Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Valley Park

10-16 Ann Avenue

16. Intrinsic Category: Church

17. Date(s) or Period: constructed 1907-1908

18. Style or Design: Romanesque

19. Architect or Engineer: J. Mundwiller

20. Contractor or Builder: J. Mundwiller

21. Original Use, if apparent: Church

22. Present Use: Church

23. Ownership: Public

24. Owner's Name & Address, if known: Archbishop of St. Louis

4445 Lindell Blvd. 63108

25. Open to Public: Yes

26. Local Contact Person or Organization: No

27. Other Surveys in Which Included: No

28. Open to Public?: Yes

29. Basement?: No

30. Foundation Material: Poured concrete

31. Wall Construction: Brick

32. Roof Type & Material: Gable, comp, and slate

33. No. of Bays: 3

34. Wall Treatment: Common band

35. Plan Shape: Cruciiform C:

36. Changes: Addition: Moved

37. Condition: Interior: Good

38. Preservation Underway?: No

39. Endangered?: No

40. Visible from Public Road?: Yes

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road: Yes

3. History and Significance

Sacred Heart was organized in Valley Park on November 14, 1903, the first example of the effort of Archbishop Glennon to strengthen older country parishes and organize new ones. The mother church was to the east in Manchester. The new parish had thirty-one families of German, Irish, and Bohemian descent, and through the opening of St. Louis Plate Glass Company, received many members.

(continued)

4. Description of Environment and Outbuildings

The parking lot is situated to the east of the church, and commercial buildings behind and to the west. A parsonage/rectory is to the north of the church, near other residential structures to the north. The rectory is a two-story structure with hipped roof and appears to be of the same period and materials.

(continued)

5. Sources of Information

Rothsteiner, John, History of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, St. Louis, Blackwell-Wielandy, 1928.

Thomas, William L., History of St. Louis County, 1911.

(continued)
The church is the third oldest surviving Catholic church building in St. Louis County and the second oldest which is still being used as a parish church. The Shrine of St. Ferdinand and Sacred Heart Church, both in Florissant, are the others; 1880 and 1883/1893, respectively. The 137-foot spire and high-style architecture make Sacred Heart one of the most prominent visual landmarks in Valley Park.
### HISTORIC INVENTORY

**No.** 260640482  
**St. Louis**  
**Location of Negatives** 275 - 5A

**Specific Location**  
Lot L, Block 2  
Milk's Addition  
Valley Park  
Site Plan with North Arrow

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**Coordinates**

- **UTM**
- **Lat.**
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| 16. Thematic Category |  
|------------------------|-----------------|
| - Date(s) or Period | constructed 1896 |
| - Style or Design | Vernacular |
| - Architect or Engineer | L. A. McCALL |

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| 26. Local Contact Person or Organization | Property Manager |

| 27. Other Surveys in Which Included | Architectural Survey |

**Further Description of Important Features**

The primary entrance to this residence has been changed from the east end, which has an enclosed porch overlooking Forest Avenue, to the west end toward Ann Street. There a neoclassical broken pediment has been installed around the off-center door, and a small oriel has been added. Windows appear to have been reduced in size as part of the process of installing modern siding.

**History and Significance**

The Union Congregational Church of Valley Park was organized in 1896 by the Congregational City Mission Society of St. Louis, under the leadership of A.L. Love, the superintendent. Love had assisted in founding several other Congregational churches in previous years. Construction of this building cost $626.68. The church was founded with only six members, and it never grew much larger than that, although the church continued to operate.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The Sacred Heart Catholic Church across the street has purchased lots on both sides of this property and cleared them for parking. To the east the hilly site descents to Forest Avenue, beyond which is the Missouri Pacific railroad line.

**Sources of Information**

Union Congregational Church of Valley Park
17 Ann Street

43. continued

Sunday School had over one hundred. The building was sold to Charles and Daisy Smith in 1904. They added a second floor about 1908. It is said that the house subsequently burned and was repaired.

45. continued

Telephone conversation with Marlene R. Hedricks, Meramec Station Historical Society, October 1990.

On site inspection.

1/5695G
and Sunday School Record Book. (Plus a few memories)

Compiled by Lorraine Smith
August, 1990

The picture is of the house in 1908 that had been the Union Congregational Church from 1896 to 1904. The second story had been added by the building contractors Woods and Martin. The child on the porch is Lorraine Smith. The Wappelhorst house is in the background.
**Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101**

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**Specific Location:** 0.29 acre, parts of Lots E, F, P & Q, Block 1, Milk's Addition to Meramec Valley Park

**City or Town:** St. Louis; if Rural, Township & Vicinity: Valley Park

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

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**25. Open to Public?** Yes

**26. Local Contact Person or Organization**

**27. Other Surveys in Which Included**

**29. Preservation Underway?** No

**30. Foundation Material** concrete

**31. Wall Construction** frame

**32. Roof Type & Material** hipped, comp. shingle

**33. No. of Bays** Front: 4, Side: 6

**34. Wall Treatment** stucco

**35. Plan Shape** rectangle

**36. Changes** (Explain in #42)

**37. Condition** Interior: good, Exterior: good

**38. Preservation** Yes

**39. Endangered?** Yes

**40. Visible from Public Road?** Yes

**41. Distance from and Frontage on Road**

**42. Further Description of Important Features**

A stucco knee wall surrounds the full width front porch and runs down the center front steps. A large gable dormer has a semi-circular louver in a wood shingled pediment. The double hung dormer window and its side lights are diamond paneled. A plain balustrade crosses the front of the dormer. Two small gabled dormers are on the south side of the house and one is to the north. A three sided bay window is on the south side.

**43. History and Significance**

Maximilian Wapelhorst bought this lot about 1902 and sold it in 1909 to his daughter Bertha and her husband John B. Reddinger. It is said that it was a wedding gift. They operated a bakery in a small white building behind the house. Wapelhorst and another daughter Mary Vieth lived in adjacent houses on Ann Avenue which have recently been demolished.

**44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

**5. Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Probate Court, file 6688.
- Meramec Station Historical Society.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 128, page 418; 237, 258. St. Louis County Parks

On site inspection.

**46. Prepared by** Esley Hamilton

**47. Organization**

**48. Date** 9/92

**49. Revision Date(s)**
**Further Description of Important Features**

A two story, symmetrical, hipped roof Prairie Box residence. The hipped roof, closed porch has two banks of three windows which are divided by a center door. The front entrance is framed by sidelights. On the front side of the second story are two banks of paired, double hung, one-over-one windows. The porch and house are covered with stucco.

**History and Significance**

This house sits on lot 10 in Block 58 of Valley Park. Wm. C. Temple sold this tract of land along with several others to the Valley Park Land Co. in Dec. of 1902. No building is shown on this lot when Valley Park was subdivided in 1903. In November of 1904 Frank P. Knabb and his wife Elizabeth bought this tract of land for $700. A house is shown on the lot on the 1909 plat map. Frank P. Knabb is listed in the 1909 directory as a physician in the Trust Ridge, and living on Ann Ave.

**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds (Book/Page) - 129/363; 140/17; 153/432
- 1909 Directory

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### St. Louis County Parks

- **Bldg:** F-1011
- **Name:** Frank P. Knabb House
- **Address:** 114 Ann Avenue
- **City:** St. Louis
- **County:** St. Louis
- **State:** MO
- **Type:** Residential
- **Year:** 1905
- **Status:** Recorded
- **Plot:** 58
- **Lot:** 10
- **Description:** Two story Prairie Box residence with hipped roof, closed porch, and stucco finish.
### Historic Inventory

**Halbach - Vance House**

**118 Ann Avenue**

#### Thematic Category
- **Built c. 1906**

#### Style of Design
- **Foursquare**

#### Architect or Engineer
- **Vance Family Trust**

#### Foundation Material
- **Stone**

#### Wall Construction Material
- **Frame**

#### Roof Type & Material
- **Hipped, comp.**

#### No. of Stories
- **2**

#### Basement?
- **Yes**

#### Wall Construction
- **Foursquare**

#### Exterior Treatment
- **Clapboard**

#### Plan Shape
- **Foursquare**

#### Condition
- **Interior good**

#### Preservation Underway?
- **No**

#### Endangered?
- **No**

#### Visible from Public Road?
- **Yes**

#### Distance from and Frontage on Road
- **1/60**

### History and Significance

Although this property had been part of several earlier subdivisions, it was still not developed in 1902, when it was transferred by the Brown Estate Company to William G. Temple, the agent for the Valley Park Land Company, which resubdivided the town the following year. In 1904, lots 8 and 9 were purchased by Perry R. Halbach. He apparently built this house, because it is shown in the 1909 county atlas. (continued)

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

This house sits above the street on a shaded hill.

### Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 129, page 363; 140, 17; (described as Milk's Addition, Block 1, Lot 5); 152, 605; 348, 36; 8224, 2034.
- Thomas, History of St. Louis County (1920) p. 36.
- St. Louis County Probate Count, File 17348.
- On site inspection.

### Preparer

Esley Hamilton

### Organization

St. Louis County Parks

### Date

9/92
In 1914 both lots were purchased from Halback by William J. Vance, who was moving here from 336 Benton Street on his departure from the St. Louis Plate Glass Company.

Born in 1854 in Pennsylvania, Vance came to St. Louis in 1903 as manager of the Glass Company. He resigned in 1914 but resumed his affiliation in 1916 and was involved in the company's bankruptcy. His many other business interests included the Valley Park Trust Company and the Meramec Valley Bank. At his death in 1945, this house was appraised as worth $3,500. His son Robert A. Vance, who was in trucking, continued to live here, and in 1987 he and his wife Margaret formed the Vance Family Trust for the maintenance of the house.
W. J. VANCE.

Among the public-spirited citizens of St. Louis County whose personal efforts have contributed so largely to the commercial and industrial growth of the county, few support a record which compares or is even comparable with that which justly belongs to W. J. Vance of Valley Park.

Mr. Vance was born March 1, 1854, in Upland, Delaware County, Pennsylvania. He is possessed of a good education and in addition to this is a thorough business man, as has been proven by the successful manner in which he has handled different enterprises with which he has been connected. In 1903 he organized the Valley Park Trust Company, of which he has been president until April, 1917, when he disposed of his stock. He assisted in the organization of the Meramec Valley Bank in January, 1918, of which he was vice-president and cashier, and in 1919, he was president of the Valley Park Trust Company. He has been president of the Valley Park Lumber Company since its organization in 1914.

Mr. Vance came to St. Louis in 1893 and was made manager and treasurer of the St. Louis Plate Glass Company, which he filled this position until 1914, when he resigned. In 1916 he again assumed charge of the concern and lived in that capacity until February 1917, when it was sold to the Clamors Plate Glass Company. The latter company failed in October of that year and Mr. Vance was appointed receiver, serving as such until February 1918, when the business was sold in charge by the latter firm. Under Mr. Vance's management the St. Louis Plate Glass Company prospered and was one of the leading industries in this section of the country, constituting the major part of the industrial life of Valley Park.

The marriage of Mr. Vance to Mary F. Fieldson occurred December 23, 1880. They have been born four sons and four daughters, all of whom have been highly educated. Mrs. Vance is a native of Pennsylvania, was born April 20, 1860, at Beasemore, and family reside in a frame home at Valley Park and among the most highly esteemed citizens of the county. Mr. Vance owns some farm land and is interested in many important enterprises in the conduct of which he actively participates.

JUDGE WILLIAM BUERMANN.

County Judge William Buermann, four times elected associate justice of the St. Louis County Court from the First District, whose death occurred February 9, 1926, leaves behind a private and public record which will ever stand out in glowing tribute to his memory. He was one of the most efficient and economical officials of the county affairs. His sudden end terminated a career in which were interwoven personal and public achievements which attest a character of the most honest and energetic type—a personality pleasing and dependable—a man who had the confidence of the people and a capacity to fulfill the trust with which he was honored.

Judge Buermann was born October 13, 1856, in Ballwin, Mo., in the vicinity of which place he attended school and began his industrial career. Selecting as his occupation the blacksmith trade he worked at this until 1912 when he began his political career as a judge of the St. Louis County Court, having been chosen by the voters of the Republican party. His election and subsequent re-elections were the result of his faithful service to the county organization as central committeeman and the honest and business-like principle which ever governed his actions.

The marriage of Mr. Buermann to Miss Dorothy Koehler took place November 19, 1882. She is the daughter of Leonard Koehler, Mr. and Mrs. Buermann became the parents of one son, Charles M., born October 28, 1910, and one daughter, Katheryn E., born November 4, 1907.

CHARLES H. FIELDSON.

FREDERICK C. CLAMORS.

Frederick C. Clamors, Dougherty Ferry road, Kirkwood, rural route 18, actively engaged in the cultivation of the old Clamors Homestead farm, was born July 26, 1864, at the place on which he now resides. He is a son of Johann Frederick and Marie E. (Bleckie) Clamors, both natives of Hanover, Germany, who came to this country in 1845 and the latter in 1847. The father was born September 29, 1827, and settled in St. Louis County on an 80-acre tract of land on Dougherty Ferry road, purchased by his parents upon their arrival here. He took possession of the farm in 1853 and during August of the same year was married to Marie E. Blecke, who was born September 25, 1834, and with her parents first located in North St. Louis. Johann Frederick Clamors later acquired 40 acres adjoining the old homestead and a 50-acre farm near Manchester, which is now being cultivated by Edward, a brother of Frederick C. The parental father died in March, 1896.

Mr. and Mrs. Johann Frederick Clamors became the parents of thirteen children. Those living are: Mrs. Charles Schmidt, Mrs. Christ Bopp and Edward W. Both he and his wife, even in their advanced years, were active members of the St. Paul’s Lutheran Church at Des Peres.

Frederick C. Clamors was educated in the district schools, and until taking over the homestead acreage assisted his father on the farm. He began his independent career in 1888, and on May 17th of the same year was married to Sabine K. Bopp, a daughter of Sebastian Bopp of Des Peres. To them five children were born, in order as follows: Matilda L. Tropol, March 23, 1889; Frederick Sebastian, August 11, 1890; John Edward, November 8, 1893; Louis Henry, November 23, 1897; Elmer Henry, November 19, 1905. Besides owning the homestead farm, Fred C. also owns an 80-acre tract near Dallas and Clayton roads.

Like his father, Frederick C. Clamors is a strong and active worker for the Republican party. The religious belief of his parents is also followed, being exemplified in his connection with the St. Paul’s Lutheran Church at Des Peres, of which he is a trustee. He is also a member of the Law and Order Society of Des Peres.
store on the opposite corner, which he has improved and enlarged, now carrying a very good stock of general merchandise.

On the 1st of February, 1893, Mr. Branneky was united in marriage to Miss Catherine Kleemann, of St. Louis county, a daughter of Frederick Kleemann. Four children have been born of this union: Edna, Walter, Oliver and Henry.

