th, 38th Streets, N.W.	1923-26	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Tudor Revival Rowhouses, Foxhall Village	Foxhall Road, 44 th St., P St., Volta Place, N.W.	1928-1934	Foxhall Historic District

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Rollingwood Development	Rolling Rd., Chevy Chase, Md.	1937-38	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Good Hope Hills Apartments	2800-3200 28th St., S.E.; 3000 block 30th St., S.E.; 3100 block Buena Vista Terrace, S.E. and Jasper St., S.E.	1943-45	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Carillon House	2500 Wisconsin Ave., N.W.	1950	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

William Waverly Taylor, Jr., was born on January 29, 1896, as the first-born of William and Georgia Taylor. According to the 1900 Federal Census for the District of Columbia, the family lived on Eighth Street, N.E., and Taylor's father was a book binder. In *Who's Who in the Nation's Capital* published in the 1930s, his listing notes that he was a descendant of President Zachary Taylor. W. Waverly Taylor went to the District's technical high school, then known as the McKinley Manual Training School, graduated in June 1914, and then attended George Washington



Tudor Revival Rowhouses, 4400 Block of Volta Place, Foxhall Village (1931)

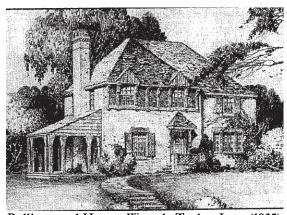
District of Columbia Office of Planning, PropertyQuest, 2004

University beginning in 1915. He studied architecture while at George Washington, but left before graduating to enter the First World War in 1918. He served as a pilot in the Air Service.

While he was enrolled at George Washington, Taylor began working for Shannon & Luchs Construction Company as an architect. His World War I draft registration card lists this as his occupation in 1917. After the war he returned to Washington and continued working for Shannon & Luchs until 1928. He is listed as architect on over 400 Shannon & Luchs permits for dwellings in Northwest Washington. During Taylor's time with the company, he was the designer for rowhouses in the historic Burleith neighborhood on R, S, T, 37th and 38th Streets, N.W., adjacent to Georgetown. Herbert Shannon of Shannon & Luchs thought very highly of Taylor's work. In recommending Taylor for registration as an architect in Washington, Shannon described him as "exceptionally well qualified" in building construction and as having "very excellent" esthetic design skills.

Taylor started his own development firm, Waverly Taylor, Inc., in 1928. William N. Wood of Charlottesville, Va., served as Vice President and W. Leroy Saunders, also formerly with Shannon & Luchs, was the Secretary and Treasurer. The first major project for Waverly Taylor, Inc. was to continue developing Foxhall Village, which fellow Washingtonian developer Harry Boss had already begun. Boss was inspired by the urban planning of rowhouse

communities after visiting Bath, England, and developed the first portion of Foxhall Village with his firm Boss and Phelps. He designed the rowhouses in a Tudor Revival style in reference to old English villages. Waverly Taylor, Inc. bought the land adjacent to where Boss and Phelps were developing, and built the second portion of Foxhall Village in a complementary style. The Waverly Taylor, Inc. rowhouses in this area are two or two-and-a-half stories in height, in a Tudor revival style that features English bond brick and stucco facades. Many of the Waverly Taylor houses are double-front houses, with stylistic details and porches both in the front and in the rear. Waverly Taylor, Inc. developed more than 80 properties just on 44th St., N.W., and Volta Place, N.W. by 1932. In total, Taylor was responsible for 106 properties in Foxhall Village.



Rollingwood House, Waverly Taylor, Inc., (1935)

Washington Post, July 28, 1935, R5

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In the 1940s Taylor worked for the first time in the southeast quadrant of the District, designing attached and detached dwellings as well as apartments. The Good Hope Hills Apartments, with over 400 units, were the focus of Waverly Taylor, Inc.'s development in Southeast Washington. The company both owned and operated these apartments, which were located on 28th St., S.E., 30th St., S.E., Jasper St., S.E., and Buena Vista Terrace.

In 1945 and 1946 Taylor was not listed as an architect, but rather as a realtor. It is evident that Taylor played many professional roles, but they all related to extensive development of real estate in the greater Washington, D.C. area. In addition to his work within the District, Taylor also developed in several Maryland suburbs. He received *Good Housekeeping's* Shield of Merit award in 1937 for Better Standards in Building for Waverly Taylor, Inc.'s Rollingwood houses in Chevy Chase, Md. The Rollingwood houses were built in a picturesque wooded area off of Brookville Road overlooking Rock Creek Park. In the book *Land Use, Structure, and Change in the Western City,* Barry Checkoway listed Taylor as the contemporary of William Levitt as a large builder who was instrumental in postwar suburbanization and residential development in the United States.

A 1999 article in the *Washington Post* credits Taylor with designing the first rental building in the Washington Metropolitan area to have central air conditioning. The building, Carillon House at 2500 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., was developed by Waverly Taylor, Inc. in 1950 and housed its first tenants in 1951. According to Taylor's son Gerald, his father thought that individual air conditioning units marred the look of the fronts of buildings, and he wanted to try something different.

According to the American Architect's Directory, Taylor was running Taylor Waverly, Inc. from its offices at 2501 Tunlaw Road, N.W. in the 1950s and 1960s. Taylor and his wife, Edmee S., lived at 1028 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. at least for a short time.

Taylor died in 1986 at the age of 90.



Carillon House, developed by Waverly Taylor, Inc. (1950) DCRealEstate.com, accessed July 15, 2010

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Dictionary of American Biography – not in it				
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Notes: Permit and building totals combine listings for "Waverly, Wm." (1 permit, 1 building), "Waverly Taylor" (1 permit, 11 buildings), "Waverly Taylor, Inc." (1 permit, 9 buildings), "Taylor, Waverly" (8 permits, 46 buildings), "Taylor, W. Waverly, Jr." (60 permits, 489 buildings), "Taylor, W. W., Jr., A. B. Heaton Consult" (2 permits, 24 buildings).

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Dr. William Thornton

Biographical Data				
Birth: 5/20/1759	Place: Tortola, British West Indies			
Death: 3/28/1828	Place: Washington, D.C.			
Family: Wife, Anna Maria Brodeau				
Education				
High School:				
College: University of Edinburgh (1781-1784)				
Graduate School: University of Aberdeen (Medical Degree received 1784)				
Apprenticeship:				



Source: National Gallery of Art

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Registration Registra		ration Number: n/a	Date Issued:	
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: n/a	Latest Permit:	Total Permits:	Total Buildings:
Practice		Position		Date
Auteur				c.1793-c. 1828
District of Columbia		Commissioner of the	e District of Columbia	1794-1802
U.S. Patent Office		Superintendent of th	e U.S. Patent Office	1802-1828

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a Fellow of the AIA:

Other Societies or Memberships: Vice President of Medical Society of the District of Columbia (1819), Member of the Medical Society of Edinburgh

Awards or Commissions: Appointed commissioner of the District of Columbia (1794-1802); clerk in the State Department, in charge of patents and then superintendent of patents (1802-1828); Awarded the Magellanic gold medal of the American Philosophical Society (1793) for his *Cadmus: or, a Treatise on the Elements of Written Language*

Buildings

Building Types: Public and federal buildings, domestic architecture (mansions, free-standing dwellings)

Styles and Forms: Plans exhibit elements of Georgian and Federal Style, incorporate use of simple monumental forms, with clearly-defined and spatially interesting interior volumes

DC Work Locations: Georgetown; Capitol Hill; Fairfax County, VA; Philadelphia, PA

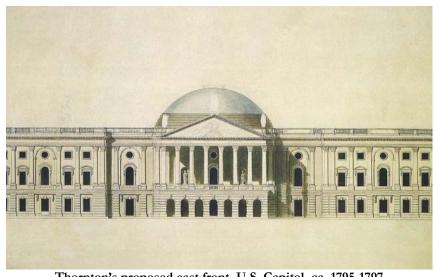
Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
Library Company Building	Philadelphia, PA	1789-1790 (demolished 1880)	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
United States Capitol Building	Washington, D.C.	1793 drawings	☑ NHL ☐ NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site
Octagon House (now of the AIA)	Washington, D.C.	1798-1800	☑ NHL ☑ NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site

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Tudor Place	Washington, D.C.	c. 1805-16 (remodeling plans incorporating c. 1794 existing wings)	☑ NHL ☑ NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site
Woodlawn	Fairfax County, Va.	c. 1800	NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Montpelier (James Madison House) [work on main portion of mansion]	Orange County, Va.	c. 1800 (date not verified)	☑ NHL ☑ NRHP ☑ VA Historic Site
University of Virginia (assisted Thomas Jefferson)	Charlottesville, Va.	c. 1819	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
St. John's Church, Georgetown	Washington, D.C.	1807-1809	☐ NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site Within Georgetown HD

Significance and Contributions

William Thornton, self-taught architect, inventor, painter, horse racer, and public official, is best known as the first architect of the United States Capitol. Born May 20, 1759, in Tortola in the British West Indies, Thornton lived with his family in the community of the Society of Friends on the small island of Jost van Dyke. At the age of five, Thornton was sent to England after his father's death. In 1781, he attended the University of Edinburgh, where he studied medicine. Thornton ultimately received his medical degree from Aberdeen University in 1784, although he never practiced medicine professionally. Soon afterwards, he moved to the United States and became an American citizen, settling in Philadelphia. In 1789, Thornton won the competition to design the Library Company of Philadelphia, his first public work of distinction. Located on Fifth Street, the building was considered a great success and stood until 1880.



Thornton's proposed east front, U.S. Capitol, ca. 1795-1797

Peatross, Capital Drawings, Plate 2.4, p. 199

In 1790, Thornton married Anna Maria Brodeau, the sixteen-year-old daughter of a prominent Quaker family. She was born in England and was a talented artist in her own right. After their marriage, Thornton and his wife moved to Tortola for two years. During this time, he learned of the competition to design the United States Capitol in the newly created federal city of Washington. After returning to Philadelphia by 1792, Thornton revised his initial drawings of the Capitol, having realized that his first design was inadequate. By this time, Thornton had received permission to submit his design after the competition deadline, since none

of the formally submitted plans were found suitable. The revised design drew upon work by Etienne Suplice Hallet, a French professional whose design for the Capitol was deemed the most successful and who had been hired to

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produce additional studies. Thornton's design, although still unfinished, was recommended by President Washington for adoption and, in April 1793, Thornton received a formal notice of the acceptance of his plan, for which he received five hundred dollars and a prime building lot in the city (No. 15 in Square 634). Since Thornton was not a practicing architect or builder, Hallet was appointed Supervising Architect of the work. Hallet immediately identified several structural problems and impractical features, highlighting Thornton's inexperience, which warranted revisions. This modified plan was accepted in July of 1793.

Thornton was appointed one of the commissioners of the city on September 12, 1794, and moved to Washington, largely to prevent further changes and alterations to his design. Conflicting opinions over the Capitol's design, however, let to the dismissal of Hallet as supervising architect. He was first replaced by James Hoban (1762-1831), best known as architect of the President's house, and then, in 1795, by George Hadfield (1764-1826), an Englishman who had won many architectural prizes in London before coming to Washington. Thorton's actual connection with the Capitol ceased when the office of Commissioner was abolished by Congress in 1802. Benjamin Henry Latrobe (1764-1820), appointed by Jefferson to the post of surveyor of the public buildings, remained in charge of the work.

Thornton also designed several grand residences in Washington, D.C., and in the surrounding area. The Octagon House in Washington, D.C., also known as the John Tayloe House (1789-1800), was designed by Thornton for John Tayloe of Mount Airy, one of the most powerful and wealthy planters of Virginia. The mansion incorporated an unusual design with oval and circular rooms and, since 1898, has served as the headquarters of the American Institute of Architects. In 1800, Thornton designed Woodlawn for Lawrence Lewis, who was married to Eleanor Custis, Washington's step-granddaughter. Located in Fairfax, Va., Woodlawn was sited on a large estate with lawns and gardens that was originally part of Washington's Mount Vernon.

Other residential designs included Tudor Place in Georgetown, built for Thomas Peter (Mayor of Georgetown 1789-98) and his wife, Martha Parke Custis, granddaughter of Martha Washington. Thornton's c. 1805



c. 1872 Image of the Octagon House (1741 New York Avenue, N.W.), the oldest known photograph of the house American Institute of Architects Library and Archives

design for the elegant mansion incorporated existing wings erected around 1797 and is today considered one of the foremost Federal-era mansions in the nation. It is believed that Thornton also designed the main portion of President Madison's mansion, Montpelier, in Orange County, Va. Thornton was also the architect of St. John's Church, Georgetown (3240 O Street, N.W.), completed in 1809. It is the second oldest Episcopal Church in Washington.

In addition to his distinguished architectural work, Thornton's interests and activities were diverse and extensive. As one of earliest District Commissioners, he worked closely with President Washington and Major Pierre L'Enfant in the planning of the Capitol. Jefferson appointed Thornton clerk in the State Department, in charge of patents, and, as the first patent commissioner, he headed the Patent Office until his death in 1828. Thornton held a number of patents himself, many dealing with improvements in boilers, stills, firearms, among other devices. He collaborated with both John Fitch and Robert Fulton in the development of the steam boat. His extensive writings included three unpublished novels, numerous pamphlets, and his *Cadmus: or, a Treatise on the Elements of Written Language* (1793), for which he was awarded the Magellanic gold medal of the American Philosophical Society.

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Thornton's preliminary design for Tudor Place, 1644 31st St., NW, ca. 1808-1811

Peatross, Capital Drawings, Plate 1.6, p. 186

As well as being an architect, magistrate and soldier (he was a Lieutenant, then Captain, in the War of 1812-14), Thornton was a painter, sheep breeder, devotee of horse racing, and humanitarian. Long an advocate for the abolition of slavery, Thornton was active in the liberation of South America with the dream of uniting North and South America. Other activities included supporting a proposed republic of freemen in Africa, promoting the construction of a Panama Canal and a Washington Monument, and organizing a fire insurance company and gold mine. Thornton died March 28, 1828 in Washington and is buried in the Congressional Cemetery.

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Frank Tomlinso	n				
Biographical Data					
Birth: 9/3/1884 Place: N					
Death: April 1974 Place: V	Vest Palm Beac	h, Fla.			
Family: Wife, Beulah Tomlinson	1				
Education					
High School: Stockport Technic (1900-04)	al School, Mar	nchester, England			
College: Manchester, England (.904-1906)				
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship:				So	urce:
Architectural Practice					
DC Architects' Registration	Regista	ration Number: 52		Date Issued: 4	1/27/1925
Permit Database Earliest	Permit: 1910	Latest Permit: 1930	Total F	Permits: 124	Total Buildings: 185
Practice		Position			Date
Harry Wardman		Draftsman			c. 1918-1919
Wardman & Tomlinson		Architect, partner			1919
Stern & Tomlinson		Architect, partner			1919-26
Frank Tomlinson		Principal			1919-30
Professional Association	s				
American Institute of Archite	cts Date(s) Enrolled: n/a		Fellow of the	AIA:
Other Societies or Membersh	ips:				
Awards or Commissions:					
Buildings					
Building Types: Apartment bu	ildings, attache	ed and detached dwell	ings, rowho	ouses, stores	
Styles and Forms: Classical Re	vival, Colonial	Revival			
DC Work Locations: Capitol I	Hill, Mount Ple	asant, Strivers' Section	n, Shaw, Wo	oodley Park His	storic Districts
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Woodley Manor	2827, 2829,	2827, 2829, 2831 28th St., N.W. 1919 Wo		Woodley Parl	k Historic District
The Argonne	1629 Columbia Road N.W.		1922	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site	
Windemere and Harrowgate	1825, 1823 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.		1925	Strivers' Section Historic District	
Congressional House	236 Massacl	236 Massachusetts Ave., N.E.		Capitol Hill H	Historic District
Park Lee Apartments	1630 Park R	·	1926	Mount Pleasant Historic District	
1445, 1451 and 1457 Park Road, N.W.	1445, 1451 a Road, N.W.	and 1457 Park	1928, 1929	THE NEED THE HISTORIC SITE	

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Significance and Contributions

Frank Tomlinson was born in Manchester, England in 1884. Not much is known about his early life or architectural training. He first appears as an architect on a Washington, D.C. building permit in 1910. His World War I draft registration card stated that he was working as a draftsman for Harry Wardman, a prolific Washington rowhouse



Woodley Manor, 2827 28th Street, NW District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

designer, in 1918. At that time Tomlinson was already married to his wife, Beulah.

Wardman & Tomlinson formed a brief partnership in 1919, and designed 10 apartments that year. Harry Wardman owned and built all of these apartments, and Tomlinson was his partner for architectural plans. Wardman & Tomlinson's apartment buildings included Woodley Manor, a group of three apartment houses that are extant in what is now the Woodley Park Historic District (2827, 2829, 2831 28th Street, N.W.).

In late 1919, Tomlinson began working with David Louis Stern. They established their architectural firm, Stern & Tomlinson, and completed designs for more than 150 buildings in the District during their seven year

partnership. Their first design, 3115 Mount Pleasant Street, was stylistically consistent with apartment building design before the war. It is a moderately-scaled, four-story apartment building with projecting bay windows. Its detailing is Colonial Revival. Between 1919 and 1922, Stern and Tomlinson continued to design modest three-, four-, and five-story apartment buildings, each accommodating fewer than 30 families. These buildings show a move in stylistic direction toward simpler, plainer, flatter façades utilizing the classical vocabulary. Their ornamentation is generally confined to the main entrance, the cornice line, and sometimes incorporates quoining and beltcoursing.

