

CARR-1237

1920

Horse Barn

Public

Springfield Hospital Center

Sykesville

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# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Horse Barn

and/or common

## 2. Location Springfield Hospital Center

street & number \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Sykesville \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ congressional district 6

state Maryland \_\_\_\_\_ county Carroll

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: Hospital

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

name Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

street & number 201 West Preston Street telephone no.: 301-225-6816

city, town Baltimore state and zip code Maryland 21201

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex, Rm G-8 liber

street & number 55 North Court Street folio

city, town Westminster state Maryland 21157

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

# 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

The Horse Barn is a three story building located southwest of the Education Building. The base of the barn and the first floor are constructed of stucco over cast concrete. The remaining two floors are covered with diamond-shaped, asbestos shingles. The barn measures eleven bays long and three bays deep. A bellcast gambrel roof with return eaves covers the structure. The main facade faces east.

A raised concrete string course appears on three walls of the barn. Due to the slope of the land, the east wall lacks the string course. The first floor windows are located just above the string course. Recessed from the face of the wall, the projecting windows have cement jack arch lintels and single sashes. Throughout the barn, the first floor windows have been sealed over with cement so only the top portion of the window is visible. Second floor windows appear mainly on the north and south walls. Both the second and third floor openings are Palladian windows. Only the basic shape of the Palladian window is utilized. In place of glass, the openings show louvered faces.

Along the gambrel roof on both east and west walls, three shed dormers appear. The dormer windows are paired with wooden sills and single sashes. Three cupolas line the ridge of the roof. The rectangular cupolas have gambrel roofs which make the cupolas look like a miniature barns. Large overhangs shadow the louvered openings. Lightning rods are attached to the cupolas.

The main distinction on the east wall is the large entrance. The east wall is interrupted by a slightly projecting shed roof which extends from the fourth bay to the eighth bay. The shed roof allows for three large sets of double doors which slide open on a track.

# 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input 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 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 type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1920 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or  
Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

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

Constructed in 1920, the Horse Barn was built to provide the farm operation at Springfield with a new, "modern," shelter for their animals. The discussion of a new barn appeared in the 1915 Annual Report of the Board of Managers. The new barn was sought to replace the existing barn which dated to the 1860's. The new Horse Barn was constructed in the midst of the farm buildings, just west of the nineteenth century barn. This area not only included the farms but the blacksmith shop, carpenter shop, and the root cellar as well. So, historically, this portion of the property has always been devoted to the farm operation. Today, the Horse Barn serves as garage space for tractors.

The architecture of the barn is rather ornamental considering the use of Palladian openings. The use of classical features appear throughout the hospital campus so their inclusion on the barn is not unusual but the barn's features are somewhat unique in the area. The stucco over the cast concrete is not a standard construction material for barns in the county but the choice of materials reflects the date of construction.





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