

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
APRIL 24, 2017
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2017-0181
2014 E. 9TH STREET**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1917 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, hipped-roof frame house with a partial-width inset porch; single 1:1 fenestration; addition of unknown vintage on the rear; breezeway connects the house to a former beauty salon and auxiliary dwelling on Mill Street (902 and 904 Mill Street).

RESEARCH

The house was built around 1917 by Monroe and Maude Estelle Taylor, who lived here until around 1960. Monroe Taylor is listed as the owner of this house throughout the city directories. He grew up on a farm in rural Travis County and worked as a farm laborer in his early years. After he married and moved into Austin, he is listed as a laborer in the city directories; the 1920 U.S. Census confirms that he was a laborer doing general work. Around 1923, he got a job as a laborer for Calcasieu Lumber Company, an employment relationship he maintained for the rest of his working life. He worked as a loader, a truck driver, and as a yard man for Calcasieu, Austin's largest lumber company at the time. His wife, Estelle, worked as a maid, but also ran a beauty salon, first in the house, and then in an auxiliary building on the property, connected to the back of this house via a breezeway. The Taylors had 9 children, and one, Monroe Taylor, Jr., occupied a small house on the back of this property, with an address of 904 Mill Street, for several years in the late 1940s.

Apparently, Monroe and Estelle Taylor quit living together in the early 1950s. he continued to live in this house, while Estelle Taylor moved to a house at 2008 E. 8th Street, which is up for landmark designation by the Historic Landmark Commission. Estelle Taylor continued to work as a maid, and shared her home on E. 8th Street with her daughter, Ora Lee, who was married to Spencer Nobles, Jr. Ora Lee Nobles has a long and distinguished history in East Austin, but that is the subject of the landmark designation for the 8th Street house.

Monroe Taylor passed away in 1959, while still living in this house, while Estelle Taylor had moved to 8th Street. After his death, his daughter, Julia F. Mitchell is listed as the owner and occupant of the house through the early 1990s. Julia Mitchell (also known briefly as Julia Chatman after her marriage to Leonard Chatman), was a maid and food server at her sister and brother-in-law's restaurant, the Rosewood Barbecue Center on Rosewood Avenue.

STAFF COMMENTS

The East Austin Historic Survey (2016) notes that the exterior wall materials, windows, and doors have been replaced, and recommends that this house is not eligible for local or national designation.




STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, then 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. This house does not have the same historical significance as the house on E. 8th Street that members of this family also owned, and does not possess the architectural integrity or significance to warrant individual designation as a local landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

1" = 139'

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2017-0161
LOCATION: 2014 E 9th St.

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2014 E. 9th Street
ca. 1917



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
2014 E. 9th Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
April, 2017

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| 1992 | Julia F. Mitchell, owner
Household tech, Rose Aushley (not listed in the directory)
NOTE: The directory indicates that Julia F. Mitchell was a new resident at this address. |
| 1985-86 | Julia F. Chatman, owner
Food server, Rosewood Barbecue Center, 1807 Rosewood Avenue. |
| 1981 | Julia F. Chatman, owner
Food server, Rosewood Barbecue Center, 1807 Rosewood Avenue. |
| 1977 | Leonard and Julia F. Chatman, owners
Employed by Campion Lumber (not listed in the directory)
NOTE: The directory indicates that Leonard and Julia F. Chatman were new residents at this address. |
| 1973 | Julia F. Mitchell, owner
Director, Place Community Center for Children, 2111 E. 9 th Street. |
| 1968 | Julia F. Mitchell, owner
Maid |
| 1965 | Julia F. Mitchell, owner |