The family attend the Lutheran church, of which the parents are members. Ever since attaining his majority Mr. Branneky has given his political support to the candidates of the republican party, considering that the principles of that organization are best adapted to serve the interests of the majority. In 1897 he was appointed postmaster at Pattonville, which office he has ever since held.

He is one of the progressive and enterprising citizens of the community, as well as one of the most successful merchants, and has many friends who accord him the esteem he well merits.

WILLIAM J. VANCE.

Various corporate interests have felt the stimulus and are benefiting by the corporation and practical methods of William J. Vance, now well known as a representative business man of the city and county of St. Louis. He was born at Upland, Delaware county, Pennsylvania, March 1, 1854, and completed his education by graduation from the Sharon Academy, of Sharon, Wisconsin, with the class of 1874. His early business training was received with the Carnegie Steel Company, with which he was connected from 1876 until 1899, at their Edgar Thompson Works in Braddock, Pennsylvania. In the latter year he became connected with the Monongahela Light and Power Company, with which he continued until 1902, having charge of the consolidation of the various electric light companies in the Monongahela valley, adjacent to Pittsburg. In 1903 he took charge of various industries at Valley Park, Missouri, and is now active in the management and control of the interests of the St. Louis Plate Glass Company, the Valley Park Land Company, the Valley Park Electric Company, the Valley Park Water Company and the Pacific Glass Sand Company. He is also president of the Valley Park Trust Company and is thus associated with the financial as well as the industrial and commercial interests of the county. His ability to coordinate forces into a harmonious whole, his practical judgment and his keen discrimination are dominant factors in the success which is attending his efforts.

PIERRE M. BROSSARD, M. D.

Dr. Pierre M. Brossard, secretary of the St. Louis County Medical Society, is one of the successful practitioners of Maplewood. He opened an office at Maplewood immediately after graduating from the medical college and has built up a reputation which is evidence of conscientious application and acknowledged skill in his profession.

He is a native of Fenton, Missouri, and was born October 27, 1879, a son of Dr. Peter and Cornelia W. (Tising) Brossard, the former of whom was born at St. Etienne, France, and the latter at Cincinnati, Ohio. The grandfather on the paternal side was also named Peter Brossard. He was a carriage designer by trade and many years ago emigrated with his family from France to America, locating in Jefferson county, Missouri. The father of our subject was a stanch supporter of the Union at the time of the Civil war and enlisted in the army, but was taken sick and incapacitated from serving in the field, al-
**City or Town:** Valley Park

**Site Plan with North Arrow:** Lot 9-10-11, Block 20, Lot 7-8

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**Features:**

- **Thematic Category:**
- **Date(s) or Period:**
- **Dimensions:**
- **Foundation Material:**
- **Wall Construction:**
- **Roof Type & Material:**
- **No of Bays:**
- **Wall Treatment:**
- **Plan Shape:**
- **Changes:**
- **Preservation Underway:**
- **Condition:**
- **Endangered By:**
- **Visible from:**
- **Distance from and Frontage on Road:**

**Description of Important Features:**

The main portion of this structure is a two-story, three bay wide building, which is seven bays deep. The one-story wings are three bays deep. The entire structure is covered on the sides and roof with corrugated steel roofing. A parapet gives the front of the building a square, stair-step appearance. Windows are double hung and are either 1-over-1 or 4-over-4. An exterior chimney is located on the left side of the building.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**


1909 County directory.

On site inspection.
St. Louis Boat and Canoe
220-224 Benton Street

43. continued

as well as offering undertaking services. The central building of the present complex is likely the same one shown in an old photo. The property was taken over by the St. Louis Boat and Canoe Co. in the 1930's.
SARGENT AND SCHOLL

Robert Sargent and George Scholl operated a coal, wood and ice business along with a livery and undertaking service. When an undertaker was needed, Sargent and Scholl sent two men to the home for the body. It was wrapped in a sheet and placed in a long wicker-basket which had carrying handles on each side. After embalming, the body was returned to the family home and was laid out in the parlor where the wake was held. Family and friends visited the home and sometimes kept an all night vigil. Visitors brought food for the family as well as consolation and companionship. The wake lasted three days. On the day of the funeral, a horse drawn hearse arrived at the house. The black hearse had a large oval glass window on each side and black fringe trimmed the roof.

The funeral service was held in one of the four churches in town. The Catholics attended the new Sacred Heart Church, Methodists attended the new Scruggs Memorial Methodist Church, Episcopalians attended their church, and the blacks attended the First Baptist Church. After the service, the funeral continued on to the cemetery.

The most widely used cemeteries were the Oak Hill Cemetery, the Burns Cemetery, the cemetery known today as St. Paul's, and the cemetery in Valley Park. This last cemetery is a little known pioneer cemetery which is identified as such in a land transfer title of 1808. This cemetery was given by a later land owner “one acre, to be equally divided as one-half acre to the Catholic Church and one-half acre to the Protestant Churches for a burial ground.”
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**Specific Location**

SW corner of Third and Benton, Blk 17, Lots 24-25

**City or Town**

Illinois, Township & Vicinity

Valley Park

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

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**2. Present Name(s)**

Wolf's Department Store, Telephone Building

237 Benton Street

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**16. Thematic Category**

- Thematic Category:
  - constructed c. 1904

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**17. Date(s) or Period**

- Date(s) or Period:
  - Italianate 1904

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**18. Style or Design**

- Style or Design:
  - Italianate

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**19. Architect or Engineer**

- Architect or Engineer:
  - John Q. O'Dell

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**20. Contractor or Builder**

- Contractor or Builder:
  - John Q. O'Dell

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**21. Original Use, If Apparent**

- Original Use, If Apparent:
  - department store

**22. Present Use**

- Present Use:
  - Apartments

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**23. Ownership**

- Ownership:
  - Public
  - Private

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**24. Owner's Name & Address**

- Owner's Name & Address:
  - James Jenkins et al
  - 12118 Wesland Drive
  - Maryland Heights MO 63043

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**25. Open to Public?**

- Open to Public?
  - Yes

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**26. Local Contact Person or Organization**

- Local Contact Person or Organization:
  - J. Q. O'Dell

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**30. Foundation Material**

- Foundation Material:
  - stone

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**33. No. of Bays**

- No. of Bays:
  - Front: 6
  - Side: 6

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**34. Wall Treatment**

- Wall Treatment:
  - common bond

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**35. Plan Shape**

- Plan Shape:
  - rectangular

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**36. Changes**

- Changes:
  - Addition:
    - Move
  - Alter:
    - Move

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**37. Condition**

- Interior Condition:
  - Good

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**38. Preservation Underway?**

- Preservation Underway?
  - No

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**39. Endangered?**

- Endangered?
  - No

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**40. Visible From Public Road?**

- Visible From Public Road?
  - Yes

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**41. Distance From and Frontage on Road**

- Distance From and Frontage on Road:
  - 49' 4"

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**42. Further Description of Important Features**

- The original store front windows have been bricked up and replacement doors and windows installed. The cast-iron lintel over the front windows remains. One original cast-iron pillar remains on the right corner of the building. Original windows have segmented arches. A bracketed cornice runs across the front of the building. Three chimneys are on the side at the right. Star wall anchors run under the roofline on the building's sides. A small logo on a pillar base bears the Banner name.

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**43. History and Significance**

- This site was part of a large tract of land owned by Fred and Louise Buschmann which they sold in 1891 to G. H. Timmermann. Mr. Timmermann and his wife Mary sold the land to William C. Temple, acting as an agent for the group of men who were to establish a glass factory in Valley Park. William Temple and his wife transferred all the land to the Valley Park Land Co. for $1 and other valuable considerations in 1902. On July 11, 1904, Colonial Security Co. bought Lots 24 and 25 in block 17 from the Valley Park Land Co. and within a year erected the store.

- The storefronts actually face Third Street, which was intended in the town plan to be the main shopping street.

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**44. Date of Inspect**

- Date of Inspect:
  - 8/92

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**45. Revision Date(s)**

- Revision Date(s):
  - 49

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**5. Sources of Information**

- Source(s) of Information:
  - St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 50, page 504; 140, 14; 149, 579; 138, 21; 133, 29.
  - Watchman-Advocate, History of St. Louis County (1920), p. 123.
  - On site inspection.

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**46. Prepared by**

- Prepared by:
  - J. Q. O'Dell

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**47. Organization**

- Organization:
  - St. Louis County Parks

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**48. Date**

- Date:
  - 8/92

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**49. Revision Date(s)**

- Revision Date(s):
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Wolf's Department Store, Telephone Building
237 Benton Street

43. continued

Valley Park Land Co. The Deed ensured that the Colonial Security Company would not, within five years, build any building except of "brick or stone, not less than two stories in height and not less than 60 ft. deep and of good material and substantial construction."

In 1907 Charles Wolf established Wolf's Department Store, which took over the Timmermann store a year later. It eventually became the largest department store in St. Louis County. Charles Wolf was a native of St. Louis, born in 1868. He worked as a traveling salesman before starting this business, and died in 1915, leaving a widow and four children who took over the business. The first telephone switchboard was located in this building and it has since been know as the Telephone Building. A photo of the building printed in the 1920 county history shows a large gable roof above the present cornice.
### Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 50, page 504; 133, 29; 138, 21; 140, 14; 225, 427.
- On site inspection.

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**Historic Inventory**

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**Description of Important Features**

This cross gabled brick building has a square cupola with a bell crown. Over the front entrance, is a clapboard, open pediment in which a bull's eye is centered. The Georgian Revival front entrance is composed of an entablature and a pair of double pilasters. A transom and side lights surround the front door. All the windows are double hung and six-over-one with ashlar sills. Except for the two windows in the front gable, the windows also...

**History and Significance**

The Valley Pk. Land Co. sold this tract of land in 1908 to the Valley Pk. School Dist. This building was most probably built shortly after that date. It was named the Benton School, in honor of Sen. Thomas Hart Benton. The building has been used as the V.P. City Hall since 1952. The terra cotta date panel of the 1922 City Hall, which was located in the 100 block of Marshall, was moved to this building at that time.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

A red-granite tombstone-like monument stands in front of the front steps. It was dedicated in 1958 "to those who served in the armed forces of the United States."

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46. Prepared by: Esley Hamilton
47. Organization: St. Louis County Parks
48. Date: 49 Revis ed Date(s): 8/92
Valley Park City Hall, Benton School
318 Benton Street

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have three-paned transoms. The rear of the building, which has an elaborate brick parapet, may have been the original front entrance. A newer, one-story, brick garage is now attached to the rear. An exterior chimney is located on the right side.
Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102  
HISTORIC INVENTORY  

No  26P441121  

County  

St. Louis  

Specific Location  

Blk 21, Lots 17-22 & 15  

City or Town  

Valley Pk.  

Site Plan with North Arrow  

150 x 275  

1-53  

Owner's Name & Address, if known:  

Ronald and Linda Dickey  

Further Description of Important Features  

Additions and alterations to this residence are extensive. A square tower with a flat roof is on the west side of the building. The front and left side have hipped dormers, each with one window and side lights. Bay windows are on the front and east side of the house. All windows are double hung and one-over-one. A pair of chimneys rise offset left and offset right up through the house. A bracketed hood shelters the front centered entrance.

History and Significance  

Wm. C. Temple of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, acting as an agent for a group of men who were to establish a glass factory and new town, brought land from G. H. Timmerman and his wife Mary. One parcel sold for $23,500 on 8/4/1902 and other sold for $16,000 on 4/17/1902. Wm. Temple and his wife transferred all the land Mr. Temple had been buying to the Valley Park Land Co. for $1 and other valuable considerations in 1902. Between 1902 and

Description of Environment and Outbuildings  

Building sits adjacent to City Hall grounds. The bulk of the main house sits at SE corner of Benton and Fourth but subsequent additions continue N to Vest Avenue.

Sources of Information  

Weller Rodenberger, ed., Squib, (August 19, 1911) No. 32,  

St. Louis Cty. Recorder of Deeds (Book/Page) 133/29; 138/21; 140/14  


continued
W. Vance House
336 Benton Street

42. continued

A sidelight is to the right of the front door. The foundation is of coursed rubble. A gable screen porch addition is on the left side. A row of one-story outbuildings connect to the left side of the main building.

43. continued

1903, a stately house with an enclosed wraparound porch was built for Mr. W. J. Vance by the St. Louis Plate Glass Company. Mr. Vance was the vice president and treasurer of the group of Pittsburg capitalists who organized to create the St. Louis Plate Glass Company which was located in Valley Park. Mr. Vance took charge of the glass plant in January, 1903. In later years the Vance House was used as a nursing home and then as apartments. A two-story outbuilding, which appears in an old photo of the house no longer exists. This house is very significant in the history of Valley Park, even though it has been unsympathetically altered.

Vance was born in 1854 in Upland, Pennsylvania. He came to St. Louis to manage the glass factory, but he also organized the Valley Park Trust Company, of which he was president until 1917. He subsequently organized the Meramec Valley Bank, and he also served as president of the Valley Park Lumber Company, organized in 1914. Vance resigned from the glass company in 1914 but resumed his position in 1916, serving until February 1917, when the company was sold. After the new owners went bankrupt that October, Vance was appointed receiver and served until replaced by trustees in 1918.

45. continued

Watchman-Advocate, History of St. Louis County (1920), p. 63.
This group of houses is constructed of buff or orange brick. They have 1-over-1 windows (for the most part) under segmental arches. Some examples have narrow paired windows upstairs. Old photos show that some of these houses originally had ornamental dormers over the center bay, but these have gone. Most have one-bay entry porches with pedimented gables supported on classically detailed columns. The house at 43 Benton has a full-width porch.

History and Significance:

(see attached)

Description of Environment and Outbuildings:

Sources of Information:

Executive Brick Company Houses
various street addresses

42. continued

porch with hipped roof, while other houses have lost their porches. Houses have at least one and usually two chimneys rising at the center of the end walls inside the roofline.

43. continued

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## Historic Inventory

**Location of Negatives**: 166-7

### Specific Location

- **City or Town**: St. Louis
- **Rural, Township & Vicinity**: Valley Park
- **Site Plan with North Arrow**: see attached

### General Information

- **Sl-JS-023 011**
- **Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101**

### Thematic Category

- **Date(s) or Period**: constructed c. 1910
- **Style or Design**: vernacular
- **Architect or Engineer**: see attached

### Building Data

- **No. of Stories**: 2
- **Foundation Material**: concrete
- **Wall Construction**: brick
- **Roof Type & Material**: flat
- **No. of Bays**: 4
- **Wall Treatment**: painted
- **Ownership**: Public
- **Condition Interior**: fair to good
- **Condition Exterior**: fair to good
- **Preservation**: Yes
- **Endangered**: Yes
- **Visible from Public Road?**: Yes
- **Distance from and Frontage on Road**: 50'

### Environmental Description

- **Description of Important Features**: Three houses in a row were built to this design on Benton Street. They have center entries set deeply inside segmental-arched openings. Windows are also segmental arched - those on the outer bays are paired while those above the entries are narrower single windows - all are 1-over-1. One house retains a porch with square posts on brick piers. Cornices are continuous corbelled bricks.

