



# City of Winchester

## 313 South Kent Street

Tax Map Number: 193-1-R-17A-

DHR Resource Number: 138-0042-0550

Resources: 1 single dwelling

Date/Period: ca. 1870

Style: Vernacular

Sources: Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps; Quarles, *The Story of One Hundred Old Homes*



## Architectural Description

**Site Description:** This single dwelling is located on the west side of South Kent Street and fronts the brick sidewalk, with no setback. The sloping lot features mature shrubs and minimal fencing. A chain-link fence lines the property on the southern end along South Kent Street, while a short, wood fence extends along the northern edge.

**Secondary Resource Summary:** There are no visible secondary resources associated with this property.

**Primary Resource Description:** This two-story, three-bay vernacular single dwelling has a rectangular form and is set on a solid stone foundation. The wood-frame dwelling is clad in wood weatherboard siding; German wood siding covers the first story of the side elevations. There are wood corner boards. A side-gabled roof of standing-seam metal caps the dwelling and is pierced by an interior-end, brick chimney on the side (north) elevation. The roof is finished with overhanging eaves, cornice returns, and raking cornice. The first-story windows have a square-edged wood surround and the second-story windows have an ogee-molded, wood surround. A centrally placed, single-leaf entry has a paneled wood door with lights. It is protected by a metal-frame storm door with lights. The side (north) elevation is fenestrated with a 3/1, double-hung, wood-sash window. A louvered wood vent is located in the upper gable end of the side (south) elevation. The first and second stories of the north elevation each have a 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash window. A two-story ell is located on the rear (west) elevation of the dwelling. Although the ell is original to the building, the ell was extended by 1912. Covered by a front-gabled roof of standing-seam metal, the wood-frame ell is clad with wood weatherboard siding and is set on a solid stone foundation. The ell is fenestrated with 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows, and 1/1, double-hung, metal-sash windows. A four-light window was noted on the first story of the south elevation.

On the north (side) elevation of the main block and ell is a one-story porch, constructed circa 1915. The shed roof of standing-seam metal is supported by square wood posts. It has a horizontal wood post balustrade. Entered from the east side, the porch is enclosed at the western end. It provides access to a single-leaf entry in the western bay of the ell. Although not visible from the public right-of-way, the Sanborn Fire Insurance maps also note that one-story rear porch was also constructed circa 1915.

Constructed circa 1925, a one-story, full-width porch (three bays wide) on the façade has square balusters. The half-hipped roof is covered with standing-seam metal and is supported by turned wood posts. The window openings on the façade contain 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows.

**Significance Statement:** This modest single-family dwelling is representative of the domestic architecture constructed in the City of Winchester in the late nineteenth century. It retains integrity of materials, workmanship, and design. The dwelling can still evoke a sense of the time period in which it was built and thus still has integrity of feeling. Further, the integrity of setting and location has not been compromised. All of these aspects contribute to integrity of association. The dwelling qualifies under Criteria A and C as a contributing resource in the Winchester Historic District.