14 EAST GREEN STREET

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: 14 East Green Street

CITY, TOWN: Westminster ___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 7

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY: Carroll

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	X YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME: Charles E. Long Telephone #: 848-7829

STREET & NUMBER: 14 East Green Street

CITY, TOWN: Westminster ___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code: Maryland 21157

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #: 518
Folio #: 386

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Carroll County Office Building

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

CAP-507

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	X UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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Windows on the ground floor are distinguished from those on the upper floor by the form the wooden lintels take. Those on the ground floor take the form of thick deep denticulated cornices, supported by end scroll brackets. Those above are rather less conventional, where the carpenter has sawed modified ogogee arches in the wooden lintel. Above all this, topping the facade, is a thick deep denticulated bracketed cornice which is a larger more elaborate version of the cornices topping the ground story windows. A wooden string course runs through the paired scroll brackets at their bases, creating, in effect, a brick frieze. The cornice itself continues all around the building in a simplified form, but without the brackets.

The east facade is blind underneath the gable roof of the section nearer Green Street (this house is typically built in two sections) except for a small four light attic window within the gable, to the south of the corbel capped brick chimney which rises flush with the wall at the gable roof's peak. Six over six windows, regularly aligned one per floor, light the west wall of the two story gabled roof rear section. The east wall of this rear section is sheathed in clapboard, and is lighted by pairs of windows on the second floor. A one story shed roofed addition extends on the ground floor and is lighted by 6/6 windows. The east facade of the front section is, like the west facade, blind but for a four light attic window; here however, the window is placed smack in the center.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1875 BUILDER/ARCHITECT John Manger

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

As noted in the long answer to question 7, number 14 East Green Street is one of the fine small houses in the City. It is, in volume and form, firmly within the local vernacular building style (it is a fairly late example of the style), but adds flourishes of its own. The windows of the principal facade and the resulting solid/void proportions are exceptionally fine. However, the house excells most in the woodwork which decorates the principal facade, notably the well handled bracketed denticulated cornice, and the interesting lintel treatment of the windows. Thus the building, is a result of two pressures, namely that stay within the century old basic building pattern, yet to explore late 19th century decorative detail possibilities; it performs both of these roles exceedingly well.

When Edward Lynch laid off the 14 lots that comprise this part of his Addition to Westminster, he sold lots 11 and 12 to John Manger on February 10, 1871 (Manger built on number 12). Number 10 East Green Street, q.v., and built number 14 on lot 11. He must have built both these houses as rental property, for, while they both show on the 1876 plat of the City, his name is not associated with either property in the 1881 City Directory. Rather, it lists one Joseph Reed as living at no. 12, our property. Nevertheless Manger kept title, for on January 14, 1897, his widow, Margaret Manger, sold the lot and house, to Magdalina Fedden (Carroll County Deed Book 83, Page 567). Fedden's heirs sold house to Helen J. Haifley for $2100, a fairly substantial price, on September 29, 1908 (109/480). Franklin Haifley then sold to Jessie Close, for $50 less, eight years later (128/414) Close's personal representative, Francis A. Close, sold to the present owner on August 8, 1972.

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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 11 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

DATE
September, 1977

ORGANIZATION
Westminster Historical Sites Survey

STREET & NUMBER
City Hall - c/o Public Works Department

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN
Westminster

STATE
Maryland

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