Maid

- 1961 Julia F. Mitchell, renter
Maid
NOTE: Estelle M. Taylor is listed as the owner and occupant of the house at 2008 E. 8th Street. She was a maid at Austin Hydro-Gas, 4140 S. Congress Avenue.
NOTE: Julia F. Mitchell was the daughter of Monroe and Estelle Taylor.
- 1957 Monroe Taylor, Jr., owner
Warehouse manager, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
NOTE: Julia F. Mitchell is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Estelle M. Taylor is listed as the owner and occupant of the house at 2008 E. 8th Street. She was a maid.
- 1953 Monroe Taylor, owner
Warehouseman, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
NOTE: Monroe Taylor, Jr. is listed at 904 Mill Street (around the corner from this house). He was a driver for the Harlem Taxi Company.
NOTE: Estelle M. Taylor is listed at 2008 E. 8th Street; she was a maid.
- 1949 Monroe and Estell Taylor, owners
Truck driver
NOTE: The directory also lists Stella M. (Estelle) Taylor as the owner of the house at 2008 E. 8th Street; she was a domestic worker.
- 1947 Monroe and Maude E. Taylor, owners
Driver, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
NOTE: Monroe, Jr. and Opal Taylor are listed at 904 Mill Street (around the corner from this house). He was a student at the Crescent beauty Culture Institute, 1104 E. 9th Street.
- 1944-45 Monroe and Esther Taylor, owners
Driver, Calcasieu Lumber Company
NOTE: Estelle Taylor's beauty shop was around the corner at 902 Mill Street.
- 1941 Monroe and Estelle Taylor, owners
Driver, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
Also listed is Monroe J. Taylor, Jr., a yardman.
NOTE: There are no addresses listed on Mill Street.
- 1939 Monroe and Estelle Taylor, owners
Monroe: Yardman, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
Estelle: Proprietor, Estelle's Beauty Shop (at the house).
- 1937 Monroe and Estelle Taylor, owners
Truck driver, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
- 1935 Monroe and Maude E. Taylor, owners
No occupation listed
- 1932-33 Monroe and Estelle Taylor, owners
No occupation listed

1930-31	Monroe and Estelle Taylor (colored), owners Loader, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
1929	Monroe and Estelle Taylor (colored), owners Laborer, Calcasieu Lumber Company.
1927	Monroe and Estelle Taylor (colored), owners Laborer, Calcasieu Lumber Company
1924	Monroe and Estelle Taylor (colored), owners Laborer, Calcasieu Lumber Company
1922	Monroe and Stella Taylor (colored), owners No occupation listed
1920	Monroe and Stella Taylor (colored), owners Laborer
1918	Monroe and Stella Taylor (colored), owners Laborer
1916	The address is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Monroe and Stella (Estelle) Taylor are not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Monroe and Maude Estelle Taylor (ca. 1917 – ca. 1959)

The 1910 U.S. Census shows Monroe Taylor as the 20-year old son of Grant and Lennie Taylor of Justice Precinct 6 in Travis County. Monroe was the oldest of the couple's 4 children, all sons, listed in the census report. Both Monroe's parents had been born in Texas. His father was a farmer; everyone else in the family was a farm laborer.

The 1920 U.S. Census shows Monroe and Estell Taylor as the owners of this house. Monroe Taylor was 32, had been born in Texas, and was a laborer doing general work. Estelle Taylor was 24, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 4 children: Vernon, 6; Linna May, 4; Ardie, 2; and Margerie, 2 months.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Monroe and M. Estell Taylor as the owners of this house, which was worth \$900. Monroe Taylor was 39, had been born in Texas, and was a yard hand in a lumber yard. M. Estell Taylor was 34, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 9 children: Vernon, 16; Linnie, 14; Ardie, 13; Marjorie, 9; Ora L., 10; Monroe, Jr., 6; Mattie, 4; William, 2; and Jessie A., 3 months. All of the children had been born in Texas.

MONROE J. TAYLOR

Funeral services were pending Thursday night at Phillips-Upshaw Funeral Home for Monroe J. Taylor, 70, of 2014 East Ninth Street, who died Thursday morning in a local hospital.

Arrangements were being delayed pending the arrival of a son from Philadelphia.

Taylor had been in ill health for the past two years. He was a former truck driver and yard foreman at the Calcasieu Lumber Company, where he was employed for about 39 years.

He was a charter member and deacon of Pilgrim Rest Primitive Baptist Church and a member of the American Woodman Lodge.

Obituary of Monroe J. Taylor
Austin American, May 29, 1959

MRS. MAUD E. TAYLOR

Funeral services for Mrs. Maud Estell Taylor will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. from Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church with Rev. B. J. Woods officiating. Burial at Evergreen Cemetery will be under direction of Phillips and Upshaw Funeral Home.

Survivors include four sons, Vernon O. Taylor of Pennsylvania, William T. Taylor of San Antonio, Roger Lavon and Monroe Taylor, Jr. of Austin; six daughters, Mrs. Ardie McFord, Mrs. Marjorie Batty, Mrs. Julia Mitchell, Mrs. Ora L. Nobles, Mrs. Mattie Joyce Perkins and Miss Helen Marie Taylor, all of Austin; 28 grandchildren and 11 great - grandchildren.

Obituary of Maud Estelle Taylor
Austin American, February 27, 1964



Estelle's Beauty Salon, 902 Mill Street

This building is connected by a breezeway to the house at 2014 E. 9th Street, where Maude Estell Taylor lived with her husband, Monroe Taylor. She later moved to 2008 E. 8th Street, and her daughter, Ora L. Nobles, took over the operation of Estelle's Beauty Salon for a time.