In 1922 Stern and Tomlinson began to design larger apartment buildings. The first was the Shawmut at 2200 19th Street, N.W., accommodating 71 families. In the same year, they designed the Argonne at 1629 Columbia Road, N.W., that housed 242 families. The Argonne is the largest apartment building that Stern and Tomlinson designed together. Throughout their partnership, Stern and Tomlinson preferred Classical Revival architectural motifs, although the ornamentation was not limited to that genre. The Flagler, now known as Madison Hall (736 22nd Street), is an apt example of a Stern and Tomlinson Classical Revival apartment building. One of the last commissions designed by the partnership, and perhaps the most striking examples of their work together, are the Gothic Revival style twin buildings, the Windemere (1825 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.) and the Harrowgate (1833 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.) designed in 1925 for developer A. Joseph Howar.



The Flagler (now Madison Hall) 736 22nd St., NW EHT Traceries, 2006

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1457, 1451, 1445 Park Road, N.W. District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

The firm of Stern and Tomlinson dissolved in 1926. Upon their parting, Stern opened his independent office which he named the David L. Stern Construction Company and Tomlinson went on to establish the Tomlinson Realty Company. Frank Tomlinson worked with George Tomlinson, presumably his brother, to run the Tomlinson Realty Co. The company owned and built several large apartment buildings in 1928 and 1929, usually between five and eight stories tall, of brick and stone and with electric elevators. Among these apartments are 1445, 1451 and 1457 Park Road, N.W.

The U.S. Social Security Death Index information suggests that Tomlinson retired to Florida and lived in West Palm Beach, Fla., where he died in April 1974.

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Tomlinson" (7 permits, 10 buildings), and "Stern & Tomlinson" (101 permits, 159 buildings).					
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George Oakley Totten, Jr.

Biographical Data

Birth: 12/5/1866 Place: New York, N.Y.

Death: 2/1/1939 Place: Washington, D.C.

Family: Wife, Vicken von Post; sons, George Oakley III and Gilbert

von Post

Education

High School: Newark Technical School (1884-87)

College: Columbia University (1887-91)

Graduate School: Columbia University School of Architecture (1891-

93); Ecole des Arts Decoratifs, Paris (1893-95)

Apprenticeship:



Source: Collection of Vicken Y. Totten, M.D.

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Regi	istration Regist	ration Number: 15	Date Issued: 4	1/15/1925
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1899	Latest Permit: 1930	Total Permits: 46	Total Buildings: 48
Practice		Position		Date
Office of the Supervision Department of Treasu	_	Chief designer		1895-1898
Totten and Rogers		Principal		1899-1907
George Oakley Totter	n, Jr.	Principal		1907-1930

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: 1899-1939 President, Washington Chapter, 1927

Other Societies or Memberships: Architectural League, International Congress of Architects, Archaeological Institute of America, Washington Board of Trade, Society of American Military Engineers, Allied Architects, Societé Centrale d'Architecture de Belgique, Old Russian Society of Architects, Austrian Architecture Society, Spanish Architecture Society, Chevy Chase Club, University Club

Awards or Commissions: Columbia University McKim Traveling Fellowship

Buildings

Building Types: Private residences, embassies, clubs

Styles and Forms: Classical Revival, Renaissance Revival, Italianate

DC Work Locations: Dupont Circle, Sheridan Circle, Embassy Row, Kalorama Triangle, Columbia Heights,

Meridian Hill, Mount Pleasant

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status		
Christian Hauge House	2349 Massachusetts Ave., NW	1906	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site		
"Pink Palace"	2600 16th Street, NW	1906	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site		
Old French Embassy	2460 16th Street, NW	1906-7	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site		
Charles Evans Hughes House	2223 R Street, NW	1906	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site		

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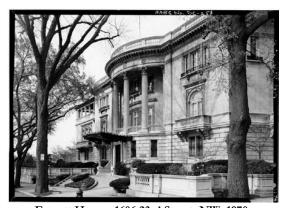
University Club	900 15th Street, NW	1912	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Edward H. Everett House	1606 23rd Street, NW	1914	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Meridian Hall	2401 15th Street, NW	1923	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Warder-Totten House	2633 16th Street, NW	1925	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Mansion	3224 16th Street, NW	1922	Mt. Pleasant Historic District

Significance and Contributions

George Oakley Totten, Jr., was one of Washington, D.C.'s, leading Beaux-Arts architects during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. As the official architect for Mary Foote Henderson (1841-1931), Totten helped transform 16th Street and the Meridian Hill area from an under-developed post-Civil War settlement to an elite enclave of early twentieth century mansions and foreign legations.

Totten was born in New York City in 1866. He attended public schools in Newark, New Jersey and went on to the Newark Technical School. He then attended the School of Architecture at Columbia University, earning his Ph.B. (Bachelor of Philosophy) in 1891 and his M.A. in 1892. Totten was awarded the McKim Traveling Fellowship by Columbia University, which enabled him to study at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts in Paris from 1893-95. He may also

have studied under Pierre Jérôme Honoré Daumet in Paris.



Everett House, 1606 23rd Street, NW, 1970. HABS/HAER 258.

In 1895, Totten moved to Washington, D.C. to become the chief designer in the Office of the Supervising Architect in the U.S. Treasury Department. In 1897, he was appointed an American delegate to the International Congress of Architects; he held this position until his death in 1939. Between 1898 and 1899, Totten opened a practice, Totten & Rogers, with a former college roommate, Laussat R. Rogers. Together, the pair had offices in Washington and Philadelphia, where Rogers was based, and they designed several buildings in Washington. These include what are now the embassies of Mali in 1899 (2131 R Street, NW) and Greece in 1903 (2228 Massachusetts Avenue, NW). In 1907, this partnership dissolved and Totten began an individual practice.

Between 1906 and 1928, Totten worked closely with Mary Foote Henderson, wife of Missouri Senator John B. Henderson. Mary Henderson sought to create an "Avenue of the Presidents" on the boulevard with lavish embassies and residences. Henderson commissioned Totten to design elaborately ornamented and luxurious buildings, many intended for embassies and chanceries. Henderson bought up land dotted with small farms and shacks, usually

occupied by freed slaves, in Meridian Hill and had Totten design buildings for the land. Together, they developed 16th Street into a monumental avenue. The title of Embassy Row, however, was officially granted to Massachusetts Avenue. Charles Carroll Glover was able to convince the British to construct their embassy on Massachusetts Avenue and other countries followed suit.

The Old French Embassy at 2460 16th Street, NW, was the first foreign embassy on 16th Street. The embassy was planned and constructed from 1906-7 and also served as the French ambassador's residence from 1907-1925. The four-story building features domed corner pavilion, loggias, and mansard roofs. The façades are limestone and terra cotta in the Parisian high style of Louis XVI and the Second Empire.



Old French Embassy, 2400 16th Street, NW, 1910-35. Library of Congress LC-F82-188.

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University Club, 900 15th Street, NW, 1910-15.

Library of Congress L.C-B2-2530-14.

In 1908, Totten was hired to design the American chancery in Turkey and a residence for Prime Minister Issez Pasha. Sultan Abdul Hamid, impressed by Totten's work, hired him as "Private Architect to the Sultan of Turkey." This assignment ended in 1909 with the overthrow of the sultan. From 1909 to 1917, Totten designed many buildings on 16th Street and other monumental buildings in Washington, D.C. When the United States entered World War I in 1917, Totten became a major in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

On August 22, 1921, Totten married Swedish sculptress Vicken von Post. The two met when von Post was in town for a showing of her

work; Totten asked if she would consider creating some ornamentation for his buildings. Totten, interested in historical styles and ornamentation, became well-versed in the subject of Mayan architecture and published a book entitled *Maya Architecture* in 1926. He traveled to the Yucatan peninsula to photograph and draw the Mayan buildings, and championed Middle American Architecture as equal to any on the European continent.

In 1915 Totten built his residence at 2536 15th Street, N.W., set in extensive landscaped gardens. It was a one-story stuccoed brick building with architectural ornamentation in the Spanish Baroque Revival style. At the time of his marriage he added a two-story wing for his wife to use for entertaining and a studio. Then, in 1923, he purchased the massive four-and-one-half story, gable-roofed mansion that had been designed by H. H. Richardson for Benjamin

Warder in 1885. Located at 1515 K Street, N.W., the house was slated for demolition. Totten reassembled it on his property with some exterior modifications, reorienting it to Sixteenth Street and placing it abutting the west elevation of his existing house. Totten and his family lived in what is now known as the Warder-Totten House until 1938.

Totten's commissions outside Washington, D.C., in his later years include the Post Office in Waterbury, Connecticut (1931) and the Post Office and Federal Court Building in Newark, New Jersey, (1934) which he assisted in designing..

Totten died on February 1, 1939 at the age of 72.



3224 16th Street, NW, no date. Images of America, p. 55.

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Most of the dwellings Totten constructed are part of historic districts such as Sixteenth Street and Sheridan-Kalorama, in addition to being individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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Horace Trumbauer

Biographical Data

Birth: 12/28/1868 Place: Philadelphia, Pa.

Death: 9/18/1938 Place: Philadelphia, Pa.

Family: Parents, Josiah Blyer and Mary Malvina Fabel; wife, Sara Thomson Williams; stepdaughter, Helena S. Lara Fennessey; granddaughter, Sally Lara Parke

Education

High School: Philadelphia public high school

College:

Graduate School: Harvard University, Honorary M.A. (Architecture), 1915

Apprenticeship: George W. and William B. Hewitt (1884-90)



Source: Philadelphia and Notable Philadelphians, p. 87

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Regis	stration Regis	tration Number: n/a	Date Issued:	
Permit Database *	Earliest Permit: 1901	Latest Permit: 1931	Total Permits: 9	Total Buildings: 9
Practice		Position		Date
Horace Trumbauer		Principal		1890-1938

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: 1931 Fellow of the AIA: n/a

Other Societies or Memberships: T. Square Club, Architectural League of New York, Masonic Order, The Art Club, The Racquet Club, the Merion Cricket Club, The Downtown Club, The Bala Golf Club, Union League Club (life member)

Awards or Commissions: First Prize, Third Pan American Congress of Architects, 1927

Buildings

Building Types: Large residences, townhouses, churches, office buildings, hotels, libraries, university buildings, churches, museum

Styles and Forms: Gothic Revival, Classical Revival, French-Classical Revival, Palladian Revival, Tudor Revival

DC Work Locations: Dupont Circle, Strivers' Section, Foxhall Road

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
Perry Belmont House	1618 New Hampshire Ave., NW	1907	NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site
Hon. George F. Huff Residence	1622 18th Street, NW	1906	Dupont Circle Historic District
F. P. Mitchell Residence	1815 Q St., NW	1912	Dupont Circle Historic District
Mrs. E. H. Slater House	1319 18 th St., NW	1901	Dupont Circle Historic District
Baker House, later the Embassy of Belgium	2300 Foxhall Road, NW	1931	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

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Duke University, two main campuses (with Julian Abele)	Duke campus, Durham, N.C.	1927-38	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Lynewood Hall (Estate of Harry Widener)	Montgomery, Pa.	1900	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Harry Widener Library at Harvard University	Harvard campus, Cambridge, Mass.	1914	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Philadelphia Museum of Art (in collaboration with Zantzinger, Borie & Madary)	26 th St. and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pa.	1913-30	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Free Library of Philadelphia	1901 Vine St., Philadelphia, Pa.	1917-26	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions



Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, Pa. De.academic.ru/dic.nsf/dewiki/1103227, accessed 9/21/10

Horace Trumbauer was a native and life-long resident of Philadelphia, Pa. He attended public schools until he was sixteen years old, and then began a six-year apprenticeship in the offices of George W. and William B. Hewitt. Trumbauer was eager to open his own practice, and did so in Philadelphia at the age of 21. His career was marked mostly by designs for estates and upper-class townhouses, and through his work he developed close connections to wealthy families, particularly the Widener and Elkins families. He worked in the cities and suburbs of Philadelphia, New York City, Newport, Rhode Island, and Washington, D.C.

Trumbauer designed both modest and extravagant buildings throughout his nearly 50-year career. He designed over 400 country houses, townhouses, and public buildings with his assistant designers and draftsmen. The first major commission came in 1893 for a large residence in a suburb of Philadelphia, and he worked on several other grand country estates in the early years of his career. Having established a reputation as a talented young designer, Trumbauer was hired by prominent businessman and book collector Harry Widener as his personal architect. This led to two of Trumbauer's best-known designs: a 110-room mansion for the Widener family, known as Lynnewood Hall; and the Widener Memorial Library at Harvard University. The library was a memorial to Harry Widener after his death aboard the RMS Titanic in 1912, and housed the gift of his extensive book collection to Harvard, his alma



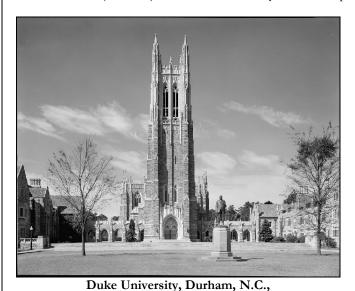
Perry Belmont House, 1618 New Hampshire Ave., NW District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

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Although the majority of Trumbauer's commissions were for the greater Philadelphia area, his work for prestigious clients led to commissions in Washington, D.C., and elsewhere. In 1906 Trumbauer designed Pennsylvania Representative George Huff's residence, at New Hampshire and Q Streets, NW. This was just feet away from the palatial Beaux Arts house for Perry Belmont, another Trumbauer design completed the following year. The Belmont house was fit to a triangular lot, creating a dramatic presence at the triangle intersection of New Hampshire Avenue, 18th and R Streets, NW. In keeping with the high-profile nature of Trumbauer's work, these residences were both located just blocks from a house owned by the Vanderbilts on New Hampshire Avenue at the time. In 1931 Trumbauer worked in Washington again, designing a three-story stone residence for Raymond T. Baker, the former director of the U.S. Mint (2300 Foxhall Road, NW). The Baker house later became the Embassy of Belgium.

In the later decades of his career, Trumbauer took on several large projects for public and institutional buildings, especially in Philadelphia. From the mid-1910s to the 1930s he designed the Widener Library (1914), the Philadelphia Museum of Art (1913-30) and the Free Library of Philadelphia (1917-26). Trumbauer relied heavily on the Classical



designs by Trumbauer and Abele
Frances B. Johnston, 1938, Library of Congress, LC-I7-NC- 2341

revival style for these buildings, with the Free Library being almost an exact replica of the eighteenth century architecture in the Place de la Concorde in Paris.

Julian Abele was Trumbauer's assistant. He was the first African American graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's architecture school in 1902, and Trumbauer promoted him quickly after he set up new offices in 1908. In the late 1920s, Trumbauer began work on designs for Duke University – it was his last big project, and included both the east and west campuses as well as the cathedral. Trumbauer did not see it come to fruition before he died in 1938. Abele was working closely with his employer on this project, and was responsible for much of the design of Duke's west campus. He saw the project through to completion. Abele and Trumbauer's other assistant, William O. Frank, kept Trumbauer's practice in business until 1968.

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Samuel R. Turne	er					
Biographical Data						
Birth: 7/26/1849 Place: Baltimore, Md.						
Death: 2/21/1927 Place: Wa	ashington, D.0	C.				
Family: 1st wife, Clara Virginia Hutchins (divorced), two daughters; 2nd wife, Mary Pauline Loveless(d. 1897), four sons, three daughters; 3rd wife, Annie A., one step-daughter						
Education						
High School:						
College:						
Graduate School:						
Apprenticeship:				Son	urce:	
Architectural Practice						
DC Architects' Registration Registration Number: n/a			Date	e Issued:		
Permit Database Earliest F	Permit: 1877	Latest Permit: 1918	Total Permi	Total Permits: 141 Total		
Practice		Position		Date		
Samuel R. Turner		Individual practice		1878 – 1915 or		
U.S. Government		Draftsman		1920 (census)		
Professional Associations						
American Institute of Architec	ts Date(s)) Enrolled: n/a	Fello	ow of the	AIA:	
Other Societies or Membership	os: Home Loc	lge, Knights of Pythia	as; Order of Odd	l Fellows		
Awards or Commissions:						
Buildings						
Building Types: Rowhouses, de	tached dwellir	ngs, small commercial	buildings.			
Styles and Forms: Queen Anne,	Renaissance l	Revival, Colonial Rev	ival			
DC Work Locations: All quadra Eckington, Georgetown	nts, including	downtown, Federal T	Triangle, Shaw, C	Capitol Hill	, Southwest, Southeast,	
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status		
Six three-story rowhouses	701-711 Thirteenth St. N.W. 1		1882	Fourteer	nth St. Historic District	
Hockmeyer Residence	719 6 th St. N.W.		1888	□ NRE	IP DC Historic Site	
Twelve two-story rowhouses	34-56 R Stre	eet. N.W.	1892	☐ NRE	IP DC Historic Site	
Ten three-story rowhouses	3005-3023 (Cambridge Pl., N.W.	1892	Georget	own Historic District	
Shop and offices	920 F Street	, N.W.	1911	Downto	wn Historic District	
Six two-story row houses	312-322 14th	Place, N.E.	1914	□ NRE	IP DC Historic Site	

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Significance and Contributions

Samuel Rowland Turner was born in Baltimore in 1849. He was the son of a prosperous Baltimore lumber merchant, John C. Turner, and brother of artist Charles Yardley Turner. At age 19, in 1868, he married Clara Virginia Hutchins. By 1869, Turner was listed in the Washington, D.C., city directory as a clerk boarding at 455 K St., N.W., and in 1875 he was listed as a draftsman at the Patent Office. He was first listed in the city directory as an architect in 1878. The

first surviving building permit that names him as architect was issued in 1877 for a three-story dwelling and store in the 1200 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., and it is probable that this would not have been his first commission. (Permits issued before July 1877 have not survived.)