- **History and Significance**: These duplexes were built after 1909, because they do not appear in the atlas of that year.

### Organization

- **Prepared by**: Esley Hamilton
- **St. Louis County Parks**
- **Date**: 9/92
- **Revision Dates**: 4/92

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### Attached Photos

- **Photo**: see attached
Brick Duplex Company Houses
various street addresses

43. continued

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This style of house has a deeply recessed entry facing front on the left side of the building at the end of a one-bay porch. A similar back porch is on the same side of the house behind a two-story wing. The second story of the front wing is slightly angled, almost like a high mansard roof, but with a cornice and frieze across the front. On the second floor three narrow windows are joined into a shallow oriel. Panels above the windows have diaper or lattice work patterns. (continued)

The angular and textured houses contrast with the cubical houses more characteristic of the company houses in Valley Park. Number 628 West Avenue is probably the best preserved of all company houses in the town. The houses at 432 and 438 Benton are larger than the others, with brick first floors and shingled second floors. (see attached)
42. continued

A similar group of three windows, but flat, is on the first floor. The side elevation opposite the entrance has an angled first-floor bay window below a second-floor projection and gable end.

43. continued

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**Company Houses**

**Shingle Style**

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**Location of Negatives:** 0116 - 35

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**City or Town:** Valley Park

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- 46. Prepared by Esley Hamilton
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- 48. Date: 9/92
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**HISTORIC INVENTORY**

**Executive Frame Company Houses**

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| Yes | No |

**41. Distance from and Frontage on Road**

| [Photo] |

**History and Significance**

These large houses are similar to the executive brick houses located in nearby blocks, but they have all been covered with aluminum or other siding, and many have nonfunctional shutters. They have 1-over-1 windows except for a few with 6-over-1 for contrast. Some have smaller paired windows upstairs. Smaller windows are over the front doors. Red brick chimneys rise from the side slopes of the roof. Front porches are major features, with classical (continued)

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**
Executive Frame Company Houses
various street addresses

42. continued

columns supporting broad friezes. Some porches have pedimented gable roofs, while others have hipped roofs. All have lost their original wood balustrades, but some have replacement wrought iron. Some houses have shed-roofed additions to the rear.

43. continued

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### HISTORIC INVENTORY

**Two Bay Frame Company Houses**

**601 - 609 Benton**

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**Notes**

- Prepared by Esley Hamilton
- Organization St. Louis County Parks
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**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

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|   | Site Plan with North Arrow |

| 8 | Coordinates |
|   | UTM |

| 9 | Structure Object |
|   | Site Building |
|    | 11 On National Register? Yes No |
|    | 12 Is II Eligible? Yes No |
|    | 13 Part of EsLab Yes No |
|    | 14 District Yes No |
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| 28 | No. of Stories |
| 29 | Basement |
| 30 | Foundation Material |
| 31 | Wall Construction |
| 32 | Roof Type & Material |
| 33 | No. of Bays |
| 34 | Wall Treatment |
| 35 | Plan Shape |
| 36 | Changes |
| 37 | Condition |
| 38 | Preservation Underway? Yes No |
| 39 | Endangered? By What? Yes No |
| 40 | Visible from Public Road? Yes No |
| 41 | Distance from and Frontage on Road |

**Description of Important Features**
Only one of these houses seems to have its original clapboards exposed -- 731 -- and it is otherwise in such poor condition that it has been condemned. Other houses have been refaced with aluminum, vinyl, asphalt or asbestos siding, some more than once. Some of these houses appear to be single family, while others are duplexes. Most of the duplexes are along Marshall. They have two doors in the center bays, while the others have only one. (continued)

**History and Significance**
(see attached)

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**
Many yards are fenced.
Peaked Roof Four Bay Company Houses
various street addresses

42. condemned

The peaked roofs above the center two bays have two small double-hung windows under a common shaped lintel, but as far as is known these windows lighted only attics. Many have been covered over. Windows are predominantly 1-over-1, but many 2-over-1 and 2-over-2 windows are also seen. Porches were apparently varied between two-bay gabled and four-bay hipped and shed roofs. Most of the porch roofs survive while the posts and railings have been replaced. Many houses have one-story shed-roof additions at the rear.

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**Addresses**

Peaked Roof Four Bay Frame
Company Houses
Valley Park Inventory

**Block/Lot Locator/Current Owner**
This little-changed house has a symmetrical front with door closer to left window. Porch above door and windows has hipped roof, two bays, with turned posts but no railing. Windows are 2-over-2. Side elevation is also uneven; roof descends in back to first floor.

This house was one of several apparently built by Louis and Sophia Kurth on their many properties in Valley Park. It was sold by them in 1910 to Mary and Lee Lowe. At the same time the adjacent property to the east was sold to Betty Lowe.

A shiplap sided storage building is behind the house to the east, while other outbuildings are to the west. The front of the house is almost fully screened in summer by large old maples.

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Plat Book 256, page 452; 298, 181.
On site inspection.
TWIN OAKS SUBD.

Crescent Ave.

Callahan, Joseph K.

Mueller, John

SEE PAGE 15 B
The main part of this building is a two-story frame structure with a low pyramid hip roof. The side walls of the first floor slope together at about a 200 angle, while the second floor is straight-sided. The building is known as the "Beehive," which is a good description of its appearance. An off-center entry is sheltered by a gable roof hood which is supported by brackets. Double-hung windows are located high up under the eaves. One-story wings are attached (continued).

Although this property was platted with the rest of Valley Park in 1903, the lot was not sold until 1921. At that time, Charles Nelson purchased it, and he probably built the house shortly thereafter. Later, the building became a roadhouse called "The Beehive," which had a poor reputation in the town's heyday.

The house is situated at the corner of Forest and Highland Avenues, near the point where Forest becomes Dougherty Ferry Road.

Sources of Information
Meramec Station Historical Society
On site inspection.

Prepared by
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| 18. Style or Design Vernacular | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 19. Architect or Engineer --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 20. Contractor or Builder --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 21. Original Use, if apparent road house St | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 22. Present Use | Residence | --- | --- | --- |
| 23. Ownership Public | Private | --- | --- | --- |
| 24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Ray & Diane Ware Rt. 1, Box 45 Leslie MO 63056 | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 25. Open to Public? Yes | No | --- | --- | --- |
| 26. Local Contact Person or Organization --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 27. Other Surveys in Which Included --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 28. No of Stories 2-1-1 | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 29. Basement? | Yes | No | --- | --- |
| 30. Foundation Material | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 31. Wall Construction Frame | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 32. Roof Type & Material Roof | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 33. No. of Bays | 2 | 3 | --- | --- |
| 34. Wall Treatment Siding | (?) | 99 | --- | --- |
| 35. Plan Shape Square | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 36. Changes Addition | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 37. Condition Interior | Good | --- | --- | --- |
| 38. Preservation Underway? | Yes | No | --- | --- |
| 39. Endangered? | Yes | No | --- | --- |
| 40. Visible from Public Road? | Yes | No | --- | --- |
| 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road | --- | 60 | --- | --- |
Charles Nelson House, "The Beehive"
800 Forest Avenue

42. continued

to the right side and the back side of the building. A bank of three, small, 3-over-3 windows runs across the front of the right wing.
Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

HISTORIC INVENTORY

14 Front Street

16. Thematic Category

17. Date(s) or Period
constructed c. 1880's

18. Style or Design
vernaclual

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, if apparent
residence

22. Present Use
residence

23. Ownership
Public

24. Owner's Name & Address, if known
Daisy Halsey
3406 Greenwood Boulevard
St. Louis MO 63143

25. Open to Public?
Yes

26. Local Contact Person or Organization

27. Other Surveys in Which Included

28. Changes
Addition

29. Preservation
Yes

30. Foundation Material
stone

31. Wall Construction
brick

32. Roof Type & Material
hipped gable, comp.

33. No. of Stories
1.5

34. No. of Bays
Front 2 Side 42

35. Plan Shape
rectangular

36. Condition
Interior

37. Condition
Exterior

38. Endangered?
Yes

39. By What?
No

40. Visible from Public Road?
Yes

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
145

42. Further Description of Important Features
Two brick gable dormers are on the south side of the building. All windows are segmentally arched. Dormer windows and paired front gable windows are 1-over-1; others are 2-over-2. Rear wing has lower roofline and metal-post porch on south side. Windows have aluminum awnings. Front first floor has been faced with permastone below brick stringcourse front door has transom.

43. History and Significance
This is one of three houses built facing the old Frisco Station on the old Meramec Pacific Railroad Subdivision laid out in 1866. This land had been purchased by Frederick Buschmann by 1878, when his name appears in the county atlas, and the following year he sold it to Gerhardt Timmermann. Timmermann must have built the houses about the same time the Frisco Hotel was built, because all face the

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings

45. Prepared by
Esley Hamilton

46. Date
9/92

47. Organization
St. Louis County Parks

Sources of Information:
On site inspection.
14 Front Street

43. continued

new line of the St. Louis and San Francisco (Frisco) Railroad, which had not been planned for in the Meramec Subdivision.

All the houses were included in the property sold by Timmermann to William Temple, the agent of the Valley Park Land Company, in 1902, and all appear on the plat of Valley Park filed the next year. This house remained the property of the corporation until after 1917.
Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

HISTORIC INVENTORY

St. Louis

16 Front Street

Lot pts 35-36, 131.30 ft. N of Marshall

City or Town: Ill. Rural, Township & Vicinity

Valley Park

Site Plan with North Arrow

Coordinates

UTM

1. On National Register? Yes I I

2. Part of Estab? Yes I I

3. Hist. Dial? Yes I I

4. Name of Established District

5. Sources of Information


On site inspection.

42. Furth Description of Important Features

Shot-gun, brick house with hipped gable roof. Two brick, gable dormers are on the south side of the building and one brick, gable dormer is on the north side. All windows are double-hung and are segmentally arched. First floor windows are 2-over-2, with the second floor windows being 1-over-1. First floor windows are framed by non-functional louvered shutters. A rear, one-story lean-to addition has its entrance facing the front of the house. (continued)

43. History and Significance

This is the middle one of three houses built facing the old Frisco Station on the old Meramec Pacific Railroad Subdivision laid out in 1866. This land had been purchased by Frederick Buschmann by 1878, when his name appears in the county atlas, and the following year he sold to Gerhardt Timmermann. Timmermann must have built the houses about the same time the Frisco Hotel was built, (continued)

46. Prepared by

Esley Hamilton

47. Organization

St. Louis County Parks

48. Date

9/9

49. Revision Date(s)
16 Front Street

42. continued

A stringcourse across the front of the building divides the first and second floors. Stone foundation is coursed rubble.

43. continued

because all face the new line of the St. Louis and San Francisco (Frisco) Railroad, which had not been planned for in the Meramec Subdivision.

All three houses were included in the property sold by Timmerman to William Temple, the agent of the Valley Park Land Company, in 1902, and all appear on the plat of Valley Park filed the next year. This house remained the property of the company until 1922, when it was sold to Frank Susek, a Czech immigrant. He built 229 Lookout Avenue about the same time. Susek and his wife Mary sold to Rose and William Maresch in 1937, and since then the property has changed hands frequently.

8/7165G
Sept. 1992
18 Front Street

16. Themeatic Category: vernacular

17. Date(s) or Period: constructed c. 1880's

18. Style or Design: vernacular

19. Architect or Engineer: unknown

20. Contractor or Builder: unknown

21. Original Use, if apparent: residence

22. Present Use: residence

23. Ownership: Public

24. Owner's Name & Address, if known: Frank J. Cuchetti

26. No. of Stories: 1½

29. Basement: Yes

30. Foundation Material: stone

31. Wall Construction: brick

32. Roof Type & Material: hipped composite

33. No. of Bays: 3

34. Wall Treatment: common bond

35. Plan Shape: rectangular

36. Changes: Addition

37. Condition: Interior

38. Preservation Underway?: Yes

39. Endangered? By What?

40. Visible from Public Road?: Yes

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road: 75'

42. Other Surveys in Which Included: none

43. History and Significance: This is one of three houses built facing the old Frisco Station on the old Meramec Pacific Railroad Subdivision laid out in 1866. The land had been purchased by Friedrich Buschmann by 1878, when his name appears in the county atlas, and the following year he sold to Gerhardt Timmermann. Timmermann must have built the houses about the same time the Frisco Hotel was built, because all face the new line (cont'd)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings: Story-and-a-half shot-gun brick house with hipped gable roof. Two brick gable dormers are on the south side of the building and one brick gable dormer is on the north side. All windows are segmentally arched except for the dormer windows, smaller replacement windows have been added, resulting in fill pieces being added to the top of the windows. The first floor windows are framed by small, nonfunctional shutters. A stringcourse across the front of the building (continued)

45. Prepared by: Esley Hamilton

Sources of Information:
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 7, page 145; 138, 21; 140, 14; 444, 412; 477, 115; 540, 631; 1614, 460; 6505, 1948.

On site inspection.
18 Front Street

42. continued

divides the first and second floors. Stone foundation is coursed rubble.

43. continued

of the St. Louis and San Francisco (Frisco) Railroad, which had not been planned for in the Meramec Subdivision.

All three houses were included in the property sold by G. Timmermann to William Temple, the agent of the Valley Park Land Company, in 1902, and all appear on the plat of Valley Park filed the next year. This house remained the property of the corporation until 1922 when it was sold by Universal Glass to William and Mary Swantner. It was sold in 1937 to Serafino Cuchetti, and it remains in the Cuchetti family today.
### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

The building is the largest of a group facing Front Street and probably built before the lower part of Valley Park was laid out in 1903. The tower of the hotel is on an axis with St. Louis Avenue and thus a community landmark. Recently a stockade fence has been built across the front of the site.

### Further Description of Important Features

The square tower above the entrance is capped by a pyramidal roof. There is a Romanesque Revival arched and columned doorway. A hipped dormer has double-hung windows and side lights. A smaller gabled dormer is also front facing. Second story windows have segmentated arches and non-functional shutters. Original first floor windows have been replaced by glass block and smaller replacement windows. Chimney is located on the front slope, offset to the right.

