

2501 NORTH THIRTEENTH STREET (HOUSE)  
Ybor City  
Hillsborough County  
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**Location:** 2501 North Thirteenth Street, Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida.

**Significance:** This building's architectural and historical significance is derived from its contribution to the Ybor City National Register Historic Landmark District. Ybor City is a section of Tampa founded and built by Vicente M. Ybor and Ignacio Haya as a cigar-manufacturing center and town. This company town was planned by Gavino Gutierrez to include cigar factories, workers housing, public spaces, and commercial buildings. This district is significant for its importance to Tampa's architectural heritage, as it contains many of the City's best remaining examples of late-nineteenth century and early-twentieth century domestic, religious, commercial, and industrial buildings. This house represents cigar factory worker housing within the larger context of the cigar manufacturing company town. This Bungalow residence is representative of the larger collection of worker housing in Ybor City.

**Description:** This rectangular, one-story Bungalow has a balloon wood frame structural system and rests on brick piers. The gabled roof is surfaced with 5-V crimp sheet metal, and the exterior is sheathed in drop siding. An integral, full-width porch is featured on the front (west) façade. The porch is supported by battered columns that rest on brick piers and has a wood frame landing. Fenestration consists of wooden double hung sash windows with four-over-one and one-over-one light configurations. Exterior ornamentation includes cornerboards, vents, exposed rafter tails, and wood door and window surrounds. The interior of the house consists of three bedrooms arranged along the northern side of the house and a living room, dining room, and kitchen arranged along the southern side. There is a bathroom situated between the rear bedroom and kitchen. A utility room is located at the rear of the house off of the kitchen. A rear door is located off of this utility room.

**History:** Ybor City was platted in the 1890s and was completely built out by the mid-1920s. This residence was built ca. 1921 in the Cuscaden and Wells Subdivision. The house is located on the northeast corner of North Thirteenth Street and East Fourteenth Avenue, within the larger area of Ybor City that contained residences, factories, and commercial buildings. This house appears to have replaced an earlier house on the same parcel circa 1921. A smaller house is shown in the same location on the 1915 Sanborn Fire Insurance map. City Directory research revealed the original house on this lot being built circa 1903. The current house is larger and more indicative of the 1921 construction date.