Most of Turner's designs were for speculatively built housing, principally rowhouses. Turner designed speculative dwellings for numerous investors and builders in many of the city's neighborhoods. The rowhouses ranged in size and cost from one-story, 12' x 24' wood frame dwellings in Southwest Washington to high style three-story, bay-fronted brick rowhouses that still stand in Georgetown and on Thirteenth Street, N.W.

A particularly fine early example of Turner-designed rowhouses is located at 701-711 13th Street in the Fourteenth Street Historic District. These were commissioned in 1882 by Professor C.V. Riley, a professor of entomology who invested in a number of properties in the neighborhood. They are typical of the high style Washington, D.C., rowhouses constructed in the 1880s with projecting bays that took advantage of regulations permitting projections beyond the building line. Distinguished by their multi-storied polygonal bay windows, corbelled cornices, stringcourses and



1701 Thirteenth Street N.W. EHT Traceries, Inc., 1990

other decorative brickwork, they display ornamentation associated with the Queen Anne and Renaissance Revival styles. Another example of Turner's high style rowhouses is the row of ten three-story dwellings at 3005-3023 Cambridge Place, N.W., in Georgetown. This 1892 Queen Anne style row also displays highly decorative brickwork. A somewhat more modest row of two-story Queen Anne style dwellings, also designed in 1892, is located at 34-56 R Street. N.W. Some of Turner's commissions in this period were for individual townhouses, such as the one at 719 6th St. N.W., he designed as a residence for John Hockmeyer, a successful grocer for whom Turner had previously designed a row of speculative housing on O St. (demolished).



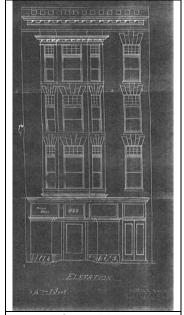
312-316 14th Place, N.E. (constructed 1914)
District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

Many of Turner's early twentieth century rowhouses are modest dwellings that retain vernacular elements of the Queen Anne style, principally corbelled brick cornices and heavy lintels, at a time when the Colonial revival style was generally predominant. These include 1348-60 C Street, N.E., (1911); 3308-12 Dent Place, N.W., (1912); and 312-22 14th Place, N.E., (1914). However, his row at 605-609 Harvard St., N.W., (1914) has some Colonial revival elements.

Much of Turner's work has been demolished to make way for redevelopment in southwest Washington, the Federal Triangle, the downtown commercial area, Capitol Hill and Foggy Bottom.

Turner designed some commercial buildings, including buildings with store and dwelling or store and offices. The most notable surviving example of a store with offices is the four-story building at 920 F St. N.W., built in 1911 and modified a few years later for use as a hotel. Another surviving commercial building is at 1112 9th St., N.W. built as an

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920 F Street, N.W., 1911 Drawing accompanying D.C. Permit 971, 8-10-1911, Cartographic Division, National Archives, College Park, Md.

office for a coal and wood yard with apartments above.

D.C. building permit records indicate that 1916 was the last year that Turner was actively designing for private clients and in that year most of his designs were for individual detached dwellings. It is probable that during World War I Turner began working for the Navy Department and that he continued to work for the federal government for the remainder of his career. Only one D.C. permit bears his name in each of the years 1917 and 1918 and none thereafter although Turner continued to be listed in city directories as an architect for most years between 1918 and 1926 (not listed 1921, 1924, 1925). In the 1920 census Turner is listed twice: as a draftsman in Dahlgren, Virginia (location of the Dahlgren naval base); and as a draftsman in the District of Columbia living with his stepdaughter and working for the government.

Turner was married three times. He and his first wife, by whom he had two daughters, divorced sometime between 1871 and 1873 and in 1874 he married Mary Pauline Loveless. They had seven children. She died in 1897. By the time of the 1910 census, Turner was married to Annie A. and they lived with her married daughter, Maud Ferry. Turner died February 21, 1927.

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Notes: Neither Turner nor his wife were located in the 1870 census. Turner is listed in the 1880 census as a						
tobacconist but that is presumably an error. He is listed annually in the business sections of city directories as an architect. Permit 945, March 23, 1882, for 1701-1711 13th St., N.W., lists the architect simply as "Turner" but as no						
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Walter Valentir	ne					
Biographical Data						
	Nanticoke, PA					
Death: 2/20/1969 Place:	Washington, D	С				
Family: wife: E. Joyce Valentine (Valentine) Morrissette, Mrs. Lo		mes Walter, Dorothy				
Education						
High School: Unknown.						
College: Lehigh University (192	22)					
Graduate School: Catholic Uni	versity of Amer	rica				
Apprenticeship:						
Architectural Practice						
DC Architects' Registration	Registr	ration Number: n/a	Da	te Issued:	n/a	
Permit Database Earlies	t Permit: 1927	Latest Permit: 1949	Total Perm	nits: 165	Total Buildings: 524	
Practice		Position			Date	
Illinois Highway Department Engineer				1922-1924(?)		
Catholic University, School of Engineering & Associate Professor of Architecture			of Civil Engine			
Capital View Realty Company Designer, Civil Engine Engineer			neer, Construct	er, Construction ca.1930-ca.1947		
Evans, Goldstein & Valentine (Real Estate Development)	Builders &	Partner			ca.1950-ca.1953	
Capitol View Construction Con Pleasant, MD)	npany (Seat	Founder & Principa	1	1955-1964		
Professional Association						
American Institute of Archite	ects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a	Fel	llow of the	AIA:	
Other Societies or Membersh	nips: Rotary Clu	ıb; Lehigh Alumni Ass	sociation			
Awards or Commissions:						
Buildings						
Building Types: Single Dwell	ings, Duplexes,	Row Houses, Gas Sta	tions, Restaura	nts, Stores		
Styles and Forms: Craftsman	, Tudor Revival	, Colonial Revival				
DC Work Locations: Capital	View, Capitol H	Iill				
Notable/Representative Buildings	Location		Date	Status		
Gas Station, Rock Creek & Potomac Parkways (at the Watergate)	2708 Virgin	2708 Virginia Ave., NW 19		□ NRH	IP DC Historic Site	
Duplexes	Capital View Ames Street	v; 5200-5300 Blocks, : NE	1930, 1934- 1936, 1938, 1940	□ NRH	IP DC Historic Site	

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Notable Buildings (Cont.)	Location	Date	Status
Duplexes	Capital View; 5000-5400 Blocks, East Capitol Street	1935-1940	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Duplexes	Capital View; 5200 Block, Central Avenue SE	1937, 1940, 1948	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

Prolific residential developer and designer Walter Valentine was born in 1901 in Nanticoke near Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Valentine attended Lehigh University, graduating in 1922. That same year, he began his career as an engineer for the Illinois Highway Department. In 1924, he moved to Washington, D.C. where he appears to have completed his graduate studies before joining the faculty of the Catholic University of America as an associate professor of civil engineering. In 1930, he lived in the Brookland neighborhood that surrounds the university; that year he reported his profession as "instructor" at a university.

During the late 1920s, Valentine began designing buildings for individual, private clients. His early buildings include several single-family dwellings and a gas station at 1101 18th Street, NW (1930 for National Oil Corporation). Starting in 1930, Valentine began working for real estate developers, often designing multi-unit duplexes and row houses. Notices in the local newspaper about the permits issued for his buildings, identify him as the "designer"; never as the

architect. Trained as a civil engineer, Valentine never registered as an architect or advertised as such.

In 1930, Valentine began his long association with the Capital View Realty Company when he designed a duplex for the company at 5214-5216 Ames Street, NE. The Capital View neighborhood occupies the far eastern edge of Washington, D.C. and straddles the Northeast and Southeast quadrants along East Capitol Street. In the 1920s, African American businessman, John Whitelaw Lewis established the Capital View Realty Company and began to develop the area between 49th, Blaine, 54th Streets and Central Avenue as a residential subdivision for African Americans, who were mainly excluded from purchasing property in the city's white neighborhoods by restrictive covenants. Between 1924 and 1947, the company erected 287 dwellings.



5312 East Capitol Street NE; 1935
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004



5214 Ames Street NE; 1935District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

After 1930, Walter Valentine served as their designer.

Valentine's early Capital View dwellings include a few detached, single-family dwellings constructed of frame and brick in the Tudor Revival and Colonial Revival styles. However, the vast majority of his Capital View residences are two-story, brick row houses or duplexes. Common features include full-width, half-hipped roofed front porches supported on brick or stone-clad square posts. Rooflines vary from raised and shaped parapets to faux mansard roofs pierced by small front-gable dormers. Some of the units include stone accents or full stone veneers on their facades. One duplex, built at 15-17 53rd Street SE in 1931, displays a sloped roof hidden by a raised parapet and an applied gabled pediment attached at cornice level.

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During the period that Valentine worked for Capital View Realty Company, he continued to teach at Catholic University and to execute other private commissions, including some for small-scale real estate developers like John M. King and Harry Sisk. Most of his commissions were for dwellings in Northeast either in the Capital View neighborhood or nearby. In addition, he designed several commercial buildings in locations scattered across the city. These included twelve gas stations that were built between 1930 and 1936. One of the few Valentine-designed gas stations that remain standing is the "Watergate" Exxon station at 2708 Virginia Avenue, NW. The one-story,

concrete, brick and stone building features prominent front-facing gables and a slate-shingled roof.

After 1938, Valentine pursued real estate development independently. Around 1950, he formed the real estate firm of Evans, Goldstein & Valentine, and in 1955, the Capital View Construction Company (based in Seat Pleasant, Maryland). Between 1939 and 1949, he designed and built over 240 dwelling units in the Capital View neighborhood. Most of the units were row houses or duplexes and constructed of brick; some featured full-width front porches. A common feature of Valentine's row house and duplex designs were raised and shaped front parapets adorned with simple square or circular decorative plaques at the apex.

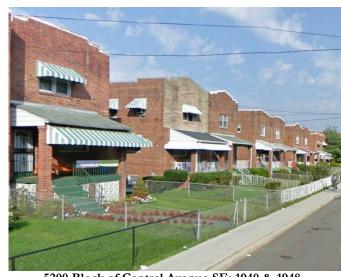


2708 Virginia Avenue NW; 1932 District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

Valentine's post-1949 designs have not been identified. Articles from *The Washington Post* indicate that, in the late 1940s he helped plan and build portions of the Berkshire subdivision in District Heights, Prince George's County, Maryland. In 1950, his real estate and construction firm of

Evans, Goldstein & Valentine, obtained a permit to construct 14, two-story houses on 73rd Avenue.

In 1955, Valentine founded the Capital View Construction Company based in Seat Pleasant, Maryland. It is not known what work this firm undertook. Valentine retired in 1964 and died five years later; he is buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Suitland, Maryland.



5200 Block of Central Avenue SE; 1940 & 1948

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Kenneth Vieth					
Biographical Data					
Birth: 11/30/1901 Place: Wa	ashington, DC				
Death: 4/17/1932 Place: W	ashington, D	C			
Family: Mary F. Stamper Vieth (w Barbara Ann Vieth (daughter)	vife); William	Henry Vieth (son);			
Education					
High School: McKinley, Washing	ton, DC				
College: George Washington Univ	versity (1919-	1920)			
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship:					
Architectural Practice					
DC Architects' Registration Registration Number: Not issu			ssued I	Date Issued:	n/a
Permit Database Earliest F	Permit: 1919	ermit: 1919 Latest Permit: 1932 Tota			Total Buildings: 181
Practice		Position			Date
Woodward & Vieth		Architect			1919-1932
Professional Associations					
American Institute of Architect	ts Date(s) Enrolled: n/a	H	Fellow of the	AIA:
Other Societies or Membership Board of Directors: Woodridge-L		gs & Commercial Bar	nk: Member c	of Freemasor	ns
Awards or Commissions:	anguon ouvin	go ee gommerena Dan	in, member c	71 1 1001111111111111111111111111111111	
Buildings					
Building Types: Dwellings					
Styles and Forms: Craftsman-sty	yle bungalows	and two-story houses	S.		
DC Work Locations: Brookland	, Woodridge,	LeDroit Park			
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Dwelling	2608 Hamlii	n Street NE	1919	NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling	1403 Kearney Street NE 19			☐ NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling (duplex) 3605 20th Street NE 1926 NRHP DC Historic Si			IP DC Historic Site		
Significance and Contribu	tions				
Born in 1901 in Washington, D.C.	•	eth attended McKinle	ey Technical I	High School	from 1915 to 1919 and

Born in 1901 in Washington, D.C., Kenneth Vieth attended McKinley Technical High School from 1915 to 1919 and George Washington University from 1919 to 1920. His father, Henry A. Vieth, owned a real estate business, and, beginning in 1919, Kenneth designed houses for his father.

In 1922, Vieth formed a construction company with William W. Woodward, a 33-year-old carpenter. Woodward & Vieth constructed 109 buildings in D.C. between 1922 and 1931. The office of Woodward & Vieth was located in the Masonic Temple building at 2029 Rhode Island Avenue Northeast. Woodward & Vieth purchased land and built houses in the firm's name in addition to the spec houses constructed for Henry Vieth and houses that they built for other companies and individuals.

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In May 1925, Kenneth Vieth applied to the D.C. Board of Examiners and Registrars noting that "I have been designing small houses for the last four years, most of which have been built by my firm, and request that permission be granted to me to retain my title as 'Architect'." The Board replied that Vieth was "entitled to practice as an 'Architect' but not as 'Registered Architect" and did not issue Vieth a registration number.

Of the 180 dwellings that Vieth designed, most were modest, one-story, frame Craftsman-style bungalows with an estimated construction cost of between \$2,000 and \$5,000. Vieth also designed two-story brick rowhouses and duplexes that incorporated Craftsman elements such as full- or partial-width front porches



2608 Hamlin Street NE; 1919
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

supported on square or round columns set atop tall brick or molded concrete block piers. Built speculatively for the city's middle-class and working-class residents, most of the houses designed by Vieth are located in the



1403 Kearney Street NE; 1922 District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

Brookland and Woodridge neighborhoods of northeast D.C. with one development of two-story brick rowhouses located in the LeDroit Park area. While some of the buildings have been renovated through the years with new cladding, many of the houses designed by Vieth still stand.

In 1925, Kenneth Vieth married Mary F. Stamper of Drummond, Montgomery County, Maryland. The couple had two children, William Henry and Barbara Ann. In 1926, Vieth was elected to the board of the Woodridge-Langdon Savings and Commercial Bank.

On April 17, 1932, Kenneth Vieth died in an automobile accident. He was buried with Masonic rites in Fort Lincoln Cemetery in northeast D.C.



District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

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Edward O. Volla	nd					
Biographical Data						
Birth: ca. 1884 Place: Washington, D.C.						
Death: 2/19/1971 Place: Hy	vattsville, Md.					
Family: Father, Charles David; mother, Louisa A.; sisters, Minnie Miles and Hilda Scott; wife, Ethel L.; son, Richard E.; daughter, Grace E.			No	No Photograph Available		
Education						
High School:						
College:						
Graduate School:						
Apprenticeship:				Son	urce:	
Architectural Practice			·			
DC Architects' Registration Registration Number: n/a			Date	e Issued:		
Permit Database Earliest F	Permit: 1902	Latest Permit: 1929	Total Permit	s: 146	Total Buildings: 424	
Practice	Position				Date	
Edward O. Volland		Architect			1904-1923	
		Carpenter			1924-25	
Professional Associations						
American Institute of Architec	ts Date(s)) Enrolled: n/a	Fello	ow of the	AIA:	
Other Societies or Membership	os:					
Awards or Commissions:						
Buildings						
Building Types: Rowhouses, att	ached dwellin	gs, detached dwelling	s, duplexes, apar	tments, sto	ores	
Styles and Forms: Queen Anne,						
DC Work Locations: Capitol Hi	ill, Atlas Distr	ict, Brookland, Petwo	rth, Barney Circl	e		
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status		
Rowhouses	901-915 6th	Street, S.W.	1905	Not exta	nt	
Rowhouses	618-636 I St	reet, S.W.	1905	☐ NRH	IP DC Historic Site	
Rowhouses	37-51 Adam	s Street, N.W.	1907	□ NRH	IP DC Historic Site	
Rowhouses	300-312 Sou Avenue, S.F.		1907	Capitol 1	Hill Historic District	

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Significance and Contributions

During his career, Edward O. Volland was called an architect, a carpenter, and a contractor. His father, Charles D. Volland, was a builder in the Washington area and Edward followed in his father's footsteps at a fairly young age. He is first listed as architect on a permit to build in 1902, at which time he would not yet have been twenty years old.