### History and Significance

Built by the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad as a hotel and boarding house for its workers in the 1880's when the Frisco extended its tracks from Pacific Missouri, to St. Louis. In the 1890's, Mrs. William Swantner was the proprietor of the hotel. By 1917, the Frisco Hotel and Restaurant was under the direction of Ralph Jorgenson. He added a theatre which has its own orchestra. The hotel rate for permanent guests was "$1.00 and up." This tract of land was owned by the (continued)
43. continued

Valley Park Realty Company until March 23, 1917, when it was sold to Rose Maresh for $4,500. Rose and William Maresh took out a deed of trust which was released in 1924. The Mareshes sold the land in 1946 to John A. and Harriet Mueller. On the 1909 plat map the building is shown as a hotel. In the 1909 county directory Z. Wilson is listed as "Prop. Frisco Hotel." Other people listed as living at the Frisco Hotel include the President, Secretary, Treasurer and Vice President of the Valley Park Milling Company, and various employees of the MoPac and Frisco Railroad.

44. continued

the building to create a terrace for outdoor dining.

45. continued

Logs and driftwood had floated through windows in homes and smashed what furniture the occupants possessed.  

The house is a one-and-a-half-story frame bungalow. A shed dormer has two double hung 3-over-1 windows. A shed roofed, closed porch has two banks of three windows divided by a center door.

Lot 14, on which the house sits, was acquired from the Universal Glass Company in 1921 by Joseph J. Babka. The Babka family ran the Frisco Hotel for a time and later a dry goods store. After Babka’s death his widow Dorothy sold the property in 1946 to Martin J. Sedlacek, who still owns it.

This house sits high on a hill above the avenue.

Sources of Information
Meramec Station Historical Society
On site inspection.
Kurth - Doering House
229 Jefferson Avenue

16. Thematic Category

17. Date(s) or Period
constructed c. 1900

18. Style or Design
vernacular

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, if apparent
residence

22. Present Use
residence

23. Ownership
Public

24. Owner's Name & Address, if known
Arthur Nicholas Smith Jr. & wife

25. Open to Public?
Yes

26. Local Contact Person or Organization

27. Other Surveys in Which Included

28. No. of Stories
1½

29. Basement
Yes

30. Foundation Material
stone

31. Wall Construction
frame

32. Roof Type & Material
cross gable, comp.

33. No. of Bays
Front: 3, Side: 3

34. Wall Treatment
asphalt siding

35. Plan Shape
irregular

36. Changes
Addition

37. Condition
Interior: fair

38. Preservation Underway?
Yes

39. Endangered?
No

40. Visible from Public Road?
Yes

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
100

Furth Description of Important Features
The L-shaped front of the house has a front facing gable over the north bay, and a two-bay porch to the south. The porch has a concrete floor, thin posts supporting a shed roof that descends from just under the main roof overhang. A later lower addition is at the rear of the house. Walls do not rise to a full second story. Windows are 2-over-1 and 1-over-1.

History and Significance
This house seems to be one of several built by Louis and Sophia Kurth on their many properties in Valley Park. This one appears in the county atlas of 1909. The next year the Kurths sold this property to Joseph and Amy Mary Doering.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings
The house sits far back from the road. A gable-roofed storage building is behind the main house.

Sources of Information
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 256, page 454; 6737, 2386.
On site inspection.

Prepared by
Esley Hamilton
St. Louis County Parks
Date
9/92
### Historic Inventory: Schlueter - Pfotenhauer House

**Location:** 407 Jefferson Avenue, St. Louis

**County:** St. Louis

**Specific Location:** part of Lot 11, Quinette

**City or Town:** Valley Park

**Site Plan:** With North Arrow

**Building Site:** UTM

**Structure:**
- **UTM:**
- **Lat:**
- **Lung:**

**Coordinates:**

**Building:**
- **No.:** 250610198
- **Name(s):** Schluer - Pfotenhauer House
- **Description:**
- **Date(s) or Period:** constructed c. 1900
- **Style or Design:** vernacular
- **Architect or Engineer:**
- **Original Use:** residence
- **Construction:**
- **Contractor or Builder:**
- **Owners:**
  - **Name:** Louise F. & Billy L. Melton
- **Ownership:**
  - **Public:** Yes
  - **Private:** Yes
- **Original Use:** residence
- **Other:**
  - **Open to Public:** Yes

**Additional Information:**

- **On National Register:** Yes
- **Important Historic or Architectural Features:**
  - Front porch has door to one side of two bays. Porch has shed roof, turned posts and sawtooth shingle roof angles. Main gables have similar shingles. Back wall of porch has two kinds of siding. First-floor windows on north side are paired, 1-over-1, under shaped lintels. Most windows now have nonfunctional shutters. Second-floor windows are mostly 2-over-2. Brick chimney rises from roofline.

**History and Significance:**

This is one of several houses in Valley Park constructed by Olivia and Bernard Schluer and subsequently sold. This house was sold after Olivia's death in 1908 by Bernhard to Mary C. Pfotenhauer. This sale in 1913 was for $1800 for a half-acre lot. Mary (nee West) had married Andrew P. Pfotenhauer in 1911.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**

Small one-story gabled cottage is in back of the main house.

**Sources of Information:**

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 20, page 501; 328, 33; marriage records.

**On site inspection.**
LOTS 9-10-11 OF
QUINETTE SUBD.
### House History and Significance

Bernard and Olivia Schlueter owned Lot 11 of the Quinette Subdivision and apparently built several houses on it for rental purposes. After Olivia's death in 1908, their daughter Vera sold this house in 1921 to Rudolph and Hedvika Hubacek for $1500.

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

A flat-roofed two-bay, one-story, stuccoed outbuilding stands behind and to the north of the main house. The ground drops toward the rear, where it is heavily wooded.

### Sources of Information

# HISTORIC INVENTORY

**see attached**

**Bungalowoid Company Houses**

**501 Leonard**

## Specific Location

**see attached**

**City or Town**

Valley Park

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

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## Plan Shape

Rectangular

## Condition

Interior: Yes

Exterior: Fair to good

## Open to Public?

Yes

## Local Contact Person or Organization

### Changes

Addition

Altered

in #42

### Other Surveys in Which Included

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### Distinct Features

These houses have the typical bungalow-type broad verandah under the double-angled roof. A very large gable in front has returns and an attic vent. Some front windows are 6-over-1, but most windows are 1-over-1. The porch construction is concrete, with the porch floor and part of the main house raised above the ground on posts.

### Sources of Information

- Photo

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### History and Significance

(see attached)

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

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### Prepared by

Esley Hamilton

### Organization

St. Louis County Parks

### Date

9/92

### Revision Date(s)

SL-AS-025-026
Bungaloid Company Houses
various street addresses

43. continued

The lower part of Valley Park was laid out in 1903 by the Valley Park Land Company, which was organized for the purpose of creating a company town for the St. Louis Plate Glass Company. Many residences were built by the company for rent to employees. Most remained in the possession of the company even after its first bankruptcy in 1917 until the final liquidation in 1925. The initial plat map of the town in 1903 shows houses on many of the lots. It is not clear whether the houses shown were already under construction or merely contemplated, but all of the company houses now standing can be located on the map. They were also depicted in the county atlas of 1909. The residences were of varying sizes, ranging from substantial to minimal. Nearly all of them have been altered over the years, primarily by alteration of front porches and application of siding. Many have also endured the periodic floods Valley Park has suffered, the worst of which was 1982. Nevertheless, several blocks of the town retain their characteristic streetscapes, giving Valley Park a unique appearance in this region.
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#### Description

- **Structure:**
  - **Type:** Foursquare
  - **Construction:** 1903
  - **Wall Construction:** brick-faced
  - **Foundation Material:** brick
  - **Roof Type & Material:** pyramid, comp.

- **Ownership:**
  - **Location:** Public

- **Condition:**
  - **Interior:** good
  - **Exterior:** good

- **Preservation:**
  - **Publicly Owned:** Yes
  - **Underway:** No

#### Important Features

- **Porches:**
  - Broad front porches with hipped roofs
  - Smaller replacement porches added

- **Windows:**
  - 1-over-1 windows on the second floor front
  - A single window over the door and two other windows grouped to the left

- **Environment and Outbuildings:**

- **Description:**

  These houses all have pyramidal roofs and segmental-arched windows. The first floors have doors to the right and paired windows to the left. Some have broad front porches with hipped roofs, while others have had smaller replacement porches added. Most houses of this type have four separate 1-over-1 windows on the second floor front, but a few have a single window over the door and two other windows grouped to the left.

#### History and Significance

(see attached)

#### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

#### Sources of Information

#### Prepared by

Esley Hamilton

#### Organization

St. Louis County Parks

#### Date

9/92

#### Revision Date(s)

SL-AS-025-027
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House, but it has a wing on the south side against which the ample hip-roofed porch ends. The porch has a broad frieze supported by columns with Corinthian capitals (the northernmost one is missing). The porch railing has turned balusters. Front windows are 12-over-12. The side stair window is art glass. The front door has toplights and sidelights now blocked by nonfunctioning shutters.

The street is a realignment of the earlier Henry Avenue, which was part of Milks' Addition to Valley Park. A gabled frame garage is behind and north of the house. The front gardens are lushly planted.

Sources of Information:
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 147, page 596; 164, 80; 180, 600; 181, 537. On site inspection.
Nellie Donnewald House  
15 Lookout Avenue

42. continued

A box oriel with a hip roof is just inside the entry. Large hipped dormers on the front and side of the house have paired 9-over-9 windows. The roof shingles are the old-fashioned diamond-placed squares.

43. continued

1909 county directory shows three Donnewalds reported as living at #6 Lookout Avenue, which must be this house: A.J., a salesman; J.B., millinery; and L.B., teller at the Valley Park Trust Company.

2/6175G  
Sept. 1992
Stretcher bond
2. Foundation: concrete
3. Walls: brick
4. Roof: gable, tile
5. Foundation: concrete
6. Walls: brick
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9. Walls: brick
10. Roof: gable, tile

This structure is a two-story duplex with a high gable, ceramic tile roof. Ceramic tiles also cover the hipped roof front porch which sits on square posts. Two separate front doors are sheltered by the porch. All windows are double hung. Side windows are 1-over-1. The front windows, which are grouped in pairs, are 6-over-1. The center front of the building is decorated with a shield design.

This house was originally owned by Frank Susek and wife, Czechoslovakian immigrants. Susek bought lot 18 in this block in 1922 and added lots 11, 12, 19, 20 and 21 in succeeding months. After Mrs. Susek's death, Susek transferred title to this and other property to his daughter Rose, the wife of William Maresh, in 1937. Susek continued to live here, and he died in 1945. The property was later owned by William and Louise Maresh, who moved to Florida in 1976.

Sources of information:
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 536, pages 577 and 580; 563, pages 587 and 589; 668, 326.
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### Meramec Valley Bank Building

**46 Marshall Avenue**

**Thematic Category**: Commercial Vernacular

**Date(s) or Period Constructed**: c. 1915

**Style or Design**: Commercial Vernacular

**Architect or Engineer**: Nathan Dubman

**Contractor or Builder**: 30

**Original Use**: Bank

**Present Use**: Donahue's Bar & Grill

**Ownership**: Public

**Owner's Name & Address**: Nathan Dubman, 38 Marshall Valley Park MO 63088

**Open to Public**: Yes

**Condition**: Good

**Preservation Underway?**: No

**Endangered?**: No

**Visible from Public Road?**: Yes

**Distance from and Frontage on Road**: 86'

**Historic and Significance**: No building is shown on this spot in the 1909 county atlas. The lot was sold in 1914 to Benjamin F. Laretto for $1600, and the Meramec Valley Bank was operating here by 1918. Laretto died about 1965, and after his wife Amy's death in 1973, their sons Benjamin, Jr. and Kenneth sold the property. The Larettos had lived on the second floor.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**: Front Street has potential as a historic district.

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**Sources of Information**

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 140, page 14;
346, 272; 5764, 27; 6685, 348 & 349.

On site inspection.
This house and 342 Marshall Avenue are identical except for alterations. Both appear to be stuccoed concrete block or tile on the ground floor and brick above. Windows are under segmental arches with double rows of radiating brick voussoirs. The main entrance is on the right side of the gable front, while a second entrance is on the east side. Gables are underlined with a brick corbelled frieze. West wall is almost blank. This house has a hip-roofed front porch with turned posts and matching returns. A frame addition at the rear is one story taller.

These houses, which differ from all the company-built houses nearby, are not shown in the 1903 or 1909 maps of Valley Park. In 1911 the Valley Park Land Company sold Lot 18, Block 3, to Steve Vila and Segismondo Vila for $700. They probably built the houses at that time. In the 1930's this house was occupied by William H. Callahan, a laborer.
This house and 340 Marshall Road next door are identical except for alterations. Both appear to be stuccoed concrete block or tile on the ground floor and brick above. Windows are 1-over-1 under segmental arches with double rows of radiating brick voussoirs. The main entrance is on the right side of the gable front, while a second entrance is on the east side. Gables are underlined with a brick corbelled frieze. West wall is almost blank. This house has a terrace in front with... (continued)

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342 Marshall Road

42. continued

x-patterned railings. The side entrance appears to have its original paneled door but has lost its steps. Some windows have nonfunctioning shutters, and others appear to have lost them. A gabled frame wing at the rear has siding partly covering more recent windows.
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### Further Description of Important Features

The original arched brick-work, doorways and windows are identifiable even though the doorways and windows have been completely infilled with brick. The "Gem Theater" stencil is still visible on the side of the building. The roof is vaulted. The front facade has a terra cotta-topped parapet. The header course of bricks over the front windows appears to be of the newer infill bricks.

### History and Significance

This building sits on lot 6 of Blk 1. There is no building shown on the 1903 or 1909 plat map. The 1909 county directory lists the Gem theater, Moving Picture, Carey & Mockbeby, 3rd & Benton. The proprietors, Carey and Mockbeby must have lived at 3rd and Benton. The Valley Park Land Co. sold lot 6 to Joseph T. Fritsche in 1913 for $600 and lot 7 to Valley Park Distillery in 1916 for $300. It is probable that the building was built in 1909 on lot 6. This was later called the Park Theater. The building and the Description of Environment and Outbuildings: Used as a storage building for an industry.

### Sources of Information

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 323, page 371; 388, 579; 396, 249.
1909 County directory.
On site inspection.

### Other Information

Prepared by Esley Hamilton
Organization: St. Louis County Parks
Date: 9/92
Revision Date: 
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(see attached)
Two Bay Frame Company Houses
various street addresses

43. continued

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HISTORIC INVENTORY

Peaked-Roof Four Bay Company Houses

Location of Negatives
0118 - 28 & 27

Specific Location
see attached

St. Louis

City or Town
Valley Park

Site Plan with North Arrow

Visit

Coordinates
UTM

Data

July 18

Description of Important Features

Only one of these houses seems to have its original clapboards exposed -- 731 -- and it is otherwise in such poor condition that it has been condemned. Other houses have been refaced with aluminum, vinyl, asphalt or asbestos siding, some more than once. Some of these houses appear to be single family, while others are duplexes. Most of the duplexes are along Marshall. They have two doors in the center bays, while the others have only one. (continued)

History and Significance

(see attached)

Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Many yards are fenced.

