

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Crown, Cork & Seal Complex / Canton Trade Center Inventory Number: B-4196
S of O'Donnell St & N of Boston St- bound
 Address: by C/NS/CSX RR on W and CSX RR on E City: Baltimore Zip Code: 21224

County: Baltimore City USGS Topographic Map: Baltimore East
Spicey Partners Limited, 2500 Brunswick Ave,
 Owner: Linden, NJ,07036 Is the property being evaluated a district? yes

Tax Parcel Number: _____ Tax Map Number: _____ Tax Account ID Number: Ward 26 Section 020 Block 6544 lot 008

Project: Boston Street: Ponca to Conkling Alignment Study Agency: City of Baltimore Dept. of Transportation

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Is the property located within a historic district? yes no

<i>If the property is within a district</i>		District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district <input type="checkbox"/> yes	Eligible district <input type="checkbox"/> yes	District Name: _____
Preparer's Recommendation:	Contributing resource <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	Non-contributing but eligible in another context <input type="checkbox"/>

<i>If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)</i>	
Preparer's Recommendation:	Eligible <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MIHP B-4196

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Located in the Baltimore community of Canton between O'Donnell and Boston streets and bounded by the CSX (formerly B&O) tracks on the east and the C/NS/CSX tracks on the west, the Canton Trade Center is comprised of one historic buildings built in 1941 and two additions constructed in the 1960's. Originally constructed for the Crown Cork & Seal Company of Baltimore during the later part of its explosive growth phase of the 1930's. Founded in Canton by William Painter who received a patent for the first bottle cap in 1894, the Crown Cork & Seal Co. pioneered bottle cap and can production---and by the 1930's over half of all bottle caps and cans in the world were made by CC&S Co. As other companies in the Industrial section of Canton, CC&S was able to take advantage of the B&O railroad and shipping facilities along the Canton waterfront. Its workforce was nearby in what is now the Canton NRHP district. as well as the Already an international corporation in the 1930's, the company grew rapidly and diversified its product line, including manufacturing gas mask canisters during WWII. The companies product diversification eventually led to its decline in the 1950s and by 1958 a major turnaround was implemented and the corporation headquarters and plant moved from Canton to Philadelphia where it continues to be one of the top five packaging corporations with 155 plants in 42 countries. During the early 1930s, Crown Cork & Seal Co.'s

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Eligibility recommended <input type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <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 <input type="checkbox"/> None
Comments: _____	
<u>Jim Jarman</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>11/3/08</u> Date
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, NR Program	<u>11/6/08</u> Date

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production facilities occupied the blocks between O'Donnell Street to the south and Eastern Street to the north and bounded by both railroad track lines. Later expansion prompted the construction of the facilities at the Canton Trade Center for cork production and lithography.

