

**Capsule Summary for 25 Maryland Avenue
AA-1823**

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
ANNAPOLIS SURVEY

Inventory No. AA-1823

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1. Name of Property

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historic name _____
other names 25 Maryland Avenue

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2. Location

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street & number 25 Maryland Avenue not for publication _____
city or town Annapolis vicinity _____
state Maryland code _____ county Anne Arundel code _____
zip code 21401

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	_____	_____	buildings
_____	_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	_____	_____	Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes Name of Listing Annapolis Historic District
No _____

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Commercial Sub: Store

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Commercial Sub: Office

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Vernacular

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Not Visible
roof Not Visible
walls Stucco
other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.) See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance 1909-1913

Significant Dates 1909-1913

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation _____

Architect/Builder unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.) See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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Maryland: Maryland State Archives.

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City Directories

Mullin-Kille and Capital-Gazette City Directories of Annapolis, MD.
Ohio: Mullin-Kille; Evening Capital; and the Maryland
Gazette, 1949.

Polk's City Directories of Annapolis, MD. New York: R.L. Polk and
Co., 1928, 1954.

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property less than 1 acre

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the
property.)

The property designated 25 Maryland Avenue occupies the entire
Parcel 1339 on Tax Map 4-6.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

This parcel was originally part of a larger tract of land belonging
to Jeremiah T. Chase, and his family, and has been associated with
the property since the construction of the of the building between
1903 and 1913.

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title Laura Trieschmann & Kim Williams
organization Traceries date Dec. 20, 1993
street & number 5420 Western Avenue telephone (301) 656-5283
city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 20815
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12. Property Owner
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name United States Naval Academy Foundation
street & number 25 Maryland Avenue telephone 410/267-8651
city or town Annapolis state MD zip code 21401
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Located on the south side of Maryland Avenue near the corner of Cumberland Court, the small commercial building at 25 Maryland Avenue was originally built in the years between 1909 and 1913. Built as a tailor shop, the store was enlarged by the addition of a rear wing in the years after its construction and prior to 1921.

The small, one-story commercial building is designed in a commercial classical style with restrained ornamentation used to refer to historic temple-form buildings. Rectangular in plan, the one-part commercial block building is constructed of reinforced concrete, and features a first floor storefront set within an enframed wall of end columns. The sloped roof is ornamented with a parapet wall. The building is today clad with a stucco-like exterior finish.

The front facade is the primary elevation and consists of the storefront with a show window and side-passage, recessed entry set within the building's rounded end walls representing columns. The show window is a single plate glass window, raised upon a concrete foundation with a recessed panel providing visual relief to the mass of the foundation. The entry door is wood and glass. Above the store front is a wide three-panelled frieze which supports a plain architrave and cornice above it. Set upon this entablature is the square-profiled, projecting cornice and parapet wall. The parapet wall features a central panel which protrudes in front of and above the side walls. The rounded side walls on either side of this diminutive building, appear from the front as engaged columns, thus referring to classical traditions.

The west side wall has three 6/1 windows towards the rear half of the building. The stucco-like finish is rusticated at the base and features a wide stringcourse at the level of the frieze on the front. This stringcourse is ornamented with post-modern geometric designs. The eastern side wall is stuccoed only partially, as the rounded end wall turns the corner, but reveals the originally poured concrete structure behind it. The rear wing, added by 1921, is covered with asbestos siding.

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Designated as Lot 91 on the Stoddert Map of 1718, the property located at 25 Maryland Avenue was one of the first parcels of the Hammond-Harwood estate to be subdivided. Historically the estate belonged to Mathias Hammond, who in 1774 began to construct a large house at what is now 19 Maryland Avenue. Hammond's Square, stretching from King George Street to Prince George Street and down to William Paca's wall on the east, was one of the largest single holdings in town. Mathias Hammond never lived in the house, which was completed in 1776. Upon his death the property was willed to his nephews, who sold it in 1810 to Ninan Pinkney, Sr. Pinkney in turn sold the house to Judge Jeremiah Townley Chase in 1811.¹

Judge Chase gave the house to his daughter Frances Townley Chase Loockerman, who lived there with her family until her death in 1857. It was inherited by her daughter, Hester Anne Loockerman Harwood. Hester Anne and her husband, William Harwood, began to subdivide the property in the early 1860s. The property was deeded to the Harwood daughter, Hester Anne and Lucy Harwood by their parents.² A small two-story frame dwelling was constructed on the site about this time by the Harwoods. The dwelling, set back from the street, was leased several times until the entire lot was finally sold in 1901 to George T. Melvin.³

George Thomas Melvin, born in 1851, was an attorney and editor of the Denton Journal. He was owner of the Advertiser Republican and co-owner of the Maryland Republic. He served as state printer, president to the Annapolis Water Co. and president to the county

¹Liber WSG 1 Folio 141

²Will Liber JWB 1 Folio 482

³Liber GW 22 Folio 33 and 403

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school board.⁴ The 1900 Census Records for 27 Maryland Avenue lists John Zeller and his wife Margaret as occupants of the dwelling. Zeller, of German decent, was born in 1863 in Maryland. He worked as a clerk, while his wife of five years remained at home. In 1908, Melvin sold the small dwelling to Ezechiele Pietrangello, while he retained the parcel located at 25 Maryland Avenue.⁵ The following year Melvin sold the parcel to John R. Lemmert of Baltimore.⁶

John R. Lemmert constructed a one-story fire-proof, reinforced concrete, commercial building at 25 Maryland Avenue between 1909 and 1913. The Sanborn Maps of 1913 and 1921 indicated that the building was used as a tailor's shop. The 1928-1929 City Directories stated that J.R. Lemmert occupied the building, using it as a men's furnishings shop. In 1935, Lemmert willed the building to George S. Yost and Ellen A. Davidson, who that same year, sold it to Michael A. and Ethel M. Leahy.⁷

In 1940, it was sold to Frank Palmieri, who defaulted on the mortgage in 1942.⁸ Benjamin Michaelson was empowered by the Enterprise Federal Savings and Loan Association to sell the property and by 1943, it was sold to Frank and Clara Elizabeth Thomas.⁹ Arthur Miller and his wife, Constance B., purchased the building at 25 Maryland Avenue in 1956.¹⁰ According to the 1954 City Directories, the site was used by Miller as a photo-finishing shop.

Over the next few years, the building was conveyed numerous times, until it was finally sold in 1977 to the Port of Annapolis, Inc.