300 Block South Carolina Ave., SE (Capitol Hill)

District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

Between 1902 and 1929, Volland designed hundreds of rowhouses and detached dwellings in Washington, D.C., and his work was located in all four quadrants of the District. He designed for several prolific owner/builders on Washington's residential real estate scene: John R. Haislip; Shannon & Luchs; and George C. Pumphrey, whose development companies included Pumphrey & Palmer and Bailey & Pumphrey. Volland's early career was mostly focused in Northeast and Southeast Washington, designing rowhouses for Haislip and Pumphrey. Examples of this early work include the 300 block of K Street, NE, for J. R. Haislip in 1905, and the 300 block of South Carolina Avenue, SE, for Bailey & Pumphrey in 1907.

While a significant number of Volland's earliest rowhouses have been demolished, the majority of his work in the District remains. He played a large and lasting role in the development and aesthetic of D.C. neighborhoods like Capitol Hill (northeast and southeast sections), the Atlas District near Capitol Hill in Northeast, Brookland in Northeast and Petworth in Northwest.

Most of his early designs were Queen Anne style rowhouses in the District, but later in his career he also worked on detached dwellings and duplexes. In the 1920s he was designing craftsman style single family dwellings in northeast neighborhoods like Brookland. He primarily designed in brick but it is not uncommon to see stone or frame dwellings in his oeuvre.

Volland invested in properties in Washington as well as designing them. In 1921 the *Washington Post* included Volland as a buyer of investment properties such as stores and apartments in the 400 block of R Street, NW. He also owned and built 1515 Hamlin Street, NE, in 1924, as a house for his family. The 1930 federal census lists the Volland family at this address and Edward's occupation as the superintendent of a construction company. During his architectural practice, Volland maintained offices on L and R Streets, NW, and Kearney Street, NE.



Volland house at 1515 Hamlin Street, NE District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

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3324 South Dakota Avenue, NE (Brookland)
Google Maps, retrieved 9/22/2010

Not much is known about Volland's personal life, but the issuance of his marriage license to Ethel was noted in the *Washington Post* in 1906. He lived a long life, but his last permit to build in the District is dated 1929, more than 30 years before he died in 1971. His last residence was in Hyattsville, Prince Georges County, Md.

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Earl Von Reic	henbach					
Biographical Data						
Birth: 7/8/1905 Plac	e: Corinth, MS					
Death: 11/1/1983 Place: Washington, DC						
Family: Alice I. (wife), Rober	rt R. (son), Alice E.	. (daughter)				
Education						
High School: Birmingham,	AL (1915-1919)					
College: University of Alaba	ma (1919-1922)					
Graduate School:						
Apprenticeship:						
Architectural Practice	:					
DC Architects' Registration	on Registr	ration Number: 766		Date Issued:	5/31/1951	
Permit Database Earl	iest Permit: 1938	Latest Permit: 194	9 To	tal Permits: 191	Total Buildings: 287	
Practice Position					Date	
Earl Von Reichenbach Bricklayer, contractor			ctor	1926-1937		
Earl Von Reichenbach General administra			ation & d	on & drafting 1938-1950		
Earl Von Reichenbach Architect					1951-1983	
Professional Associat	ions					
American Institute of Arch	nitects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a		Fellow of the	e AIA: n/a	
Other Societies or Membe	rships:					
Awards or Commissions:						
Buildings						
Building Types: Dwellings	, apartments, office	es, stores				
Styles and Forms: Colonial	Revival, Tudor Re	evival				
DC Work Locations: Man	y neighborhoods ir	n Southeast, Upper	Northeas	t, and Upper Nor	thwest	
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status		
Dwelling (duplex)	4430 14th Sta	reet NE	1939	□NRI	HP DC Historic Site	
Dwelling & Office	611 Raleigh	11 Raleigh Place SE 1946 NRI		□NRI	HP DC Historic Site	
Warehouse	1950 Capito	l Avenue NE	e NE 1948 NRHP DC Histo		HP DC Historic Site	
Apartment	39 O Street	SW	1948	□NRI	HP DC Historic Site	
Dwelling 2001 Branch Avenue SE 1			1939	□NRI	HP DC Historic Site	

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Significance and Contributions

Earl Von Reichenbach was born in Corinth, Mississippi in 1905 and attended high school in Birmingham, Alabama, graduating in 1923. During the three years he attended the University of Alabama (1923 to 1926), he studied chemistry. After leaving college, Von Reichenbach moved to Washington, D.C. Although Von Reichenbach listed 1926 as the start of his architectural practice in his 1940 application to the District of Columbia Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects, Von Reichenbach did not actually start designing and supervising the construction of buildings in D.C. until 1932. Prior to then, Earl Von Reichenbach worked as a bricklayer and contractor.

In 1939, the DC Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects notified Von Reichenbach that his use of the label of architect in telephone directory listings was inappropriate, since he had not applied to and passed the entrance requirements of the Board. In 1940, Von Reichenbach applied to the Board of Examiners, but he failed the

examination and was denied registration.

During the 1930s and 1940s, Von Reichenbach designed mainly two-story brick dwellings. Most of the houses were unadorned Colonial Revival or Tudor Revival in style with construction costs ranging from \$4,000 to \$7,000. Many of his houses were built in the Brookland and Deanwood neighborhoods of Northeast D.C. and in the East Washington Heights neighborhoods of Southeast D.C.

Von Reichenbach worked for a variety of private owners and construction firms such as Reliable Home Builders and Bolling Green, Inc. designing two-story, brick, individual houses, duplexes, and triplexes. Throughout the 1930s and 1940s, he worked for Abshire Construction (listed under various members of



2001 Branch Avenue SE; 1939District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

the Abshire family) designing 74 buildings that ranged from single houses to triplexes. A large proportion of his dwellings are extant with few apparent exterior alterations.

In addition to dwellings, Von Reichenbach designed two- and three-story, brick and cinder block apartment buildings each with a small number of units; six of his nine apartment buildings were constructed after World War II. The buildings feature plain, boxy exteriors and flat roofs. Von Reichenbach's body of work also comprises commercial buildings including office buildings, stores, an auto laundry, and a mattress factory. These mostly one-story buildings were constructed of cinder block and brick; the few surviving commercial buildings are unadorned and have flat roofs.



611 Raleigh Place SE; 1946
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

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In the 1940s, Von Reichenbach collaborated with other architects in D.C. In addition to working on single projects with architects James W. Adams and Gladys Lloyd, Von Reichenbach collaborated with E.P. Money on the design of fifteen commercial and residential buildings. Located in Anacostia, these buildings were one-story, brick-and-cinder-block stores and two-story cinder-block-and-brick dwellings with traditional forms and modest Colonial Revival and Tudor Revival style elements.

In the 1930s and 1940s, Earl Von Reichenbach's offices were located in the Anacostia area. From 1938 to 1943, he was located at 2106 and then 2111 Nichols Avenue SE (now Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard); in the 1945 City Directory, Von Reichenbach's residence was



1950 Capitol Avenue NE; 1948
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

at 1518 W Street SE. In 1946 he moved his practice and residence to 1219 Good Hope Road, SE.



9 O Street SW; 1948
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

In 1950, the Board of Examiners once again notified Von Reichenbach that he was not entitled to label himself an architect. In December 1950, Von Reichenbach reapplied for registration, and in May 1951, registration was granted based on an affidavit certifying that he had practiced as an architect for at least five years as allowed under Section 19 of the Registration Act. In 1954, Von Reichenbach applied for registration in Maryland based on his D.C. standing.

In 1959, Von Reichenbach applied for membership in the AIA, but there is no record of his being elected to membership. The DC Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects Roster for 1956 and 1962 include his name as a registered architect.

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Numbers are from the Building Permits Database, version 2009.2 by Brian D. Kraft, and only include permits until 1949. Earl Von Reichenbach was active as an architect after 1949, so his actual permit numbers are not reflected here.

The Historical Society of Washington, DC's research library was inaccessible during the course of this project phase; only online records from the library were consulted.

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Daniel Boone Clarke Waggaman

Biographical Data

Birth: 11/16/1877 Place: Washington, D.C.

Death: 10/3/1919 Place: Washington, D.C.

Family: Married Grace Knowlton in 1901; son, Wolcott Clarke

Waggaman

Education

High School:

College: Attended, but did not graduate from, Georgetown College

Graduate School: Catholic University Law School, LLB, 1901

Apprenticeship:



Source: The Waggamans and Their Allied Families, The Reverend Thomas Clarke Edwards, p. 376

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Registration Registra		ration Number: n/a	Date Issued:	
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1905	Latest Permit: 1917	Total Permits: 62	Total Buildings: 71
Practice		Position		Date
Thomas E. Waggaman	n, Real Estate	Lawyer		1901-1905
Clarke Waggaman		Principal		1907-1918
Waggaman & Ray Arc	hitects	Partner		1918-1919

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: 10/6/1917 Fellow of the AIA:

Other Societies or Memberships: Sons of American Revolution, Army & Navy Club, Military Order of the Caraboa

Awards or Commissions:

Buildings

Building Types: Residences, apartments, commercial buildings, townhouses, country estates

Styles and Forms: Classical revival styles drawing particularly on French and Italian precedents

DC Work Locations: Dupont Circle, Sheridan Kalorama, Massachusetts Ave. Heights, West End, Connecticut Ave.

Notable Buildings Location		Date	Status
Residence	1716 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.	1909	Dupont Circle Historic District
Alban B. Butler Residence	1744 R Street, N.W.	1912	Dupont Circle Historic District
Waggaman-Ray Commercial Row	1141, 1143, 1145 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.	1915	NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site
Residence	2929 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.	1917	Mass. Ave Historic District

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Significance and Contributions

In his brief career as an architect, Clarke Waggaman established himself as a designer of elegant, classically inspired residences. Much of his work is located in the Dupont Circle and Sheridan-Kalorama neighborhoods – the center of Washington's fashionable society in the early 20th century. Clarke Waggaman was the son of Thomas E. Waggaman, a prominent Washington realtor and long-time owner of the subdivision of Woodley Park. His earliest commissions in Woodley Park continued his family's association with that neighborhood. He has been credited with over 100 residential designs in this city, many of which were commissioned by Washington's social elite.

The Waggaman family was an old and established Maryland family, closely associated with the early history of the Eastern Shore. The Waggamans generally married well and claimed relationships to a U.S. Senator from Louisiana and U.S. President John Tyler, whose sister married a Waggaman. Thomas E. Waggaman was described as a "capitalist, a patron of art and a public spirited and benevolent citizen." Thomas E. Waggaman began his real estate

career as a broker, specializing in sales and rentals. Later, his real estate investments grew to include property in Woodley Park, Wesley Heights, Morris Addition, and Pennsylvania Avenue Heights. He was the owner of Woodley Park from 1888-1904. Waggaman's collection of art was renowned, and he is reported to have been the first person in the United States to collect works by the important French artists Millet and Corot.

After briefly attending Georgetown College, Clarke Waggaman was sent to Europe with a private tutor in 1889. His European experiences greatly influenced his choice of architectural vocabulary and stylistic preferences which relied heavily on Italian and French traditions. His father insisted he attend law school and work in the family business. In 1901, he received a law degree from Catholic University and went to work as a lawyer for his father's real estate business.

Late in 1904, to the astonishment of Waggaman and the Washington business community, Thomas Waggaman declared bankruptcy. H. Rozier Dulany and George B. Truesdell were appointed trustees of the Waggaman estate, and the legal ramifications of the bankruptcy proceedings lasted several years. Subsequently, Thomas E. Waggaman left the city and retired to a farm near Annapolis, where he died in June 1906.

The bankruptcy of Thomas E. Waggaman greatly affected the career of his son. Waggaman and his sisters tried to salvage what they could of their



2929 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, 1917 *Massachusetts Avenue Architecture, 1973-75, vol. 2*



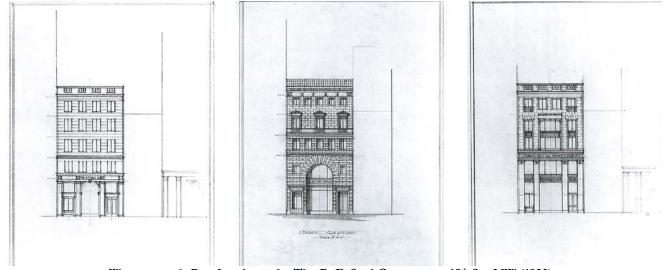
1744 R St., NW, 1915 EHT Traceries photo, 2002

father's assets and possessions, but with little success. Thomas E. Waggaman's home and prized art collection were sold at public auction. Clarke Waggaman's law career ended and he became an architect with financial backing from his maternal grandfather for whom he was named, Daniel Boone Clarke. With an inheritance from his grandfather in 1906, Clarke Waggaman was able to pursue a career in architecture.

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In 1905 at the age of 28, Clarke Waggaman designed his first residential structure. The house was located at 2600 Connecticut Avenue, NW, in Woodley Park (now demolished) and he and his family resided there until 1917. The next four dwellings Waggaman designed were located along Connecticut Avenue in Woodley Park. These early designs are not only important structures in the career of Waggaman, but they also represent the continued influence of the Waggaman family in the development of the suburb of Woodley Park. Waggaman's fondness for European architectural traditions, particularly French and Italian vocabularies, coincided with the increasing sophistication of his clientele in Washington, and the popularity of the design philosophies of the Ecole des Beaux Arts and the City Beautiful Movement. He continued to receive commissions for both town houses and country estates as well as store and office buildings. He completed a house at 2840 Woodland Drive for himself and his family in 1917, described by his granddaughter as his "dream house."

In 1917, Waggaman formed a partnership with George N. Ray and in the same year he was elected to the American Institute of Architects. Much of the firm's work was concentrated along Connecticut Avenue where they transformed many of the Victorian buildings with classically inspired facades in limestone that created a unified commercial expression along Connecticut Avenue. In 1919, Waggaman died at the age of 42 during the influenza pandemic. In his twelve-year career Waggaman designed 135 buildings. He is known for the formality and spaciousness of his designs and his meticulous attention to interior details.



Waggaman & Ray façade study, The B. F. Saul Company at 15th St., NW (1923)

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Harvey Hodgen Warwick

Biographical Data

Birth: 3/11/1893 Place: Kansas City, Missouri

Death: 7/16/1972 Place: Bethesda, Maryland

Family: Married Eugenia Griffith, 1922, divorced 1932; one son, Harvey Warwick, Jr.; Married Dorothy McDermott 1933.

Education

High School: Glendale, California, one year

College:

Graduate School:

Individual practice

Apprenticeship: J. H. Martling, 1913-14, and J.C. Sunderland, 1914-15, Kansas City, Mo.; E.H. Broomhall, Duluth, Minn., 1915-16.



Source: Collection of Frances Warwick

retired after ca. 1959.

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Registration Registration Number: 98 Date Issued: 11/6/1925

Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1919	Latest Permit: 1945	Total Permits:164	Total Buildings: 658
Practice		Position		Date
Individual practice, S	t. Cloud, Minn.	Principal		1916-17
Edgar Mosher, civil e	engineer and builder	Architect		Ca. 1919-1922
Individual practice		Principal		1922-
Brief partnership wit	h Louis Justement	Partner		Late 1920s
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Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Fellow of the AIA: Date(s) Enrolled: 12/22/1959

Principal

Other Societies or Memberships: American Hemerocalles Society; founding director, National Capital Daylily Club

Awards or Commissions:

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Building Types: Apartment buildings and complexes, single family dwellings, office buildings

Styles and Forms: Colonial Revival, eclectic English, French and Spanish revival styles, Gothic Moderne, Art Deco

DC Work Locations: Various Upper NW neighborhoods including Petworth; Greenway and Woodland in SE

Washington; Arlington, Virginia

Notable Buildings	Location		Status
Hilltop Manor/Cavalier	3500 14th Street, NW	1926	NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site
Trinity Towers	3017-3019 14th St., NW	1928	NRHP ☑ DC Historic Site
Miramar	1301 15 th St., NW	1929	14th Street Historic District
Westchester	Cathedral Avenue, NW	1930	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Colonial Village	Arlington, Va.	1935	NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

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Significance and Contributions

Harvey H. Warwick is ranked as one of the city's most skilled apartment building designers of his era., known for quality and innovation in apartment design He designed two of the Washington area's most significant apartment building complexes: the Westchester on Cathedral Avenue, N.W., and Colonial Village in Arlington, Virginia, the first large-scale Federal Housing Administration-insured apartment complex. Warwick's Washington apartment building designs influenced the development of the apartment building type in Washington, D.C. Colonial Village served as the prototype for the development of garden apartment complexes in Northern Virginia.

Warwick was born in Kansas City, Missouri, on March 11, 1893, and attended grade school in Kansas City, Salt Lake City and Los Angeles. His formal education concluded with a year of high school in Glendale, California. He left home to live and work with his uncle, an architect, in Kansas City. From 1913 to 1915, he worked in two architectural offices in Kansas City, Missouri, and he then worked for a year designing school buildings in a Duluth, Minnesota, office. He entered practice in St. Cloud, Minnesota in 1916 but left it to join the Marine Corps in 1917.



Westchester Apartment Building *Library of Congress LC-H814-T-2564-003*

After his Marine Corps service in World War I, Warwick came to Washington, D.C., in 1919. Although he was first listed in the Washington city directory as an architect in 1919, he initially worked for civil engineer Edgar Mosher before opening his own practice in 1922. Warwick's registration to practice in the District was accepted on the basis of his experience because he did not have the educational requirements to use the designation "registered architect." He was briefly associated with Louis Justement in a partnership in the late 1920s.

