

Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maryland	
COUNTY: Baltimore City	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
Deutsches Haus
AND/OR HISTORIC:
Old Bryn Mawr School (SITE - DEMOLISHED)

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1212 Cathedral Street
CITY OR TOWN:
Baltimore
STATE: Maryland CODE: 24 COUNTY: Baltimore City CODE: 510

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>law & political</u> <u>campaign offices</u>

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mr. Joseph Meyerhoff
STREET AND NUMBER:
1 Slade Avenue
CITY OR TOWN:
Pikesville
STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Land Record Office of Baltimore City Liber MLP 6115 Folio 451
STREET AND NUMBER:
Room 610, Baltimore City Courthouse
CITY OR TOWN:
Baltimore
STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Landmark List
DATE OF SURVEY: 1965 Federal State County Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation
STREET AND NUMBER:
402 City Hall
CITY OR TOWN:
Baltimore
STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The old Bryn Mawr School, later the Deutsches Haus, dominates the intersection of Cathedral and Preston Streets and Park Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland. Built in 1889-90 of yellow brick imported from England¹ its massive diaper-patterned walls, tiled roof, large windows and rounded interior angles make it a fine example of nineteenth-century functionalism. A frame "chalet" entrance has been added to shelter the entrance to the basement, which housed a beer stube during the period of ownership by the German club. A large, open brownstone porch with heavy oak front doors, massive brownstone basement, and first floor facades, and the brick wall capped with brownstone which encircles the property, all contribute to the building's air of solidity and permanence.

The structure was designed by Henry Rutgers Marshall and planned by Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett to embody the best features of contemporary school buildings. These included fire-proof construction throughout, a steam heating system, sixteen fireplaces, an indoor tiled swimming pool, a gymnasium with a rubber-floored running gallery, and spacious rooms used as a library, science laboratories and an art studio. Broad central stairs of slate, with hand-wrought iron railings, rise through the center of the building, reaching from the main level's mosaic floors and high, tiled walls to the top floor.

Architectural blue-prints and photographs of the interior of the School won a blue ribbon in the educational section of the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893.

Today, the old Bryn Mawr School is endangered both by the City's road-building plans and the owners' desire to erect a musical center on the site. The Victorian Society in America went on record in February, 1972, as feeling that this structure

is not only architecturally important in itself, it is a significant part of the cityscape that links the Mount Vernon and Bolton Hill historic districts in Baltimore. Without this landmark, a number of charming vistas will be ruined, and the solid 19th century character of a part of the city will be irreparably damaged.²

¹R. R. Beirne, Let's Pick the Daisies, pub. by the Alumnae Association of Bryn Mawr School (Baltimore: 1970), p. 8.

²Quoted from the newsletter of the Baltimore Chapter, Victorian Society in America (February 1972) which reported the actions of the Society's Board of Directors meeting held February 5, 1972, in Philadelphia.

6. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1889-1890

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Bryn Mawr School, a private day school for girls, was established as a preparatory school for Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, which had been founded in 1884. The school was begun in 1885 by a group of women whose purpose was to offer girls college preparatory training equivalent to that available to boys. As such, it was a major influence on secondary schools throughout the nation, for although the trend toward widespread education of girls was firmly established in 1850, college education remained a rarity¹ and the majority of high schools prepared girls either for homemaking or business careers or for normal schools.

The school building was erected in 1890 through the efforts of Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett (daughter of John Work Garrett, a former President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad) who furnished \$400,000 and personally supervised the work of architect Henry Rutgers Marshall. Marshall was experienced in designing schools, having also to his credit the Brearley School in New York City.

Bryn Mawr flourished on this site under the guidance of such noted educators as Miss Edith Hamilton, the Greek scholar, for twenty-six years. Its excellent curricula and physical plant won it renown throughout the area and resulted in its expansion and removal to the suburbs. Thereafter, the building was purchased by an association of eighteen German-American societies which used it for meeting rooms and a restaurant until 1971. The present owner, Joseph Meyerhoff, President of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, has only very recently come into possession of Bryn Mawr School. Plans for its future are two, either to save it or to tear it down to make way for a new concert hall.

¹Kathryn Kish Sklar, "Education of Women," The Encyclopedia of Education, Vol. IX, p. 559.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Beirne, Rosamond Randall. Let's Pick the Daisies. pub. The Alumnae Association of Bryn Mawr School. Baltimore: 1970.