Prepared by
Esley Hamilton

St. Louis County Parks

Date
9/92
Peaked Roof Four Bay Company Houses
various street addresses

42. condemned

The peaked roofs above the center two bays have two small double-hung windows under a common shaped lintel, but as far as is known these windows lighted only attics. Many have been covered over. Windows are predominantly 1-over-1, but many 2-over-1 and 2-over-2 windows are also seen. Porches were apparently varied between two-bay gabled and four-bay hipped and shed roofs. Most of the porch roofs survive while the posts and railings have been replaced. Many houses have one-story shed-roof additions at the rear.

43. continued

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This basically cross-gabled, one-story log building has an irregular shape. A side entry is sheltered by a gable porch which is supported by log posts. Small, irregularly paced and sized windows have wooden frames and covers.

This property is located just outside the 1903 plan of Valley Park. It was part of the large Johnson estate acquired by George W. Baumhoff in 1921. He sold this triangular tract to the Lions Club in 1932 for $1000. The county assessor estimates the date of the present log building as 1945, but it could be as much as a decade earlier.

The lot is triangular, bounded west by 10th Street, south by Marshall Road and north by St. Louis Avenue, which meets Marshall Road at the east end of the property.
Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

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16. Thematic Category: Commercial

17. Date(s) or Period constructed: c. 1920

18. Style or Design: 01

19. Architect or Engineer: Alois Steigerwald

20. Contractor or Builder: Alois Steigerwald

21. Original Use: Commercial

22. Present Use: Commercial

23. Ownership: Public

24. Owner's Name & Address: Dale J. Kopff

25. Open to Public: Yes

26. Local Contact Person or Organization: Economy Radiator Svc. 225-4500

27. Other Surveys in Which Included:

28. No. of Stories: 1

29. Basement: Yes

30. Foundation Material: Concrete block

31. Wall Construction: Brick & block

32. Roof Type & Material: Arched, tar paper

33. No. of Bays: Side & front irr.

34. Wall Treatment: Painted

35. Plan Shape: 0

36. Changes: Altered

37. Condition: Interior

38. Preservation Underway: Yes

39. Endangered?: Yes

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road: 129 ft.

42. Further Description of Important Features: A stair-step parapet is the main feature of this commercial building, which has a brick front and concrete block sides. Large window areas have been filled in on both front and sides. Large garage door and canopied entry are chief remaining features.

43. History and Significance: This building was originally a filling station and auto repair operated by Alois Steigerwald's son-in-law Lee Simpson. The ground was the site of the 19th century of Louis Kurth's store and saloon, a frame building. Kurth had bought the ground in 1882 from John and Maggie Marquitz. He sold to Alois Steigerwald in 1910 for $5800. Steigerwald's widow Mary sold part of the property.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings: This property now has three buildings. To the north of this one is a modern one-story structure, while to the south is an older two-story building, which until recently was in separate ownership.

5. Sources of Information:


On site inspection.

46. Prepared by: Esley Hamilton

47. Organization: St. Louis County Parks

48. Date: 9/92
Steigerwald Garage
26 Meramec Station Road

43. continued

the Missouri Improvement Company in 1929, but the rest remained in the family until 1972 when Arthur Francis Steigerwald and Mary Elizabeth Simpson sold it to Dale Kopff.

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Sept. 1992
The Valley Park Elevator consists of two buildings connected by a one-story scale pit shelter measuring 17 feet by 13 feet 6 inches. Toward Marshall is the hardware store, in technical parlance the "working house," while closer to the tracks is the grain elevator itself, called "the bin." According to the county tax assessor's records the elevator measures 50x28. Its gable roof is topped by a gable-roofed cupola or "penthouse" 25x15.

John Freivalds, in his 1976 book, Grain Trade (Stein & Day), called grain elevators "sentinals of the prairie." "Grain elevators," he said, "are located in almost every farm community and often compete with the local church steeple as the highest structure." Nowhere is this image of elevator and steeple more true than in Valley Park, which has the last surviving grain elevator in St. Louis County. (cont'd)
Valley Park Grain Elevator
107 Meramec Station Road

42. continued

The lower roof is 49 feet high, and the penthouse raises the total height of the building to 62 feet. Across the east end is an eight-foot shed. The elevator has three small horizontal windows at first-floor height at the west end and another at the top of the gable, while the cupola has several larger windows. The corrugated metal cladding of the building is painted with a large sign advertising Purina Chows, with the typical checkerboard border, recently repainted.

The working house was altered a few years ago as the result of the reconstruction of Meramec Station Road as Missouri Route 141. The shed-roof enclosed porch that enlarged the sales area of the hardware store was demolished and the northwest corner of the gable-roofed sales area was cut back at an oblique angle, eliminating part of the scalloped bargeboard. The remaining surface was covered with a vertical-patterned plywood sheathing, left unpainted. At the same time, the 10x38 foot shed along the south side of the building was enlarged to create a new entry for the hardware store. It too is a porch construction. The older "XL" Valley Park Elevator sign over the second-floor windows of the main elevation on the Marshall Avenue side was left in place. This includes a gable-roofed projection in the right bay that includes a 6-over-6 window. To the east of the main working house is a one-story wing with a brick east wall rising to a stepped gable.

Southeast of the main complex is a long gable-roofed storage building also clad in metal sheathing. It has several garage doors opening toward the main building.

43. continued

Nationwide about 15,000 elevators still exist, but most are of the concrete variety, more recent than the Valley Park example.

The land on which the elevator stands was part of the Meramec and Pacific Railroad Subdivision laid out in 1866. According to Louis Scharf, whose History of Saint Louis County was published in 1883, the first mill here, called the Meramec MILL, was built in 1874 by Gerhardt H. Timmerman, "with two run of stones, one for flour and one for corn. It was both a custom and a merchant mill, and another run of stones was soon added." This mill must have been located on Lot 14, because Timmerman acquired lots 15 and 16 only in 1879 from Frederick and Louise Buschmann (St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 7, page 145) and lots 12 and 13 in 1880 from Conde and Clemence Benoist (11, 106). Pitzman's 1878 atlas shows a substantial complex of buildings on lots 11 through 14 but mistakenly credits the ownership of the whole tract to Fredrick Buschmann.
Timmerman and his wife Mary sold Lots 11 through 14 later in 1880 to Charles F. Leonhardt for $6,000 (13, 410). The deed specifically includes the flour mill and engines, machinery fixtures, buildings and steam pump but does not include the merchandise and wagon & team "used in connection with said mill." Just a year later Leonhardt and his wife Justine Caroline sold to Henry B. Eggers and Henry B. Peters, "composing the firm of Eggers & Co. of St. Louis" for $2,500 (15, 448). Scharf says that Leonhardt had added another run of stones for grinding wheat, but judging from the sale price, a substantial part of the value of the property had been lost. According to Scharf, also, Eggers added seven sets of rollers for the manufacture of roller flour. "The machinery is driven by an engine of eighty horse-power, and the daily capacity of the mill is two hundred barrels of flour. It is wholly a merchant mill. A cooperage is attached to it, and eighteen hands are employed at the establishment. An elevator is in process of construction, and this, when completed, will have a capacity of thirty thousand bushels."

By 1883, Henry Biedenstein was able to acquire the same property from Henry and Rosa Eggers for only $250 (23, 68). He retained it until 1889, but apparently didn't do anything with it, because when he sold it back to Gerhardt Timmerman, the price was only $350 (41,201).

Timmerman held the property until the time that the new company town of Valley Park was laid out, and he must have been responsible for rebuilding the facilities substantially. He sold this tract, with some adjacent property, in 1902 to William Temple, the agent of the Valley Park Land Company, for $23,500 (138. 21). This high price suggests but does not prove that the present elevator was built during Timmerman's ownership. The date of 1895 that has traditionally been assigned to the elevator cannot be substantiated by the evidence at hand.

William Temple sold virtually the whole city to the Valley Park Land Company later in 1902 (140, 14-29). Part of the site of the elevator was acquired from the Land Company in 1904 by John W. and Elizabeth Miller of Kenosha, Wisconsin (154, 98). They sold it later that year to the newly formed Valley Park Milling, Lumber and Mining Company (155, 5 & 6). The chief investor in the new company was James T. Dougine of New York City. The company's intent was to build a mill "for the purpose of grinding wheat, corn, oats, barley, rye and all other grains and cereals." The new company paid $20,000 for the 20-foot frontage extending 326 feet back along the tracks (154, 98), then paid another $2,000 for a five-foot strip along the south edge of the property (162, 41). Less than a year later, however, they sold the property for only $8,000 to Orin F. Pearson (162, 42). This suggests that most of the buildings had been damaged or destroyed again. Pearson soon organized his own milling company, the...
Pearson Milling Company (170, 6). In 1907 it changed its name to the Valley Park Milling Company (208, 6). In 1914 another 43.56 feet of frontage on Meramec Station Road was added to the existing property (408, 436), but in 1920 the company, then headed by J. P. Eckert, sold out to the Eggers Milling Company (488, 30). This firm had been established by H. B. Eggers in Hermann, Gasconade County, Missouri, after he left Valley Park. The company was organized in 1882, according to the Watchman-Advocate, but it was incorporated in 1894 (501, 466).

A picture of the elevator appears in the Watchman-Advocate newspaper's History of St. Louis County in 1920, looking much as it did until recently. The Eggers company retained the name Valley Park Milling Company for this facility and manufactured its brands of flour, "Eggers Perfection," "Eggers Imperial," "Good Luck," "Eggers Best," and "Daily Bread." It also sold hay, corn, oats, seeds, bran, shorts, ground barley, chicken feeds and dairy feeds. Charles F. Eggers, the son of H. B. Eggers, born 1883, managed the Valley Park branch, having come from the Company's roller mills in Grafton, North Dakota.

In spite of this optimistic report, the Eggers Milling Company sold most of their Valley Park property the next year to the Valley Park Cooperative Elevator Association, which was newly organized for this purpose (502, 147; 505, 20; 598, 259). The company issued $50,000 worth of stock, of which William Hauhart of Valley Park bought the lion's share. He was also on the board of directors, which also included Henry Hoffmann, John L. Boland, Henry Harwood, Ed Jacobs, Louis Dependahl, and William Ruck. The new association continued to operate the elevator through the twenties.

of the building and also on a paved lot behind the long storage shed.
**Historic Inventory**

**216 Meramec Station Road**

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**City of Town** | Valley Park

**On National Register?** | Yes

**Foundation Material** | Stone

**Style or Design** | Vernacular

**Architect or Engineer** | John Lomasini

**Contractor or Builder** | John Lomasini

**Original Use, if apparent** | Residence

**Present Use** | Residence

**Ownership** | Public

**Owner's Name & Address, if known** | James C. Lomasini 1171 Big Bend Rd. Ballwin 63021

**Open to Public?** | Yes

**Condition** | Interior: Good, Exterior: Good

**Preservation Underway?** | Yes

**Endangered?** | Yes

**Visible from Public Road?** | Yes

**Distance from and Frontage on Road** | 34 ft.

**Thematic Category** | Constructed 1880's

**No. of Stories** | 1½

**Wall Construction** | Brick

**Roof Type & Material** | Hipped gable, comp.

**No of Bays** | 2 Side 3+

**Wall Treatment** | Painted

**Plan Shape** | Irregular

**Notable Features**

This house is nearly identical in its original form to 14, 16, and 18 Front Street, except that its main entry is on the side. It has paved single-pane windows under the hipped gable end and underlaid by a corbelled stringcourse. Other windows are 1-over-1. First floor windows have flat lintels, while the windows in the two gabled brick dormers are segmentally arched. The lower two-bay wing on the rear has a shed-roof porch on the south side. A much larger, newer gabled storage building is attached to the rear of the house.

**History and Significance**

County atlases show Gerhardt Timmermann owning this land between the 1880's and 1910. He owned the lots facing front street from the 1880's to 1902 and built the houses at 14, 16 and 18 Front Street which are nearly identical to this house, so presumably he built this house too.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

This lot is very deep in relation to frontage, extending 170 feet to the west.

**Sources of Information**


County directories.

On site inspection.

46. Prepared by

Esley Hamilton

47. Organization

St. Louis County Parks

48. Date

9/92

49. Revision Date(s)

9/92
This building was originally the Valley Park Bottling Company. Prior to 1926 the Bottling Company was located just north of the Frisco Hotel.
### Valley Park Public High School

**356 Meramec Station Road**

**Thematic Category:**
- 16

**Date(s) or Period:**
- 17
- Constructed 1937

**Style or Design:**
- 18
- PWA Modern

**Architect or Engineer:**
- 19

**Contractor or Builder:**
- 20
- Lo J. 12.70

**Original Use, if apparent:**
- 21
- School

**Present Use:**
- 22
- School

**Owner(s):**
- 23
- Public
- Private

**Owner's Name & Address:**
- 24
- Not known

**Valley Park School District**
- 25
- 364 Meramec Station Road

**Open to Public:**
- 26
- Yes
- No

**Local Contact Person or Organization:**
- 27
- Yes
- No

**Other Surveys in Which Included:**
- 28

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### Description of Important Features:

This two-story brick school has a five-bay, full-height projecting entry bay. Full height, fluted pilasters frame the front door and also outline the sides of the entrance bay. A second pair of one-story pilasters also frame the front door. The double door entry is topped by a segmental arch and inscribed panel. The right wing has two bays and the left has five bays. All the windows are in banks of three and have terra cotta lintels and sills. One set of windows on the left side has been bricked up. A tile frieze circles the building just below the roof line.

The Valley Park School District began as a rural school, designated District 5, Township 44 Range 5. In 1908 it was reorganized as a village district and in 1910 became the Valley Park Consolidated District. Since the high school was built on this site in 1937, the site has grown to encompass all the services of the Valley Park school system.

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### Sources of Information:

Esley Hamilton and Mary Webb, "Schools Built in St. Louis County Before 1941" (1991), p. 34.

On site inspection.
**HISTORIC INVENTORY**

**505 Meramec Station Road**

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24. Owner's Name & Address, if known:
Cedar Craft Health Services, Inc.  
1101 McCormick Hunt Valley MD 23103

25. Open to Public? Yes || No X

26. Local Contact Person or Organization:
McCormick Hunt Valley MD 23103

27. Other Surveys in Which Included:

28. Thematic Category:

29. Date(s) or Period:
constructed c. 1911

30. Style or Design:
Foursquare 01 |

31. Architect or Engineer:

32. Contractor or Builder:

33. Original Use, if apparent:
residential

34. Present Use:
residential

35. Foundation Material:
partly concrete block

36. Wall Construction:
frame

37. Roof Type & Material:
high hip, comp.

38. No. of Bays:
Front 3 Side 3

39. Wall Treatment:
clapboard

40. Roof:

41. Condition:
Interior fair

42. Open to Public? Yes || No X

43. Endangered? Yes || No X

44. History and Significance:
This property was part of a large tract owned by the Milks family and sold in 1902. It was platted by the Valley Park Land Company in 1903. These three lots were sold in 1910 to Christina D. Brooks, and the house was probably built a short time later. Christina also had a part interest in lot 4 next door (517 Meramec Station Road), while her sister Elsie L. Brooks purchased lot 5 (521 Meramec Station Road).