Warwick's principal client from 1922 until the Depression collapse of the housing market was Morris Cafritz. Cafritz had recently established a real estate business and, over the course of a long career, became one of Washington, D.C.'s most successful developers of the twentieth century. Warwick designed numerous single family dwellings for Cafritz in Petworth and other developing neighborhoods.

One of Warick's first Cafritz commissions was an apartment building -- the first apartment building of the many Cafritz built. Over the next decade Warwick designed a number of the significant apartment houses built by Cafritz, including the Parklane at 2025 I St., N.W., (1928) and the Miramar, 1301 15th St., N.W., (1929). Warwick's first apartment building design was a prosaic composition for the seven-building C-A-F-R-I-T-Z Row on Spring Road, N.W. The unusual massing seen at the Randall Mansions (1923) at 1900 Lamont Street, N.W., began to reveal a more distinct talent. The Chalfonte (1925) for developer William S. Phillips, at 1601 Argonne Place, N.W., presented a Mediterranean façade, distinctly influenced by contemporary Los Angeles apartment building architecture.

Hilltop Manor (now the Cavalier) at 3500 14th St., N.W. (1926) provides an early example of Warwick's skill in drawing inspiration from romantic styles, which mimicked English, French and Spanish castles, Tudor manors, English and French farmhouses, and Italian villas, expressed in the 1920s and 1930s as revival styles. Hilltop Manor's design, described by contemporaries as "French Renaissance," is a decidedly transitional design (with both French and Tudor elements that could be described as Gothic Moderne). It was followed by the Miramar 1301 15th Street (1929). Warwick designed the Park Lane Apartments, 21st and Pennsylvania, N.W., in 1928 and the Capitol Towers, 208-210 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., in 1929. Warwick's Trinity Towers Apartment Building, 3017-3019 14th Street, N.W. (1928) is a D.C. Landmark. The nine-story brick, tile and concrete building is an important example of Warwick's conventional high-rise Gothic Moderne designs. The building's modest appointments and amenities reflect the transition after the First World War from full-service luxury apartments to buildings conceived and designed for Washington's growing number of middle class residents.

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Warwick's finest high-rise apartment design was for the Westchester (1930). In 1930, Morris Cafritz joined in partnership with Gustave Ring to conceive the apartment complex to be known as the Westchester on Cathedral Avenue, N.W. Retaining architect Warwick to execute their idea, the men intended the Westchester as a 28-acre project with four, eight-story connecting buildings. Employing the Tudor Revival style, Warwick prepared a design that fully articulated every elevation of the projecting bay designs. Only three of the four buildings were completed as the Depression reduced developer Gustave Ring's financial

ability to complete his plans.

Working with Gustave Ring in 1935, Warwick designed Colonial Village in Arlington County, Virginia. This pioneering garden apartment development was the first large-scale Federal Housing Administration apartment development in the country. Warwick produced carefully conceived apartment building designs within park-like settings. Colonial Village was the area's first garden apartment complex designed as a planned community. The complex featured open landscaped courts and sidewalks, adjacent shopping, and meticulous attention to amenities and the comforts of renters. Historian James Goode noted in his book on apartment buildings that, "because of its excellence in design and construction, Colonial Village became a prototype for dozens of other large garden apartment complexes in other states." Warwick teamed with Ring once again in 1939 to design



Colonial Village, Arlington
Library of Congress, LC-H814-T01-2497-004

states." Warwick teamed with Ring once again in 1939 to design Arlington Village, their second FHA-insured garden apartment complex in Arlington County.

Warwick designed over forty apartment buildings in the Washington, D.C., area from 1922 to 1945. He was a close associate of Washington developers Morris Cafritz and Gustave Ring and he was associated with builder Paul T. Stone on several projects including Gunston Hall Apartments in Alexandria, Va. Warwick's commissions produced not only some of the area's most noted garden apartment designs but also examples of modestly appointed garden apartments complexes in northeast and southeast Washington including the Skyland Apartments and Suburban Gardens.

Warwick, who employed a variety of architectural styles, produced designs for buildings ranging from the early interpretations of Art Deco to the Colonial Revival. Art Deco experts Hans Wirz and Richard Striner, writing about a 1941 Warwick office building, stated that: "The Commonwealth Building reveals how his [Warwick's] style, like that of so many Washington architects of this period, developed from the highly ornate and eclectic look of the late 1920s to a style rather neatly poised between Art Deco and the International style by the early 1940s."

Warwick's prominence as an architect is primarily associated with his designs for both large and small apartment buildings. However, his work also included single-family houses and office and commercial buildings. He designed the Ambassador Hotel at 1412 K Street (1929), the Commonwealth office building at 1625 K Street (1941), both for Morris Cafritz.

Warwick was an investor in at least some of the apartment complexes he designed including Gunston Hall Apartments in which he invested with builder Paul T. Stone. The owner of Gunston Hall was listed on permits as Stone and Warwick Construction Company. Stone and Warwick Construction Co. also built the Skyland apartment complex. Warwick was its president and Stone was vice president. Warwick was a stockholder with Ring and Cafritz in the Westchester until they sold the complex in 1937. Warwick owned the Dunbar Hotel (demolished) at 15th and U Streets, N.W., once the principal hotel open to African Americans in Washington, D.C. In mid 1950s Warwick gave up his architectural practice to manage his investment in the Dunbar Hotel but he resumed the practice in late 1950s.

Shortly before World War II Warwick designed a Tudor revival style house for himself at 5910 Bradley Lane, Bethesda, Md. set in three acres of landscaped grounds. In his later years he was semi-retired and devoted much of his time to his gardens and the hybridizing of daylilies. He died at the age of 79 in July 1972.

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Birth: 4/19/1876 Place: Washington, DC					
Death: 5/30/1964 Place:	North Beach, N	1D			
Family: Wife: Margaret Dorot	thy Webb; Son: (Charles Webb.			
Education					
High School:					
College:					
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship: May have work Architect.	ked with Willian	m James Palmer, DC			
Architectural Practice					
DC Architects' Registration	Regist	ration Number: n/a	D	ate Issued:	
Permit Database Earlies	t Permit: 1902	Latest Permit: 1921	Total Perr	nits: 145	Total Buildings: 247
Practice Position					Date
Private practice (Washington, DC) Draftsman					ca. 1894 – ca. 1922
Engineers Section, Construction the U.S. War Department	Architectural Draftsman			ca. 1917 – ca. 1919	
Unknown agency, U.S. Government Civil Engineer					Pre 1930 - ??
Professional Association	ns				
American Institute of Archit	ects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a	Fe	ellow of the	e AIA:
Other Societies or Members	hips:				
Awards or Commissions:					
Buildings					
Building Types: Row houses Stores, Social Hall.	, Detached Dwe	ellings, Apartment Bu	lldings, Movie	Theaters (c	onversions), Stables,
Styles and Forms: Italianate,	Queen Anne, C	lassical Revival, Color	nial Revival.		
DC Work Locations: Capitol Palisades, Georgia Avenue.	Hill, Deanwood	d, Congress Heights, I	Fourteenth Stre	eet, Anacos	tia, U Street, NW,
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Row houses for Walter F. 210-228 10th Street, SE, Capitol Collins, 10th Street, SE Hill		1904-1905		HP ⊠ DC Historic Site Hill Historic District	
The Torraine Apartments	424 E. Capi	tol Street, NE	1905		IP ⊠ DC Historic Site
The Fairfax Apartments	1200 E. Cap	oitol Street, NE	1907		HP ☑ DC Historic Site
Jewel Hotel	713-717 No NE	rth Capitol Street	Unbuilt?		I: II I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I
	Deanwood		1919-1920	NRF	HP ☐ DC Historic Site

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Notable Buildings (Cont.)	Location	Date	Status
Movie Theater conversions	Various locations, NE, NW, SE Washington, DC	1909-1910	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

Born circa 1874 in Washington, D.C., little is known about Charles Edgar Webb's early life or his architectural training. His father was a machinist. Webb first appears in the city directories working as a clerk in 1892-1893 on 4th Street, Southeast. By the following year, he had become a draftsman working at 521 4th Street, SE. He continued to report his profession as "draftsman" through 1904. By 1906, however, he is listed as an architect. For a short period around 1910, Webb appears to have shared an office with established D.C. architect, William James Palmer; however, it is not known whether Palmer employed him. Webb maintained a prolific private practice through the early 1920s; however, during World War I, he worked for the Engineering Division of the Construction Division of the War Department. That experience led to later full-time work with the U.S. Government. In 1920, his profession is listed as "Architect, Housing" in the U.S. Census; and by 1930 he reported working as a civil engineer for the U.S.

government.

During his two decades in private practice, Charles Edgar Webb designed numerous buildings of various types across the District. The nearly 250 buildings attributed to Webb between 1902 and 1921 mainly stand in the Southeast and Northeast quadrants of the city in the neighborhoods that surround Capitol Hill; many of his later commissions were erected in the Deanwood neighborhood and other neighborhoods located east of the Anacostia River in Northeast. In addition to new construction, he designed additions and remodeled houses and commercial buildings for private clients. He executed much of his work for small-scale developers who commissioned small residential rows and individual houses in the city's expanding residential areas.



210-228 10th Street SE; 1904-1905 District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

Much of Webb's early work consisted of rather formulaic, Italianate and Queen Anne Victorian style row houses that were constructed of brick and incorporated semi-octagonal, full-height, projecting bays on their facades and decorative, corbelled brick cornices. Webb's row houses typically incorporated rusticated stone lintels above their windows and doors. A good example stands at 210-228 10th Street, SE (1904-1905). Webb designed the ten-unit row of two-story, brick residences for local developer, Walter F. Collins. Webb also executed a number of modest, frame, Queen Anne-style dwellings in Southeast Washington, including the two-story, frame residence that he designed for R.H. Cowan in the Congress Heights neighborhood (3023 8th Street, SE, 1904).

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Webb designed several small-scale apartment buildings during the first decade of the 20th century. The Torraine apartment building near Stanton Park (424 East Capitol Street, NE; designed 1905) is typical of his work. Designed for Charles W. Newhouser, the threestory, brick building incorporates the same semioctagonal projecting bays that Webb favored for his row houses. The Fairfax Apartments at 1200 East Capitol Street NE near Lincoln Park is Webb's most elaborate design. The Classical-Revival style, threestory, red-brick apartment building features an elaborate, paneled entry sheltered by a classical portico, bowed and square projecting bays, and a modillioned cornice. Erected for owner Katherine C. Holt, the building retains its elaborate interior decoration, including paneled wood wainscoting, carved wood



The Torraine, 424 East Capitol Street NE; 1905

District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

mantels and door lintels, inlaid wood floors, pocket doors, and coffered ceilings.

Like his residential work, Webb's commercial commissions were generally small in scale. Between 1909 and 1910, Webb executed plans for remodeling seven buildings as movie theaters. One example of his movie theater remodeling work that remains standing is the former Meaders Theater at 535-537 8th Street, SE in the Barracks Row area. Now occupied by the National Community Church, the theater opened in 1910; it operated until 1961. The remodeling work described in the 1909 building permit (#2518, Oct. 11, 1909) included a complete gutting of the interior and the installation of a new galvanized iron front, at an estimated cost of \$30,000. The Stanley-Crandall Company remodeled the theater again in 1927. Typical of Webb's store designs is the two-story, brick corner store located at 301 P Street, NW. Designed in 1914, the building incorporates a circular corner oriel window at the second story above the store entrance. In 1914, a group of investors lead by J.S. Dugan commissioned Webb to design a new hotel, to be called the Jewel Hotel, at 713-717 N. Capitol Street NE near Union Station. Although it was likely never built, a 1914 newspaper article describes an elaborate, four-story, 60-room hotel faced with stucco and white stone and topped by a Spanish tile roof.

Webb worked outside of Washington, D.C. as well. In 1904, working with architect C.N. Walker, he designed an eight-room school house and two small cottages in Hyattsville, Maryland. He also executed a suburban house for James McCauley near Oxen Hill, Maryland. A 1906 newspaper article praised Webb's design saying that he had incorporated "a number of very pretty incorporated ideas in suburban building which lend themselves to the charm of the surroundings." (*The Washington Times*, 16 September 1906).

Between 1917 and 1921, Webb worked almost exclusively for the real estate development firm of Irvin & Shank in the Deanwood neighborhood. Webb designed approximately 30 modest, one-story, frame cottages on scattered lots facing Eads Street, Dix Street, 44th Street, and Clay Street, Northeast. The simple cottages have pyramidal or hipped roofs, centered brick chimneys set at an angle, and one-bay, front-gable porches.



Interior of apartment in The Fairfax, 1200 E. Capitol Street NE; 1907

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No information has been located to date regarding Webb's federal service. He worked for the military construction division for a period during and possibly after World War I. He appears to have continued to work for the federal government in architecture and engineering until he retired.

Webb retired to the town of North Beach in Calvert County, Maryland and died in 1964. He is buried at Congressional Cemetery in Washington, D.C.



Lodge Hall, I.O.O.F., Langdon Lodge, 2020 Rhode Island Avenue NE; 1908.

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Edwin Armstrong Weihe

Biographical Data

Birth: 5/15/1907 Place: Washington, D.C.

Death: 12/28/1994 Place: Washington, D.C.

Family: Sister, Laura; brother, Herman; first wife, Caroline Cox (four children); second wife, Charlotte Kingsley (three children); ten

grandchildren

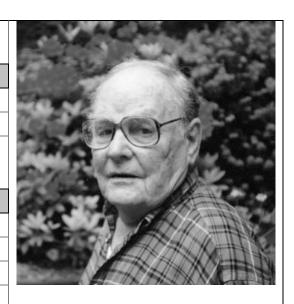
Education

High School: Central High School, Washington, D.C., grad. 1925

College: George Washington University, B.S. Architecture, 1931

Graduate School: Catholic University, no credits

Apprenticeship: Charles H. Tompkins, Co. (draftsman and designer, 5 years); Kenton D. Hamaker (6 mos.); Stone Construction, Co. (2 years)



Source: WDG Architecture

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Registration	Registration Number: 290	Date Issued: 12/2/1936

Permit Database Earliest Permit: 1935	Latest Permit: 1949* Total Permits: 123	Total Buildings: 262
Practice	Position	Date
U.S. War Department	Assistant Architect, draftsman	1933-34
Edwin A. Weihe	Principal	1938-44
Weihe & Gibbs	Partner	1946-48
Edwin Weihe & Associates	Partner	1949-62
Weihe, Black & Kerr	Partner	1963-67
Weihe, Black, Kerr & Jeffries	Senior partner	1968-87

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: 1946 Fellow of the AIA: n/a

Other Societies or Memberships: Washington Board of Trade, Commissioners Zoning Advisory Committee, Board for the Condemnation of Unsanitary Buildings, Cosmos Club, Congressional Country Club, St. Alban's Church

Awards or Commissions: Washington Chapter AIA Centennial Award, 1991; Awards for Superior Design, Washington Board of Trade, two in 1938, four in 1939, one in 1962

Buildings

Building Types: Office buildings, hotels, apartment buildings, mixed-use commercial structures, subdivision houses

Styles and Forms: Colonial Revival, Streamlined Moderne, Modern Movement

DC Work Locations: Downtown, K Street corridor, Connecticut Avenue business district, Dupont Circle

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
Connecticut Avenue offices	1140 Connecticut Ave., NW 1225 Connecticut Ave., NW	1967 1968	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Quebec House (apartments)	Connecticut Ave. and Quebec St., NW	1949	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

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The Pennsylvania Building	13th Street and Pennsylvania Ave., NW	ca. 1953	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Apartments	4200 Cathedral Ave., NW	1954	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Office building	1701 K Street, NW	1952	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Hamilton House (apartments)	1255 New Hampshire Ave., NW	1966	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Mills Building (offices)	1700 Pennsylvania Ave., NW	1966	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Crystal City Complex (offices, apartments, hotel and theater)	Arlington, Va.	1969	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

Edwin Armstrong Weihe worked steadily as a successful architect in the Washington, D.C., area for more than 50 years. He designed over 60 buildings in downtown Washington and over 100 other notable structures in the District. His mark on the city of Washington is a significant one, particularly because of his introduction of several space-maximizing structural innovations, including flat-plate concrete construction, that were widely adopted by other designers of Washington, D.C., office buildings. A tribute article to Weihe in the *Washington Post* in 1979 was entitled, "The Weihe Trademark is Pragmatic Design."

Edwin Weihe was born on May 15, 1907, in Washington and attended public schools. He graduated from Central High School in 1925 and then went on to George Washington University. He received his Bachelor's degree in architecture in 1931. Weihe gained professional experience from several apprenticeship positions, working as a draftsman for Norris I. Crandall, Kenton D. Hamaker, and the U.S. War Department. After college he used his engineering knowledge as well as his design skills working for Stone Construction and for Charles H. Tompkins Construction Company.

Early in his career Weihe spent the most time working for Charles Tompkins, designing detached subdivision houses as well as slightly larger projects like the dormitory for the Carmelite fathers at 1600 Webster St., NE. Also in the mid-1930s Weihe worked as a part-time instructor of architectural design at George Washington University. He established his own private architectural practice in 1938.

The majority of Weihe's work was located in Washington, D.C., and in Arlington, Va., but in 1942 he designed Suitland Manor as part of a \$1,250,000 defense housing project in Prince Georges County, Maryland. Suitland Manor



Quebec House Apartments, Connecticut Avenue and Quebec Street, NW EHT Traceries, Inc., 2010



Entrance at Quebec House Apartments
EHT Traceries, Inc., 2010

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was a group of English-style garden apartments totaling 108 two-story buildings. The development firm for the project was Sam Minskoff & Sons of New York City, which was responsible for some of the largest pre-World War II apartment houses and hotels in the nation. He also designed for privately-funded housing projects such as Livingston Manor in Southeast Washington in 1943.