⁴Robert Harry McIntire. Annapolis Maryland Families. (Baltimore: Gateway Press, Inc., 1979), p. 474.

⁵Liber GW 64 Folio 209

⁶Liber GW 68 Folio 382

⁷Liber FAM 146 Folio 538

⁸Liber JHH 272 Folio 118

⁹Liber JHH 259 Folio 381; Liber JHH 282 Folio 272

¹⁰Liber 1071 Folio 459

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The Port of Annapolis, Inc. used the building as office space until 1979 when the sold it to Virginia W. Packer.¹¹ Prior to the sale to Packer, the Port of Annapolis, Inc. sold an easement to Historic Annapolis, Inc.¹² The easement included regulation by Historic Annapolis, Inc. over the hours of operations, control over alterations and additions on the building, and minimum maintenance requirements.

In 1983, the building was purchased by the United States Naval Academy Foundation, Inc., who maintain office space in the building.

¹¹Liber 3198 Folio 741

¹²Liber 3198 Folio 733

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Historic Period Theme: Architecture, Landscape
Architecture and Community
Planning

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period: Industrial / Urban
Dominance, 1870-1930

Resource Type(s): Standing Structure

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Chain of Title for 27 Maryland Avenue:

- Pre 1774: The property designated at Lot 91 was owned by Mathias Hammond.
- 1783: Lease to James Nourse by Hammond
- 1786: Will of Mathias Hammond conveyed property to nephews, John and Philip Hammond
- 1789: John Hammond conveyed half share to brother, Philip Hammond
Liber NH 5 Folio 122
- 1810: Philip Hammond to Ninan Pinkney
Liber NH 15 Folio 619
- 1811: Ninan Pinkney to Judge Jeremiah Townley Chase
Liber WSG 1 Folio 141
- 1853: Chase to daughter, Frances Townley Loockerman
Liber SH 5 Folio 277
- 1857: Frances Loockerman to daughter, Hester Anne Loockerman Harwood
Will Liber SH 7 Folio 514
- 1870: Hester Anne Loockerman Harwood and husband William Harwood will to Hester Anne and Lucy Harwood
Will Liber JWB 1 Folio 482
- 1901: Harwoods to George T. Melvin
Liber GW 22 Folio 33 and 401

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- 1909: George T. Melvin and Martin Smith to John R. Lemmert of
Baltimore
Liber GW 68 Folio 382
- 1935: John R. Lemmert wills to George S. Yost and Ellen A.
Davidson
- 1935: Louis J. Burger, executor for George S. Yost and Ellen A.
Davidson, to Michael A. and Ethel M. Leahy
Liber FAM 146 Folio 538
- 1940: Michael A. and Ethel M. Leahy to Frank Palmieri
Liber JHH 272 Folio 118
- 1942: Palmieri defaults on mortgage. Benjamin Michaelson
empowered to sell to Enterprise Federal Savings and Loan
Association
Liber JHH 259 Folio 381
- 1943: Enterprise Federal Savings and Loan Association to Frank
and Clara Elizabeth Thomas
Liber JHH 282 Folio 272
- 1956: Frank and Clara Elizabeth Thomas to Constance B. and
Arthur N. Miller
Liber 1071 Folio 459
- 1973: Constance B. and Arthur N. Miller to George W. Perkins,
Jack R. Mills, Michael A. Wheatley
Liber WGL 2635 Folio 853
- 1975: George W. Perkins, Jack R. Mills, Michael A. Wheatley to
MacCathy-Scott, Inc.
Liber WGL 2742 Folio 336
- 1977: MacCathy-Scott, Inc. to Port of Annapolis, Inc.
Liber 2992 Folio 484
- 1979: Subject to deed of easement from Port of Annapolis, Inc.
to Historic Annapolis, Inc.
Liber 3198 Folio 733