45. Description of Environment and Outbuildings:
Probably both of those houses were built a short time after this one.

46. The ground drops abruptly to the north of the house.

50. Sources of Information:
**Lot 1, Cantrell Hills SD**

**City or Town**
Valley Park

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

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**4. Present Name(s)**

Charles B. Fischer House

**516 Meramec Station Road**

**6. Site Number**

250340969

**7. County**
St. Louis

**8. Location of Negatives**
0118 - 12

**9. Specific Location**
Lot 1, Cantrell Hills SD

**10. City or Town**
If Rural, Township & Vicinity
Valley Park

**11. Site Plan with North Arrow**

**12. On National Register?**
Yes

**13. Part of Established District?**
Yes

**14. District?**
Yes

**15. Name of Established District**

**16. Thematic Category**

**17. Date(s) or Period**

**18. Style or Design**
Queen Anne

**19. Architect or Engineer**

**20. Contractor or Builder**

**21. Original Use, if apparent**
residence

**22. Present Use**
residence

**23. Ownership**
Public

**24. Owner’s Name & Address, if known**
Frank & Susan Dipiano

**25. Open to Public?**
Yes

**26. Local Contact Person or Organization**

**27. Other Surveys in Which Included**

**28. No. of Stories**
2

**29. Basement?**
Yes

**30. Foundation Material**
squared rubble

**31. Wall Construction**
frame

**32. Roof Type & Material**
cross gable, comp.

**33. No. of Bays**
Front irr.2 Side irr.2

**34. Wall Treatment**
asbestos, clapboard

**35. Plan Shape**
cross

**36. Changes**

(Explain in #42)

**37. Condition**
Interior fair

**38. Preservation Underway?**
Yes

**39. Endangered?**
By What?

**40. Visible from Public Road?**
Yes

**41. Distance from and Frontage on Road**
9/96

**42. Furth Description of Important Features**

House has asbestos siding on the gable end walls but retains the original narrow clapboards on the side walls. The gables themselves are decorated with fishscale shingles. Diamond shingles in contrasting colors form large diamonds to the sides and above the gable windows, and pierced scalloped ornaments close the gable apexes. The entry porch is in the angle of the wings. It has a hipped roof and recently rebuilt woodwork, including square posts, railing with (continued)

**43. History and Significance**

This lot and the one immediately south of Guylyn Place are the SW corner of the old Survey 1970 originally granted to John Hensley. It was sold by Kate and Louis (or Lewis) Milks in 1902 for $650 to Charles B. Fischer, and he probably built the house at that time. The house is shown in the 1909 county atlas, at which time it was owned by the Valley Park Land Company. It had been purchased in 1903 by the (continued)

**44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The house is located at the corner of Guylyn Place. A railroad-tie retaining wall supports plantings along the south side of the house.

**45. Sources of Information**
Plat Book 137, 38.
On site inspection.

**46. Prepared by**
Esley Hamilton

**47. Organization**
St. Louis County Parks

**48. Date**
9/92
nailed-on balusters, and similarly detailed "spindle" frieze. Windows are 1-over-1. A shed-roof addition is in the rear.

43. continued

Land Company from Charles B. and Minnie C. Fischer, a short time after the rest of the companies holdings had been platted as "Valley Park." The tract was still owned by the Company in 1917 so must have been leased for many years. In later years it also changed hands many times. County directories report the following: 1938, Fred Palmer; 1940, William J. Stuart; 1949, Elvin Dunn.
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**Notations:**
- **Architect or Engineer:** Princess Anne
- **Foundation Material:** prob. stone
- **Roof Type & Material:** gable comp.
- **Wall Treatment:** aluminum siding
- **Endangered?** Yes
- **Visible from Public Road?** Yes
- **Preservation Underway?** No
- **Other Surveys in Which Included:** Yes
- **Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**
  - The next house to the north, 521 Meramec Station Road, may have been built at the same time.

**Description of Important Features:**
- Dramatic tall front gable has fish-scale shingles, half-moon vent, and cornice returns. Gable-roofed front porch below has three taperd piers on clapboarded parapet. Windows are 1-over-1; those in front have shutters. South side has hip-roofed oriel near rear. A one-story addition is at the rear.

**History and Significance:**
- This land was part of a large tract owned by the Milks family, and sold in 1902. It was platted by the Valley Park Land Company in 1903. This new lot was sold in 1910 to Joseph Bailey for $400, and the next day he resold it to Mary E. Brooks for $440. A few months later Mrs. Brooks deeded this lot to her children, who included a son, Hayes M. Brooks, and five daughters. This house was probably built as (continued)

**Sources of Information:**
- On site inspection.

**Prepared by:** Esley Hamilton

**Organization:** St. Louis County Parks

**Date:** 9/92
an investment a short time later. One of the daughters, Christina D. Brooks, purchased lots 1, 2 & 3 of this block at the same time and probably built 505 Meramec Station Road. Another daughter, Elsie L. Brooks, bought lot 5 to the north later in 1910 and probably built 521 Meramec Station Road, which is similar to this house (274/455). Judging from county directories, ownership of this house changed frequently: 1938 George Phillips; 1940 Jesse R. Robinson; 1949 Henry A. Vohs.
**Zion Lutheran Church**

**531 Meramec Station Road**

**Thematic Category**
- Constructed 1913

**Style or Design**
- Vernacular

**Architect or Engineer**
- John Seibel & Sons

**Original Use, if apparent**
- Church

**Present Use**
- Church - commercial

**Owner's Name & Address**
- Evangelical Lutheran Zion Church, 527 Meramec St.

**Preservation**
- Yes

**Endangered?**
- No

**Environment**
- Yes

**Condition Exterior**
- Good

**Condition Interior**
- Good

**Features**
- Flared base
- Rectangular openings in the tower have louvered shutters
- Circular top of the tower
- Gable roof
- Atrium
- Window (2-over-2)

**History and Significance**

Lutheran services were first held in Valley Park in 1910. The Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church was formally organized in 1912. The contracting firm of Henry Seibel and Sons from nearby Manchester was contracted on June 14, 1913. The cornerstone was laid a month later, and the dedication was November 9. The first pastor, Emil Marzinski, who later changed his last name to Mars, also served Concordia Lutheran.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

An extensive parking lot occupies the south side of the property, which stands several feet above the level of Meramec Station Road. Behind the church stands the Educational Building, a flat-roofed orange brick structure with a one-story entry and two floors of classrooms behind. The frame bungalow to the north (cont)

**Sources of Information**

"Zion Lutheran Church, 75th Anniversary," 1987.
Telephone interview with church office staff, April 1992.
On site inspection.

5 Other Names:
- Zion Lutheran Church
- Valley Park
- Meramec Station Road
- Lutheran Church
- Zion Church

46. Prepared by

Evelyn Hamilton

47. Organization

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48. Date

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Zion Lutheran Church
531 Meramec Station Road

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with some panes depicting liturgical symbols. The ceiling is low but peaked. The lectern and pulpit were made by George Ruck and donated by him about 1958, when the present pews were installed. The reredos of the altar is original and is white-painted wood in a Gothic style seen in churches a quarter-century older than this one.

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Church in Maplewood, and several later pastors also had other duties. The parsonage was completed on the lot north of the church in 1930. It was built by the Bush Contracting Company for $4,400. A basement was dug under the church in 1942 by members of the congregation. Parking was expanded to the south and east of the church through a series of purchases of lots in 1948, 1960, and 1974. The church was remodeled in 1955 by William Greenwald & Sons of Kirkwood, extending the chancel to the east. The Educational Building was started in 1963 and completed in 1964 to designs of Charles Dunn and Alvah Johnson, members of Zion.

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of the church is the parsonage. The two yards run together, and the parsonage garage faces south and is approached by a driveway behind the church.
**Historic Inventory**

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<td>This house stands out in the context of Valley Park for its period styling. It stands on land purchased in 1929 by Lawrence J. and Mary Rose Weggenmann from Julie Eberwein of St. Louis. Since the Weggenmanns did not take out a mortgage, it is likely that they did not build the house right away. The county assessor estimates the date of construction as 1935. According to county directories, the Weggenmanns were here at least until 1950. The front walk leading from the road to the house is curving and paved with flagstones.</td>
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William M. Woods purchased this lot from Louis and Sophia Kurth in 1905. He paid $250. The house is shown in the 1909 county atlas.

The ground drops abruptly to the south and west of the house into a thicket-like undergrowth.

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 162, page 13; 163, 618; 164, 244.

On site inspection.
Milks - Burton House
545 Meramec Station Road

Thematic Category: 16
Date(s) or Period Constructed: 17 c. 1898
Style or Design Queen Anne
Architect or Engineer
Contractor or Builder
Original Use, if apparent residence
Present Use residence
Ownership Public
Owner's Name & Address
Mary and Tahar Ardelmalek
545 Meramec Station Rd. 63088

Description of Environment and Outbuildings:
Complex massing of this Queen Anne house includes the entry under a lean-to roof descending from inside slope of cross-gable roof. Porch thus created has brick corner column and returns with a stubby shaft on a tall plinth. Street-side gable ends have first floor bay windows with small shed roofs. Rear one-story wing appears to be an addition. Windows are of various types, mostly double-hung. Brick chimney protrudes rear of center of roof.

History and Significance:
This house was definitely standing by 1903, when it appears on the plat of Valley Park by the Valley Park Land Company, but its actual date of construction is less clear. In the 1880's it was part of a tract of over 160 acres owned by William M. Page, who did not live in St. Louis County. He entered into a lease agreement for the tract in 1897 with Lewis L. Milks. Milks was a Kirkwood farmer (born 1861) (continued)

Sources of information:
Eileen Sherrill, ed., Valley Park...100 Years Ago and More (1982) page 42.
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 150, page 619; 176, 492; 123, 5; 129, 357; 150, 610; 176, 492.
On site inspection.
Milks - Burton House
545 Meramec Station Road

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whose parents Henry B. and Anna Milks had laid out Milks Addition to Meramec in 1870. Lewis married Katie Baldwin in 1885. The lease calls for James Thomas Page and Thomas George Page (possibly sons of Thomas M.) to work in the vegetable garden of the farm, and for Milks to provide for their support. The lease also mentions that it is for the benefit of Susan P. Baldwin, who presumably was related to Katie Milk. Apparently this lease served as a legal transfer, because Milks was able to sell the tract in 1902 to William Temple, the agent of the Valley Park Land Company. Presumably this house was built during the brief time that Milks owned the property. It was acquired from the Valley Park Land Company in 1904 for $1,400 by John Burton, who apparently died a short time later. In 1906, Arthur and Annie Burton of Kokomo, Indiana (son and daughter-in-law of Burton?) relinquished their interest in the property to Anna Burton, presumably the widow or daughter of John Burton.
### Historic Inventory

**William A. Koons House**

610 Meramec Station Road

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*Picturesque house has front gable on right bay and verandah stretching south from that and terminated in semicircular projection with semicircular roof. The verandah has Tuscan columns, square balusters under a curving railing, and lacy gingerbread brackets. Latticework closes the area below the porch floor. The front and side gables have broad cornice returns. Above the porch is a pedimented dormer with shingle-clad walls. Windows are 1-over-1, except for the two first floor (continued)*

*Although the current deed to this property refers to it as being in Lot 21 of the Quinette Subdivision, it is actually in lots 46 and 47. The lot was sold for $550 in 1905 by Louis and Sophia Kurth, who owned several other properties in Quinette and Valley Park, to William A. Koons. According to the local historical society Koons was a dentist and a descendant of a pioneer Valley Park family. (continued)*

*Railroad ties have been used to landscape the south side of the front yard and the rear deck. The gravel drive includes a turning place by the south basement door.*

*Sources of Information*

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 165, page 165; 2098, 103, 2391, 322.
- On site inspection.

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**Preservation Underway?** Yes

**Endangered?** Yes

**Visible from Public Road?** Yes

**Distance from and Frontage on Road** 196'

**Photo**

**Prepared by** Esley Hamilton

**Organization** St. Louis County Parks

**Date** 9/92

**Revision Date(s)**

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William A. Koons House
610 Meramec Station Road

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front windows, which have sixteen-paned upper sashes. The center window on the south side is a glass oriel on brackets, with a shingled hip roof. The ground drops to the south and rear of the lot, permitting a ground-level basement entry. This entry and the bay above it appear to be an addition, having a concrete block foundation. A large modern deck has been added at the rear, with latticework underneath, and a trellis overhead.

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The house is shown in the 1909 county atlas. Clara Price sold it in 1947 to Michael S. and Mary Byrd. August and Bernice Dennis bought it in 1960 and renovated it in 1978 for their daughter and son-in-law Janine and David C. Helfrich.
"Mary Welling" House

632 Meramec Station Road

### Thematic Category

- **Date(s) or Period:** Constructed c. 1866-70
- **Style or Design:** Vernacular
- **Architect or Engineer:**
- **Contractor or Builder:**

### Present Use

- **Residential**

### Ownership

- **Public/Private:** Private
- **Owner(s) Name & Address:**

### Field Notes

- **Present Name(s):** Charles Miller 225-6227

### Description of Features

- **Open to Public:** Yes

### History and Significance

- **Lots 21 and 22 were purchased from Oliver Quinette soon after the subdivision was laid out in 1866 by George E. Haskell, who died the next year. The lots remained the property of his estate until 1893, when they were sold to Olivia Schlueter for $600. When Oliver Quinette amended his subdivision in 1870, however, he indicated a house on this lot and the name "Mary Welling." (continued)**

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

- **Railroad ties have been used to create planting areas near the front door. The ground slopes rapidly downward from front to back of the lot.**

### Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 68, page 522, 523; 80, 566; 127, 387; 135, 80; 140, 51; 175, 257; 3049, 318. On site inspection.

### Preparer

- Esley Hamilton

### Organization

St. Louis County Parks

### Date

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"Mary Welling" House
632 Meramec Station Road

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Mary Welling may have been a tenant, or she may have been a child of George E. Haskell. In any case, the core of this house probably dates back to that period. The Haskell estate sold Lots 21 and 22 to Olivia Schlueter in 1893 for $600, but when she and her husband sold the property two years later, they received $2000, so the second house on the property, now 646 Meramec Station Road, was probably built at that time.