Weihe served in the Navy in the Pacific during the Second World War, but resumed his architectural



Scale Model of Marriott Motor Hotel, Arlington County, VA Washington Post, 3/30/1955, p. 8

practice in partnership with Katherine Gibbs shortly after the war, and they took part in the post-war building boom. One example of their work is the Quebec House, an apartment building, designed by Weihe & Gibbs in 1948 and completed in 1949 on Quebec St., NW, near the intersection with Connecticut Avenue. With eight stories and 560 units, Quebec House was large in scale for its time. In 1955 Weihe was once again involved in large-scale construction as one of the architects of the Marriott Motor Hotel in Arlington County, adjacent to the Fourteenth Street Bridge and the Pentagon. It no longer exists, but was the largest drive-in motel in the world at the time of its construction.

In addition to residential neighborhoods in Northwest Washington and commercial centers in Northern Virginia, the District's downtown business corridor was the site of many of Edwin Weihe's projects. In 1963 he formed a new partnership with Byron B. Black and James R. Kerr, and Alexander H. Jeffries, Jr., would join in 1968. The Weihe Partnership designed scores of buildings downtown and in Arlington, Va., in the 1950s and 1960s, including: several office buildings on Connecticut Avenue between K Street and Dupont Circle (1001, 1140, and 1225 Connecticut Ave., NW), the 13-story Pennsylvania Building at 13th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, the Mills Building at 1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, the office building at 1701 K Street, NW, and the Crystal Plaza office complex (20th St. and Jefferson-Davis Highway, Arlington). Weihe designed for many of Washington's most prominent developers including John Akridge, Oliver Carr and Charles E. Smith.

With Weihe's extensive experience designing commercial buildings and office space in Washington, he became very knowledgeable in the issues of zoning and height restrictions. Weihe earned nicknames like "Mr. Zoning," for trying to update the District's zoning and building codes and for participating in debates about regulation changes. He was always interested in designing to create the maximum amount of usable space, and was the first architect in Washington to promote flat-plate concrete construction methods to maximize space within the limits set by the



Mills Building, 1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Google Maps, accessed 9/16/2010



1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW EHT Traceries, Inc., 2010

District's building height restrictions. Weihe's use of sloping columns to improve the layout of underground garages and simplify the framing of upper story setbacks required by zoning was another major innovation that was soon adopted by the industry. Weihe also was a leader in the use of pre-cast concrete as a building cladding material in Washington.

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Critics of his work claimed it lacked distinction, to which Weihe replied in an interview in 1979, "I do not endorse eyesores or extravagance in private buildings. I'd rather be dull and efficient than frivolous."

In 1991 Weihe was the first recipient of the lifetime achievement award for the Washington metropolitan chapter of the AIA. He died just three year later at the age of 87. The Weihe Partnership architectural firm continues today as one of the oldest continuously operating local architectural firms. After Weihe's death the firm became known as WDG Architecture, specializing in exteriors and interiors and maintaining offices in Washington, D.C., and in Dallas, Texas.

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Julius Wenig Biographical Data Birth: 07/07/1872 Place: Frankfurt, Germany Death: 05/09/1940 Place: Washington, DC Family: married to Katherine Wenig; two children **Education** High School: College: Graduate School: Apprenticeship: Source: Washington Post, 24 Feb. 1907 **Architectural Practice** DC Architects' Registration Registration Number: 18 Date Issued: 01/15/1925 **Permit Database** Earliest Permit: 1897 Latest Permit: 1940 Total Permits: 425 Total Buildings: 775 **Practice Position** Date Private Practice Draftsman 1892-1895 Private Practice Architect 1898-1940 **Commissions: Professional Associations** American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: November 1919 Fellow of the AIA: Other Societies or Memberships: Treasurer of the AIA; member of the Washington Architectural Club and the Washington Building Congress; member of the Washington member of the Elks, the Knights of Columbus, Alharnbra, and a charter member and president of the Windthorst Club. **Awards or Commissions: Buildings** Building Types: Rowhouses, Commercial Buildings, Institutional Buildings, Apartment Buildings Styles and Forms: Victorian, Gothic, Craftsman, Italian Renaissance, Classical Revival DC Work Locations: Georgetown, Mount Vernon Square, Downtown, Sheridan-Kalorama, Foggy Bottom **Notable Buildings** Location Date Status St. Mary's Orphanage 471 G Street 1902 ☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site NRHP DC Historic Site 440-442 Massachusetts Ave., NW 1910 719-21 10th Street, NW 1912 NRHP DC Historic Site Mercantile Savings Bank NRHP DC Historic Site Livingston Clothing Store 908 7th Street, NW 1916 2160-62 California Street, NW NRHP DC Historic Site 1917 The Locker Room 501-511 14th Street, NW 1927 Demolished in 1979

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Significance and Contributions

Born in Frankfurt, Germany, Julius Wenig maintained a thriving architectural firm in Washington, D.C., from 1898 until his death in 1940. He immigrated to the United States at the age of 17 and was a resident of Washington, D.C., by 1892. In the 1892 -1895 city directories, Wenig is listed as a draftsman, but any previous education or employment is unknown. From 1915 until 1940, Wenig's offices were located in the Mercantile Bank Building, a building he designed for the Mercantile Savings Fund in 1912. The two-story Classical Revival-style bank with details associated with the Craftsman movement is an important example of neighborhood savings banks which appeared in Washington around the turn of the century. The elements of classical architecture present in the building present an image of stability and financial security.

Julius Wenig's work consists of a variety of building types that spans the first four decades of the twentieth century. He designed apartment buildings, commercial buildings, residences, and an automobile showroom during the years 1899-1938. Most of the buildings Wenig designed are classical in style with simplified detailing. He was responsible for introducing numerous single-story stores throughout the city, often featuring a central show window and a parapet roof. A few examples of his more notable work are highlighted below:

- St. Mary's Orphanage, located at 471 G Place, and constructed in 1902, is a 3-story Gothic styled building, which continues to serve as an adjunct building for St. Mary's congregation. The main elevation is highlighted by a rich stone ornament placed above the entrance with an elaborate quatrefoil design and Gothic arch.
- The apartment building at 115 New York Avenue, N.W. was also designed in 1902. Wenig's understanding of apartment architecture is clearly illustrated in his use of the rowhouse form with squared projecting bays and his reliance on elements typical of Victorian architecture.
- The rowhouse structures at 440-442 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. date to 1910, and are fine examples of early 20th-century residential architecture. Although constructed at a later date than the other buildings in the row, Wenig carefully presents a strong design compatible in scale and detail to the other buildings.
- The Livingston Clothing Store located at 908 7th Street, N.W. was designed by Wenig in 1916. The architect employs the same textured buff brick, and Craftsman style brick work and patterns found on the Mercantile Savings Bank Building.
- Wenig designed the fine Italian Renaissance style commercial structures at 2160-62 California Street, N.W. in Sheridan-Kalorama in 1917. They are superb examples of the corner retail structures which are found throughout the city.

Wenig was one of the founders of the Washington Savings Bank along with the treasurer of the Mercantile Savings Fund Society, John D. Leonard. Wenig was an active member of the Washington Architectural Club, a social organization of architects that promoted the study of architecture through exhibits and lectures. In 1902, he was a member of the Washington Architectural Club's House Committee and presented pencil sketches of St. Mary's School and Sisters' Residences at the Annual Exhibition. Later, Wenig exhibited drawings of the National Permanent Building Association at the 1911 Washington Architectural Club Exhibition at the Corcoran Gallery of Art. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus.

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The Mercantile Savings Bank – 1980 Source: Traceries – Downtown Survey

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Claughton West
Biographical Data
Birth: March 19, 1885 Place: Washington, D.C.
Death: July 1978 Place: Washington, D.C.
Family: Married W. Annette "Millie" Pope in 1922
Education
High School: Washington D.C. public school
College:
Graduate School:
Apprenticeship: Offices of William Poindexter

Architectural Practice					
DC Architects' Registration Registra		ration Number: 138 Date Issued: 10		0/28/1925	
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1908	Latest Permit: 1949	Total Permits: 254	Total Buildings: 722	
Practice		Position		Date	
United States War Dep	partment	Architectural Draftsm	nan	1918-1920	
Individual Practice		Architect		1909-1960	
West & Talbott		Partner, architect		1919-1921	

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a Fellow of the AIA:

Other Societies or Memberships:

Awards or Commissions:

Buildings

Building Types: Apartment buildings, rowhouses, duplexes, detached houses

Styles and Forms: Classical Revival, Italian Renaissance Revival, Colonial Revival

DC Work Locations: Connecticut Avenue, NW; Capitol Hill; Dupont Circle; Kalorama Triangle; Washington Heights

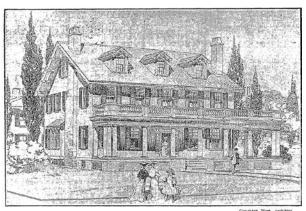
Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
The Biltmore	1940 Biltmore St., NW	1913	Kalorama Triangle Historic District
Emerson Apartment Building	1824 Belmont Road, NW	1916	Washington Heights Historic District
Apartment Building	1818 Kalorama Road, NW	1916	Washington Heights Historic District
Euclid Apartments	1740 Euclid St., NW	1919	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Kilpin House	2310 Ashmead Place, NW	1920	Kalorama Triangle Historic District
Park Crest, Woodward Apartments	2308 Ashmead Place, NW	1922	Kalorama Triangle Historic District

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The Foreland Apartment	22 2nd Carry NIE	1926	Capitol Hill Historic District
Building	23 2 nd Street, NE		

Significance and Contributions

Claughton West was a native of Washington, D.C., born in the District on March 19, 1885. West's parents, George W. and Blanche Claughton, were both from Virginia, but he was raised in Washington. He attended Washington, D.C., public schools, including the D.C. Grammar School from 1893 until 1899. He first studied architecture under respected architect William Poindexter, and was Poindexter's apprentice until 1908. West began practicing as an architect under his own name in 1908. He worked as an architect in and around the District for over 50 years, designing more than 600 houses and 40 apartment buildings. He designed buildings in all four quadrants of the city, but most of his extant work is in the northern half of Washington. The sheer quantity of residential structures built to his designs make West's work influential and important in the development of Washington, D.C.



West's Plans for Colonial Revival House for Judge George G. Perkins (1909)

Washington Post, January 24, 1909,. CA6

West's early career was marked by the design of residences which were mainly detached dwellings in the suburbs of Washington. But he exhibited a wide variety in design skill, and according to the *Washington Post* in 1908, he designed a new church at Lamont Street and Sherman Avenue in the "Gothic type" with an associate architect, Matthew G. Lepley. West designed primarily in the northern section of the District and into Maryland, including detached



The Biltmore, 1940 Biltmore Street, N.W. (1913) EHT Traceries, Inc. photo, 2010

dwellings in Chevy Chase, Connecticut Avenue Heights, Forest Glen, and Takoma Park. He gained recognition for a two-story colonial revival residence for the Honorable George G. Perkins just over the Maryland state line in Chevy Chase at the northwest corner of Melrose Street and Connecticut Avenue. The plans he drafted for the house were published in the *Washington Post* in January 1909. Additionally in 1909, West designed a new storefront and the interiors for the renovation of the Glover Building at 1419 F Street, N.W.

By the early 1910s West's focus shifted to designing apartment buildings. Purpose built apartment buildings became very popular in the District in this decade, and by 1930 an estimated fifty percent of the Washington, D.C., population lived in apartment buildings. Before the First World War, West designed apartment buildings for builder and architect Joseph J. Moebs. West designed The Biltmore, a "modern apartment house," that Moebs developed in 1913 overlooking Rock Creek Park at the southwest corner of Nineteenth and Biltmore Streets, N.W. The six-story apartment building features an Italian Renaissance Revival door surround and an elaborate marble main hall on the first floor. The Biltmore is located in what is now the Kalorama Triangle Historic District. According to the *Washington Post*, Moebs and West also worked together on apartment buildings in 1912 and in 1915. On his application for

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registration as an architect in the District of Columbia, West noted that he contributed to the designs for the Arlington Hotel at 1025 Vermont Ave., N.W., which was one of Moebs' largest development projects, completed in 1917. In

the same decade, West designed two apartment buildings in the Washington Heights neighborhood: the Emerson apartment building at 1824 Belmont Road, N.W.; and the apartment building at 1818 Kalorama Road, N.W. The five-story Emerson building exhibits the Italian Renaissance Revival style with its villa-like form, while the Kalorama Road apartment building was designed in the Classical Revival style.

During World War I West began designing for Howard Montgomery Etchison, one of the most prominent owner/developers in the District in the early twentieth century. West designed nine apartment buildings for Etchison as well as several detached and semi-detached houses scattered throughout



The Euclid Apartments, 1740 Euclid St., NW EHT Traceries, Inc., 2010

Northwest Washington. One of the most notable apartment buildings West designed for Etchison was the Euclid in 1919. The Euclid stands at 1740 Euclid Street, N.W., and is categorized as a conventional mid-rise apartment building. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in April 2010 largely because of the building's remarkable historical integrity. West's design is in the Classical Revival style with a dramatic overhanging cornice and protruding bays at the building's corners.

West entered into a short-term partnership in 1919 with William Randolph Talbott and they maintained offices in the Homer Building until 1921. During these years West was employed at the U.S. War Department as an architectural draftsman, and he worked independently for several other prominent Washingtonian developers. His independent work included rowhouses in the northeast and northwest quadrants of the District for Middaugh and Shannon, and rowhouses on 3rd Street, N.E., for Waggaman & Brawner Real Estate. His work on 3rd Street, N.E., was razed for what is now Shaed Elementary School.

When the District instituted registration of architects in 1925 West registered, but he soon allowed his registration to lapse for nonpayment of fees. Thus he practiced as an architect rather than with the more prestigious designation of registered architect. West's practice declined in the Depression years of the 1930s, but he continued designing residences and renovations at least through the 1960s. In the 1930s and 1940s West primarily designed two-story detached houses and duplexes in the northeast and northwest quadrants of the District. He worked mostly in brick and masonry, and designed Tudor Revival and Colonial Revival dwellings. West also undertook several renovation projects in the latter part of his career. These included the significant renovations he supervised on the Marmel Apartments at 21 6th Street, N.E., on Capitol Hill in 1963.

At the time of West's registration as an architect in Washington in 1925, Charles A. Douglas, Esq. described West in a letter of recommendation as "quiet, dignified, well behaved and generally a young man of character." Another one of West's references, Royce A. Ruess, said West was "very considerate and cautious" with regard to economy in administration of client's money.

West died in Washington in July 1978.

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Clifton B. Whi	te				
Biographical Data					
Birth: 5/18/1905 Place: Knoxville, TN					
Death: 5/1985 Place	e: Maryland				
Family:					
Education					
High School: Maury High Sc	hool, Norfolk, VA	1			
College: Beaux Arts Institute Course)	of Design, NY (C	Correspondence			
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Professional Associati	ons				
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Buildings					
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Styles and Forms: Colonial	Revival, Tudor Re	evival			
DC Work Locations: Capit Anacostia	ol Hill, Cleveland	Park, Georgetown, C	hevy Chase	, Brookland (N	Northeast DC),
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Dwelling	2401 Foxha	2401 Foxhall Road NW 1		□NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling	7717 17 th St	7717 17 th Street NW 1		□NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling (duplex)	525 Quacke	nbos Street NW	1934	□NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Laboratory		t Olivet Road NE	1937	☐ NRH	_
Dwelling	1856 Plymo	uth Street NW	1938	☐ NRH	IP DC Historic Site

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Notable Buildings (Cont.)	Location	Date	Status
Apartment Building	1126 South Carolina Avenue SE	1939	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Apartment Building	3715 2 nd Street SE	1945	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Mount Zion Methodist Church	12430 Scaggsville Road, Highland, MD	1961	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

Clifton Bryan White was born in Knoxville, Tennessee on May 18, 1905. By 1919, his family had moved to Norfolk, Virginia where he attended Maury High School, graduating in 1923. That year, White started working as a draftsman for the Washington, D.C. architectural firm of George N. Ray while taking correspondence courses from the Beaux Arts Institute of Architecture in New York. White continued taking courses for the next four years while working for Ray until 1926, and then for the firm of Bauman & Bauman in Knoxville, Tennessee from 1926 to 1927. Clifton B. White moved back to D.C. in 1927; he worked as a draftsman for the firm of Flournoy & Flournoy for a year before moving to John J. Whelan's firm, where he worked as a draftsman and office manager from 1928 to 1932.

Although White did not set up in business as an architect until 1932, he was already designing buildings in 1930. That year, a building permit was issued with Clifton B. White's name as architect. In 1936, White moved his office out of D.C. to Silver Spring, Maryland where it remained for the rest of his career.

Through the 1930s, White seems to have had steady work designing single dwellings; approximately half of his work was done for individual owners and the other half for development and construction companies. He also designed a few stores and flats. Located mostly near Rock Creek Park in neighborhoods such as Cleveland Park, Chevy Chase, Brightwood, and Shepard Park, the buildings White designed are also located in Brookland, Deanwood, Capitol Hill, and Anacostia as well.