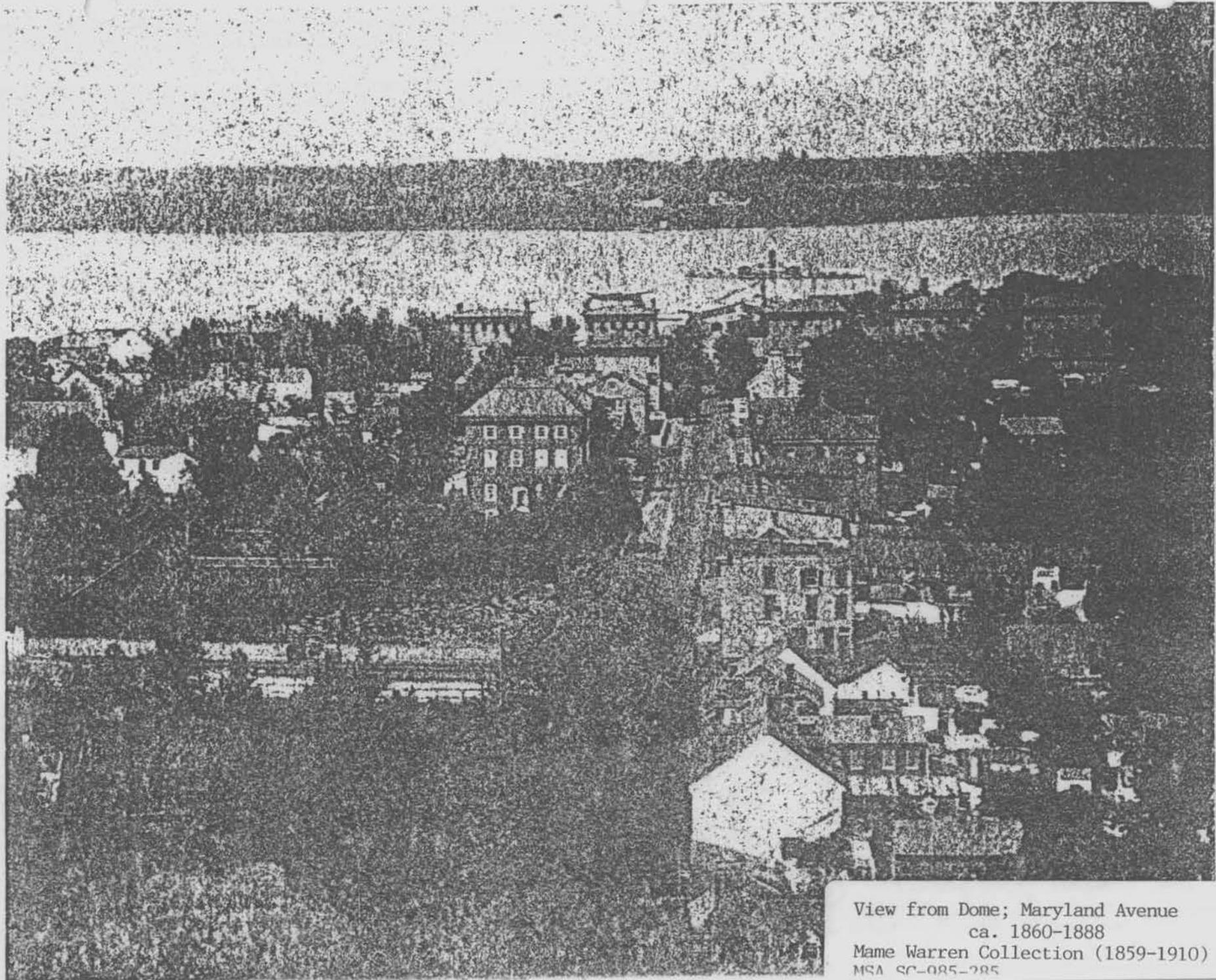
Easement regulates the hours of operation, control over
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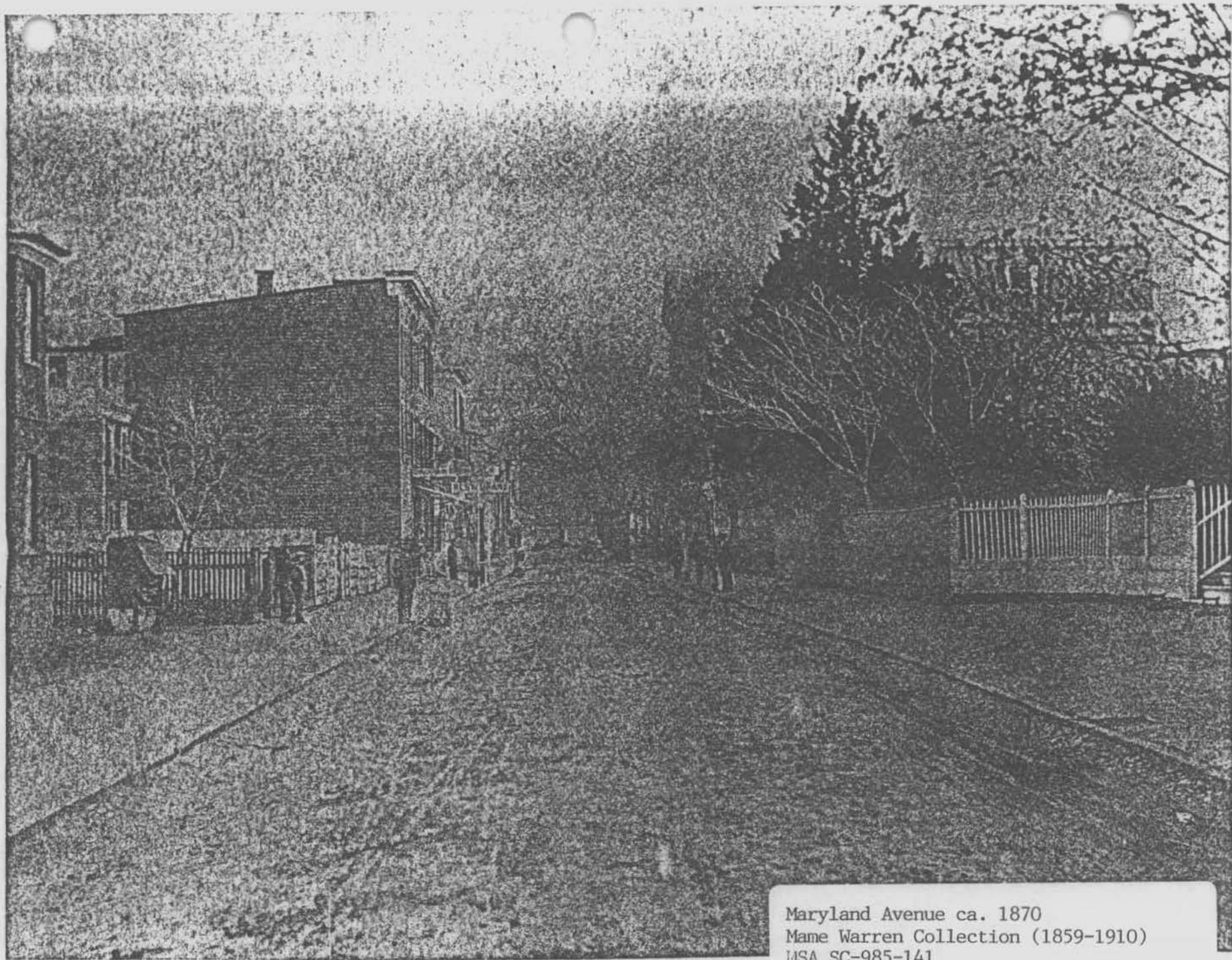
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- 1979: Port of Annapolis, Inc. to Virginia W. Packer
Liber 3198 Folio 741
- 1982: Virginia W. Packer to Harriett Ann Green Trust, in care
of Kinsey Bass Green
Liber 3466 Folio 101
- 1983: Harriett Ann Green Trust, in care of Kinsey Bass
Green to United States Naval Academy Foundation, Inc.
Liber 3611 Folio 317



