

VONHOENE BUILDING
West Side-Main Strasse Historic District
618 Main Street
Covington
Kenton County
Kentucky

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PHOTOGRAPHS

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Significance: This building, because of its scale, period of construction, materials, and architectural details contributes to the historical and architectural development of the West Side/Main Strasse Historic District, a district listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The district is composed of late nineteenth century urban domestic architecture and is representative of the urban development process for the city during this period.

Description: Devoid of stylistic elements, this is a 2 story building exhibiting an asymmetrical 3 bay main facade with 5 bay south facade. The larger front section is constructed of wood clapboard siding accentuated with cornerboards. Main facade has two door bays flanking a single window bay at the first floor; 2nd floor has two window bays. The south side exhibits 4 window bays. All windows at the frame section are 1/1 wooden sash. All fenestration is accentuated by plain wooden window and door enframingent. A 2 story, 1 bay brick addition is found at the rear of the frame construction. Window detail exhibits plain stone lintels and lug sills. Behind the brick addition is a 1 story clapboard addition with plain details. The modified hip roof configuration over the main building terminates with a plain wood cornice and is pierced by several plain chimneys. Interior detail is quite plain with simple wood baseboards, door and window enframingent. Several doors exhibit bullseye molding. Deteriorated conditions exist at the interior and exterior.

History: This is a two family residential building that was constructed before 1877. It was originally constructed as a single family building, but was altered at an unknown date. The building was purchased by Cyril and Mable VonHoene in 1923. Mr. VonHoene died in 1929 and his wife continued to live in the building until her death in 1966.

During these years, Mrs. VonHoene occupied one floor with the other floor being rented to a variety of people.

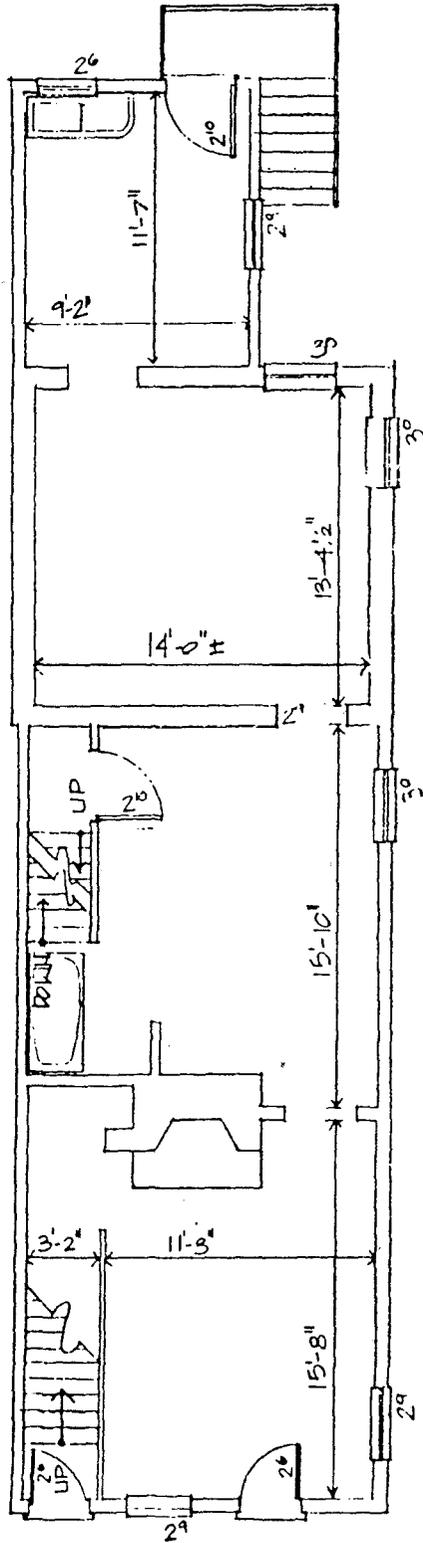
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National Register of Historic Places Inventory-Nomination Form, West Side/Main Strasse Historic District, 1983.