White's designs for dwellings most often took the form of two-story, three-bay brick houses usually in the Colonial Revival style and less often in the Tudor Revival style. Even when designing houses for developers such as H.G. Smithy Co. or Homesite Realty Corp. in the same neighborhood or nearby streets, White varied the layouts from center-hall to side-hall plans, and the architectural details of the doorways, window surrounds, and cornices. Most of the dwellings were estimated to cost from \$7,000 to \$10,000 to construct. White did receive larger single commissions as well. Among these were a two-story, brick house at 1856 Plymouth Street NW estimated to cost \$18,000 and a two-story, stone house at 2401 Foxhall Road NW estimated to cost \$45,000 for Mrs. Sydney C. Graves. In 1937, the D.C. Board of Examiners and Registrars of 27 ROOM RESIDENCE OF
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Buchol'ston Quarries Advertising Card; 1933 2401 Foxhall Road NW

District of Columbia, Board of Examiners and Registrars

Architects decided to make an example of White by issuing warrants against him. The warrants charged that he "engaged in the practice of architecture in the District" and assumed the title of architect without having qualified for and obtained a certificate of registration. White pleaded not guilty and sought a jury trial. In June 1937 at the trial, the jury found White not guilty. Results of the trial included suits and countersuits among the complainants and White, and a decision by the D.C. Board of Examiners to postpone issuing warrants to others.

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Clifton B. White continued to design mostly dwellings until 1941 when he switched to war service as the Camouflage Chief Architect and Draftsman for the Engineer Board at Fort Belvoir, Virginia at the start of World War II. White stayed at Fort Belvoir through 1942, but he also designed a few dwellings in northwest D.C during this period. Among them are seven houses designed for the developer/contractor Jacobson Bros. and located between Rock Creek Park and Connecticut Avenue in Northwest. Six of the Colonial Revival-style dwellings were estimated to cost \$12,000 to build a two-story, brick house over 2,000 square feet in size.

In July 1945, Clifton B. White was registered with the Maryland Board of Examiners and Registration of Architects after passing a four day written examination.



7717 17th Street NW; 1933

District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

White then applied to the D.C. Board of Examiners in January 1946. His registration was granted February 12, 1946 without having to take the D.C. examination on the basis of his having passed the Maryland examination. In January 1947, White applied for membership to the American Institute of Architects (AIA); membership in the Washington, D.C. Chapter was granted the following month and continued until its termination in 1966.



525 Quackenbos Street NW; 1934 District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

In the later 1940s, White's received larger single commissions in D.C. for commercial buildings. Few of the stores, automotive repair, or storage buildings survive. Among the survivors is the heavily altered, two-story, concrete and brick garage and show room at 4800 Wisconsin Avenue NW. In 1946, White also received a commission to design a store at 1134 11th Street NW; the three-story, concrete, brick, and stone building has been converted into a church building. In 1945, White designed a three-story, International Style apartment complex at 3715 2nd Street SE. Located in the Congress Heights area, the complex consists of three, C-shaped buildings that feature alternating colors of brick in horizontal bands that wrap around the corners.

In March 1949, Clifton B. White was awarded one of twelve Certificates of Merit by the Washington Board of Trade for his work on the building at 1244 20th Street NW. White remodeled the three-story, brick, Italianate-style row house as an office building containing six offices. Removing the Italianate details, White introduced "Colonialized" elements to the building's façade such as large windows with multiple, small panes on the first story, a stringcourse, and a plain cornice.

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In the 1950s and early 1960s, White's work included the 1954 Blair Station Post Office and Annex (1954) in Silver Spring, Maryland, where he designed additions to the 1949 building and inserted a brick incised with "Clifton B White/Architect" in the façade of the annex. In 1961, he designed the Mount Zion Methodist Church at 12430 Scaggsville Road in Highland, Maryland.

Clifton B. White died in May 1985 at the age of 80.



3715 2nd Street SE; 1945
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

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Frank Russell White

Biographical Data					
Birth: 05/02/1899	Place: Brooklyn, New York				
Death: 10/24/1961	Place: Washington, D.C.				
Family: First wife, Eula Griffin; second wife, Carolyn W. White; son, Frank Russell White, Jr.; daughter, Maj. Dorothy W. Neilson					
Education					
High School: Valley Fo	orge Military School, 1903-1904				
College:					
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship:					



Source: Washington Post, October 25, 1961, B14.

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Registration Registr		ration Number: 809	Date Issued: D	Dec 31, 1951
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1911	Latest Permit: 1940	Total Permits: 51	Total Buildings: 71
Practice		Position		Date
Albert Beers		Apprenticeship		1911
Harry Wardman		Architect		1911-1917
Frank Russell White		Architect		1917-1960

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a Fellow of the AIA:

Other Societies or Memberships: Board of Trade, Oldest Inhabitants Inc., Almas Temple, Scottish Rite Masons

Awards or Commissions:

Buildings

Building Types: Apartment buildings, dwellings, commercial buildings

Styles and Forms: Colonial Revival, Classical Revival, Mediterranean Revival, Art Deco

DC Work Locations: Kalorama Triangle, Upper 14th Street, Cleveland Park, Foggy Bottom

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
Clifton Terrace	1313-1350 Clifton Street, NW	1914	NRHP DC Historic Site
Wardman Park Hotel	2660 Woodley Road, NW	1917	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Chateau Thierry	1920 S Street, NW	1919	Dupont Circle Historic District
Heurich Building	1627 K Street	1938	Demolished early 1970s
York Apartments	532 20th Street, NW	1940	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

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Significance and Contributions

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Frank Russell White was born on May 2, 1889. At the age of ten, his family moved to Washington, D.C., where he remained until his death in 1961. Although Frank Russell White had no formal architectural training, he designed 51 apartment buildings, some 5,000 single-family residences and numerous commercial buildings including the Sheraton Park Hotel (formerly the Wardman Park Hotel), Hampton Courts, and the Heurich Building (1627 K Street, NW).

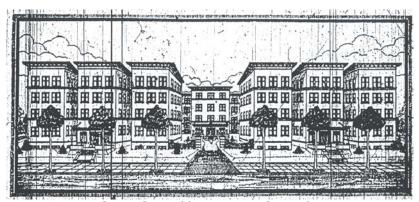
White trained in the offices of apartment architect Albert Beers around 1908-1911, when Beers was the chief architect for Harry Wardman. Beers was an excellent tutor for White. Although Beers practiced in Washington for only a short period, he was an extremely prolific designer and had a profound effect on the development of the city. After Beers' untimely death in 1911, White took over the design and completion of many of Beers' projects, including the Dresden, Northumberland, the Avondale, the Farnsboro and the more modest Royden, Windsor and Princess apartments. Working with Wardman at this pace of design and execution profited White's early training and

developed his architectural talents quickly. Some documentation indicates that White purchased a partnership interest in Harry Wardman's firm at this time.

During his years with Wardman as one of his master architects, White designed important apartment buildings in Washington's northwest quadrant which bear witness to White's grasp of the essentials of apartment design and his versatility in a wide range of styles. During his 25-year career with Wardman he is reported to have drawn plans for

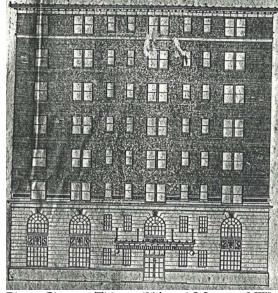
over three hundred million dollars in completed projects. White designed Wardman Court (Clifton Terrace) in 1914 at 1312 and 1350 Clifton Street, N.W., in the Colonial Revival style. The Lealan, also built in 1914, at 1830 16th Street, N.W. was dressed in Mediterranean Revival details. In his designs for the Northbrook Courts- North and South (1917, 3420-26 16th Street, N.W.), White employed the Classical Revival vocabulary.

White's amicable separation from Harry Wardman occurred circa 1917 and he began to work with other developers around the Washington, D.C., area including Joseph A. Howar, Ernest G. Walker, Fred Gore, Victor Cahill, Zachariah T. Goldsmith, Anita Eckles and Karla King. At this stage of his career, White designed the Chateau Thierry (20th and S Streets, N.W.), The Tiffany (1925 16th Street, N.W.), and Schuyler Arms (1954 Columbia Road, N.W.). He also copyrighted plans for a unique bomb shelter of reinforced concrete designed to hold 30 people and cost only \$1750.00.



Wardman Court (Clifton Terrace), 1312 Clifton St., NW, 1914

Washington Star, 2/6/1915



Plans, Chateau Thierry (20th and S Streets, NW)
Courtesy of Frank R. White's daughter, no citation

The failure of the cooperative Parkway Apartments (3220 Connecticut Ave) in 1924-1926 saddled White with financial difficulties that, combined with the onslaught of the Depression, left him with few architectural commissions and little financial support. He was arrested in Baltimore in 1931 on counterfeiting charges with his wife and served a two-year prison term.

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He appears to have recovered to complete two additional projects in the District. His last two projects were the impressive 1936, Art Deco Heurich Building on K Street (demolished 1970s), and the 1940 York Apartments in Foggy Bottom for A.J. Howar. White died on October 24, 1961.

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verbal senior examination to be held by the Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects. The Board scheduled					
his Verbal Senior Examination on Tuesday April 5th, 1927, but it is not known if he attended the examination or					
passed. He submitted an additional application to the Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects in 1951 to					
practice architecture in the District of Columbia. The application was initially denied in October 24, 1951 pending					
submittal of additional documentation to establish to the satisfaction of the Board the five years of practice as					
required by law. His ap	oplication was eventually a	pproved December 13	3, 1951.		
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George S. White	1					
Biographical Data						
Birth: 2/23/1898 Place: Jac	ksonville, FL					
Death: 6/1977 Place: Pal	m Beach, FL					
Family:						
Education						
High School: Riverside Military A 1916),; Chick Springs Mil.itary Ac 1917)						
College: University of North Card Columbia School of Drafting, Wa Washington University School of	shington, DC	C (1924-1925); George	2			
Graduate School: Catholic Univer 1932)	rsity Architect	ture School (1927-				
Apprenticeship:						
Architectural Practice						
DC Architects' Registration	Registr	ration Number: 795		Date	e Issued:	10/23/1951
Permit Database Earliest P	Permit: 1928	Latest Permit: 1947	Т	otal Permi	ts: 197	Total Buildings: 350
Practice		Position				Date
James E. Cooper		Architectural draftir	ng			1926-1927
George T. Santmyers		Architectural draftir	•			1927-1928
P.H. Willis		Architectural draftir	e			1928
Volney O. Chase		Architectural draftir	ng			1928-1929
George S. White		Architect				1929-1977
Professional Associations						
American Institute of Architect	Date(s) Enrolled: n/a		Fello	ow of the	AIA:
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Styles and Forms: Colonial Revi	val, Tudor Re	evival				
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Notable Buildings	Location		Date		Status	
Dwelling	5524 39th St	reet NW	1928		NRH	IP DC Historic Site

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Notable Buildings (Cont.)	Location	Date	Status
Dwellings	5208-5216 4th Street NW	1932	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Dwelling	1520 Kalmia Road NW	1935	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Dwelling	1461 Holly Street NW	1936	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Apartment	1235 Queen Street NE	1936	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Apartment	301 Hamilton Street NW	1936	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Dwelling	3408 Legation Street NW	1939	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Dwelling	4342 Bladgen Avenue NW	1947	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

George S. White was born in 1898 in Jacksonville, Florida and graduated from Chick Springs Military Academy in Chick Springs, South Carolina in 1917. He attended the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill for almost a full year before enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1918. Sometime after leaving the Army, White moved to Washington, D.C. where he attended architecture classes at George Washington University from 1926 to 1927 and Catholic University's Architecture School from 1928 to 1932.

During college, White worked as an architectural draftsman in the offices of James E. Cooper, George T. Santmyers, P.H. Willis, and Volney O. Chase and obtained design commissions under his own name. In 1928, White's first permit as an architect was for a two-story, brick dwelling located in Chevy Chase, D.C. With an estimated building cost of \$14,500, the Colonial Revival-style house at 5524 39th Street NW was one of the more expensive dwellings that

White designed during his career. The house was erected for Fred H. Gore.

In 1930, White started his own practice and worked almost exclusively for developers designing two-story, brick, three-bay Colonial Revival or Tudor Revival-style houses that varied slightly in architectural details and form. Even the five row houses that White designed for the developer P.H. Willis (for whom he had worked four years earlier) intermingled Tudor Revival and Colonial Revival-style buildings. Located at 5208-5216 4th Street, NW in the Petworth neighborhood, the two-bay row houses vary in porch roofline (from shed roof to front-gable roof), in cornice details, in chimney placement (side chimneys for the Colonial Revival houses and front chimneys for the Tudor Revival dwellings), and the presence of dormers.



5524 39th Street NW; 1928

District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

White worked with Willis on detached, single family dwellings in Shepherd Park and Chevy Chase as well. A large proportion of White's designs were commissioned by the Jacobson Brothers who developed many lots in the Brightwood, Chevy Chase, Barnaby Woods, and Tenleytown neighborhoods. White worked in other neighborhoods of the city, including projects with Paul T. Stone of Stone Construction in the Barnaby Woods area, and with the Simpson-Peak Company in Northwest D.C. and Anacostia.

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District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

In 1932, White applied for registration as an architect with the D.C. Board of Examiners and Registrars, but failed two of the four written examinations. In 1933, White repeated the two examinations, passed one, but failed the other and was again denied registration. He apparently never retook the failed examination.

From 1935 through 1942, White completed designs for larger developments as well as for individual dwellings. In the 500 block of Lebaum Street, SE in the Congress Heights neighborhood, White designed eleven, modest, one-story, brick houses for P.D. Crandall (1935) and Merrill Conner (1936). His work for the Jacobson Brothers included fourteen houses in the 1300 block of Tuckerman Street NW (1937-1938) in the Brightwood

neighborhood. These brick, mostly Colonial-Revival-style houses were listed as three-story on the building permits; their attics were often lighted by dormer windows. At the same time, White and his assistants provided more than 100 individual house plans for The Simpson-Peak Company, which was developing areas of Montgomery County, Maryland. From 1939 on, White also worked for the Waggaman-Brawner Realty Corporation that constructed several two-story, brick houses in the Chevy Chase area of D.C (3300 & 3400 blocks of Legation Street NW; 3100 block of Tennyson Street NW; 6300 block of 31st Place NW; 6300-6400 blocks of 32nd Street NW; 3100 block of Upland Terrace NW; 5800 block of Nebraska Avenue NW).

During the 1935-1942 period, White designed two- and three-story apartment buildings. All of the buildings were variations of the same form with a Colonial Revival-style center entrance set in a five-bay, brick façade. The buildings had flat roofs, sometimes with a shaped parapet or false mansard on the façade, pilasters or quoins at the corners, and string courses. George S. White also co-owned and constructed four apartment buildings in the Brightwood neighborhood with developer P.H. Willis. For the apartment building at 1700 29th Street SE, White applied the stream-lined Moderne style to the same form.

In 1937, White received notice from the Board of Examiners that he was not entitled to advertise as an



3408 Legation Street NW; 1939
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004



1461 Holly Street NW; 1936

District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

architect. In 1941, White applied for senior registration as an architect in Maryland, but was informed that he needed to pass a written examination which he did not take. He continued to perform the "functions' of an architect over the Maryland line" according to the Maryland Board of Examiners as he did in D.C. although terming himself a designer rather than an architect.

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During World War II (1941-1945), George S. White worked in the Civil Engineer Corps (C.E.C.) at the Navy Yard in Washington, D.C. In 1945, White resumed his private practice designing single-family dwellings for developers. Two years later, he moved to Florida for health reasons but continued to maintain his architectural office in Washington. He returned occasionally to conduct business; this included preparing designs for almost 50 dwellings for the Waggaman-Brawner Realty Corporation.

In 1951, White applied once more for D.C. registration as an architect by exemption based on his more than five years of practice in the city. After providing proof of his continuing practice in D.C., White became a Registered Architect by exemption in October 1951.



301 Hamilton Street NW; 1936
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

White died in June 1977 in Palm Beach, Florida.

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Forrest George	Wilcox				
Biographical Data					
Birth: 10/20/1884 Place: E	ast Providence	e, RI			
Death: 1945 Place: Si	lver Spring, M	D			
Family: Helen H. Wardell (wife)					
Education					
High School:					
College:					
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship:					
Architectural Practice					
DC Architects' Registration	Registr	ration Number: n/a	Da	te Issued: 1	n/a
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DC Work Locations: Takoma, S Woodbridge	Shepherd Park	, Brightwood, Deanw	rood, Chevy Ch	ase, Tenley	ytown, Barnaby Woods,
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Apartment	228 10 th Stre	eet NE	1928	⊠ NRH	IP ⊠ DC Historic Site
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Dwellings	5321-5331 Kansas Avenue NW		1931	☐ NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling	5370 27th Street NW		1932	□NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling	1800 Birch Drive NW		1932	☐ NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwelling	1615 Manchester Lane NW 1		1934	□NRH	IP DC Historic Site

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Significance and Contributions

Forrest George Wilcox was born October 20, 1884 in East Providence, Rhode Island. U.S. Census records indicate that he worked as a machinist in 1900 and as a chauffeur for a private family in East Providence in 1910. By 1918, his draft registration card recorded that Wilcox had moved to Washington, D.C. to work as a mechanical engineer for the Coombs Motor Company. In 1924, *The Washington Post* noted that Wilcox received a degree in the Almas Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (The Shrine), which also indicates that he was a Mason.