Sklar, Kathryn Kish. "Education of Women." The Encyclopedia of Education. Vol. IX. Crowell-Collier Educational Corporation. New York: 1971, pp. 557-562.

Thomas, M. Carey. "Mary Elizabeth Garrett." Maryland Women. ed. & pub. Margie H. Lockett. Baltimore: 1931.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

[see continuation sheet]

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES							
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE							
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NE	0	'	"	0	'	"						
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"						
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"						

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **one acre**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Diana Schramm and Catharine F. Black

ORGANIZATION: **Maryland Historical Trust** DATE: **July 31, 1972**

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: **Annapolis** STATE: **Maryland 21401** CODE: **24**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Orlando Ridout IV
Orlando Ridout IV

Title State Liaison Officer for Maryland

Date August 4, 1972

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS, continued

Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

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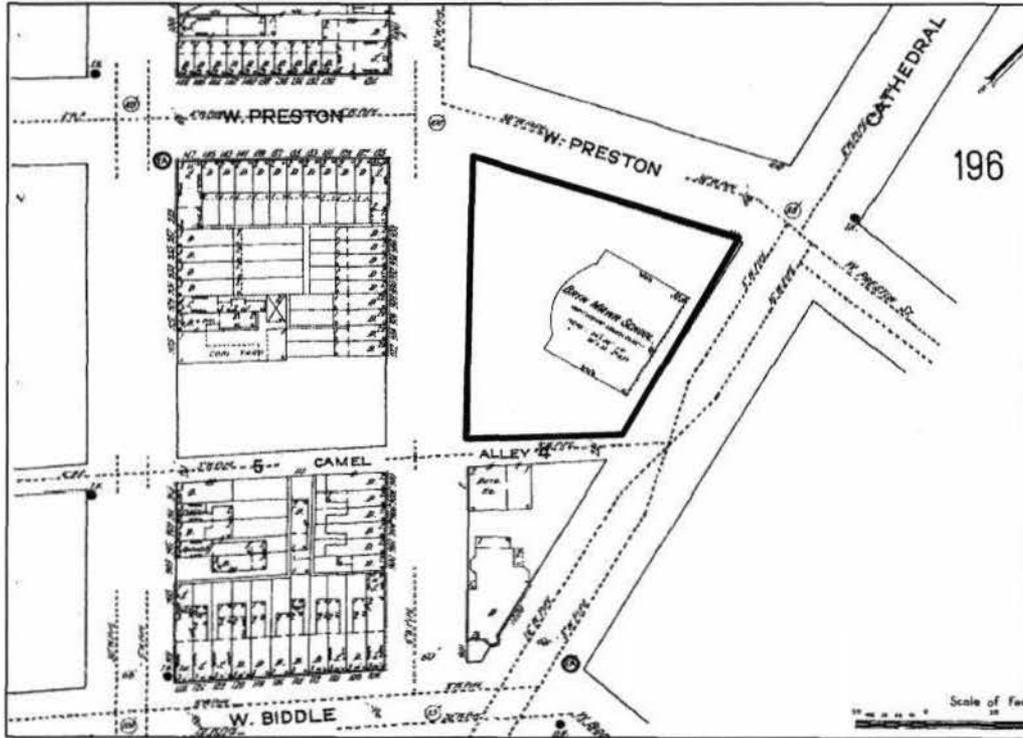
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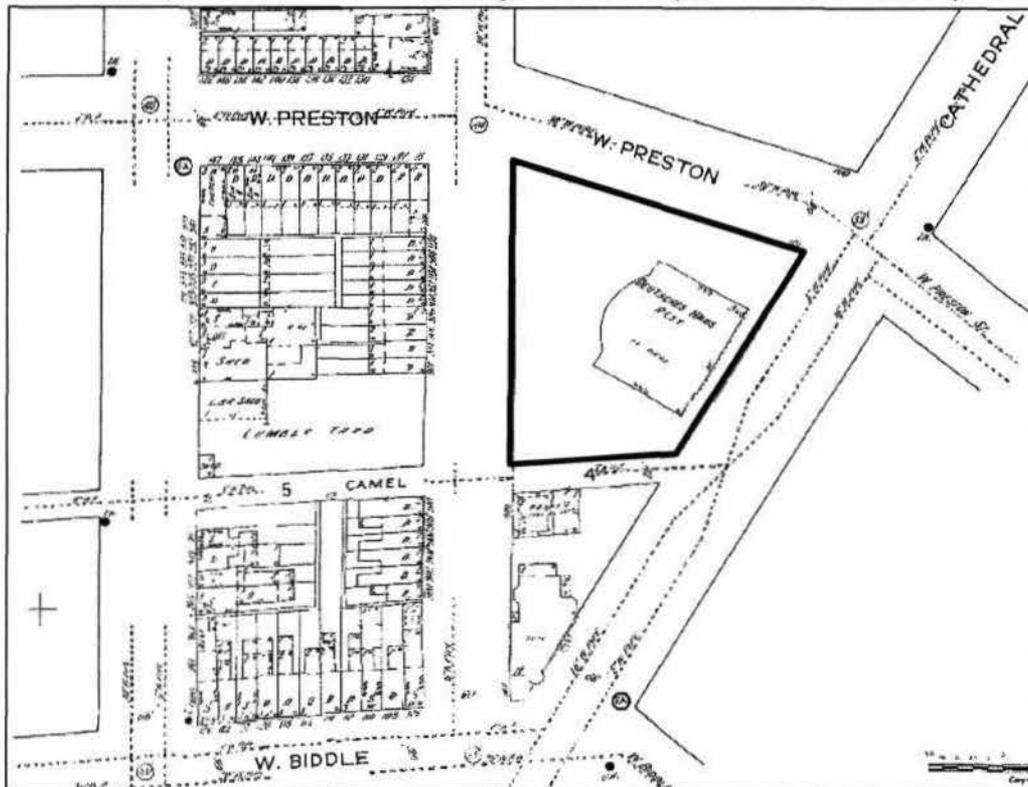
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Old Bryn Mawr School, site (Deutsches Haus)
1212 Cathedral Street
Sanborn Map 1914 (Volume 2, Sheet 178)