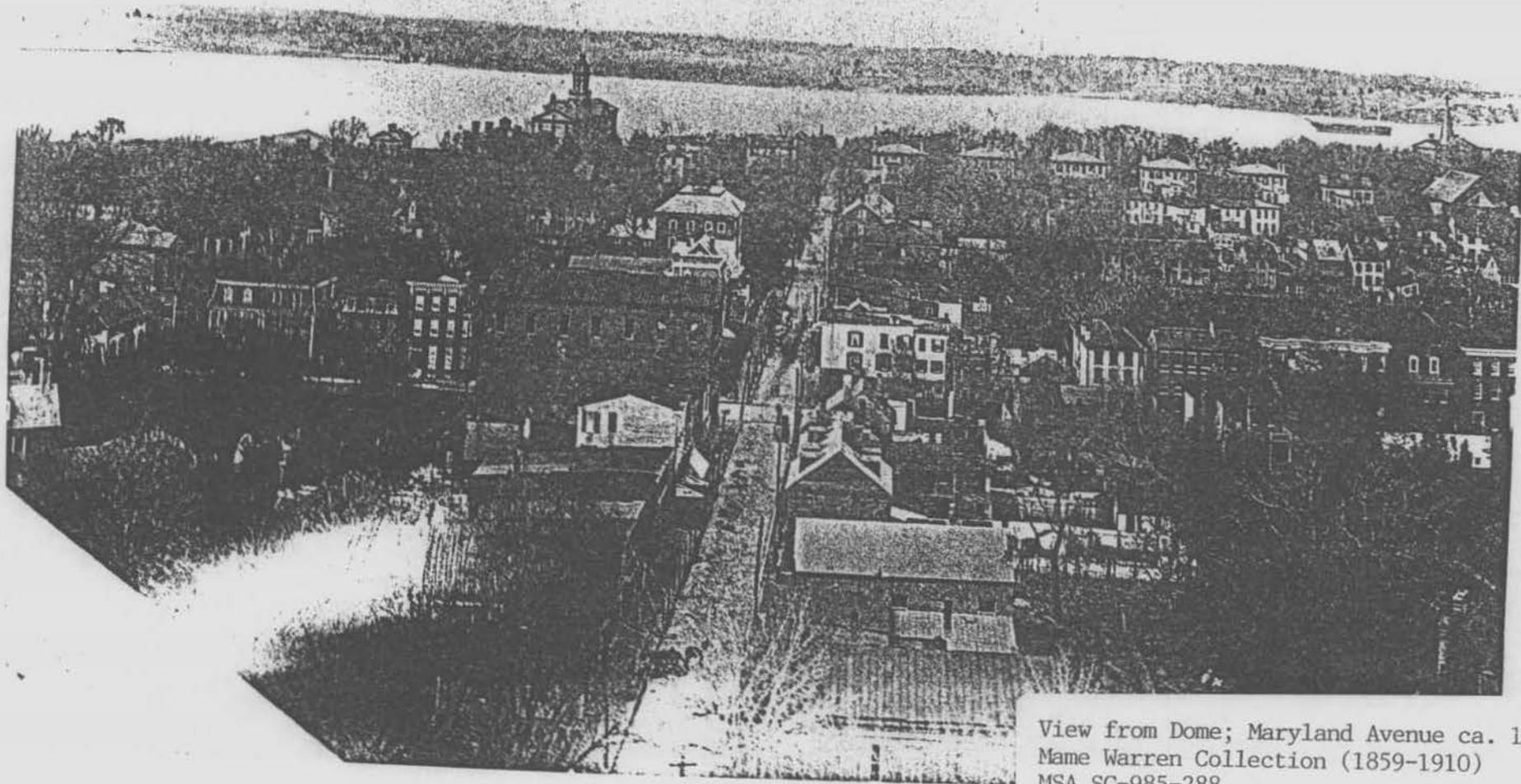
View from Dome; Maryland Avenue
ca. 1860-1888
Mame Warren Collection (1859-1910)
MSA SC-085-285