In 1927, Wilcox's name appeared on his first D.C. permit as the architect of two, two-story, cinder-block houses in the Chevy Chase area of Northwest; the dwellings are no longer extant. Wilcox's next project—a two-story, brick, Colonial Revival-style house still stands in the Barnaby Woods neighborhood in Northwest. Wilcox's other works of the late 1920s include a two-story, brick apartment building on Capitol Hill and three, one-story, frame dwellings in the Deanwood area of Northeast D.C.

The 1930 U.S. Census recorded Forrest G. Wilcox's occupation as a mill work salesman; however, on his 1933 marriage certificate, Wilcox listed his occupation as "architect." The D.C. city directories for 1930-33 list Wilcox as an architect living in and with an office in Washington.

Most of Wilcox's known work as an architect dates to the 1930s. During this period, Wilcox designed single and duplex dwellings and row houses for both private owners and developers such as J.N. Hughes, the Columbia Construction Company, Samuel Eig, Waple & James, Inc., and M.B. Swanson. Although the preponderance of Wilcox's designs was Tudor Revival in style, he also worked in the Colonial Revival style.



228 10th Street NE; 1928
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

Two of his Tudor Revival-style Takoma residences were published by the D.C. mail-order house company, Standard Homes Company, in its 1930 publication *Better Homes at Lower Cost*.



370 27th Street NW; 1932
District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

In 1931, F.G. Wilcox was architect of five building permits involving Sears, Roebuck & Company houses. In May 1931, Wilcox revised the Sears plans for houses at 2429 Hamlin Street, NE in Woodridge and for 3507 Brothers Place, SE in the Congress Heights neighborhood. The Hamlin Street house seems to be a brick-clad version of the Tudor Revival-style "Maplewood" model from Sears, Roebuck & Co. 1932 catalog (#3302). The Brothers Place is a front-gable, brick house with a prominent front porch similar to "The Walton" (Sears, Roebuck & Co. 1929 catalog # P13050). In June, Wilcox served as the architect with Sears Roebuck & Company listed as the builder for a two-story, front-gable, vernacular-style brick house in the Palisades neighborhood in Northwest D.C. (5430 Carolina Place NW) and a one-story, front-gable, brick house in the Hillcrest neighborhood in Southeast (2423

32nd Street SE). In August, Wilcox and Sears, Roebuck & Company received a building permit for a two-story, frame dwelling at 2324 33rd Street SE in the Hillcrest neighborhood' again the house resembles the Sears "Maplewood" plans.

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321-5323 Kansas Avenue NW; 1931District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

Wilcox generally designed dwellings with an estimated construction cost between \$5,000 and \$8,000. Two of his largest commissions for individual dwellings display the Tudor Revival-style and cost an estimated \$17,500. The two-story, stone-and-brick house at 1800 Birch Drive NW (1932) stands in the Shepherd Park neighborhood, while the two-story, brick-and-frame house at 5370 27th Street (1932) is located in Barnaby Woods. Wilcox's largest Colonial Revival-style house cost an estimated \$25,000 and stands at 1615 Manchester Lane NW (1934) in Brightwood. The hiproof of the house is pierced by two stories of dormers, and the brick house is dominated by a two-story portecochere on the façade.

F.G. Wilcox's last building permit was recorded in 1941 for a dwelling located at 4309 46th Street, NW near American University. The three-bay, Colonial Revival-style, brick

house is one of his plainest designs.

By 1942, Forrest G. Wilcox lived in Silver Spring, Maryland. His World War II draft registration card records his business as "self-builder—graduate architectural engineer" and noted that his office was located in his home. The 1958 obituary for Forrest's wife, Helen, indicates that he died in 1945.



1615 Manchester Lane NW; 1934 District of Columbia Office of Planning; 2004

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Lucian Tho	mas Willian	ns			
Biographical Dat	a				
Birth: 8/10/1873	Place: Virginia				
Death: 11/16/1929	Place: Washington, D.	C.			
Family: Wife Frances	E, son Francis B., daugh	nter Hattie S.			
Education					
High School:					
College:					
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship:				Son	urce:
Architectural Pra	octice		·		
DC Architects' Regi	stration Registr	ration Number: n/a	Da	te Issued:	
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1909	Latest Permit: 1929	Total Perm	its: 271	Total Buildings: 991
Practice		Position			Date
Lucian T. Williams		Carpenter			1896 Boyd's Directory
Lucian T. Williams		Electrician			1903, 1906 Boyd's Directory
Lucian T. Williams		Architect			1910 Census
U.S. Housing Corp.		Carpenter			1918 Draft Registration
Lucian T. Williams		Contractor			1920 Census; 1927 Boyd's Directory
Professional Ass	ociations				
American Institute	of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: n/a	Fel	low of the	AIA:
Other Societies or M	lemberships: Freemasor	ıs			
Awards or Commiss	ions:				
Buildings					
Building Types: Roy	whouses				
Styles and Forms: C	olonial Revival, Classical	Revival, Queen Anne	:		
DC Work Locations	: Edgewood, Columbia H	leights, Tenleytown, l	Eckington		
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Rowhouses	27-39 V Stre	eet, NE	1909	□ NRE	IP DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	4421-4429 9	th Street, NW	1910	☐ NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	1415-1421 I	1415-1421 Potomac Ave., SE 1		□ NRE	IP DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	531-541 Ken	531-541 Kenyon Street, NW		□ NRE	IP DC Historic Site
Dwellings	4110-4115 H	Emery Place, NW	1912	□ NRE	IP DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	220-236 Rar	ndolph Place, NE	1913	□ NRH	IP DC Historic Site

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Rowhouses	4120-4132, 4415-4423 15th Street, NW	1914	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Masonic Temple	523 8th Street, NE	1914	Capitol Hill Historic District
Rowhouses	2010-2024, 2109-2131 4th Street, NE	1914-15	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	205-223 Rock Creek Church Rd., NW	1915	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	605-637 Otis Place, NW	1919	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site
Rowhouses	1333-1361 Taylor Street, NW	1920	☐ NRHP ☐ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

Lucian T. Williams was a prolific designer of rowhouses throughout Washington, D.C., in the early decades of the twentieth century, although his name is largely unknown today. In a twenty-year career as designer and builder from 1909 to 1929, he constructed almost one thousand dwellings in the District according to building permit records.

Williams was born on August 10, 1873 in Virginia and moved to Washington, D.C., by 1896. The 1890 business directory of Genessee County, N.Y., lists Williams as a carpenter in Le Roy, New York; a town about fifteen miles southeast of Rochester. In the 1903 *Boyd's Directory of the District of Columbia*, Williams is listed as an electrician living in Northeast Washington. He remains listed as an electrician in the directory in 1908.

The 1910 United States Census lists Williams as an architect. Later *Boyd's* directories document him as a contractor and



Rowhouses, 31-27 V St., NE DCPropertyQuest, 2004

carpenter. On his draft registration card from 1918, Williams lists his occupation as carpenter and the U.S. Housing Corporation, located at North Capitol and E Streets, Washington, D.C., as his employer. The United States Housing Corporation (USHC) was one of the first federally-sponsored housing programs in the country. It was created in July 1918 as a part of the Department of Labor's Bureau of Industrial Housing and Transportation. The purpose of the USHC was to build housing for workers employed in essential war industries and shipyards, providing emergency housing during a national construction shortage.



Dwelling at 4110 Emery Pl., NW DCPropertyQuest, 2004

Washington, D.C., building permits indicate that most of the buildings Williams constructed were two-story brick rowhouses. Most of these dwellings are flat-fronted, three-bay buildings with full-width one-story porches. Some have false-mansard roofs with dormers. Like most rowhouses of this period in Washington, Williams' rowhouses were generally vernacular interpretations of the highly popular Colonial Revival style. Williams worked most heavily in neighborhoods in Northeast Washington, including Eckington and Near Northeast.

In addition to rowhouses, Williams built some detached dwellings on Emery Place in Northwest Washington in 1912. These were two-story, two-bay Colonial Revival frame dwellings constructed for J.S. Gruver. Williams designed houses for a number of developers, including Gruver, E.H. Gottwals, the Thrift Building Company

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(possibly associated with Gruver), T.A. Jameson, and Klimkiewicz & Co.

Williams was also active in the Freemason community in Washington, D.C. He served as an officer in the Myron M. Parker Lodge in Northeast Washington in 1900 and, in 1914, he designed the Masonic Temple at 523 8th Street, NE, for the Northeast Masonic Temple Association.

Williams died suddenly in 1929 at the age of 56.



Masonic Temple (now condominiums) 523 8th St., NE EHT Traceries, Inc., 2010

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Edward Woltz					
Biographical Data					
Birth: 1859 Place: W	Vashington, D.0	C.			
Death: April 26, 1903 Place: W	Vashington, D.0	C.			
Family: Married to Agnes Raine	У				
Education					
High School:					
College:					
Graduate School:					
Apprenticeship:				Soi	urce:
Architectural Practice					
DC Architects' Registration	Registr	ration Number: n/a	Date	e Issued:	
Permit Database Earliest	Permit: 1886	Latest Permit: 1903	Total Permi	ts: 184	Total Buildings: 417
Practice		Position			Date
		Clerk			1877-1879
	Draftsman				1880-1881
		Architect			1882-1903
Professional Association	s				
American Institute of Archite	cts Date(s) Enrolled:	Fello	ow of the	AIA:
Other Societies or Membersh and the Knights Loyal of Washi		s a member of several	secret societies	including t	he Knights of Pythias
Awards or Commissions:					
Buildings					
Building Types: Dwellings, sto	ores, churches				
Styles and Forms: Romanesqu	e Revival				
DC Work Locations: Brooklan	d, Kalorama T	riangle, Trinidad, Col	umbia Heights, I	Petworth	
Notable Buildings	Location		Date	Status	
Epworth Church	7th and A St	7th and A Street, NE 1		NRH	IP DC Historic Site
Dwellings	2001-2017 F	2001-2017 Kalorama Rd., NW 18		Kaloram	a Triangle Hist. Dist.
Dwelling	1001 Irving	Street NE	1901	□ NRH	IP DC Historic Site
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Significance and Contributions

Edward Woltz was a Washington, D.C. native who served as a captain in the Washington Light Infantry. He began his architectural practice as a clerk in 1877. By 1882, city directories list Woltz as an architect. In the late-1800s, the former infantry captain designed numerous two- and three-story brick dwellings in the District's new neighborhoods beyond the original city limits. Woltz's designs combined architectural elements of the earlier Victorian period with the popular Romanesque Revival style. As shown by the row of buildings that Woltz designed along the north side of the 2000 block of Kalorama Road, N.W., these semi-detached houses typically consist of two units separated by a central party wall. The facades feature two- or three-story projecting bays, often with picture windows in the first floors. Woltz enjoyed success in repeating this design formula in neighborhoods such as Brookland, Kalorama, Trinidad, Columbia Heights, and Petworth. Woltz's work is largely uncelebrated, however, perhaps owing to its ubiquity. A couple of his notable projects include the Romanesque-Revival Epworth Church at 7th and A Streets, N.E. and the unique circular house he designed at 1001



2017 and 2015 Kalorama Road, NW District of Columbia Office of Planning, 2004

Irving Street, N.E. He is also credited with designing homes in Kensington, Maryland, a turn-of-the-twentieth-century garden suburb in Montgomery County. In 1901, Woltz was appointed as a draftsman in the Office of the District Building Inspector. He died suddenly on April 26, 1903 at the age of forty-four. Edward Woltz is buried in Rock Creek Cemetery.

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Waddy Butler Wood

Biographical Data			
Birth: 1869	Place: St. Louis, MO		
Death: 01/26/1944	Place: Washington, DC		

Family:

Education

High School:

College: Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College

Graduate School:

Apprenticeship:



Source: Blank & Stohler Photo

Architectural Practice

DC Architects' Reg	istration Regis	tration Number: 53	Date Issued: 0	4/15/1925
Permit Database	Earliest Permit: 1894	Latest Permit: 1935	Total Permits: 146	Total Buildings: 183
Practice		Position		Date
Private Practice		Architect		1894-1902
Wood, Donn & Dem	ning	Partner/Architect		1903-1912
Private Practice		Architect		1912-1941

Professional Associations

American Institute of Architects Date(s) Enrolled: 1908 Fellow of the AIA: 1916

Other Societies or Memberships: President of the Washington Architectural Club (1907-1908); President of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (1917-1918); Member of the Society of Cincinnati and the Metropolitan Club.

Awards or Commissions:

Buildings

Building Types: Residences, Schools, Hospitals, Churches, Apartment Buildings, Office Buildings, Civic Buildings

Styles and Forms: Romanesque Revival, Georgian Revival, Classical Revival, Spanish or Tuscan Revival

DC Work Locations: Dupont Circle, U Street, Kalorama, Massachusetts Avenue, Chevy Chase

Notable Buildings	Location	Date	Status
Union Trust Company Bldg.	740 15th Street, NW	1890	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
East Capitol Street Car Barn	1400 East Capitol Street	1896	□ NRHP □ DC Historic Site
Armstrong Manual Training School	1st & P Streets, NW	1901-1902	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Barney Studio House	2306 Mass. Ave., NW	1902-1903	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
The Bachelor Flats	1737 H Street, NW	1905	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Masonic Temple	1250 New York Ave., NW	1907	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Martha S. Tucker House	2320 S Street, NW	1908	Mass. Ave Historic District
Greystone	2325 Porter Street, NW	1913	Rock Creek Park Historic District

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Notable Buildings (Cont.)	Location	Date	Status
Woodrow Wilson House	2340 S Street, NW	1915	Mass. Ave Historic District
The Victor Building (addition)	724-26 9th Street, NW	1925	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site
Department of Interior	18th & C Streets, NW	1936	NRHP ⊠ DC Historic Site

Significance and Contributions

Waddy Butler Wood practiced architecture for 48 years in Washington, D.C., from 1892 to 1940, a period of great expansion and development of the city. He was born in St. Louis, Missouri, one of six children of Captain Charles Wood, a Confederate soldier and native Virginian. When Wood was still a child, the family returned to Ivy, Virginia. He attended the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College (now Polytechnic Institute) for two years studying engineering. Wood left school at the age of 18 to join a C&O Railroad Engineer Corps survey. He arrived in Washington in 1891, determined to fulfill a dream of becoming an architect. Wood first worked as a draftsman and studied architecture books at the Library of Congress in the evenings. Although self taught, he became a skilled architect and opened his own architectural office in 1892. He began his career designing modest residences in Northeast Washington. His



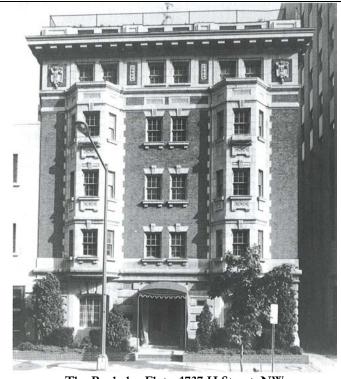
Union Trust Building, 740 15th Street, NW NCinDC, August 16, 2008, http://www.flickr.com/photos/ncindc/2832611488/

first large commission in 1895 was for the Capitol Traction Company to design its new car barn in Georgetown (M Street and Key Bridge). He also designed the East Capitol Street Car Barn in 1896.

In 1902, Wood formed a partnership with Edmund Donn, Jr. and William I. Deming. Donn, a skilled architect educated at the Boston Institute of Technology (now M.I.T.) and Deming, a construction engineer and graduate of Columbian College (later The George Washington University) complemented the creative Wood, who served as the firm's chief designer. The firm was known for its outstanding and imaginative design while maintaining reasonable and affordable costs through the honest use of materials. The firm's work was not limited to modest buildings, however. Wood, Donn and Deming are credited with several prominent homes in Kalorama including the General Charles Fitzhugh Residence located at 2253 R Street, NW (1904); St. Patrick's School and Parish Hall located at 9th and G Streets, NW (1904); the Union Trust Bank Building located at 740 15th Street, NW (1907); and the Masonic Temple located at 1250 New York Avenue, NW (1907-1908).

In 1912, the partnership was amicably dissolved. As an independent architect, Wood continued to capture prestigious commissions. He focused his attention on commercial and government work, accepting commissions for residential work only for mansions of Washington's elite. During this period, he designed buildings for large corporations such as the Potomac Electric Company, designing 999 E Street, N.W., the Union Trust Company Building at 738-740 15th Street, NW, the Masonic Temple at 801 13th Street, NW, the Southern Railway Building at 1500 K Street, NW, the Commercial National Bank at 1405 G Street, NW, and the Department of the Interior Building. His commissions for private interests and large residential structures included the remodeling of the old Holton Arms School, the remodeling of the Chevy Chase Club, and the design for homes of Frederick Delano, George Cabot Lodge, Dr. Cary Grayson, and Henry Fairbanks, whose house at 2340 S Street he later remodeled for Woodrow Wilson. Wood designed All Saints Episcopal Church on Chevy Chase Circle in collaboration with Arthur Heaton. His Chevy Chase

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houses include Nos. 4 and 8 Oxford Street and 15 East Melrose Street. Wood included the Chevy Chase residence of Howe P. Cochran on the selected list of his works which he submitted to the American Institute of Architects for its files.

Wood was also active in and did extensive work with the Washington Architectural Club and the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects, serving as president in 1917 and 1918. Wood retired in 1940 to his country home in Warrenton, Virginia.

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