
NAME: ~~The~~ Harriett
LOCATION: 124-128 ~~North East Street~~
OWNER: Ruby L. Willoughby
ADDRESS: 541 East Market Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

MAP NUMBER: 14

7. DESCRIPTION:

The Harriett (Photo 15 of 42) at 124-128 North East Street is the second southernmost site included in the survey area. Its style is Classical Revival due to its symmetrical east facade (note that the street entrances are not balanced, however.), the use of Classical details such as keystone lintels, stringcourses, and modillion cornice. This U-shaped block is three stories raised slightly from the street level and built of yellow brick and grey limestone. The first story has two entrance doorways asymmetrically placed in the second and fifth bays, with the entrance recessed in the fifth bay. The window and entrance openings use five block voussoir lintels with raised keystones. The windows at the second and third stories have smooth-faced radiating lintels and sills. The stringcourses run even with the sills at the first and second story levels and along the lintel level at the third story. Limestone piers separate the three over one windows in the first and fifth bays. The third floor terminates in a heavy projecting modillion metal cornice. There is a small brick parapet above the cornice. The south facade along Wabash street uses two polygonal bay windows (possibly later) at the second and third stories. Unusual are the long narrow vertical lights in the upper half of the sash. There are two five over one windows on the first floor. All the remaining windows are three over one. The windows in the south and west facades are double rowlock segmental arch openings. The west facade contains large rear entrances possibly for commercial deliveries.

8. SIGNIFICANCE:

The Harriett is of the "Eastern" flat type and of architectural significance. No building permit application has been found and it is possible that this structure was a remodeling of a previous building. The apartment first appears as "The Harriett" in the Polk City Directory of 1906. Built to the east of the city's center, the Harriet lacked a fashionable northside address and its occupants were the ordinary citizens of the time. The 1914 City Directory (the first year that residents were listed by street address as well as name) reveals the inhabitants of 124-128 East Street as generally older couples and widows who must have found these modest but comfortable flats convenient and affordable.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle Name: Indianapolis West

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES:

16	572880	4402280
Zone	Easting	Northing

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BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Parcel 1-01-84897. Intersection, Corner of East Street, First Subdivision, Lot One, Block Forty-one. Key Code 81-042-023.