

THE HISTORIC VALUES COMMITTEE met April 24, 1962, in the Commission's office

Present: Dr. Nichols, Chairman
Mr. Williams
Dr. Tinkcom

The Committee approved the following proposal describing the conditions governing the awarding of Certificates of Merit:

1. The building must be well maintained.
2. Any alteration to the facade must have been planned so that the result is not discordant with the style of the original building or with the street scape of which it is a part. (It is understood, of course, that this does not imply an archaeological restoration.)
3. A modern store front will disqualify a building automatically. (However, a store front of the period of the house itself would be acceptable.)

The following buildings were proposed for certification:

530 N. 7th St. - Poe House
709 N. Franklin St.
704-718 N. Franklin St.
701-715, 719-721 N. 8th St.

The Committee discussed the problem of preserving some of Philadelphia's handsome late 19th-century buildings, specifically the John Wanamaker house, 2032 Walnut St. It was agreed that the Commission's program should be studied with this problem in view.