

ents Held Even Greater Need Than

Old Mansion is Converted into an Apartment House



J. H. EGAN HAS converted this old home at 4 Gadsden street into modern apartments without spoiling the appearance of the structure. Located at the northeast corner of Beaufain street, it was possible to give entrances to some of the apartments in the latter street. Conversions of this type avoid the appearance given to so many converted houses and eliminate the network of unsightly, outdoor stairways which so often have been constructed. (Staff Photo.)

Temporary Places at \$2

Architect Proposes Constructing New Buildings—Care of Grounds is Urged

Charleston's greatest need, in the opinion of at least one architect, is for modern apartment houses, which will rent for from \$25 to \$50 a month. This need, he said, is greater than the need for houses, costing in the neighborhood of \$5,000.

Pointing out that though the average Charlestonian wants an individual house, rather than an apartment, he said that the man who comes to Charleston for a stay from one to three years wants a modern apartment. This must have central heat and modern conveniences, located more centrally in the northern part of town, in most of the building space is.

Though there are many houses in Charleston which have been converted into modern apartments with some success, he said it would be possible to tear down some of the old houses in the lower part of the city—those without historical or artistic significance—and erect their place modern, comfortable apartments in keeping with those of other cities of Charleston's size.

He hastened to point out that he did not propose to have erected a group of modernistic buildings in the midst of a historic section. However, he said, there are numerous areas in Charleston which could be modernized without destroying things worthy of preservation.

Another thing he believes should be done in Charleston is design and improvement of grounds. Too many people, he said, erect nice houses and leave hideous fences and unimproved yards surrounding