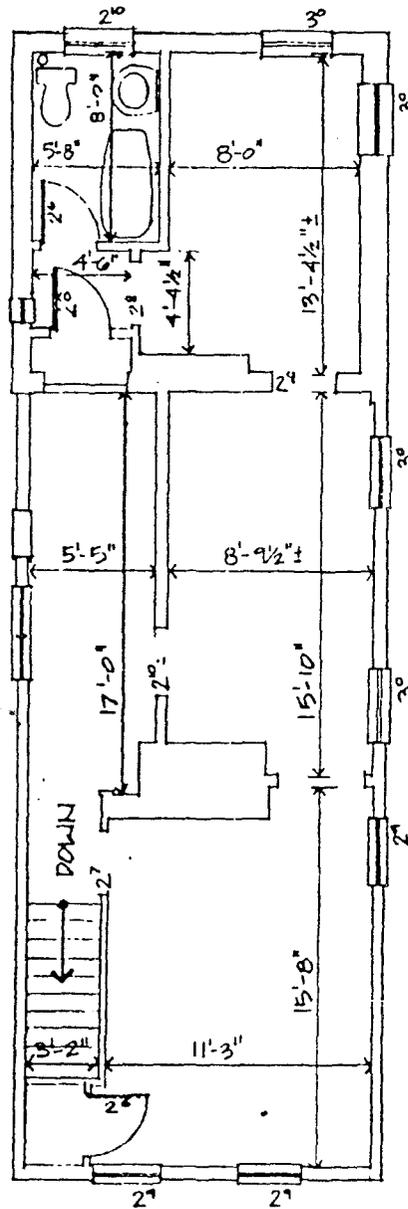
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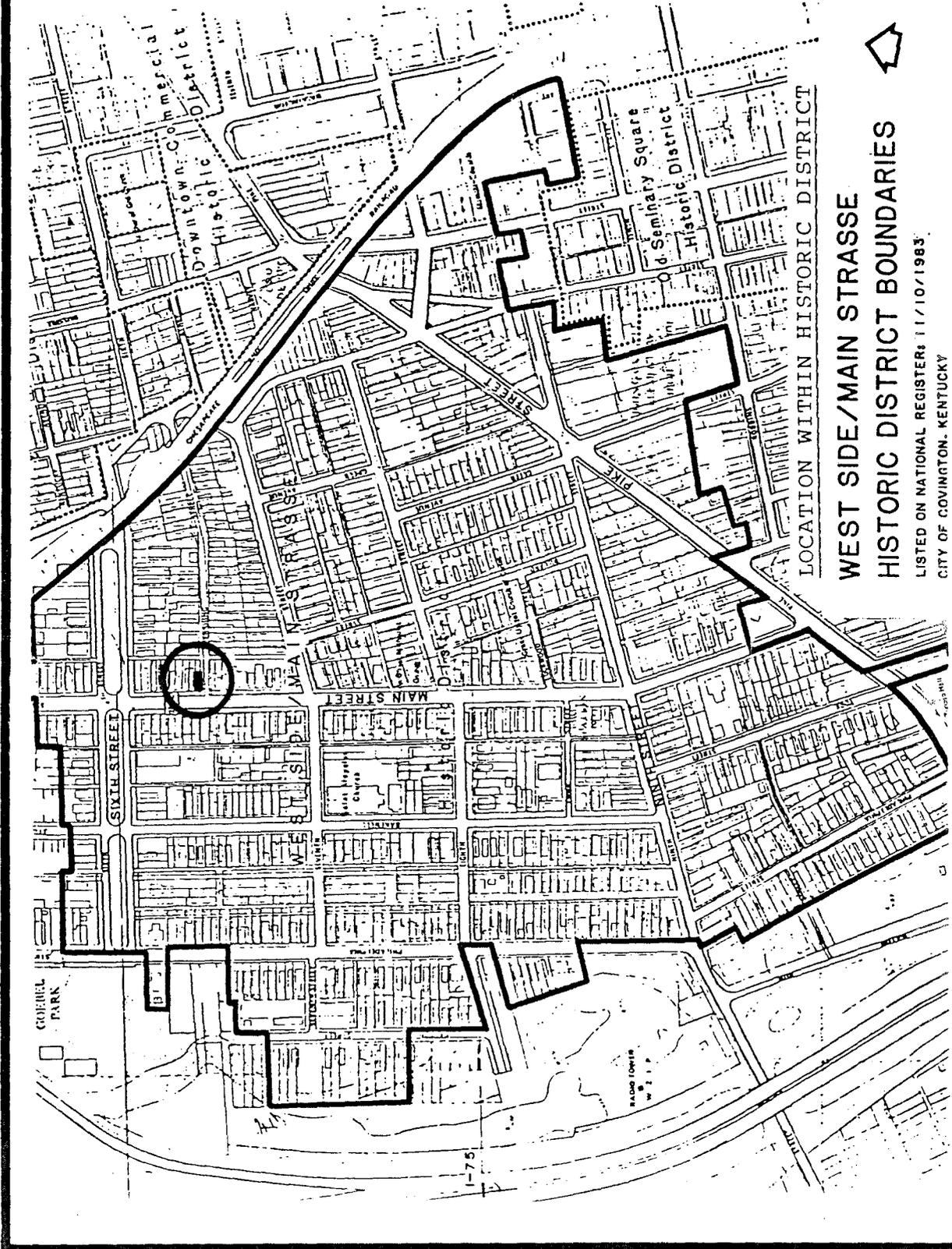
FLOOR PLAN



FIRST LEVEL



SECOND LEVEL



LOCATION WITHIN HISTORIC DISTRICT

**WEST SIDE/MAIN STRASSE
HISTORIC DISTRICT BOUNDARIES**

LISTED ON NATIONAL REGISTER: 11/10/1983
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