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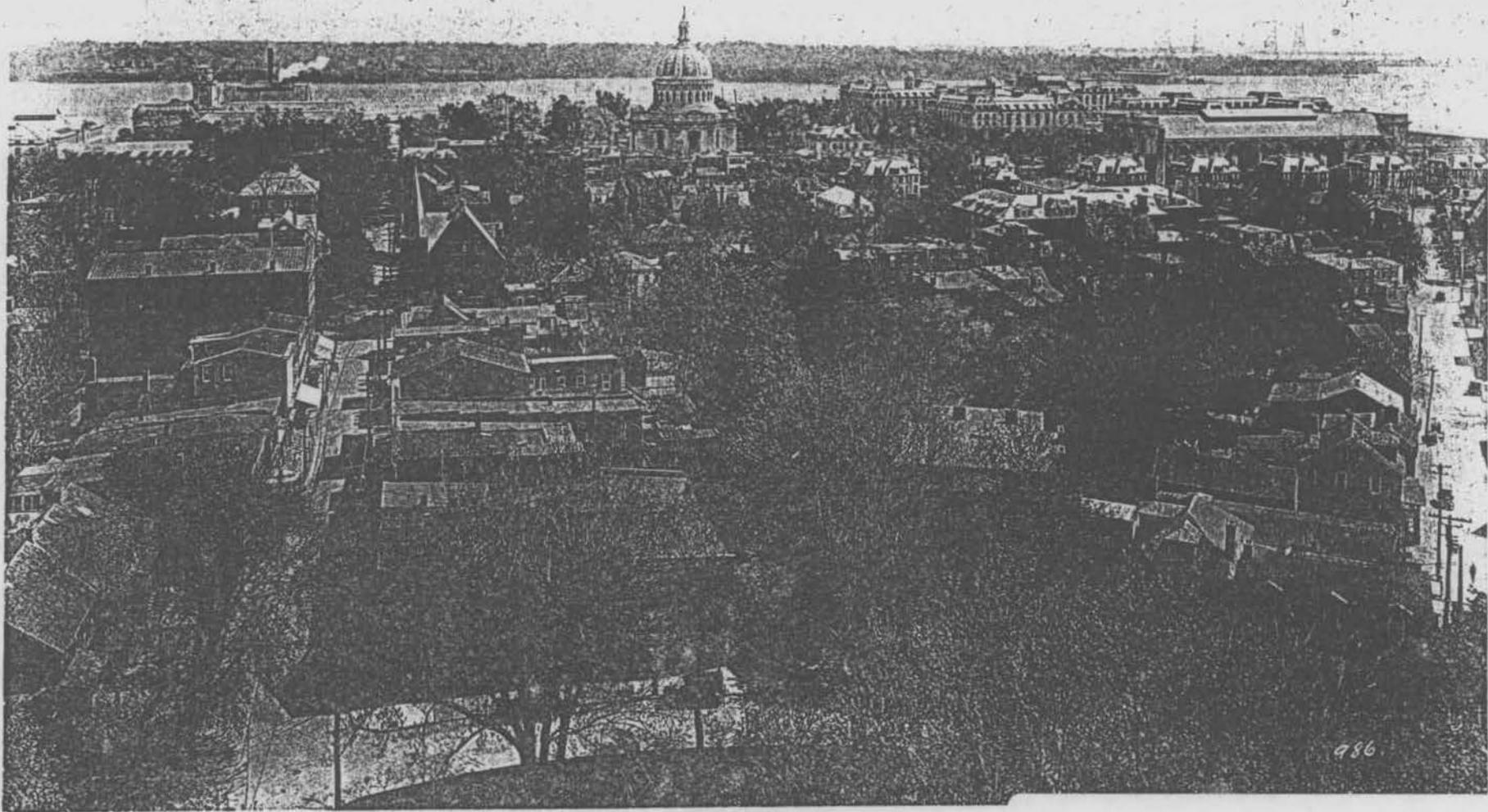
Maryland Avenue ca. 1870
Mame Warren Collection (1859-1910)
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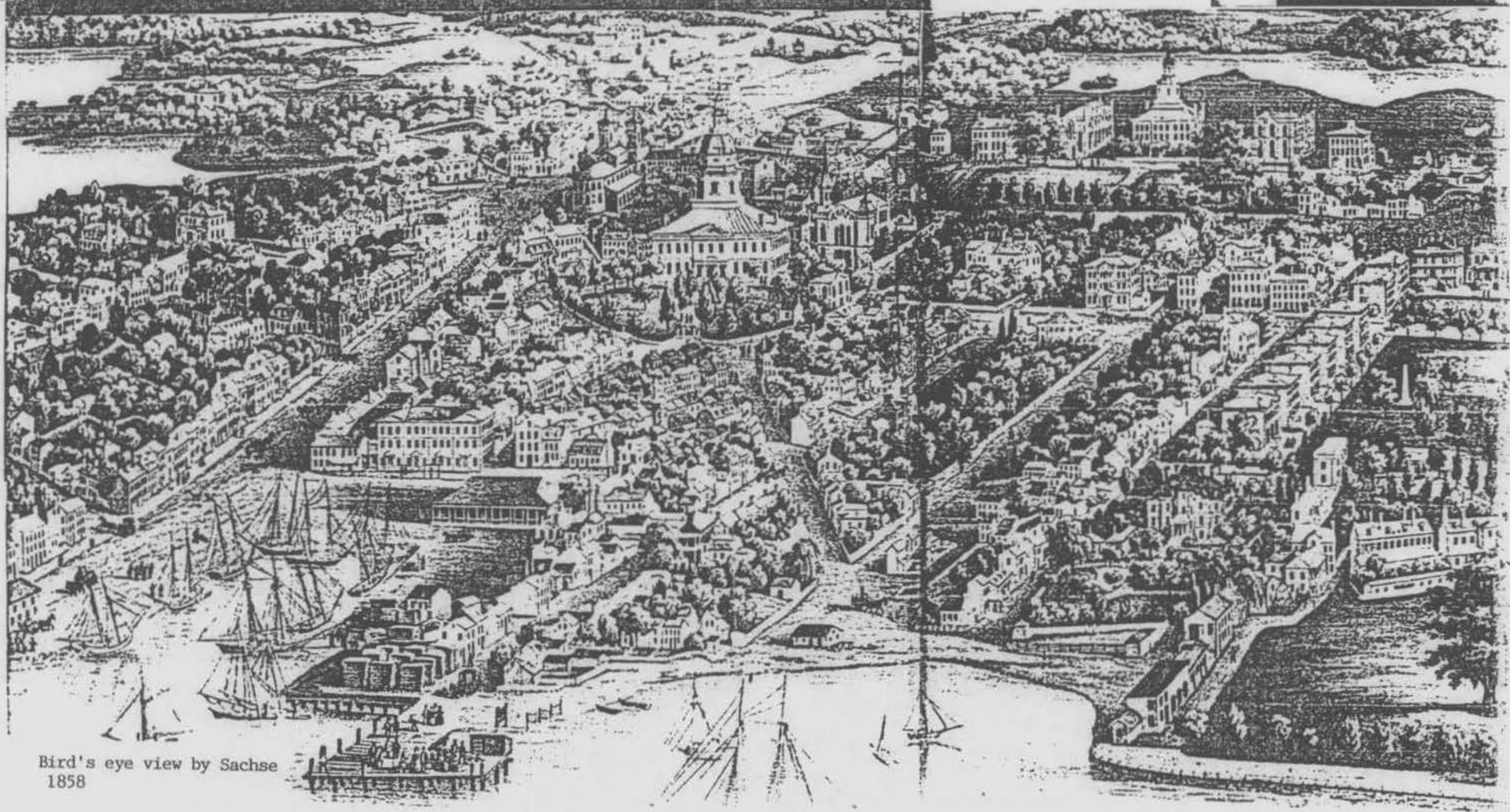
View from Dome; Maryland Avenue ca. 1890
Mame Warren Collection (1859-1910)
MSA SC-985-288



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View from Dome; Maryland Avenue to
East Street ca. 1924-1925
Hayman Collection (1920 ca.-1930 ca.)
MSA SC-1406-125, 1924-1925