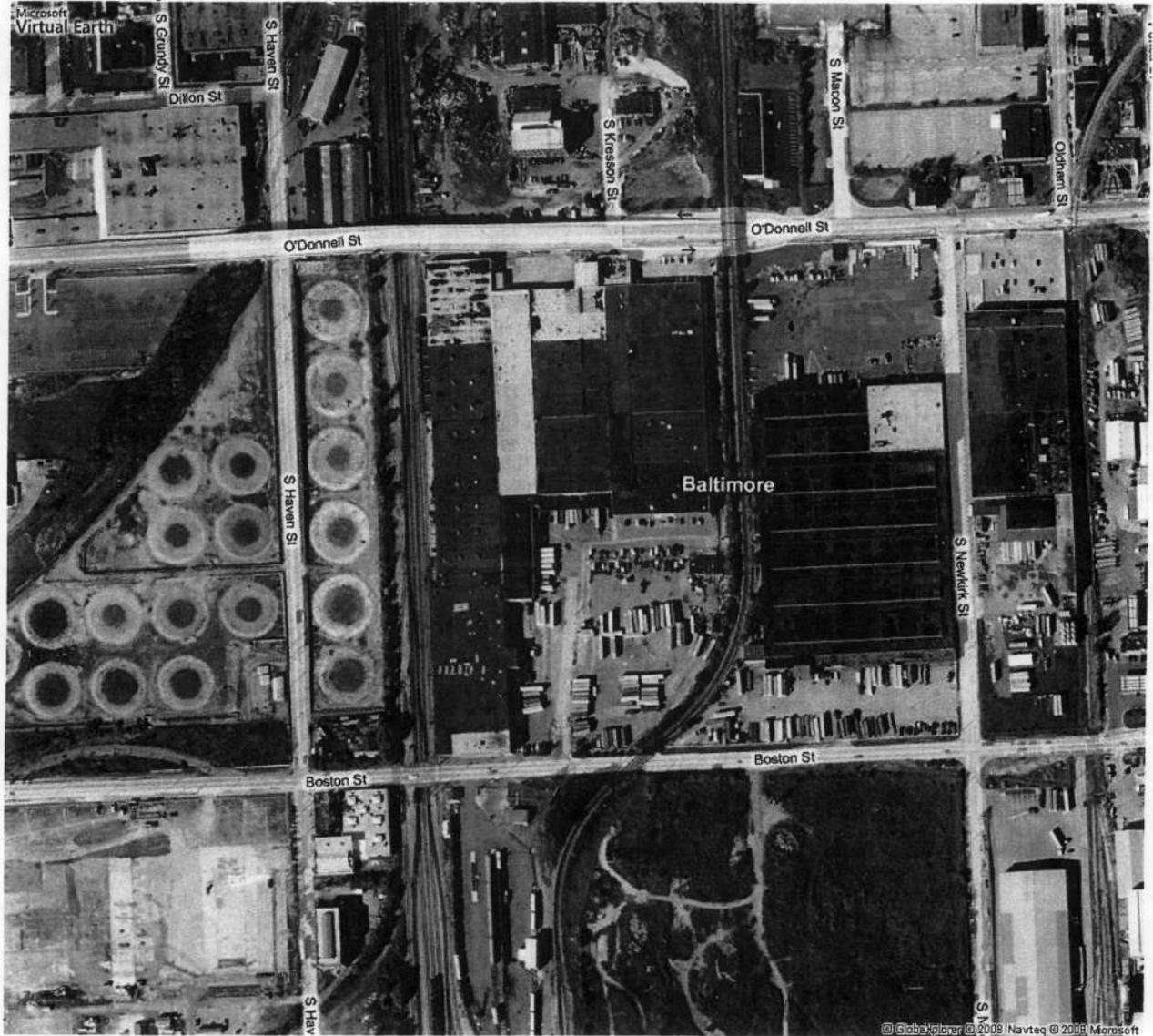
The core section of the building is rectangular, 400'x300', two-stories, steel frame, concrete floor and ceilings, a common bond (1:5) brick exterior, flat roof, 3 bays along the north and south facades and 6 bays along the east and west. Brick pilasters delineate the bays on the north facade. Fenestration consists of loading dock doors and entrance doorways on every bay and 1/1 double hung windows along the east facade (1 per bay) and 4 horizontal sliding windows along the north facade. Also, one 6 light single hung window is along the north facade (the only original window location although with replaced sash) with a semi elliptical brick arch and segmental brick sill. A replaced door is in the original recessed doorway on the north facade with a semi elliptical arch. The lithographing section of the building is flush with the western wall and measures 150'x500'. Construction materials mirror that of the core. Significant alterations have occurred. Most original window and door placements have been filled in with brick and new fenestration created for the doors, windows and loading dock doors (with the exception noted above). Two significant additions were completed in the 1960's. One, a two-story, 50'x100' steel frame, 11 bays by 4 bays, flat roof, common bond brick (1:5), with a brick soldier coursing running along all facades and framing the width of each window. The middle three bays are glazed brick without the soldier coursing and 2 doorways are on the south facade and 1 on the east. The other, a two-story, 150'x300', steel frame, common bond (1:5) brick exterior, concrete foundation, flat roof, 2 loading doors on the south facade and 2 doors on the east. All windows (2nd story west facade) have been brick filled. Another addition projects from where the two additions meet. This 1 bay, two story loading dock has corrugated metal siding and has 4 adjacent 12-light windows on the east and south facades. The rest of the lot is utilized for truck parking and loading.

