

2305 NORTH TWELFTH STREET (HOUSE)
Ybor City
Hillsborough County
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Location: 2305 North Twelfth 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.

Description: Constructed ca. 1907, this square-shaped, one-story Frame Vernacular residence has a balloon wood frame structural system and rests on brick piers. The steep-pitched pyramid roof is surfaced with 5-V crimp sheet metal, and the exterior is sheathed in drop siding. A full-width shed roof porch is featured on the front (west) façade. The porch is supported by slender wood supports with a wood slat railing that rests on a poured concrete landing. Fenestration consists of replacement metal single-hung sash windows with two-over-two light configurations. Exterior ornamentation includes cornerboards, vents, wood window and door surrounds, and a decorative verge board in the front gable dormer. The interior of the house has been completely gutted and only the exposed framework is present.

History: Ybor City was platted in the 1890s and was completely built out by the mid-1920s. This residence was built ca. 1907 in the Morey Heights Subdivision. The house is located on the east side of North Twelfth Street, within the larger area of Ybor City that contained residences, factories, and commercial buildings. This house first appears in the Tampa City Directory of 1907, and it was occupied by Thomas G. McAteer. Mr. McAteer was employed as a city fireman. In the years following 1907, ownership of the house changed quickly, with numerous cigar makers occupying it. According to Sanborn Fire Insurance maps, the house appears to have been moved slightly sometime between 1915 and 1931 to make room for another house, 2307 North Twelfth Street, to be built.

