

10 EAST GREEN STREET

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

10 East Green Street

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

7

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Carroll

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Edward R. Wolfe

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Not listed in Telephone Book

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Carroll County Office Building

Liber #: 492

Folio #: 362

STREET & NUMBER

Center Street

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The double house 10 East Green Street fronts the south side of that thoroughfare about 100 yards east of its intersection with the Western Maryland Railroad tracks in Westminster. The structure consists of twin two story two bay by two bay wide gable roofed buildings, with an equal sized extension to the south. The principal facades of each twin unit are identical, radiating off an unseen central axis. On either side of this axis is, on the ground floor, a recently altered entrance door. The door, a glass and aluminum storm door, rests below an original three light transom which is topped by a fine three coursed gauged flat arch. Above each door is a 6/6 window with white wooden sills and a similar arch above a flight of two concrete steps leads to each door. Further from the axis is one 6/6 window on each side of the axis on both stories. Windows are identical to those above the doors and all windows are regularly placed. The stretcher bond brick facade of the building is topped, at the eaves, by an interesting brick cornice which consists of simple row of brick dentils, that are below the gutter. The rolled tin roof which covers both units seems to be original, and is pierced at extreme ends by corbel capped brick chimneys rising at the roof's peak flush with the interior common bond brick wall.

The east facade has one 6/6 window on the ground floor close to Green Street, but is otherwise, in the brick section, blind. There is a one story shed roofed clapboard addition, which also has a 6/6 window in it. The addition runs across the back of the building meeting the large extension which gives the building a L shape open to the east. The exposed (west) facade of this L has on its two full stories two regularly placed 6/6 windows per floor. The windows match those on the Green Street facade, the rear of the L is blind. The lot slopes, thus exposing the coursed fieldstone foundations beneath the L; the foundations are pierced by two windows on the west facade, a small casement window to the north, and a 6/3 window to the south, (both these basement windows are aligned with those on the main stories). A corbel capped chimney is flush with the common bond brick wall of the blind south facade about a foot to the west of the gables roof peak.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1871

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Whether or not the house was originally built to house two families is problematical; it is clear, however, that it was built originally as a rental unit. Edward Lynch subdivided this section of East Green Street in the 1860's and 70's, it was annexed to the town as "Lynch's Addition". Lots 11 and 12 of the addition were sold by Lynch to John Manger on February 10, 1871 for \$451 (Carroll County Deed Book 39, Page 249). When Manger sold lot 12, our property, on August 20, 1883, to the Reverend Gloyd, for \$1700, it was clear that the house was already standing (59/425). The 1876 plat of the City shows the L shape house on Lot 12, and the 1881 City Directory lists one Rufus Little as living at number 10 East Green Street. Thus it is to be assumed that the house was used to provide income for the Parrish of St. John's, or at least for the priest, the large church being located directly across Green Street from the house here. The Reverend Mr. Gloyd sold the house two years later to the Archbishop of Baltimore James Giddens for the same price he paid for it (63/304), and thus the house stayed property of the Catholic Church providing rent, presumably, until the Archbishop sold, for a loss, to Julia E. Obold on May 18, 1898 for \$1100 (87/194). Ms. Obold's executor, D. Eugene Walsh, sold the house to Mary J. Beaver and Cecila Obold in 1934 (160/154) and, again acting as executor, Walsh sold the house to Charles R. Welty for \$1800 in 1939 (171/202). Welty sold to the present owner, Edward R. Wolfe, on August 16, 1971.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Being all of lot number 12 of Edward Lynch's Addition to the City of Westminster as shown on an 1876 plat of the City.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Christopher Weeks, Consultant

October, 1977

ORGANIZATION

Westminster Historical Sites Survey

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

c/o City Hall - Public Works Department

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Westminster

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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