

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF COLUMBUS, MUSCOGEE COUNTY, GEORGIA  
 GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

NO. 422

I. IDENTIFICATION

PROPERTY NAME: 1612 3rd Avenue HISTORIC NAME: 1612 3rd Avenue  
 STREET ADDRESS: 1612 3rd Avenue CITY: Columbus COUNTY: Muscogee  
 PRESENT OWNER: Ernestine A. Mack & MAILING ADDRESS: 632 2nd Ave. & 1608 3rd Ave.  
 Ira B. Davis  
 CITY: Columbus STATE: Georgia ZIP CODE: 31901  
 CURRENT USE: Residential Rental Property ACREAGE: Less than one acre  
 U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE: Columbus, GA-AL U.T.M. REFERENCE: 16-688990-3594850  
 V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 17/12/14

II. DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: 1 story Greek Revival Cottage w/ central hall and 4 approximate equal rooms w/ hip roof extending over porch across front of house. Brick pier raised foundation, wood frame w/ 6" exposed clapboard siding. Chimney located in rear of house. Facade is symmetrical about a triparted transom light door w/ 2 9/9 double hung windows on either side. Pilaster columns w/ Tuscan style capitals face front on both ends of facade, lot slopes gently down toward rear w/ small shrubs at front and several large trees at rear. Situated in residential area with buildings of similar type.  
 Condition is good. Roll tar paper roof has been applied to preserve house.

III. HISTORY

ORIGINAL OWNER: ORIGINAL USE: Private dwelling  
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER: HISTORIC ACREAGE:  
 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1860 DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:  
 HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT): This house does not appear on the 1889 Sanborn (Insurance) Map, as none of the even-numbered addresses in this block of 3rd Ave. are listed. The house does appear on the 1895 map, however. George Henry, who's listed in the city directory of 1891-1892 as a "colored carpenter," is first listed at this address that year (in 1891) Henry is listed here again in 1894, but this time he's also listed with his wife, Delia. Mrs. Henry's occupation is that of a "sick nurse." The Henrys are listed in the 1896-1897 directory. Members of the Henry Family lived here as late as 1912, as Cordelia Henry is listed that year as a widow.

IV. SIGNIFICANCE

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local History, Architecture LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local  
 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Local History: This house is significant as it was the home of George and Cordelia Henry, a "colored" couple who worked as a carpenter and midwife, respectively. This house, although it probably dates back to the 1860's, is an example of the type of dwelling built by local men and women of similar socio-economic status (to that of the Henrys).  
Architecture: This house is representative of building styles in Columbus during the Civil War Era. It is a conservative interpretation of the Greek Revival period with its hipped roof, pilasters, entablature, and general proportioning.

V. SOURCES

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 b) 700 Broadway, Col's, GA 31901 b) (404)322-0756  
 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Columbus-Muscogee County, Georgia. 1976 state survey, Historic Preservation Section, DNR, Atlanta, Georgia.  
 SOURCES OF INFORMATION: 1) Columbus City Directories (1891-1912).  
 2) "Sanborn (Insurance) Map of Columbus, Ga.," March 1889, Sanborn Map and Publishing Co., N.Y., N.Y., (a copy of which is located in (CONT'D))



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SOURCES OF INFORMATION: 2) Cont'd - the Columbus College Archives, Columbus, Ga.).

- 3) "Sanborn (Insurance) Map of Columbus, Ga.," Sept. 1895, Sanborn-Perris Map Co., N.Y., N.Y., (a copy of which is located in the Columbus College Archives, Columbus, Ga.).

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