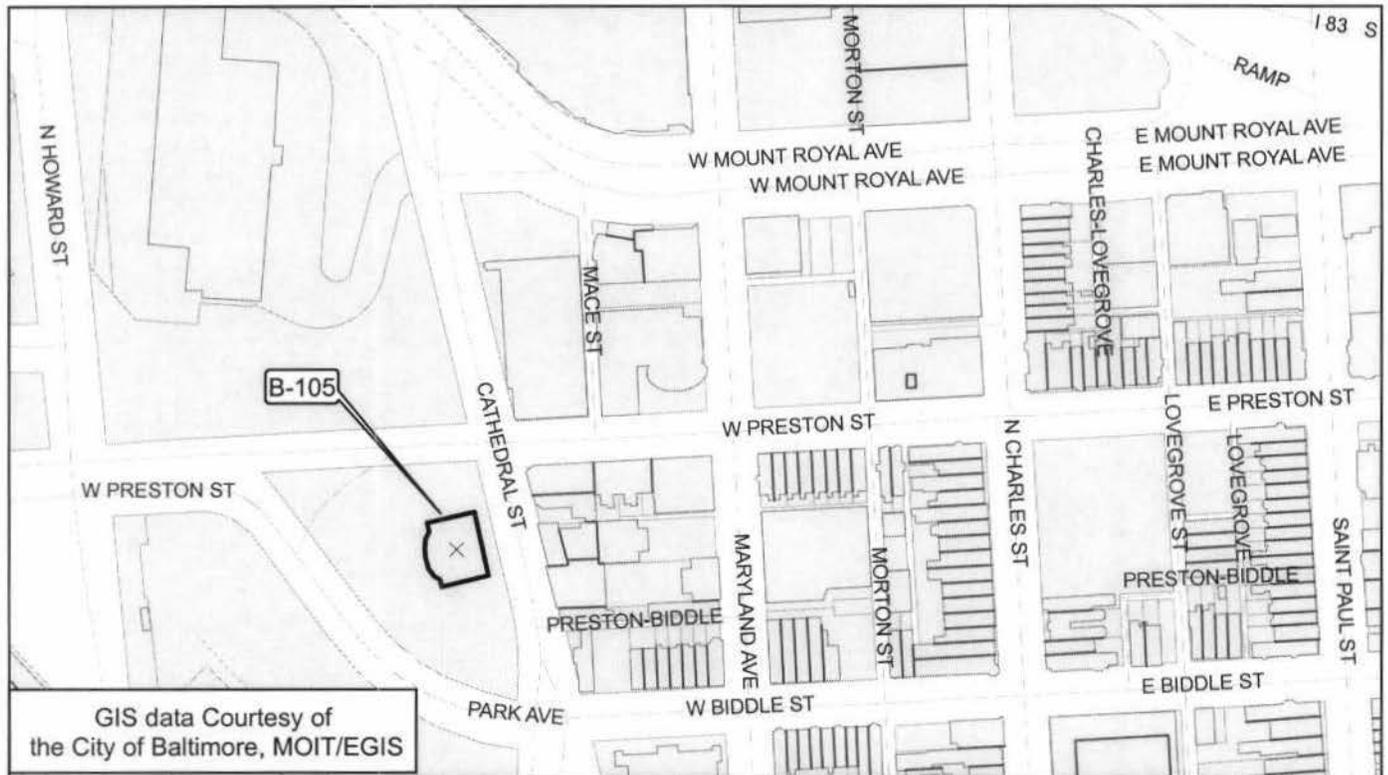


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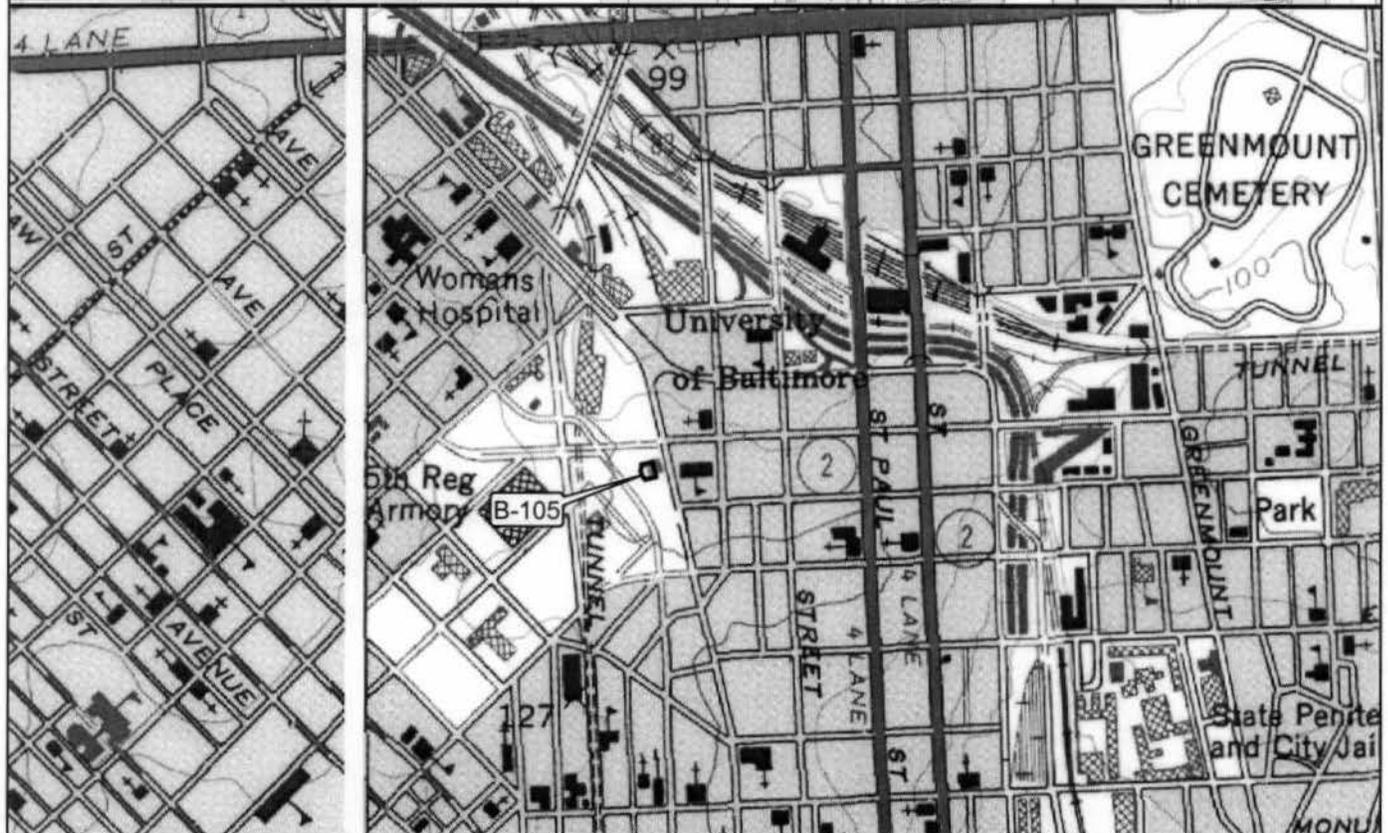


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Old Bryn Mawr School (Deutsches Haus)
1212 Cathedral Street
Block 0480, Lot 003
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.

