

AREA DESCRIPTION
(For Instructions see Reverse Side)

1. NAME OF CITY PHILADELPHIA SECURITY GRADE D AREA NO. 16

2. DESCRIPTION OF TERRAIN. Sloping up from the river.

3. FAVORABLE INFLUENCES. Fair section.

4. DETRIMENTAL INFLUENCES. Very old houses - decadence of industry.

5. INHABITANTS:

- a. Type Skilled and common laborers ; b. Estimated annual family income \$ 600. - \$1200.
- c. Foreign-born Mixture ; 10 % ; d. Negro No ; % ;
(Nationality) (Yes or No)
- e. Infiltration of Foreign ; f. Relief families heavy ;
- g. Population is increasing ; decreasing ; static.

6. BUILDINGS:

- a. Type or types 2 & 3 sty. row ; some singles on small streets ; b. Type of construction Brick and frame, 30% ;
- c. Average age 50 to 75 yrs. ; d. Repair Poor

7. HISTORY:

YEAR	SALE VALUES			RENTAL VALUES		
	RANGE	PREDOMINATING	%	RANGE	PREDOMINATING	%
1929 level	\$1000. - \$5000.	\$2500.	100%	\$15. - \$50.	\$30.	100%
1934-36 low	\$ 500. - \$3000.	\$1500.	60%	\$10. - \$30.	\$18.	60%
June 1937 current	\$ 500. - \$3000.	\$1500.	60%	\$10. - \$30.	\$18.	60%

Peak sale values occurred in and were % of the 1929 level.

Peak rental values occurred in and were % of the 1929 level.

8. OCCUPANCY: a. Land 95 % ; b. Dwelling units 98 % ; c. Home owners 40 %

9. SALES DEMAND: a. Poor ; b. 2 sty. rows \$1200-\$1500 ; c. Activity is Poor

10. RENTAL DEMAND: a. Fair ; b. 2 sty. row - \$15.-\$20. ; c. Activity is Fair

11. NEW CONSTRUCTION: a. Types None ; b. Amount last year

12. AVAILABILITY OF MORTGAGE FUNDS: a. Home purchase very limited ; Home building

13. TREND OF DESIRABILITY NEXT 10-15 YEARS Downward.

14. CLARIFYING REMARKS: Section is spotty - some fairly good houses. Business is very poor in the section. One of the oldest developments of Philadelphia. Community known as "Fishtown".

15. Information for this form was obtained from HARRY HEIDELBERGER.

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