

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. AA-2142

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Drydock Headhouse No. 1

and/or common Bldg. No. 68

2. Location

street & number U.S. Coast Guard Yard not for publicationcity, town Curtis Bay vicinity of congressional district 1

state Maryland county Anne Arundel

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name U.S. Coast Guard

street & number 2401 Hawkins Point Road telephone no.: 410-636-7871

city, town Baltimore state and zip code: MD 21226-1797

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Anne Arundel County Courthouse liber GW-47

street & number folio 224

city, town Annapolis state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title U.S. Coast Guard Yard National Register Nomination

1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town 100 Community Place, Crownsville state MD

7. Description

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Condition

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

Check one

unaltered

altered

Check one

original site

moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This building sits at the end of Pier 3. It is a stark, two-story brick building with a flat roof. It has been altered extensively. The south elevation still appears to retain two of its original window openings on the first floor, although the glass blocks are not original. A new personnel door and numerous mechanical and electrical appurtenances create disorder on this facade. A ghost of two large windows is visible on the second floor of this facade; these have since been filled in with brick and a series of two grouping of three windows each occur at the second floor. These windows are the typical fixed over awning replacement window combination which occurs all over the installation. The east and north elevations have also incurred similar alterations. Alterations to the east facade include replacement windows in brick infill panels, two fire stairs from the second floor and several large pieces of mechanical equipment that sit along this facade. The central section of the second floor has been replaced with corrugated metal panels and replacement windows from the sill of the window to the roof edge. On the north elevation, all openings have been replaced with smaller replacements.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance---Check and justify below				
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

Specific dates	Builder/Architect	Unknown
Check: Applicable Criteria: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D		
and/or Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G		
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local		

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This property is associated with the development of the Coast Guard Yard at Curtis Bay. The Yard was first established on this site in 1899 as a boat repair and construction facility for the Revenue Cutter Service, the forerunner of the present-day Coast Guard. At that time, the facility was known as the Revenue Cutter Service Depot, and generally served vessels stationed in the mid-Atlantic area.

The establishment of the Depot was related to the emphasis on Naval preparedness that took place following the Spanish American war. Prior to the establishment of the Depot, vessel repair and construction were handled by private concerns. Starting as a collection of a few frame buildings, the Depot, after 1940 known as the Yard, expanded as its mission and capabilities increased. The Yard was at its productive peak and greatest size during World War II, with most surviving historic structures dating to that time.

This building was constructed in 1942 to house the functions associated with the work conducted at Drydock No. 2. It contained transformer rooms, generators, locker rooms, and tool storage.

This resource is considered a contributing element of the proposed National Register Historic District

This building is considered to be a contributing element within the proposed historic district. It adds to the historic associations and architectural qualities for which the district is significant. It fits within the historic district's period of significance, relates to the documented significance, and possesses sufficient historic integrity.

Criterion A—Historical Associations

This building was erected as part of the World War II-era rebuild, expansion, and modernization of the Yard. It serves as the control center for Drydock #1 and its construction, like its associated drydock, is indicative the Yards increased ability to construct and service larger vessels.

Criterion C—Design Significance

When compared with many of the other buildings constructed at the Yard about this time, Building #68 is stylistically undistinguished. This reflects its utilitarian nature and the fact that it is located away from the administrative, and architecturally more embellished, area of the Yard.

Integrity

Building #68 maintains its original location, setting, design, association and feeling. It has experienced inappropriate alterations, but retains sufficient integrity to convey its historical and architectural associations.

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Periods: Industrial/Urban Dominance (A.D. 1870-1930) and Modern Period (A.D. 1930-present)

Historic Period Themes: Architecture, Economic, Military

Resource Type:

