

GADSDEN STREET

11 1996 Mindy Condon / Christian Condon 1950 thru 1990 William L. Rice *In the heating and air conditioning business for years on lower King street William "Bill" Rice operated Rice Brothers with his brother James . Their company sold Oil-O-Matic equipment and Bill was particularly valued for his engineering know-how, keeping up with all the changes and improvements in boilers, furnaces, and air conditioning through the years. An Old Codger in the dry cleaning business for most of his life said, "William Rice installed or maintained every boiler or furnace I ever owned in my home or laundry from 1936 to 1972. supervising any changes from oil to gas operations. Milbrens Laundry could not have operated without his on call service and knowledge."* His wife, Annie Warren, married him when she lived at 6-C Court House Square in the 30s. 1930 L.H. Gregorie

12 1990 thru 1996 Charles F. & Olivette Smith, Jr. (H) 1990 ½ James S. Simpson 1980 Charles F. Smith Jr. (H) ½ David P. Berry 1970 Charles F. Smith, Jr. (H) ½ Mrs Esther W. Jenkins (H) 1960 Lee Knight / ½ David J. Jenkins 1950 John Johnson / ½ Mrs Theresa J. Scarborough (H) 1940 John R. Johnson / 1/2 Mazyck R. Burdell, Jr 1930 J.R. Johnson / 1/2 J.L. Paino 1920 C.M. Weinges / 1/2 Warren Stopplesbein 1910 R.J. Ortmann / 1/2 J.L. Blistine 1900 Paul Middleton ©

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14 1990 thru 1999 David P & Virginia McCann (H) 1960 thru 1980 Hermine L. Cart (H) 1900 thru 1950 W. Porter Cart (H) *Head of one of the leading jewelry stores in the city, W. Porter Cart set a tone of elegance in the store that bore his name at 237 King Street. It was a point of pride if a wedding gift or a piece of jewelry came from his store in the early part of the century. Porter Cart's father died when he was an infant and his mother died when he was 12 years old. After attending public schools of Charleston, he attended Porter Military Academy for three years, paying for his schooling by selling tea strainers and knives from Charleston to Orangeburg in the summers. He first worked for the jewelry firm of Carrington, Thomas and Co. and decided to go into business for himself in 1909. He was appointed vice consul for Brazil in 1954. His duties included signing crew members on and off ship, signing bills of lading and affixing the consular seal to documents requiring it. He also performed consular duties for Venezuela and Argentina. He was deeply interested in his church and supplied fittings for the altar of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church as well as the beautiful bronze doors for the building. He married Hermine Leiding and they had five daughters and one son....the son, William Porter Cart, Jr. All of the daughters were pretty and sparkling but connoisseurs said the prettiest of all was Anna Gray. They were called the marrying Carts because as one son-in-law quipped "a Cart girl could not bear to spend an evening alone. They did not stay unmarried long. Another daughter was Doris. Another, Hermine was thrice widowed and known to family as "Auntie WOW" since her husbands were Wehman, Ortmann and Waring forming the acronym which described her vivacious personality. (See 10 and 18 Atlantic Street). One of the girls was named Porter after her father because the Carts did not think they would have a boy to bear his name. Young Billy did come along to become the namesake. Porter Cart Sr. died in 1958.*