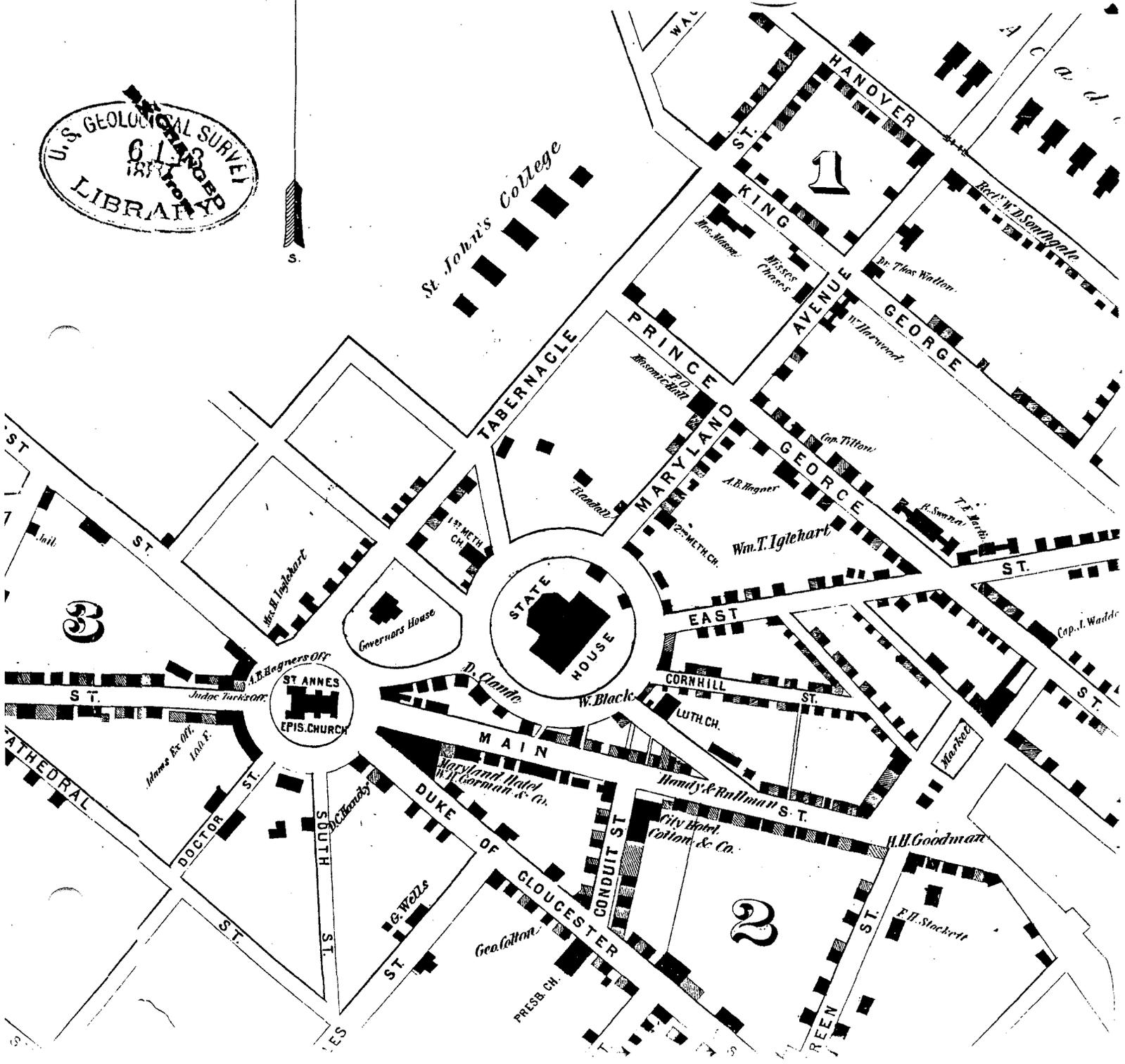
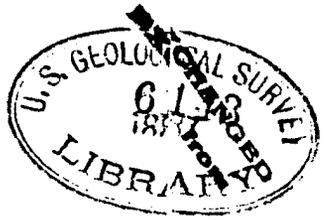
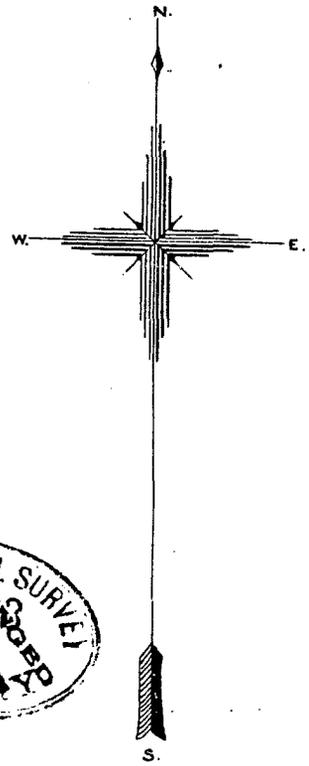


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1858

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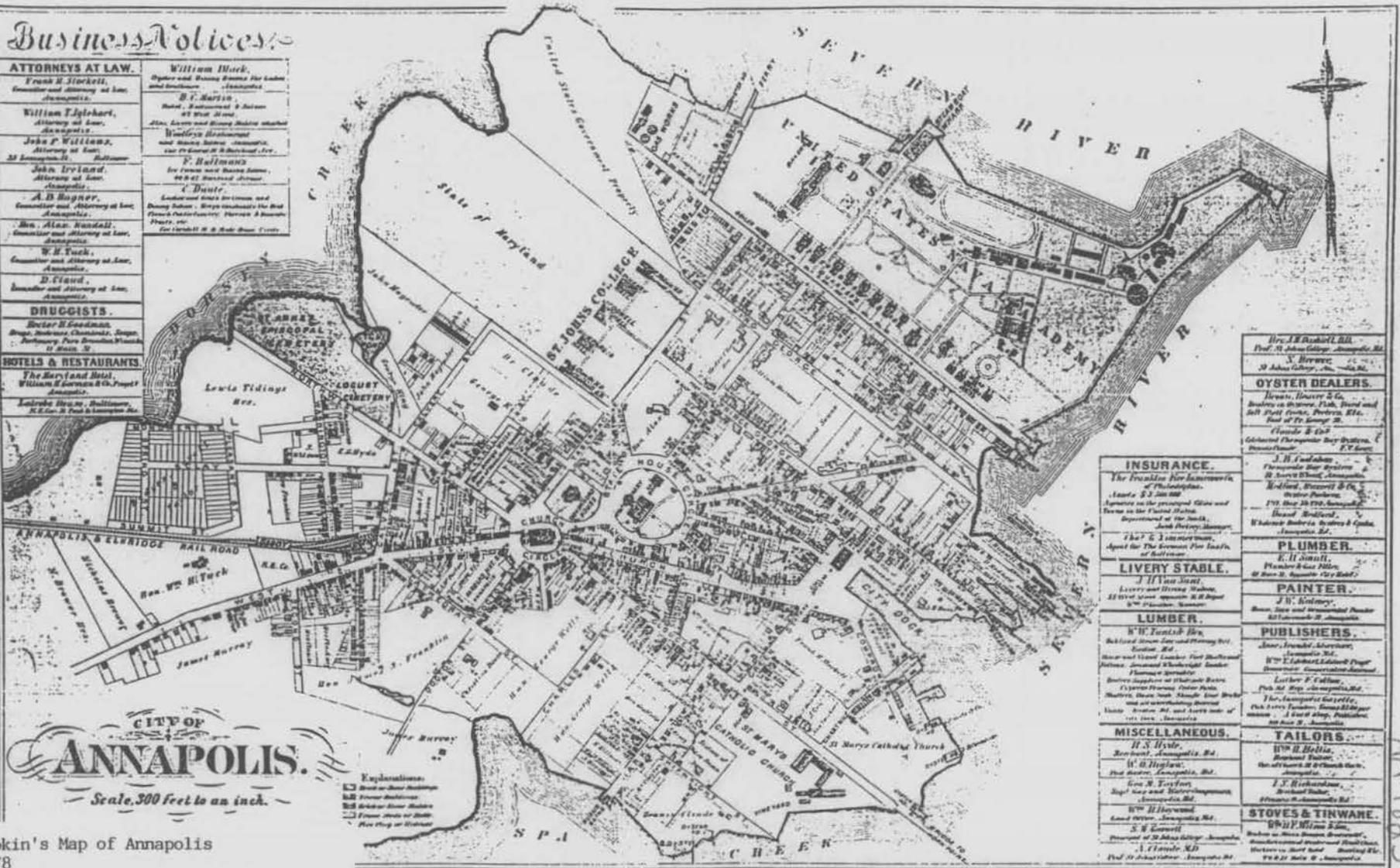
GRAY'S NEW MAP
OF
ANNAPOLIS
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MD.

