

ARLINGTON: THEN AND NOW
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1950 picture, copied from Glencarlyn Library collection.

1972: GLENCARLYN LIBRARY'S FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

The Glencarlyn Library was established in 1922 with funds and books bequeathed by Gen. Samuel S. Burdett.

Following Burdett's wishes, a white building was built on "The Reservation," a lot on So. Kensington Street at Third Street, So. This building served as the Library until 1962 when the present brick structure was constructed on the same site by Arlington County. The Glencarlyn Library became a branch of the Arlington County Public Library system in April, 1959.



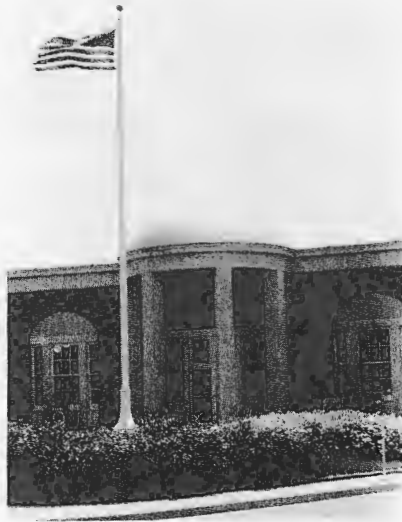
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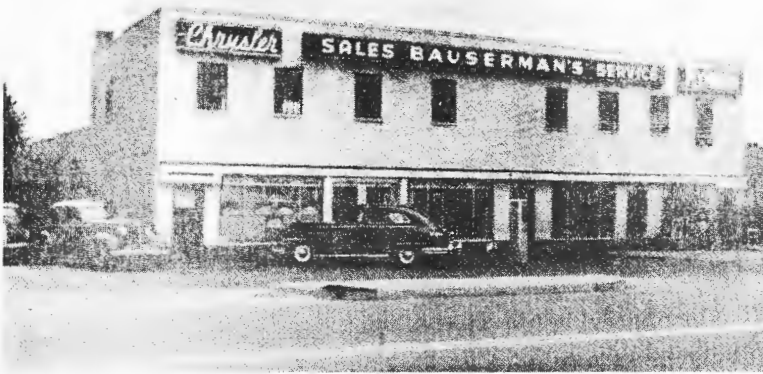
1937 picture by S. I. Markle (in AHS Archives).

1972: THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF CORNERSTONE LAYING

Thirty-five years ago, the cornerstone was laid at Arlington's Main Post Office. U.S. Post Office officials joined several hundred Arlingtonians at the May 15, 1937, ceremony. Today, the Main Post Office handles mail deliveries in the vicinity of its location at Washington Blvd. and No. Hudson Street.



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1946 picture from *Northern Virginia Shoppers' Journal* (August 29, 1946).

CHANGE AT COLUMBIA PIKE AND SOUTH GLEBE ROAD

The old photograph shows the Bauserman automobile dealership as it appeared in August 1946. A caption accompanying the picture advised "When New Cars Are Available We Will Have Them," referring to the shortages that had occurred during World War II.

The dealership closed in the sixties and the building was demolished, but more construction on the site is anticipated.



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