The buyer was Charles A. Wagner, who sold to Samuel M. Ross, Jr., in 1901 for $2400, and Rose sold the following year for $2800 to George D. Waterall. Waterall sold only year later for $2950 to Franklin P. Ready, and Ready sold in 1906 to Vincent and Katherine Friedrich, who are shown as the owners in the 1909 county atlas.

The house at 646 Meramec Station Road was sold in 1920 to Joseph L. Friedrich for $1600. The Friedrich family owned 632 Meramec Station Road until 1952, when Dorothy Friedrich sold it to August and Bernice Dennis.
**Qui nette revised his 1866 subdivision in 1870, he showed...**

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**Historic Inventory**

| Thematic Category | Vernacular |
| Date(s) or Period | c. 1900 |
| Style or Design | Residential |
| Architect or Engineer | B.J. Halker |
| Contractor or Builder | |
| Original Use, if apparent | Residential |
| Present Use | Residential |
| Ownership | Public |
| Owner's Name & Address, if known | B.J. Halker 225-6333 |

**Further Description of Important Features**

This two-story house from the 19th-century has a later hip-roofed porch over the entrance and south front bay, and turning the corner around the south side. This porch has Tuscan Doric columns and boxed gable. The rear wing has cantilevered balconies on both sides; they are of recent construction, probably replacing columned verandahs, because they are sheltered by the broadly overhanging roof. Windows are 8-over-8 and have nonfunctional shutters. The south gable end has a circular vent.

**History and Significance**

When Oliver Quinette revised his 1866 subdivision in 1870, he showed a house already standing on lot 20, with the name N.J. Sarazien attached. By 1880, both lots 10 and 20 were owned by Gustav and Barbara Pape. They sold in 1889 to Frederick Sanders. Sanders died in 1899, and at that time the two lots had only one house on them, described as a four-room brick house, with stable, haybarn and outbuildings. (continued)

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

This large lot is partly fenced in back. The front driveway is lined with railroad ties.

**Sources of Information**


St. Louis County Probate Court, file 1597, refusal 1780.

Notes of Meramec Station Historical Society.

On site inspection.
John O. Sturdy House
641 Meramec Station Road

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That description fits the house at 647 Meramec Station Road next door rather than this one.

When this house was extensively remodeled by Betty and Michael Halker after they purchased it in 1972, they found a log house incorporated into this one. Due to its deterioration, the log structure had to be dismantled; the logs were reused as a fence at the rear of the house. This log structure must have been one of the original outbuildings, incorporated into this house when it was built between 1899 and 1909 by Augusta ("Gussie") and John O. Sturdy. They were the daughter and son-in-law of Frederick Sanders, and had married in 1888. The two adjacent properties, or what remained of them, were finally separated in 1910, when the Sturdys gave up 1.974 acres and Margaret Sanders, the widow of Frederick, and their daughter Margaret De Foe (Augusta's younger sister) gave up 1.489 acres.

This house is said to have been a showplace during its occupancy by the Sturdys. John Sturdy died in 1930, and Augusta sold the property in 1938 to William H. Brockman. It was renovated by the Halkers after a vacancy of several years.

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42 Description of Important Features
Front entry, very near road, is sheltered by hip-roofed vestibule; front door is now on side. Windows are 2-over-2. The rear of the house appears to have been a verandah under an attic but is now closed in with modern vertical siding and sliding doors.

43 History and Significance
Although a portion of this property is in Lot 11 of Quinette's Subdivision, the part with the house is in Lot 21 and shares part of its history with the house at 632 Meramec Station. Lots 21 and 22 were purchased from Oliver Quinette soon after the subdivision was laid out in 1866 by George E. Haskell, who died the next year. The lots remained the property of his estate until 1893, when they were sold (continued)

44 Description of Environment and Outbuildings
The ground drops steeply from the road to the rear of the lot, fully exposing the basement level in the rear.

5 Sources of Information
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds Book 68, page 522 and 523; 80, 566; 127, 387; 135, 80; 140, 51; 175, 257; 500, 65; 2328, 214; 5908, 187.
On site inspection.
646 Meramec Station Road

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to Olivia Schlueter for $600. The house was sold in 1895 by Bernard and Olivia Schlueter to Charles A. Wagner for $2,000, so the Schlueters probably built this house; they seem to have built several other houses that they subsequently sold. Wagner sold to Samuel A. Ross, Jr. in 1901 for $2400, and Ross sold the following year to George D. Waterall for $2800. Waterall sold in 1903 to Franklin P. Ready for $2950, and Ready sold in 1906 to Vincent and Katherine Friedrich for $2250. It was Friedrich who started dividing up the property into its present lots. This part went to Joseph L. Friedrich, a brother or son, in 1920, for $1600.

Unfortunately, from the foregoing information it is impossible to determine the age of this house. It was definitely standing by 1909 when it was shown in the county atlas, and by 1926, when a deed from Vincent Friedrich (175, 257) refers to this property "sold to Joseph Friedrich which he lives in." Since the Schlueters are known to have built houses for rent on other parts of their property it is likely that they also built this one.
Pape - Sanders House

647 Meramec Station Road

16. Thematic Category
   \( \text{80} \)

17. Date(s) or Period
   constructed c. 1880

18. Style or Design
   vernacular \( \text{99} \)

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder
   \( \text{30} \text{ 40} \)

21. Original Use, if apparent
   residential

22. Present Use
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23. Ownership
   Public \( \text{X} \)

24. Owner's Name & Address, if known
   Nancy Ann Dwyer

25. Open to Public?
   Yes \( \text{X} \)

26. Local Contact Person or Organization
   Owner: 225-5955

27. Other Surveys in Which Included

28. No. of Stories
   1\( \text{½} \)

29. Basement?
   Yes \( \text{X} \)

30. Foundation Material
   stone

31. Wall Construction
   brick

32. Roof Type & Material
   gable, comp \( \text{6B} \)

33. No. of Bays
   Front \( \text{3+} \text{ 1} \)

34. Wall Treatment
   \( \text{30} \text{ 99} \)

35. Plan Shape
   irregular

36. Changes
   Alteration

37. Condition
   Interior
   Exterior good

38. Preservation
   Underway?
   No \( \text{X} \)

39. Endangered?
   Yes \( \text{X} \)

40. Visible from Public Road?
   Yes \( \text{X} \)

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
   110'

42. Further Description of Important Features
   This good quality Victorian cottage has segmentally arched windows with fitted shutters. Front verandah under main roof has square posts and x-pattern balustrade. Entry is in north front bay. One-story gable-roof frame addition extending north of front porch has aluminum siding and concrete foundation.

43. History and Significance
   Lots 10 and 20 were acquired by Gustav and Barbara Pape by 1880. They sold the property, with improvements, in 1889 to Frederick Sanders. When Sanders died in 1899, these lots were described as having a four-room brick house, with stable, hay-barn and outbuildings. That must be the present house. Sanders's widow Margaret lived here until at least 1910 with her daughter (continued)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings
   The large tree-shaded yard includes a large barn/shed at the rear.

45. Sources of Information
   St. Louis County Probate Court, file 1597.
   On site inspection.

52. Further Description of Important Features
   Photo

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Esley Hamilton

St. Louis County Parks

56. Prepared by

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds

57. Organization

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also named Margaret (who was age 11 in 1899). The daughter later married LeRoy DeFoe. The Sander's older daughter Augusta ("Gussie"), who had married John O. Sturdy in 1888, apparently built the adjacent house at 641 Meramec Station Road.

Later the property was acquired by Herman Schroeder, who sold it in 1925 to John E. Dwyer. The present owner is his daughter, Nancy Ann Dwyer.
Olivia Schlueter House

695 Meramec Station Road

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| Distance from and Frontage on Road | 695 Meramec Station Road |

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Southwest corner bays of the house form a tower with a flared pyramidal roof. The rest of the main roof is cross-gabled, with a first-floor shed roof portion to the rear. The front door is sheltered by a gabled porch with turned posts, gingerbread spandrels, and square balusters. To the south side a second entrance is at a higher level. It is sheltered by an aluminum awning and opens onto a modern deck of treated wood with bulky railing. Windows to the left (continued)

Peter and Sophia Hubbell bought Lots 8 and 9 of Quinette Subdivision from Oliver Quinette himself in 1869. By 1888 Peter Hubbell was living in Starkville, Colorado, and Sophia Hubbell in Leavenworth, Kansas. They then sold the lots to Bernard and Olivia Schlueter. The Schlueters owned considerable land on both sides of Meramec Station Road here, but this house was apparently their own residence. (cont'd)

The ground drops very steeply behind the house, requiring a parking area almost on the road to the south of the house.

Sources of Information
St. Louis County Probate Court, files 2883 and 29588.
On site inspection.

Prepared by
Esley Hamilton

Organization
St. Louis County Parks

Date
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Olivia Schlueter House
695 Meramec Station Road

42. continued

of the front door are paired under a shaped lintel. The broader single (1-over-1) window above the door has a similar window, and all three have non-fitting shutters. Other windows around the house have simpler frames. A small gable window is in the front face of the tower. The front gable has an ornamental framework spanning the space between the bargeboards.

43. continued

Its date is not known, but it is presumably around 1890. Olivia Schlueter died in 1890. This house was inherited by her daughters. Helen and Vera, who lived here at least until 1959, when Vera died. By then her closest relatives were two cousins, Hakon and Ingeborg Schlueter, in Cologne, Germany, and most of Vera's remaining estate went to her friends Anthony and Mathilda Schumacher.
LOTS A & B OF
QUINETTE AMENDED
A RESUB. OF PT. LOT 62

PART OF
QUINETTE SUBD.

HARTJES 12 SUB.

Hiscock, Raymond T. & Virginia E.
1-12-24-67
2.18 ACRES.
25QG4-0104

25QG4-0030
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Callahan, Joseph Hickey
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### Alexander Bolte House

704 Meramec Station Road

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- Hip-roofed porch wraps around north side of house. It has square brick posts, boxed cornice, and iron railings. Windows are 1-over-1 with false shutters. Front wall under porch roof has vertical siding above artificial stone. Rear wing is one story and has shed roof. Dormer in front is low, with short window and shed roof.

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- This portion of Lots 12 and 62 was acquired from Louis and Sophia Kurth with a total of five acres for $1700 in 1907. The Kurths had built several houses in this neighborhood, but this one seems to have been built by the buyers, Alexander and Julia Bolte. The Bolte family owned land in this neighborhood until recently.

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- A parking area is on the south side of the house.

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- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 205, page 222.
- On site inspection.
LOTS A & B OF
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A RESUB. OF PT. LOT 62

PART OF
QUINETTE SUBD.
### Schluter-Marcus House

**707 Meramec Station Road**

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**Specific Location**

- part of Lot 8
- Valley Park
- UTM
- Slaton with North Arrow

**Important Features**

- Scalloped shingles still ornament gables. Entry in angle between two-story wings has shed-roof descending from 2nd story behind hip-roofed porch. Porch posts and railings are now wrought iron. To left of entry is one-story hip-roofed bay window. Windows are 1-over-1. Shed-roof addition at rear has side entry approached by modern deck.
- Brick chimney rises from ridge near center of roof.

**History and Significance**

This is part of a lot that Peter Hubbell bought from Oliver Quinette in 1869 and sold to Bernard and Olivia Schluter in 1880. The Schluters lived at 695 Meramec Station Road. Olivia Schluter sold this lot in 1907 to Elizabeth Julie Marcus for $3350, a large amount even for 2.4 acres. This suggests that the Schluters had built the house earlier. It is shown in the 1909 county directory. Elizabeth Marcus (continued)

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

- Sources of information:
  - St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 12, page 367; 193, 453; 458, 412; 1586, 125; 6192, 520; 9348, 798 through 807.

On site inspection.

**Prepared by**

Esley Hamilton

**Organization**

St. Louis County Parks

**Date**

40 Revision Date(s)

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married John H. Rosemann in 1919 and later that year she transferred this property by quit claim to Conrad Pfeiffer.

William and Julia Rutter sold this property in 1939 to George and Louise Metal. Louise outlived George, dying in 1987. The property passed to Virginia E. Hiscox, presumably their daughter, the wife of Raymond T. Hiscox, who also died in 1987. They lived at 711 Meramec Station Road.
**Funt - Hildebrandt House**

**716 Meramec Station Road**

**Thematic Category**
16

**Date(s) or Period constructed c. 1908**
17

**Style or Design Vernacular**
18

**Architect or Engineer**
19

**Contractor or Builder**
20

**Original Use, if apparent residential**
21

**Present Use residential**
22

**Ownership Public**
23

**Owner's Name & Address, if known**
24

**Description of Structure**
25

**Open to Public Yes**
26

**Local Contact Person or Organization**
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**Are These Houses Significant?**
28

**Are There Other Surveys in Which Included**
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**Endangered?**
35

**Distance from and Frontage on Road 162'**
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37

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38

**Number of Bays Side**
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**Wall Treatment Asphalt siding**
40

**Foundation Material stone**
41

**Wall Construction frame**
42

**Roof Type & Material gable, comp.**
43

**No. of Bay Side**
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**Altered**
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**Number of Stories**
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### Funt or Description of Important Features

The hip-roofed front porch has tapering columns but only partial iron railing. Windows are 1-over-1. The front gable has lace-like gingerbread trim at apex. The foundation has been stuccoed.

### History and Significance

This house is one of two five-room frame houses referred to in the estate of Louis Kurth in 1912. Each was valued at $1200. Kurth's own home was just a little farther north on Meramec Station Road, beyond Crescent. He also ran a general store in downtown Valley Park. Since Kurth had owned this property since before 1878, the date of these houses is problematic. The county assessor estimates (continued)

This house is similar but not identical to 718 Meramec Station Road next door. The ground drops abruptly to the south and west, exposing most of the rear foundation.

### Sources of Information

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 600, page 622; 2754, 60; 4614, 175; 7817, 1875.

St. Louis County Probate Court, file 3546.

Meramec Station Historical Society.

On site inspection.
Kurth - Hildebrandt House
716 Meramec Station Road

43. continued

the dates of Number 716 as 1908 and Number 718 as 1906.

