

HOOVER STREET
Burlington

SOUTH END OF BURLINGTON:

(Adams Street, Alfred Street, Caroline Street, Catherine Street, Charlotte Street, Ferguson Avenue, Flynn Avenue, Foster Avenue, Hayward Street, Hoover Street, Lakeside Avenue, Overlake Park, Perrotta Place, Scarff Avenue.)

As real estate speculators such as Charles W. Scarff and A.O. Ferguson spurred the development of factories near Lake Champlain in the south end of Burlington, the need for housing grew proportionately. About six dwelling houses existed in the area, until Henry Conger began selling Lakeside lots at \$250-500 for double housing units in 1894. At this time, the trolleys transported goods and people from downtown Burlington along Pine Street.

Though the industries took no interest in developing workers' housing, men such as S.P. Saxe and the Reverend Edward Hungerford responded to the need and built many tenement blocks in the area.

One hundred acres purchased by Scarff and Ferguson from the Foster Farm, northeast of the lakeside factory development, was divided into eighteen city blocks (south on Home Avenue, north on Flynn Avenue, east on Shelburne Road, west along the railroad tracks by the lake). The streets were named for the influential entrepreneurs in the city of Burlington (Richardson, Wells, Lyman, Flynn, etc.). Bungalowoid, Colonial Revival and Dutch Colonial Revival homes sprang up, reflecting the popular building trends of this period.

The factories continued successfully into the twentieth-century but it was the 1920's war prosperity that brought improvement and growth to the neighborhoods. The Queen City Cotton Company established a baseball park, nursery, first aid station with a visiting nurse, sidewalks and shade trees. "There is a big community spirit at Lakeside now," said the Burlington Free Press (Feb 19, Aug 20, 1920).

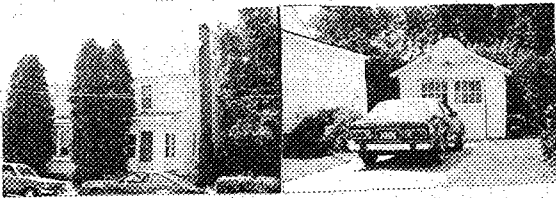
Northeast of the Lakeside development, other streets, named after the developer's daughters (Caroline, Catherine, Charlotte, Margaret, Marian), or for the trees that lined curbs, (Locust) exhibited popular housing styles.

Neighborhood decline began by 1925, but was not apparent until 1935-37, when workers striked against the cotton mills; business dropped and land went up for sale, with tenants and employees having first options. The plants changed hands with General Electric taking over the old Queen City Cotton Company buildings in 1947.

Since the building boom in the 1920's and 1930's, the original Lakeside neighborhoods have remained basically unchanged.

While the farmlands were being developed west of Shelburne Road, to the east lay the Hickok, Buell and Cannon Estates. Individual contractors such as Alfred Perrotta began building on parcels of these lands, that were gradually sold for development (#8, 12, 22 Perrotta Place). The Willard Ledge Quarry, south of Ledge Road, which had been operating since 1805, ceased production in 1919 and eventually became Adams Court, Ludwig Court and Hoover Street, where the redstone walls abutt the backyards.

Street pattern growth has continued along both sides of Shelburne Road during the 1940's - 1960's, as the southern part of Burlington has expanded to today's suburban fringe.



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HISTORIC SITES & STRUCTURES SURVEY
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER:

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NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

83-A-177

UTM REFERENCES:

Zone/Easting/Northing

18/642360/4924850

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

Burlington 7.5

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

William Hobbs

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

Theron P. Guild House

PRESENT USE: House

ORIGINAL USE:

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

Unknown

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

Unknown

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent Good

Fair Poor

STYLE: Vernacular

DATE BUILT:

1932

COUNTY: Chittenden

TOWN: Burlington

LOCATION: 11 Hoover Street. One lot
 east from corner of Shelburne Road.

COMMON NAME:

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: House

OWNER: William & Ethel Hobbs

ADDRESS: 11 Hoover Street
 Burlington

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes No Restricted

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local State National

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone Brick Concrete Concrete Block

2. Wall Structure

a. Wood Frame: Post & Beam Balloon

b. Load Bearing Masonry: Brick Stone Concrete
 Concrete Block

c. Iron d. Steel e. Other:

3. Wall Covering: Clapboard Board & Batten Wood Shingle

Shiplap Novelty Asbestos Shingle Sheet Metal

Aluminum Asphalt Shingle Brick Veneer Stone Veneer

Bonding Pattern: Other:

4. Roof Structure

a. Truss: Wood Iron Steel Concrete

b. Other:

5. Roof Covering: Slate Wood Shingle Asphalt Shingle

Sheet Metal Built Up Rolled Tile Other:

6. Engineering Structure:

7. Other:

Appendages: Porches Towers Cupolas Dormers Chimneys

Sheds Ells Wings Bay Window Other:

Roof Style: Gable Hip Shed Flat Mansard Gambrel

Jerkinhead Saw Tooth With Monitor With Bellcast

With Parapet With False Front Other:

Number of Stories: 2½

Number of Bays: 3x2

Approximate Dimensions: 20x12

Entrance Location: Eaves front
 right.

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat Zoning Roads

Development Deterioration

Alteration Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive Negative

Mixed Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

2½ story eaves front rectangular plan house with molded box cornice, cornice returns, corner and sill boards. 6/1 sash windows with plain surrounds. Front enclosed shed roof porch with box posts, 6/1 sash windows, aluminum door, clapboard skirt; interior divided in half as extension of living room. Rear two-story enclosed porches with clapboard skirts. East side single shed roof bay window with five vertical sash over one.

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

Garage-1-story single bay, novelty siding, gable front asphalt roof with exposed rafter ends; double hinge doors, with molded vertical panels and 8 fixed light windows. Cement foundation (10'x12'). (1930's).

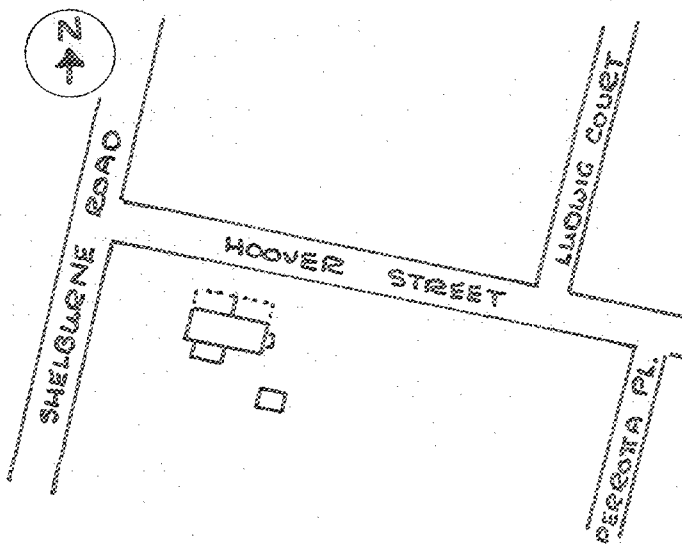
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This well preserved Vernacular house is significant to the character of this 1920-40's neighborhood. Its original configuration has undergone little change except for the extension of the living roof onto the front porch. The garage has its original novelty siding and double doors which makes it a historically contributing structure.

REFERENCES:

Burlington Directory, 1932.

MAP: (Indicate North in Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Land Woodland
- Scattered Buildings
- Moderately Built Up
- Densely Built Up
- Residential Commercial
- Agricultural Industrial
- Roadside Strip Development
- Other:

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