

KING STREET

171 This building and 173 King were originally one unit, and were split into two entities in 1899 after the death of George Enston who had built it as a home. In 1909, the two halves were re-united by Mrs. Fay Witte and Mrs. Laura Witte Waring. It then went through a series of owners. **1990 thru 1999** John Gibson Co., Inc. *antiques (see 183 King Street)* **1950 thru 1980** Utsey's *Starting his business in the basement of the Berkeley Apartments at the corner of Rutledge and Beaufain, William Winfield Utsey was flooded out by a hurricane. He decided to move his rugs and carpeting to a drier spot, and established the business on King Street. He stayed at this address for more than 30 years, selling Oriental rugs, carpeting and other floor coverings as well as a wide line of decorative fabrics and home decorating necessities, including drapery hardware, fringes, trims, shades and blinds.* *The store later moved to 278 King Street and then 303 King Street.* **1930** George Mazo Immigrating from Warsaw, Poland, *Sonia and George Mazo* lived above their delicatessen on King Street. They were known to all as "the downtown Mazos" since another Mazo family also ran a delicatessen at 478 King Street. Those were known as the "uptown Mazos" of course. George and Sonia brought with them from Warsaw an infant son *Earl Mazo* who was later to become quite famous as a newspaper man and a writer. He attended Crafts School and Charleston High and graduated from Clemson College in 1940. Before his graduation he worked as a reporter for the News & Courier. During his service in World War II, he became a correspondent for the Stars and Stripes and covered the funeral of President Roosevelt. He was later political reporter for the Camden, N.J. Courier-Post. Mazo was employed by the New York Herald Tribune as their Washington correspondent until 1963 and attained national prominence as a political analyst. He authored two books on Richard Nixon. The first was released in June 1959 while Nixon was vice-president. That first biography, entitled *Richard Nixon: A Political and Personal Portrait*, was followed in 1968 by a book co-authored with Stephen Hess entitled *Nixon: a Political Portrait*. Mazo later was a staff writer for the Reader's Digest. He married Rita Vane of Charleston. **1920** Louis Libater **1910** Vacant **1900** Mrs W.A.. Denaux furniture mover

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