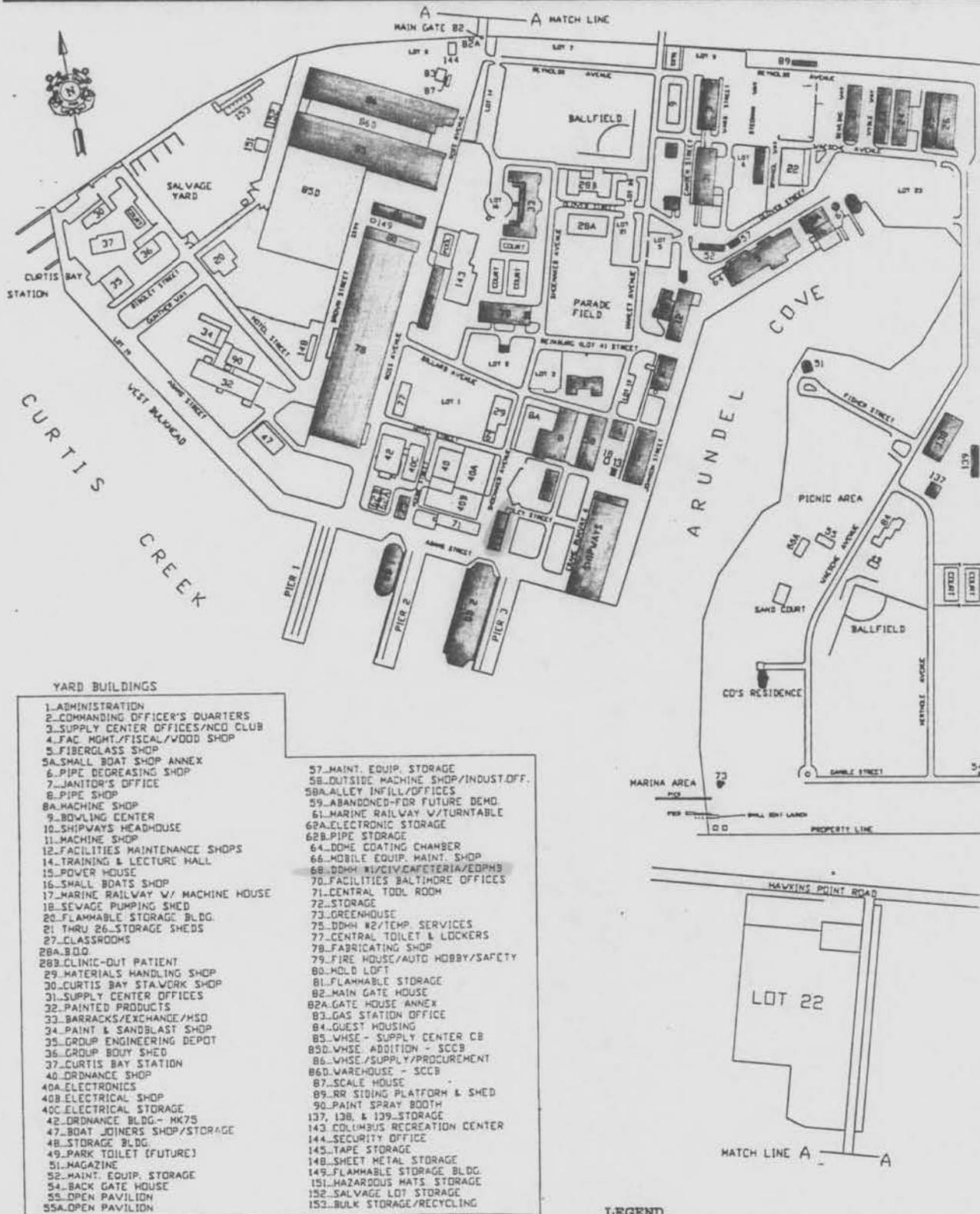
Category: District

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Functions and Uses: Defense/Coast Guard Facility/Shipyard