Although under criteria C, it is representative of industrial building construction, design and materials of the 1940s, on account of the numerous and significant alterations and additions made to building, the Crown Cork & Seal Co. factory has had its historic fabric compromised and has not retained its historic integrity. While the companies founder invented the first bottle cap and the company was founded and based in Canton, the building on this site was a later addition to the production facilities already established between O'Donnell and Eastern Streets. The current use of the site, while commercial, has left little trace of its industrial role and importance as a cork factory of the one-time largest bottle cap and can company.

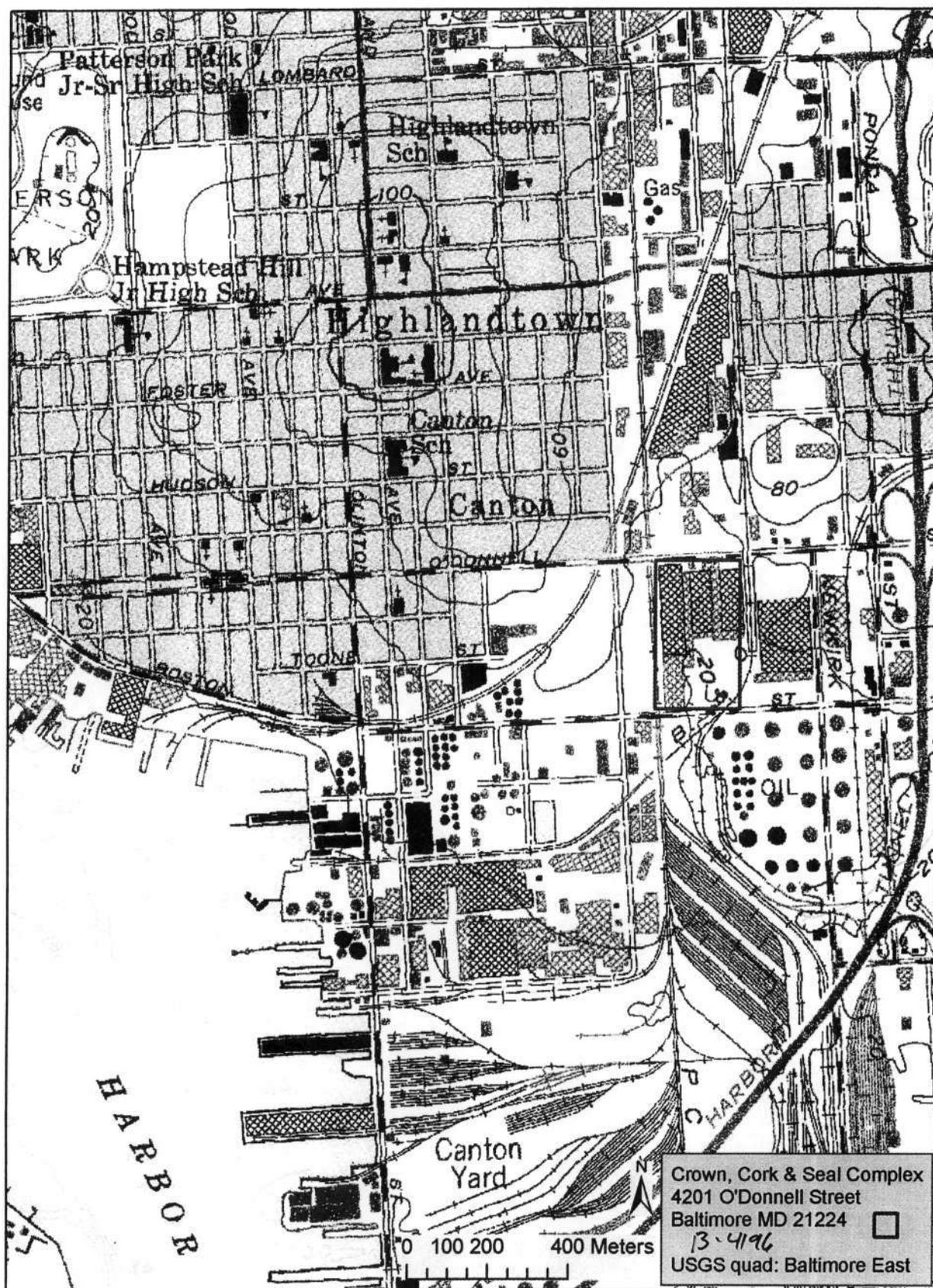
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Southern View
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Eastern View

