

1. STATE **Maryland**
 COUNTY **Baltimore**
 TOWN **Lutherville** VICINITY
 STREET NO. **1505 Front Avenue**
 ORIGINAL OWNER **Rev. Benjamin Stadtler**
 ORIGINAL USE **residence**
 PRESENT OWNER **Mrs. Nancy Armstrong**
 PRESENT USE **apartments**
 WALL CONSTRUCTION **frame**
 NO. OF STORIES **2**

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY

2. NAME
 DATE OR PERIOD **c. 1860**
 STYLE orig.: **Italianate**
 ARCHITECT
 BUILDER

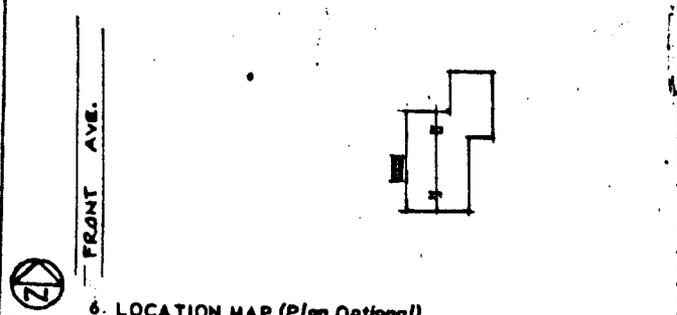
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4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC NO

A simple house of low symmetrical proportions, it sits at the rear of a very deep, narrow lot facing Front Avenue and has a two story side wing set back from the main facade. Unornamented except for the small sparsely spaced brackets supporting the eaves of the low pitched, gabled roof, the house presents a three bay facade with a central sidelighted and transomed front door flanked by windows with six over six sash. Similar windows directly above at the second floor are slightly smaller scaled. Over the front door an awkward pair of low double windows interrupt the cornice frieze board.

This existing house is the product of a 1940's remodeling which removed, as seen in the accompanying old photograph, an interesting central gabled motif in which the front wall of second floor extended through the eaves and appeared as a short tower form with a gabled roof, its ridge at the ridge of the main roof. This vestibule tower had large brackets at its verges and a semi-circular arched window which lighted the attic. Below this window there was a six over six window which was replaced with the double windows. The original porch was also removed with its square columns supporting a bracketed cornice and a balcony balustrade. Like the balustrade at the main level of the porch, it had unusual jig-saw out slat balusters in an 'X' pattern. Still existing, though, and seen clearly in the old photo is the particularly interesting use of clapboard siding nailed in a diminishing exposure to the weather from the sill plate to the eaves. Also the original windows still retain their louvered

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered NO



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

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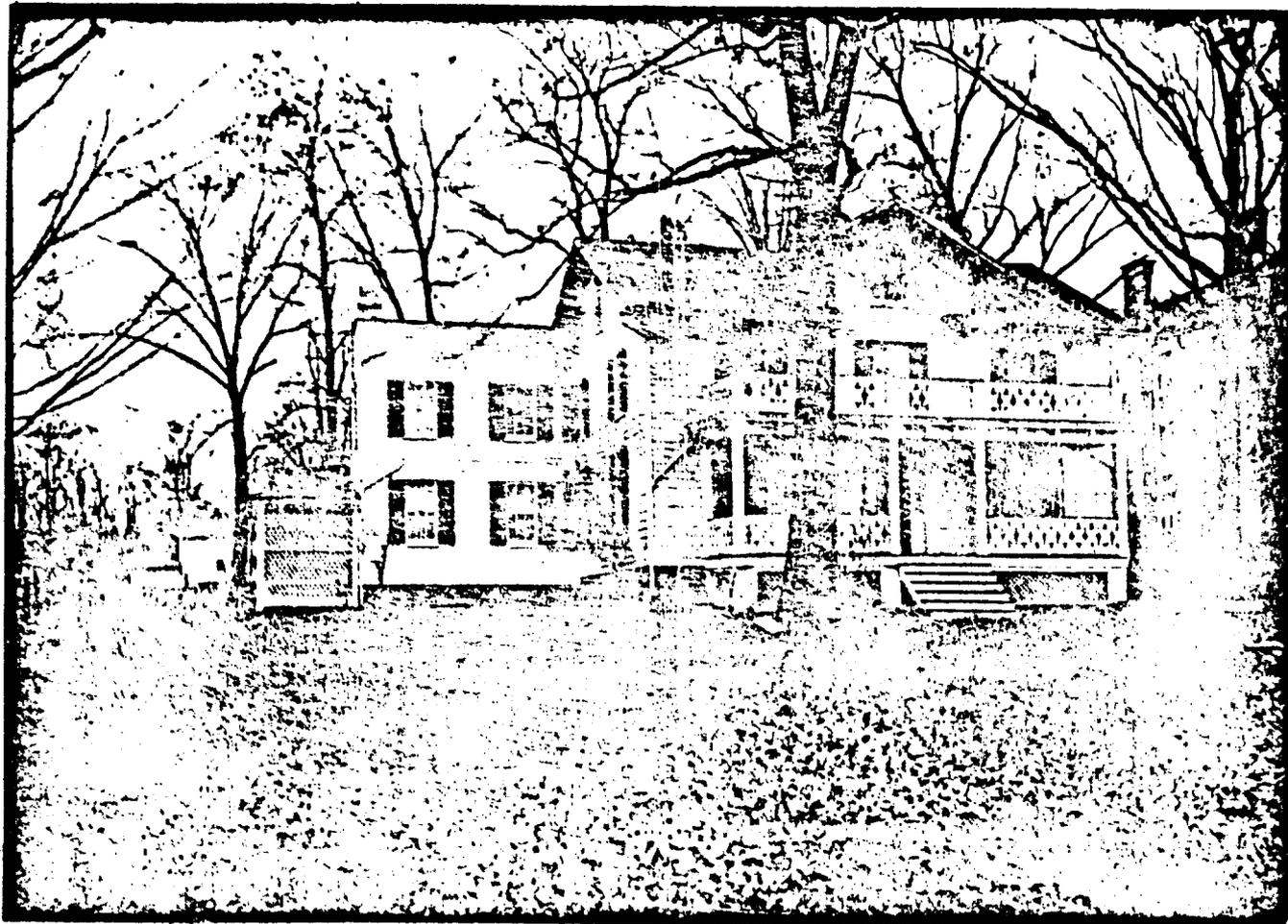


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1505 Front Avenue, Sheet 2

blinds.

The remodeling of this house deprived Lutherville of yet another example of the Italianate style with its interesting adaptation of a Tuscan tower form.



An early view of the house circa 1915