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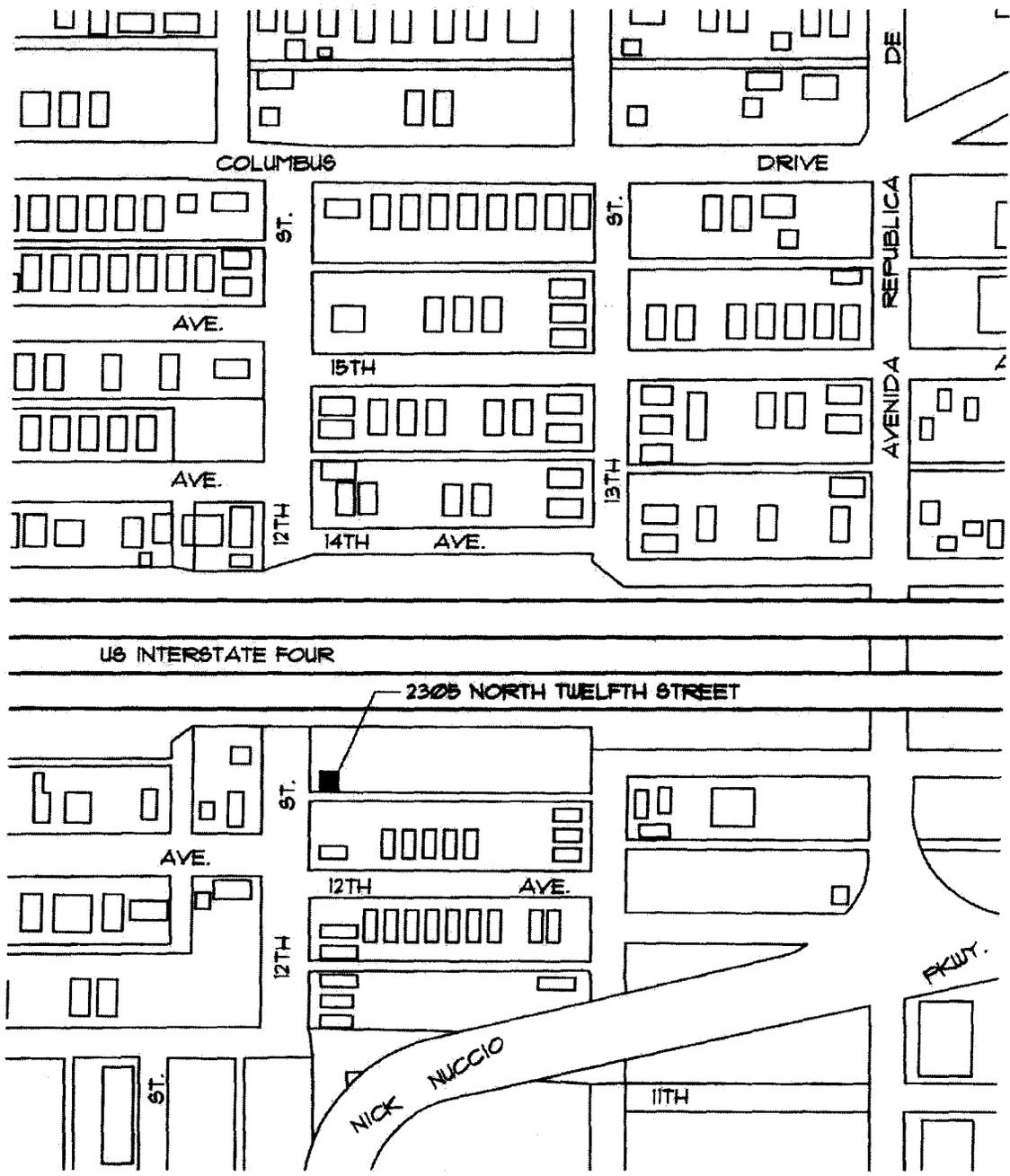
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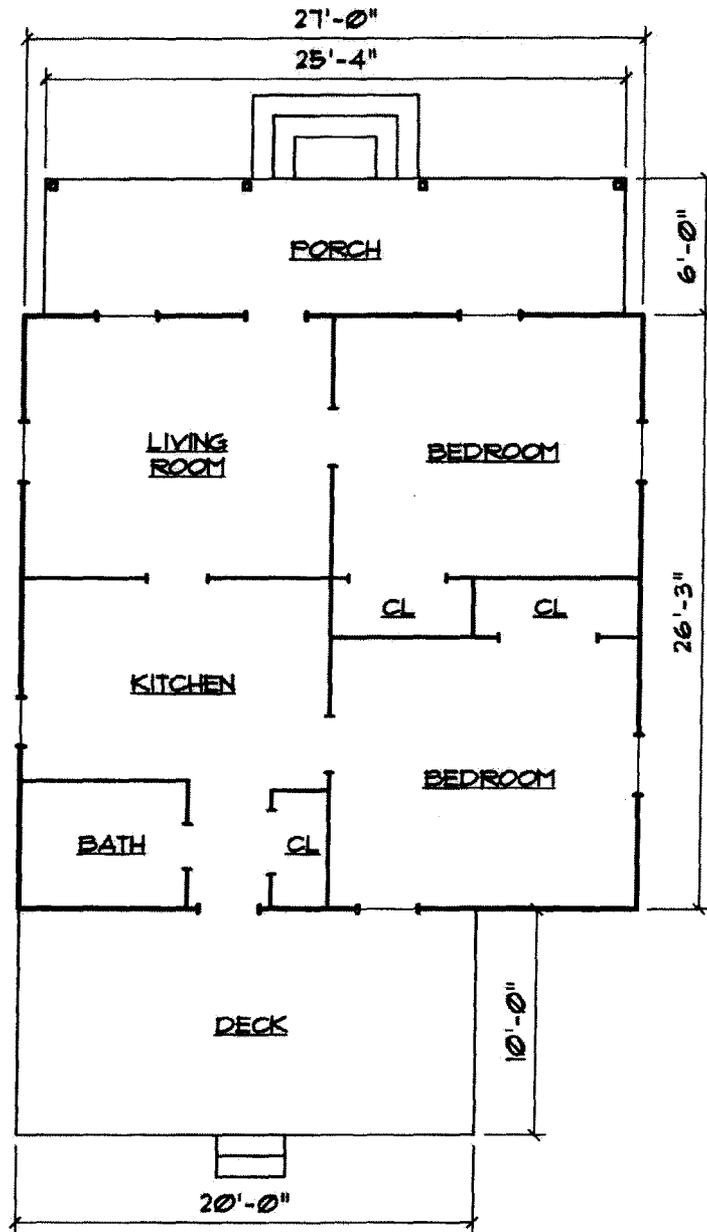
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