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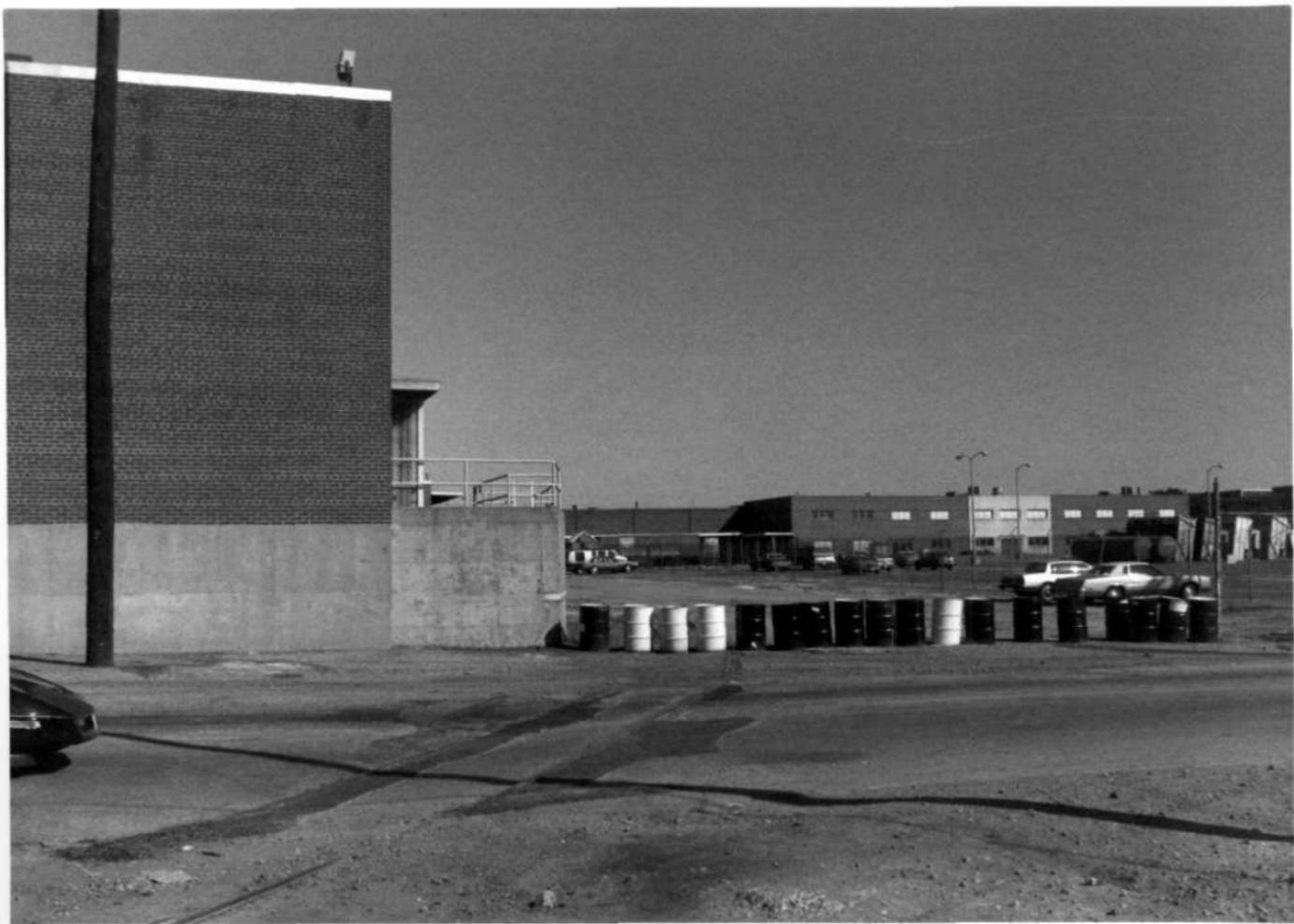
Survey form will be sent at a later date. (Mary Mannix - 12/3/87)



Crown, Cork + Seal B-4176
4201 O'Donnell St
E. #111 - re (City) MO
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Date: October 1987
Neg. loc: MO Hist Trust
Northeast elevation
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Southwest elevation
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