Sophia Kurth, the widow of Louis, kept this house until 1923, when she sold it for $3,300 to Oscar Hildebrandt. Hildebrandt kept it until 1960. The next year it was purchased by his brother-in-law Hilary Callahan, and it is currently owned by Callahan's daughter Rosemary Zak. Her brother Joseph Callahan owns 718 Meramec Station Road next door.
**Kurth - Stephens House**

718 Meramec Station Road

**Thematic Category**
- Vernacular

**Date(s) or Period**
- Constructed c. 1906

**Style or Design**
- Residential

**Architect or Engineer**
- Joseph Callahan

**Contractor or Builder**
- Joseph Callahan

**Original Use, if apparent**
- Residential

**Present Use**
- Residential

**Ownership**
- Public

**Description of Important Features**

The front porch has a hipped-roof, boxed cornice, four square posts and modern turned balusters. The area under the porch floor is filled with latticework. The front gable has lacy gingerbread near the apex. The front door has side lights and flanking carriage lights and is set in the right front bay. Windows are 1-over-1 and have nonfunctional shutters. Octagonal vent in gable is matched by octagonal windows in north side wall and basement. North side has (continued)

**History and Significance**

This house is one of two five-room frame houses referred to in the estate of Louis Kurth in 1912. Each was valued at $1200. Kurth's own home was just a little farther north on Meramec Station Road, beyond Crescent. He also ran a general store in downtown Valley Park. Since Kurth had owned this property since before 1878, the date of these houses is problematic. The county assessor estimates (continued)

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The house is similar but not identical to 716 Meramec Station Road next door. A white plank fence marks the front of the property but continues only one bay at the side. A modern deck has been added to the back of the house, approached from the north side.

**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 543, page 116; 6992, 1621; 7201, 1282.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, file 3546.
- On site inspection

**Prepared by**

Easley Hamilton

**Organization**

St. Louis County Parks
Kurth - Stephens House
718 Meramec Station Road

42. continued

gable-roofed "additional" dormer with circular window apparently replacing an earlier window. A modern pair of sliding glass doors opens from the north side onto a deck. The chimney rises from the west gable.

43. continued

the dates of Number 716 as 1908 and Number 718 as 1906.

Sophia Kurth, the widow of Louis, kept this house until 1922, when she sold it to Orville Stephens. It remained in the Stephens family until 1977, when it was acquired by Matilda Schumacher. Her brother Oscar Hildebrandt had previously owned Number 716 next door. The property is now owned by her nephew Joseph Callahan, whose sister, Rosemary Zak, owns Number 716.

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Sept. 1992
HISTORIC INVENTORY

809 Meramec Station Road

Warner-Hartje House

16. Thematic Category

17. Date(s) or Period

18. Style or Design

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, if apparent

22. Present Use

23. Ownership

24. Owner's Name & Address, if known

25. Open to Public?

26. Local Contact Person or Organization

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31. Roof Type & Material

32. Wall Treatment

33. No of Bays

34. Plan Shape

35. Condition

36. Changes

37. Preservation Underway?

38. Endangered?

39. Visible from Public Road?

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St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 169, page 412; 286, 84; 339, 204; 400, 419.

Plat Book 5, page 74.

46. Prepared by

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**George W. Baumhoff House**

**3310 Quinette Road**

- **County**: St. Louis
- **Location of Negative**: 229 - 04
- **Specific Location**: 4.56 acres, part of Lot 10, Breen Estates

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**Historic Significance**

George W. Baumhoff, Sr., acquired this site, along with considerable additional land, from Sylvester P. Keyes of the Keyes Farm & Dairy Company, in 1905 and 1906. After another large purchase in 1921, Baumhoff owned a total of 454 acres to the northeast of Valley Park, including most of the present Simpson Park and Tree Court Industrial Park. He was best known for the large public swimming pool he had.

- **Furnish Description of Important Features**: This is a stucco, two story Neo-Classical house. Its full height porch has a roof which is supported by Tuscan columns. The columns also support a second story balcony with balustrade. The entry is framed by a semi-circular fanlight with sidelights. The first and second story windows are double hung and are 6-over-6. The foundation is rusticated stone. A one story wing on the left side of the house has a front facing clapboard sided, bay window. There is also a (continued)

- **Sources of Information**
  - St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 158, page 556; 179, 456; 181, 149; 237, 522; 6423, 1338; 7645, 2005.
  - St. Louis County Probate Court; File 14962.
  - On site inspection.

**Prepared by**: Esley Hamilton

**St. Louis County Parks**

**Date**: 9/92

**Revision Date(s)**: 9/92
George W. Baumhoff House
3310 Quinette Road

42. continued

one story addition to the back of the house. (There is a huge safe in the basement; the house may have been built around it.)

43. continued

on his property, the antecedent of the present Treecourt Pool. Although this house may have been built as early as 1910, the county assessor's office estimates its date as 1924. After Baumhoff's wife Clara died, he left the Valley Park property in trust to his daughters, Isabelle and Mabel, with "complete control and management of the swimming pools now located on the land." At the time of his death in 1941, Mabel was living at Greenwood Hospital in Greenwood South Carolina. More recent owners of this house include Ronald E. and Geneva Warren, Bradford P. and Joy C. Wilson (1969), Ronald D. and Lois A. Jacober (he is a well-known local sports announcer), and John and Karen Hoad. John Hoad is the current head of the St. Louis Ethical Society.
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windows. A shorter belt course of ashlar is under the second story windows. The original "Valley Park Trust Co." stencil is visible on the rear of the building.

43. continued

Scholl for $4,000. Scholl mortgaged the property and lost it in 1939 to C. L. Shotwell. It was then purchased by Thompson Price, president of Price Powell Varnish Company.
Dietrich Building

300 St. Louis Avenue

Specific Location
NE corner of Third and St. Louis
B1k 16, Lot 1-2
City of Town
Valley Park
Site Plan with North Arrow
49 x 100
1-50

Coordinates
UTM

Further Description of Important Features
All original windows have segmented arches and ashlar sills. The windows are double hung and one-over-one. The original store-front windows have been boarded up to accommodate the building's current use as a residence. The corner entrance has a cast-iron column and cast-iron lintels. A brick dental stringcourse runs around the tile-topped parapet. Foundation is rubble squared stone. The name "Dietrick" is centered in the top front of the building.

History and Significance
This tract is part of a larger tract owned by Frederick and Louise Buschman in 1878. The Buschmans sold this land to G.H. Timmerman in 1891. Timmerman sold to Wm. C. Temple in 1902. Wm. and Carrie Temple sold these tracts to the Valley Park Land Co. which was subdivided in Sept. of 1903. (6/10) PLAT BOOK In 1903 there was a building on this lot. By 1907 the Valley Park Land Co. had sold this lot to John H. Dietrich of Man-Established District

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1909 County directory.

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Further Description of Important Features

A two-story, brick building with a castellated parapet capped in terra cotta. The building front also has a terra cotta cornice and frieze. Iron lintel over first floor door and window. The original store-front window and door has been replaced. The remaining original windows are double hung, one-over-one. The side windows have segmented arches. The brick chimney is located offset left.

History and Significance

The Valley Park Land Co. purchased several tracts of land from Wm. C. Temple in Dec. of 1902. This building is not shown on the 1903 subdivision map. In February of 1907 this lot was sold to H.W. Gehner for $1300. The building was constructed between 1907 and 1909. In 1909 the building was known as Wichmann's Hotel & Restaurant.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Sources of Information

County Directory 1909.
Meramec Station Historical Society. Alice Swantner.
Recently one wall was uncovered, revealing the original painted lettering in script: "Rooms & Board, Meals Served."

Mr. Urban Wichmann, a native of Gemany, was proprietor of the hotel and restaurant and the Lafayette Bar. In the County directory of 1909, seven people are listed as living at 309 St. Louis Avenue, including several employees of the glass factory.

5/6154G
Sept. 1992
**James Mercantile Company**

601 St. Louis Avenue

**Dates or Period**
- 1903-05

**Type of Design**
- vernacular

**Architect or Engineer**
- unknown

**Contractor or Builder**
- unknown

**Original Use, if apparent**
- commercial

**Present Use**
- commercial

**Owner's Name & Address**
- Richard M. James
- 9 Boyd Avenue
- Valley Park, MO 63088

**Open to Public?**
- Yes

**Condition**
- Interior
- Exterior

**Preservation Underway?**
- No

**Endangered?**
- Yes

**Visible from Public Road?**
- Yes

**Sources of Information**
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 166, page 403.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, file 6651.

**History and Significance**
This property has been owned by the James family since 1905, when William H. James bought lot 30 from William G. and Florence M. Heiner for $2400. The store that was on the site at that time is depicted in Valley Park, Missouri in 1909. W. H. James General Merchandise advertised groceries, shoes, tinware and notions. William H. James died in 1924, leaving a widow Mary Jane, a daughter, and four sons, (continued)

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**
2. Further Description of Important Features: The main entry is now a single door with blank side panels but was probably a double door originally. It has a tall three-part pointed window above it. Narrower lancet windows flank the entry and line the Fourth Street side. The east side has a large three-point window similar to one over the front door but deeper. This side is composed as a large cross gable, with the right side extended downward to take in a double entry at ground level. A square tower rises from this corner.

3. History and Significance: The Valley Park Land Company donated the land for this church, which was originally named The Scruggs Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church. South in honor of one of the founders of Scruggs, Vandervoort and Barney department store, who helped to finance it. After his death the church became Scruggs Memorial. The flood of 1915 impeded growth of the town and of the church. The basement was inserted under the.

4. Description of Environment and Outbuildings: The parsonage for the church is behind it at 219 Fourth Street.

5. Sources of Information:
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds.
- On site inspection.
Valley Park United Methodist Church
Meramec Valley Baptist Church
Scruggs Memorial Methodist Church
401 Vest Avenue

42. continued

its top stage is fitted with louvered panels. A brick chimney rises from the front corner. The main entry opens on a stoop reached from stairs descending in both directions along the front wall.

43. continued

church, raising its height, in 1938. At the time of the church's 50th anniversary in 1954, the front steps were rebuilt, and the lower basement entrance was created. Five and a half acres were acquired in 1960 at 436 Meramec Station Road, and this building was sold to the Meramec Valley Baptist Church. A new Valley Park Methodist Church was finally dedicated in 1971. The Baptists rededicated the present building on November 26, 1961, and were admitted to the Baptist Association in 1962. The congregation was originally a mission of Kirkwood Baptist Church. The flood of 1982 put water four feet deep in the main auditorium, but that damage tood has been repaired.
MEREMAC VALLEY
BAPTIST CHURCH
VALLEY PARK, MO.
This group of houses is constructed of buff or orange brick. They have 1-over-1 windows (for the most part) under segmental arches. Some examples have narrow paired windows upstairs. Old photos show that some of these houses originally had ornamental dormers over the center bay, but these have gone. Most have one-bay entry porches with pedimented gables supported on classically detailed columns. The house at 43 Benton has a full-width (continued)
Executive Brick Company Houses
various street addresses

42. continued

porch with hipped roof, while other houses have lost their porches. Houses have at least one and usually two chimneys rising at the center of the end walls inside the roofline.

43. continued

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### History and Significance

This style of house has a deeply recessed entry facing front on the left side of the building at the end of a one-bay porch. A similar back porch is on the same side of the house behind a two-story wing. The second story of the front wing is slightly angled, almost like a high mansard roof, but with a cornice and frieze across the front. On the second floor three narrow windows are joined into a shallow oriel. Panels above the windows have diaper or lattice work patterns. (continued)

The angular and textured houses contrast with the cubical houses more characteristic of the company houses in Valley Park. Number 628 Vest Avenue is probably the best preserved of all company houses in the town. The houses at 432 and 438 Benton are larger than the others, with brick first floors and shingled second floors. (see attached)

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

No information provided.

### Sources of Information

- No information provided.

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9. Revision Date(s)

No information provided.
Shingle Style Company Houses
various street addresses

42. continued

A similar group of three windows, but flat, is on the first floor. The side elevation opposite the entrance has an angled first-floor bay window below a second-floor projection and gable end.

43. continued

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#### COMPANY HOUSES
#### SHINGLE STYLE

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**Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102**

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Valley Park

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

**Coordinates**
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| 18. Architect/Engineer | |
| 19. Contractor/Builder | |
| 20. Original Use, if apparent | residence |
| 21. Present Use | residence |
| 22. Ownership | Public |
| 23. Owner's Name & Address, if known | see attached |
| 24. Open to Public? | Yes |
| 25. Preservation Underway? | No |
| 26. Local Contact Person or Organization | |
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**Changes**

| 36. Changes (Explain in #42) |
| 37. Condition Interior | |
| 38. Condition Exterior | fair to good |
| 39. Endangered? | No |
| 40. Visible from Public Road? | Yes |
| 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road | 50' |

**Description**

| 42. Important Features | These houses have the typical bungalow-type broad verandah under the double-angled roof. A very large gable in front has returns and an attic vent. Some front windows are 6-over-1, but most windows are 1-over-1. The porch construction is concrete, with the porch floor and part of the main house raised above the ground on posts. |

| 43. History and Significance | (see attached) |
| 44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings | |

**Sources of Information**

| 45. Prepared by | Esley Hamilton |
| 46. Organization | St. Louis County Parks |
| 47. Date | 9/92 |
| 48. Revision Dates | |
Bungaloid Company Houses
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#### Specific Location
- See attached

#### City or Town
- Valley Park

#### Site Plan with North Arrow
- See attached

#### Coordinates
- UTM

#### Site 1: Building 1, Structure 1, Object 1
- UTM

#### 1. On National Register?
- Yes [X]

#### 12. Is It Eligible?
- Yes [X]

#### 14. District Eligible?
- Yes [X]

#### 15. Names of Established Districts
- See attached

#### 16. Theme Category
- See attached

#### 17. Date(s) or Period
- Constructed c. 1903

#### 18. Style or Design
- Foursquare

#### 19. Architect or Engineer
- See attached

#### 20. Contractor or Builder
- See attached

#### 21. Original Use, If Apparent
- Residence

#### 22. Present Use
- Residence

#### 23. Ownership
- Public [X] Private [X]

#### 24. Owner's Name & Address
- See attached

#### 25. Open to Public?
- Yes [X] No [X]

#### 26. Local Contact Person or Organization
- See attached

#### 27. Other Surveys in Which Included
- See attached

#### 28. Thematic Category
- See attached

#### 29. Basement?
- Yes [X] No [X]

#### 30. Foundation Material
- Brick-faced

#### 31. Wall Construction
- Brick

#### 32. Roof Type & Material
- Pyramid, comp.

#### 33. No. of Bays Front
- 3/4 [X]

#### 34. Wall Treatment
- Painted

#### 35. Plan Shape
- Square

#### 36. Changes
- Additions [X] Altered [X] Moved [X]

#### 37. Condition
- Interior
- Exterior [X] Good

#### 38. Preservation Underway?
- Yes [X] No [X]

#### 39. Endangered?
- By What?

#### 40. Visible from Public Road?
- Yes [X] No [X]

#### 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
- See attached

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### History and Significance

These houses all have pyramidal roofs and segmental-arched windows. The first floors have doors to the right and paired windows to the left. Some have broad front porches with hipped roofs, while others have had smaller replacement porches added. Most houses of this type have four separate 1-over-1 windows on the second floor front, but a few have a single window over the door and two other windows grouped to the left.

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