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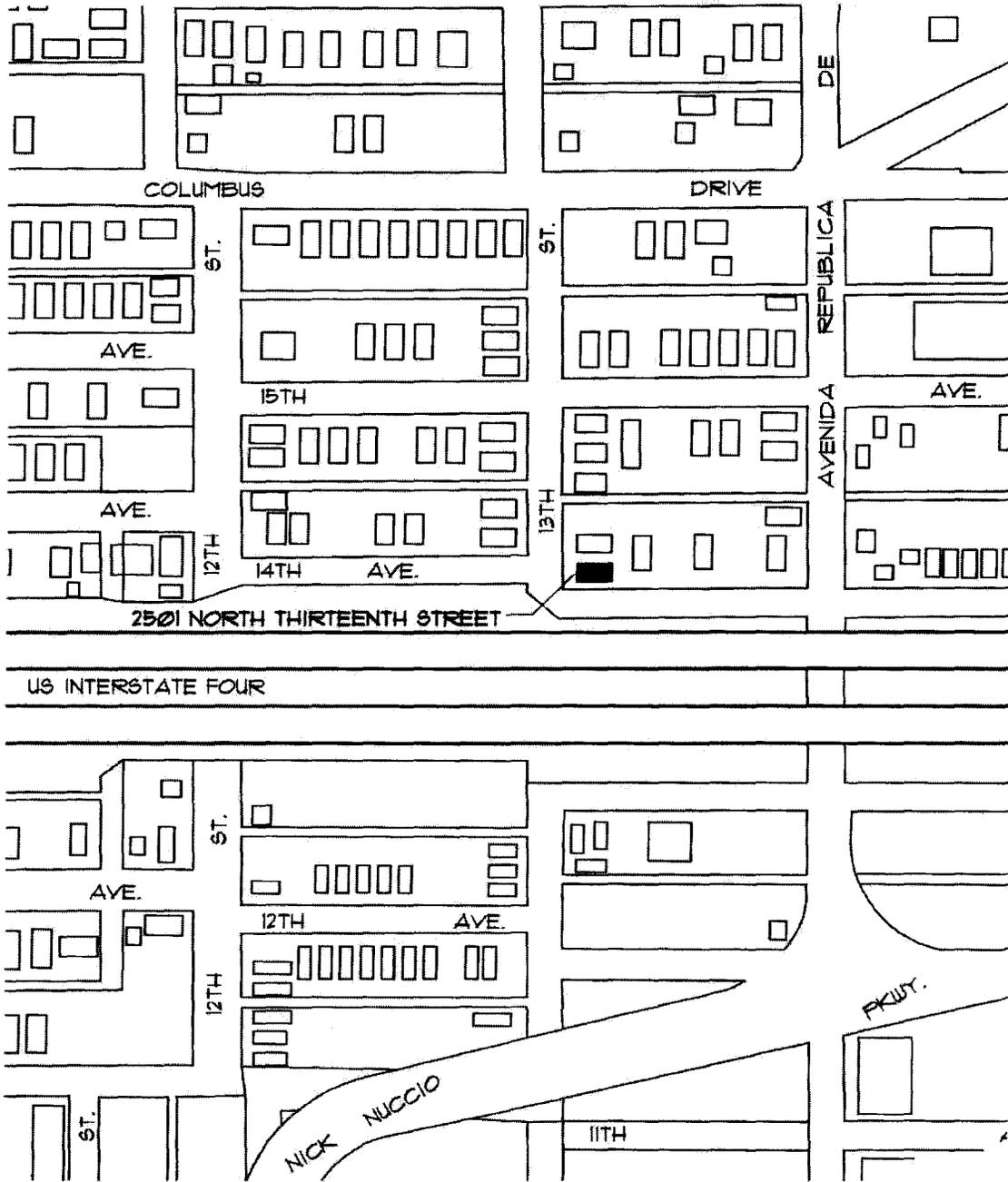
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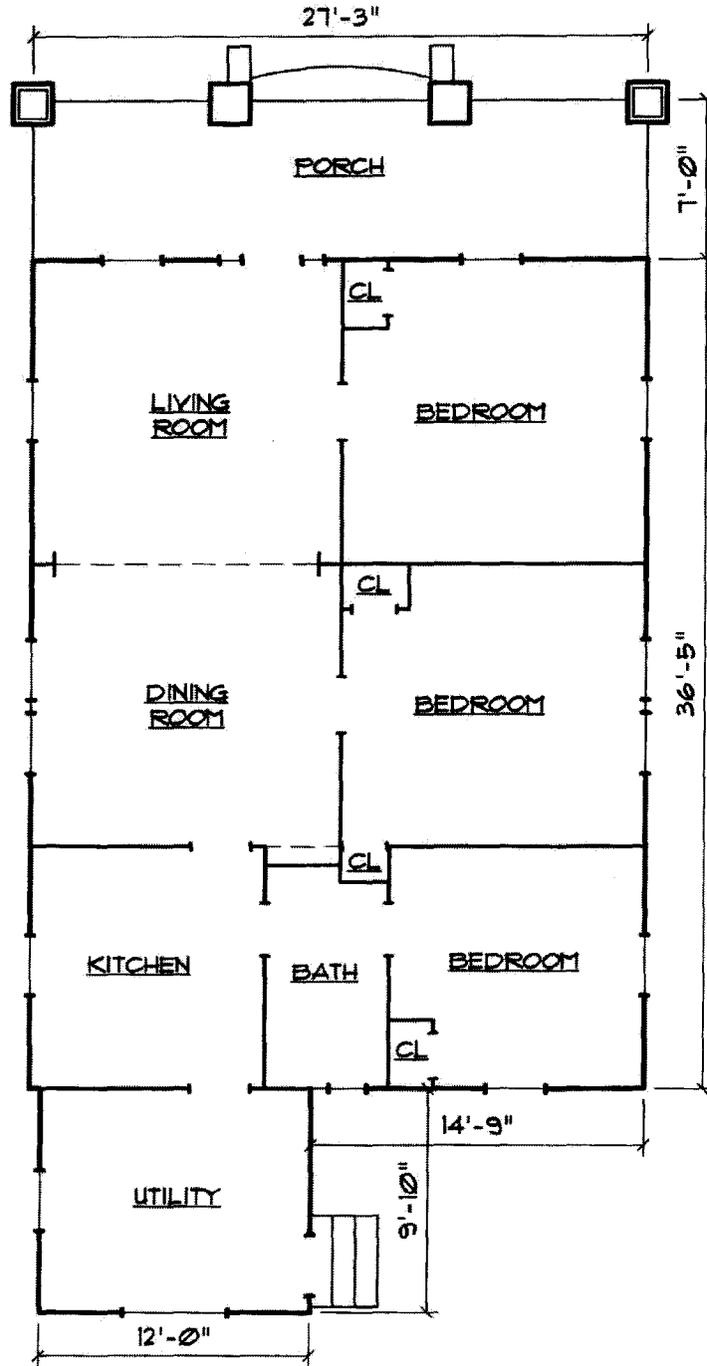
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<b>LOCATION MAP</b>		<b>NOT TO SCALE</b>	
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<b>FLOOR PLAN SKETCH</b>		SCALE 1/8"=1'-0"	
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