

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 22, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2014-0716
83 PERDENALES STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1935 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled frame bungalow with a partial-width inset porch on the left side of the front façade; single and paired 1:1 fenestration; ornamental metal porch post; no railing.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1935 by Ed Britt as an investment property. It was listed as vacant in the 1937 city directory (information for that directory was gathered in 1936). The first known occupants of the house were a pair of brothers and their respective wives – Clarence and Almeta Carriage, and Joe and Bessie Carriage. Joe and Bessie Carriage had lived in East Austin prior to moving into this house, but Clarence and Almeta Carriage moved to Austin from Oklahoma. Clarence Carriage was a salesman for Paulissen Baking Company; Joe Carriage was also a salesman for the same company, which was run by Walt Paulissen. Joe Carriage eventually took over the business from Walt Paulissen, and operated it as Joe Carriage's Bakery on Red River Street from the mid-1950s through the mid-1960s.

The Carriage brothers lived here until around 1943; it was then occupied by Belle Gilcrease, a widow, who had owned and lived in the house next door at 85 Perdenales Street. She lived here until around 1948. The house was a rental unit until the mid-1950s, when it was owned and occupied by A. Harold and Lena Rowe, who lived here until the mid-1960s. Harold Rowe was a driver for the City Sanitation Department and later for the City Parks and Recreation Department. Since the occupancy of the Rowes, the house has been mostly a rental property with periods of vacancy.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

LOCATION MAP



-   SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2014-0716
Address: 83 PEDERNALES ST



1" = 200'

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83 Pedernales Street
ca. 1935



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
83 Pedernales Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
September, 2014

1992	Leopoldo Barcenas, renter No occupation listed NOTE: The directory indicates that Leopoldo Barcenas was a new resident at this address.
1985-86	Vacant
1981	Vacant
1977	Teresa Rodriguez, renter Employed by Luby's Cafeteria, Highland Mall.
1973	Vacant
1968	Manuel H. and Anita S. Rodriguez, owners Laborer, Alamo Steel and Machine, 2201 Rutland Drive.
1962	A. Harold and Lena Rowe, owners Driver, City Parks and Recreation Department

- 1959 A. Harold and Lena Rowe (not listed as owners)
Driver, City Parks and Recreation Department
- 1955 Arley H. and Lena M. Rowe, owners
Employed by the City Sanitation Division
- 1952 Charles O. and Patricia Bazemore, renters
Battery repairman, Austin Battery and Electric Company, complete automotive electrical service, generators, and starters, 300 W. 5th Street.
- 1949 James and Willie Lawson, renters
No occupation listed
- 1947 Belle Gilcrease, owner
Widow, W.H. Gilcrease
No occupation listed
- 1944-45 Belle Gilcrease, owner
No occupation listed
- 1941 Clarence F. and Almeta Carriage, renters
Salesman, Paulissen Baking Company, 302 W. 15th Street.
- Joseph and Bessie Carriage, renters
Salesman, Paulissen Baking Company, 302 W. 15th Street.
- 1940 Clarence F. and Almeta Carriage, renters
Baker
- Joseph and Bessie Carriage, renters
Route foreman
- 1939 Clarence F. and Almeta Carriage, renters
Salesman, Paulissen Baking Company, 302 W. 15th Street.
- Joe and Bessie Carriage, renters
Vice-president, Paulissen Baking Company, 302 W. 15th Street.
- 1937 Vacant
NOTE: Clarence and Almeta Carriage are not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Joseph and Bessie Carriage are listed at 2010 E. 1st Street; he was a driver; she was a waitress.
- 1935 The address is not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Clarence and Almeta Carriage; Joseph and Bessie Carriage (ca. 1938 – ca. 1942)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Joe and Bessie Carriage as the renters of this house, with Clarence and Almeta Carriage occupying the “side” as renters. Joe Carriage was 31, had been born in Oklahoma, and was a salesman for a bread company. Bessie Carriage was 25, had been born in Kansas, and had no occupation listed. They had a daughter, Patsy Jo, 2, who had been born in Texas. Clarence Carriage was 28, had been born in Oklahoma, and was a salesman for a bread company. Almeta Carriage was 32, had been born in Oklahoma, and had

no occupation listed. They had no children listed with them. Clarence and Almeta Carriage had lived in Okmulgee, Oklahoma in 1935.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Joseph Carriage as a 22-year old widower who roomed in the home of Mary Ziller at 506 W. 14th Street. Joseph Carriage was an Oklahoma-born salesman for a baking company. The same census report shows Clarence Carriage as the 19-year old son of Victoria Carriage, who rented a house in Dewar, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma. Neither Victoria nor Clarence Carriage had an occupation listed in the census report.

The 1920 U.S. Census shows both Joseph (Jr.) and Clarence Carriage as the sons of Joseph and Victoria Carriage, who rented the house at 1005 Red River Street. The elder Joseph Carriage had been born in Italy; Victoria Carriage had been born in Texas. All 4 of their children had been born in Oklahoma. Nobody in the family had an occupation listed.

Clarence Carriage died in Henryetta, Oklahoma June 24, 1968. Joe Carriage died in Travis County May 14, 1974. He worked for Walt Paulissen, at Uncle Walt's Bakery, at 615 Red River Street, until the mid-1950s, then opened his own bakery business, Joe Carriage's Bakery, in the same building. Joe Carriage's Bakery operated on Red River Street until the mid-1960s.

Belle Gilcrease (ca. 1943 – ca. 1948)

Belle Gilcrease is listed in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owner of the house next door, at 85 Pedernales Street, which was worth \$1,600. Belle was a 50-year old Texas-born widow with no occupation listed. With her lived her 19-year old son, Weldon Gilcrease, who was a book-keeper for a wholesale vegetable company. Both Belle and Weldon had lived in rural Nueces County in 1935. Belle Gilcrease died in San Antonio August 23, 1979.

Unless the Plumbing is done in strict accordance with City Ordinances, do not turn on the water.

PERMIT FOR WATER SERVICE AUSTIN, TEXAS No. 2892

M. Ed. Britt Address 83 Pedernales St.

Plumber Mark Burnett Size of Tap 1/2 Date 6-20-35

Foreman's Report

Date of Connection 6-24-35

Size of Tap Made 3/4

Size Service Made 3/4

Size Main Tapped 3 1/2 8"

From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock

From N prop. line to Curb Cock 69 24'

Location of Meter prop. line

Type of Box back

Depth of Main in St. 10"

Depth of Service Line 10"

From Curb Cock to Tap on Main 5"

Checked by Engr. Dept. 7-2-35 W.P.H.

No. Fittings	Size	
1	5/8	Curb Cock
1		Elbow
1	3/4 x 1/2	St. Elbow
1	1/2	Bushing
1		Shower
1		Reducer
1		Pipe
1		Lead Conn.
1	3/4 x 5/8	Nipples
1	3/4	Union
1		Spring
1	3/4	Tee
1		Stop
1		Box
1		Lid
1		Valves
		Req. No. <u>6304</u>

Foreman's Signature D. Anglen

Stamp: **RECEIVED**

Vertical stamp on left: **Chgd to 8" in on W.O. 4195**

Water service permit to Ed Britt for this address (1935)