Drawn from Special Surveys
1877.



Business Notices

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John P. Williams, Attorney at Law, 23 Exchange St., Baltimore.	Ward's Restaurant and Dining Room, Annapolis, the corner of S. Street and Ave.
John Ireland, Attorney at Law, Annapolis.	F. Hallinan Ice Cream and Soda Water, 40-42 Broadway Street.
A. B. Bayliff, Counsel and Attorney at Law, Annapolis.	C. Dault Ladies and Gents Dressing and Dressing Room - Keeps constantly the Best French Parfumeries, Perfumes & Beauties Price 25c For Carriage 10 & 12th Street, 17th
Wm. Allen Randall, Counsel and Attorney at Law, Annapolis.	
W. H. Tuck, Counsel and Attorney at Law, Annapolis.	
D. Floyd, Counsel and Attorney at Law, Annapolis.	
DRUGGISTS. Peter H. Goodman, Drugs, Perfumery, Cosmetics, Sops, Annapolis Pure Broomed, Wash to Wash St.	
HOTELS & RESTAURANTS. The Maryland Hotel, William H. Gorman & Co. Proprietors, Annapolis. Lafayette House, Baltimore, N. E. Cor. 3rd & Lexington Sts.	

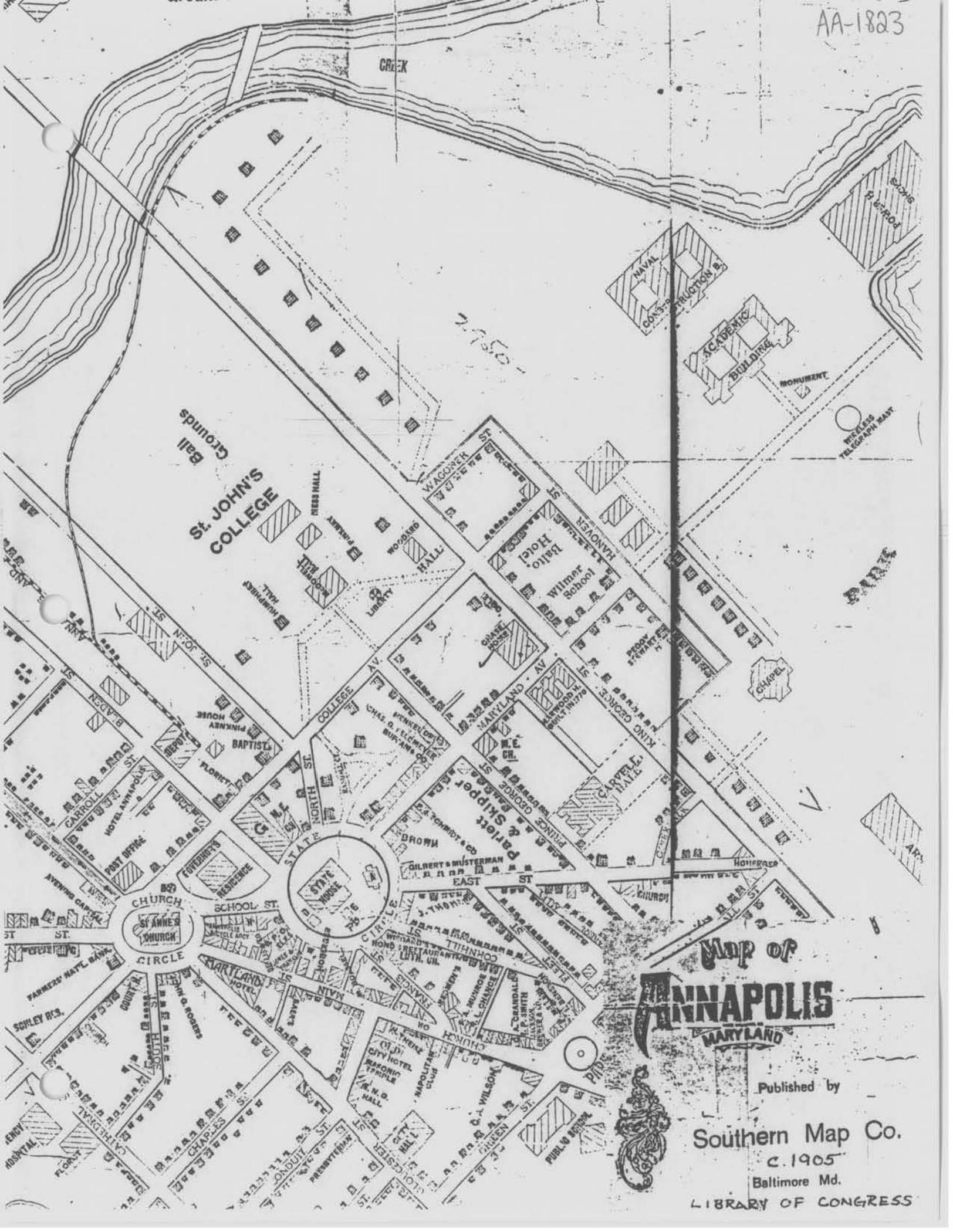


Hopkin's Map of Annapolis
1878

<p>INSURANCE. The Franklin Fire Insurance Co. of Philadelphia. Assets \$2,500,000 Agents in the United States Department of the South André, Bayley, & Co. 140 & 142 Broadway, Appt for The Governor For each of Baltimore.</p>	<p>PLUMBER. E. H. Smith, Plumber & Gas Fitter, 20 South St. Annapolis.</p>
<p>LIVERY STABLE. J. H. Hunt, Livery and Horse Stable, 23 West Street opposite N. H. Depot 100 Exchange, Annapolis.</p>	<p>PUBLISHERS. Anno, Swends, & Co., 170 E. Lombard Street, Annapolis.</p>
<p>LUMBER. W. H. Tuck & Co., Wholesale Lumber and Planing Mill, South St. Wholesale and Retail Lumber and Planing Mill, Annapolis, Md. 170 E. Lombard Street, Annapolis, Md.</p>	<p>TAILORS. Wm. H. Smith, Baltimore, Md. 170 E. Lombard Street, Annapolis, Md.</p>
<p>MISCELLANEOUS. H. S. Hyde, Annapolis, Md. W. H. Tuck, Annapolis, Md. Geo. W. Tuck, Annapolis, Md. Wm. H. Tuck, Annapolis, Md.</p>	<p>STOVES & TIRWARE. Wm. H. Tuck, Annapolis, Md.</p>