Known Design Source: None

U.S. Coast Guard Yard Curtis Bay



- YARD BUILDINGS**
- 1-ADMINISTRATION
 - 2-COMMANDING OFFICER'S QUARTERS
 - 3-SUPPLY CENTER OFFICES/NCO CLUB
 - 4-FAC. MGMT./FISCAL/WOOD SHOP
 - 5-FIBERGLASS SHOP
 - 5A-SMALL BOAT SHOP ANNEX
 - 6-PIPE DEGREASING SHOP
 - 7-JANITOR'S OFFICE
 - 8-PIPE SHOP
 - 8A-MACHINE SHOP
 - 9-BOWLING CENTER
 - 10-SHIPWAYS HEADHOUSE
 - 11-MACHINE SHOP
 - 12-FACILITIES MAINTENANCE SHOPS
 - 14-TRAINING & LECTURE HALL
 - 15-POWER HOUSE
 - 16-SMALL BOATS SHOP
 - 17-MARINE RAILWAY W/ MACHINE HOUSE
 - 18-SEWAGE PUMPING SHED
 - 20-FLAMMABLE STORAGE BLDG.
 - 21-THRU 26-STORAGE SHEDS
 - 27-CLASSROOMS
 - 28A-BLDG.
 - 28B-CLINIC-DUT PATIENT
 - 29-MATERIALS HANDLING SHOP
 - 30-CURTIS BAY STAWORK SHOP
 - 31-SUPPLY CENTER OFFICES
 - 32-PAINTED PRODUCTS
 - 33-BARRACKS/EXCHANGE/HSD
 - 34-PAINT & SANDBLAST SHOP
 - 35-GRUP ENGINEERING DEPOT
 - 36-GRUP BOUY SHED
 - 37-CURTIS BAY STATION
 - 40-DRDNANCE SHOP
 - 40A-ELECTRONICS
 - 40B-ELECTRICAL SHOP
 - 40C-ELECTRICAL STORAGE
 - 42-DRDNANCE BLDG.- MK75
 - 47-BOAT JOINERS SHOP/STORAGE
 - 48-STORAGE BLDG.
 - 49-PARK TOILET (FUTURE)
 - 51-MAGAZINE
 - 52-MAINT. EQUIP. STORAGE
 - 54-BACK GATE HOUSE
 - 55-OPEN PAVILION
 - 55A-OPEN PAVILION
 - 57-MAINT. EQUIP. STORAGE
 - 58-OUTSIDE MACHINE SHOP/INDUST.OFF.
 - 58A-ALLEY INFILL/OFFICES
 - 59-ABANDONED-FOR FUTURE DEMO.
 - 61-MARINE RAILWAY W/TURNABLE
 - 62A-ELECTRONIC STORAGE
 - 62B-PIPE STORAGE
 - 64-DOME COATING CHAMBER
 - 66-MOBILE EQUIP. MAINT. SHOP
 - 68-DDHM #1/CIV.CAFETERIA/EDPHS
 - 70-FACILITIES BALTIMORE OFFICES
 - 71-CENTRAL TOOL ROOM
 - 72-STORAGE
 - 73-GREENHOUSE
 - 75-DDHM #2/TEMP. SERVICES
 - 77-CENTRAL TOILET & LOCKERS
 - 78-FABRICATING SHOP
 - 79-FIRE HOUSE/AUTO HOBBY/SAFETY
 - 80-HOLD LOFT
 - 81-FLAMMABLE STORAGE
 - 82-MAIN GATE HOUSE
 - 82A-GATE HOUSE ANNEX
 - 83-GAS STATION OFFICE
 - 84-GUEST HOUSING
 - 85-WHSE - SUPPLY CENTER CB
 - 85D-WHSE ADDITION - SCCB
 - 86-WHSE/SUPPLY/PROCUREMENT
 - 86B-WAREHOUSE - SCCB
 - 87-SCALE HOUSE
 - 89-RR SIDING PLATFORM & SHED
 - 90-PAINT SPRAY BOOTH
 - 137, 138, & 139-STORAGE
 - 143-COLUMBUS RECREATION CENTER
 - 144-SECURITY OFFICE
 - 145-TAPE STORAGE
 - 148-SHEET METAL STORAGE
 - 149-FLAMMABLE STORAGE BLDG.
 - 151-HAZARDOUS HATS STORAGE
 - 152-SALVAGE LOT STORAGE
 - 153-BULK STORAGE/RECYCLING

SOURCE: U.S. Coast Guard Yard, Facilities Department.

LEGEND
 ■ PRE-1946 RESOURCES EXAMINED IN THIS REPORT

U.S. Coast Guard Yard Site Plan, April 1996



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DRYDOCK HEADHOUSE NO. 1

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