Demolished



GIS data Courtesy of the City of Baltimore, MOIT/EGIS





BALTIMORE EAST QUADRANGLE
 USGS 7.5 minute map
 scale: 1: 24 000
 1953

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 Bryn Mawr School
 (Deutsches Haus)

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 long 76° 37' 08"

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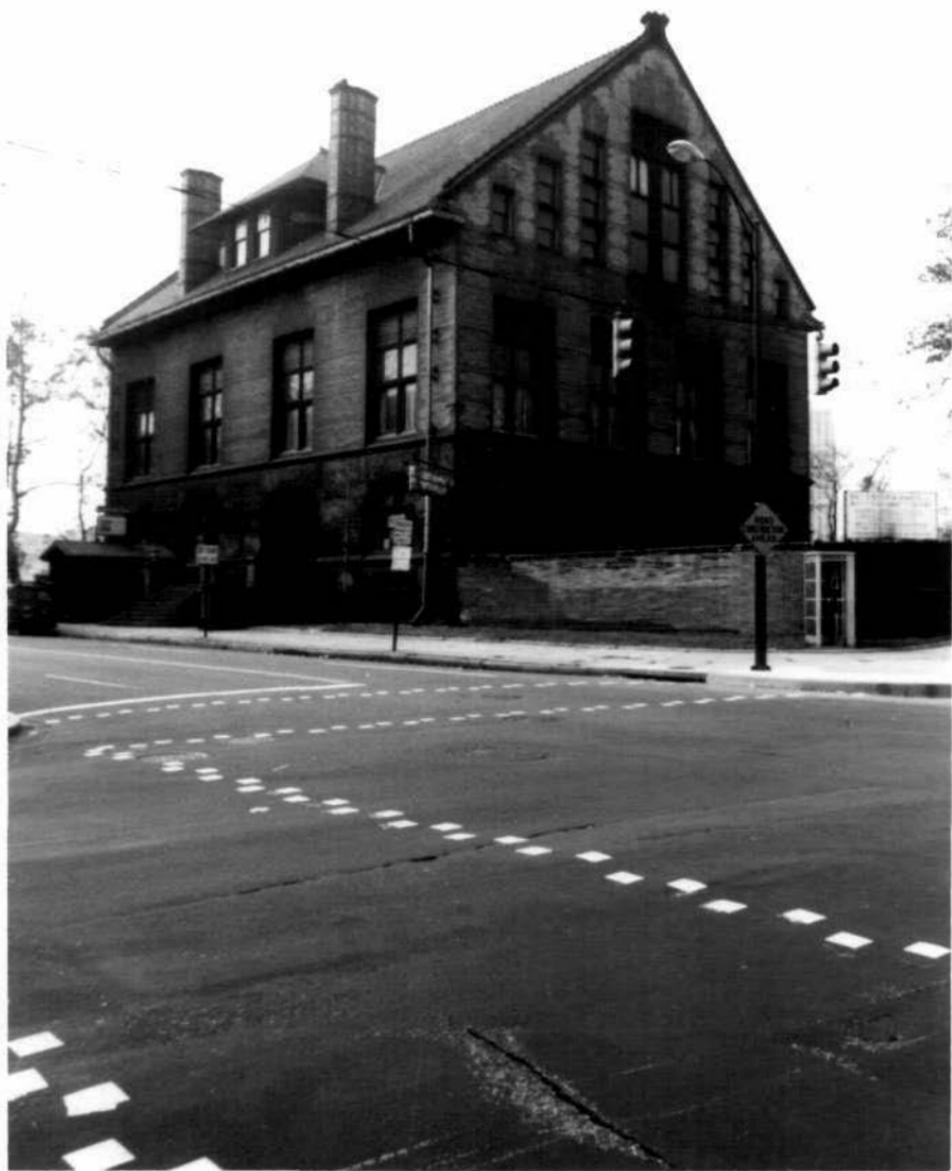
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Bryn Mawr School
Cathedral St.
Baltimore, Maryland

From North-East

Phillip Sibley

1969

COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION
402 CITY HALL
BALTIMORE, MD. 21202



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Bryn Mawr School
Cathedral St.
Baltimore, Maryland

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From South - West

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