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All text according to the original as shown in the Maryland Hall of Records



Map of
ANNAPOLIS
 MARYLAND

Published by

Southern Map Co.

c. 1905

Baltimore Md.

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ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

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MARYLAND SHPO
FACADE LOOKING SOUTHEAST

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MARYLAND SHPO

NORTHEAST ELEVATION LOOKING SOUTH

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MARYLAND SHPO

NORTH CORNER

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MARYLAND SHPO
WEST CORNER, SOUTHWEST ELEVATION
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Stuccoed facades with minor Art Deco detailing; parapet is stepped above projecting flat cornice, which is supported by low relief brackets; end pilasters enriched with rusticated bands.

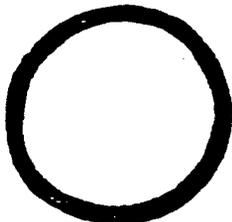
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Good example of early 20thC small scale commercial design, important to streetscape despite one-story height.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



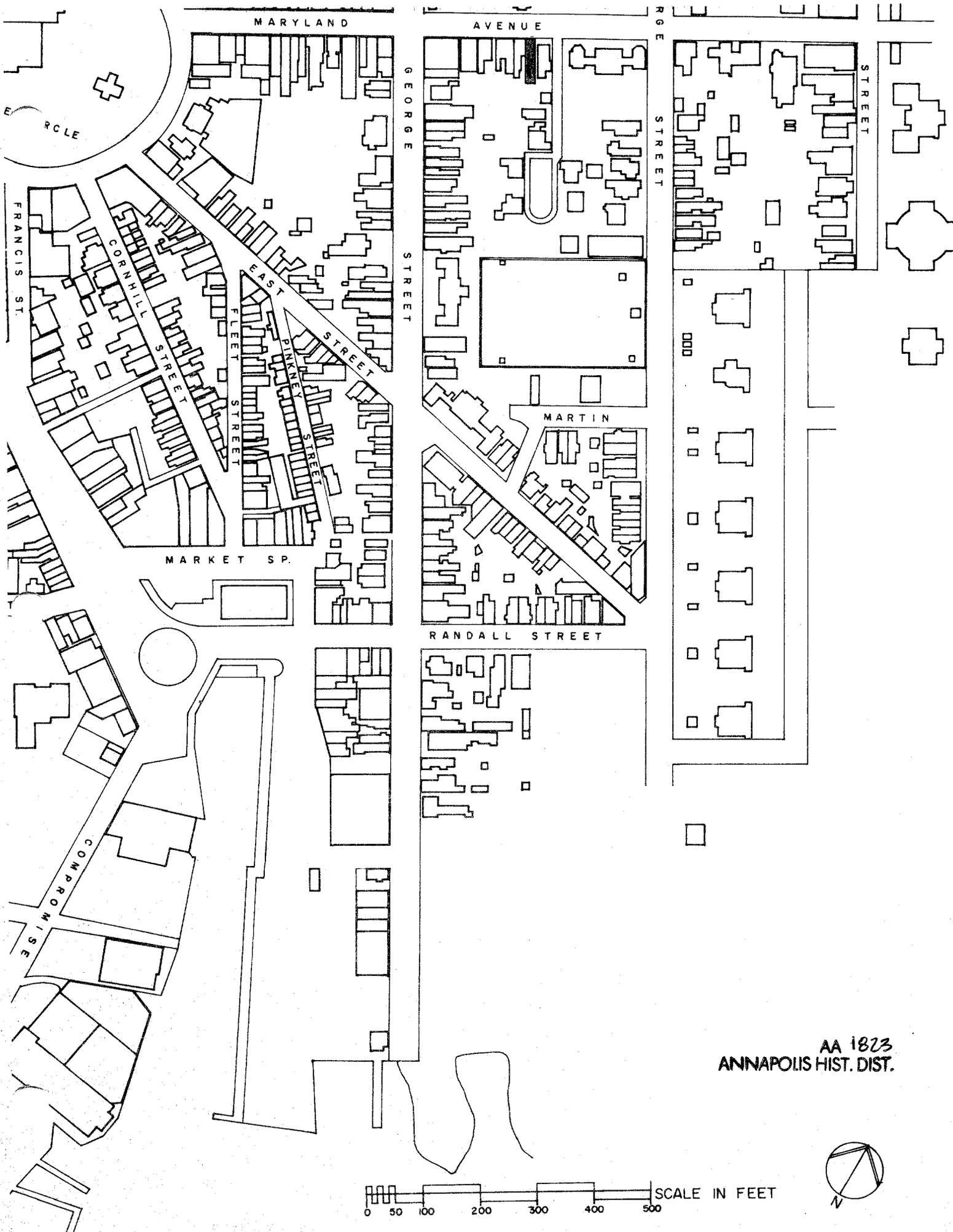
SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
- Moderately Built Up() Densely-Built Up(✓)
- Residential() Commercial()
- Agricultural() Industrial()
- Roadside Strip Development()
- Other:

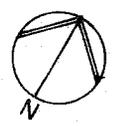
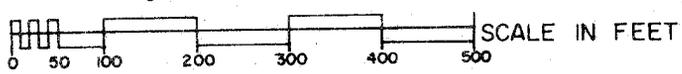
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ORGANIZATION: Historic Annapolis, Inc

DATE RECORDED: Aug. 1983



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Down to Earth



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Annapolis, Anne Arundel County

Russell Wright July, 1982

Maryland Historical Trust,

Annapolis, Maryland

SE Elevation/camera facing NW