

1824 Maine Street  
Charles & Olive Nichols House  
built in 1894  
architect unknown  
Queen Anne

*later* - Charles Nichols was born in Danville, Kentucky on February 22, 1847. He settled in Quincy in ~~1854~~ and went to work at Ladd and Talcott. In October of 1879 he married Miss Olive B. Allen. In 1880 he joined with N.C. and J. D. Eagan to form the firm of Egan, Nichols and Co., which sold wholesale notions and gent's furnishing goods on N. 3rd Street. January of 1885 saw Nichols going into business with his brother-in-law, J. W. Sinnock at 213 N. 3rd Street. Their store was Nichols and Sinnock and they also sold notions and furnishing goods but were also wholesalers and manufacturers of overalls, pants, and shirts. These two men dissolved their partnership in 1903 and Nichols went on to open his own store of C. S. Nichols Co. which also sold overalls and pants. Later on he opened the Gem City Garment factory to manufacture the clothing. Nichols and his wife had one son, T. Charles Nichols, who built the Colonial Revival home to the west of his parent's home at 1800 Maine Street. Charles Nichols died February 29, 1896 and Olive died in 1927.