

G-IV-B-173

Chapin Mansion
Deer Park
Private

ca. 1891-1892

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Chapin Mansion
AND/OR COMMON

Chapin Mansion

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Off Deer Park Hotel Road, NE side, approx. .4 mile SW of Deer Park

CITY, TOWN
Deer Park
VICINITY OF
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6th

STATE
Maryland
COUNTY
Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Myrna J. Kahi
STREET & NUMBER

Telephone #:

CITY, TOWN
VICINITY OF
STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC
Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 361
Folio #: 209

STREET & NUMBER
Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN
Oakland
STATE
Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
None

DATE
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN
STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Chapin Mansion is located NE off Deer Park Hotel Road, on what was originally Congress Avenue on the B & O Railroad plan of the Deer Park Hotel area (See G-IV-B-170). The site consists of the mansion and a smaller house, both facing SE. The houses are backed by a hillside covered with trees.

The mansion is a two and a half story, gable-roofed, T-plan dwelling built in the Queen Anne style. The house measures five bays on the facade by eight bays and is characterized by a flared second story covered on with beige fishscale shingles and overhanging the first floor veranda on the SW, SE and NE elevations; a variety of window treatments, including six over six sash, triple hung sash, louverets and bow windows, and multi-planed elevations, deep eaves, and roof dormers. The house rests on a cut stone foundation and its first floor is covered with weatherboarding which has in turn been covered on the T with aluminum siding. The roof is covered with standing seam metal. The house has two interior brick chimneys: one fireplace chimney on the NE elevation and one stove chimney on the NW elevation and one stove chimney on the NW elevation. The veranda exhibits square posts and a plain square balustrade; the facade door is double, with a five-paned transom has also made several changes.

The smaller dwelling, originally a coachhouse, is reminiscent of the simple cottages designed by A. J. Downing in the mid-19th century. It is a two-story, gable-roofed T-plan dwelling with a projecting cross gable on the facade. The house, which was moved from another site on the property, rests on a cinderblock foundation and is covered weatherboarding. The six over six sash windows have mitred surrounds. The roof is covered with standing seam metal and the cross gable and the gable of the T on the NW elevation feature jigsaw bargeboards. The house has one interior cinderblock stone chimney at its E corner.

The interior of the dwelling exhibits a central hallway but is otherwise unknown. According to the occupant, some interior walls retain the original finisher of the courthouse. The two houses are linked by a covered walkway. This walkway, which is being enclosed, was installed in the 1920's when the mansion was a convent and the smaller house was its novitiate. The houses are now private residences.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 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/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1891-92

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This home is significant primarily as an example of vacation architecture, executed for the very wealthy in the Deer Park area at the end of the 19th century.

The house is easily one of the largest of the remaining Deer Park "cottages," and although it is not visually as pleasing as some of the others, its sheer size makes it exceptional.

The house was built for a couple named Chapin who were residents of Washington D.C. and probably escaped the heat of the summer by retreating to the coolness of Western Maryland. When they sold the property in 1907, however, they were living in Paris, which is probably an indicator of their financial state. The house was sold in that year to Charles H. Heyl, supposed to have been a recipient of the Nation's highest military award for bravery, the medal of Honor. In 1927, the houses were sold to the Society of Perpetual Adoration, who used them as a convent until 1960 when the order was withdrawn.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ann Burns/ Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

(301) 269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Chain of Title

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Chapin Mansion

361/209 From: Michael J. and Barbara J. Cowgill
8-1-75 To: Myrna J. Kahl
Deed Consideration: \$10.00 and "other good and valuable consideration"

"The Heyl Estate": 5 acres; Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in Block 3,
Deer Park, plat laid out by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad
Company, fronting on Congress Avenue

335/160 From: Kenneth R. Watson
2-21-73 To: Michael J. and Barbara J. Cowgill
Deed Consideration: \$10.00 and "other good and valuable consideration"

5 acres

228/336 From: The Society of Perpetual Adoration, Washington, DC
5-31-60 To: Kenneth R. and Grace Watson
Deed Consideration:

5 acres
signed by Mother Marthe M. Filot - President
Mother Elizabeth D. Fogarty - Secretary

95/539 From: William C. and Mary A. Skelly
10-3-1927 To: The Society of Perpetual Adoration, Washington, DC
Deed Consideration: \$6,800.00

5 acres

89/454 From: Charles Heath Heyl, Jr. et al
6-19-25 To: William C. Skelly
Deed Consideration: \$6,000.00

5 acres; "the Heyl Estate"

54/577 From: Bernard P. and Katherine C. Mimmack
6-12-07 To: Charles H. Heyl, trustee
Deed Consideration: \$10.00

5 acres, subject to certain restrictions:

1. No "trade, business, manufactory or occupation whatsoever, and especially the sale of malt or spirituous liquors, or any nuisance" could be carried on; the property could not be used for "public amusement or for any purpose whatsoever than strictly for a private dwelling house."
2. Not more than two houses were to be erected on the tract conveyed, without the consent of Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company.
3. If any dwelling house was built on the property, the house "shall not cost less than \$1,500.00, and each stable attached thereto, if desired, not less than \$1,000.00."

54/564
4-12-07
Deed

From: Anna S. M. Chapin and Philip E. Chapin
To: Bernard P. Mimmack
Consideration: \$10.00

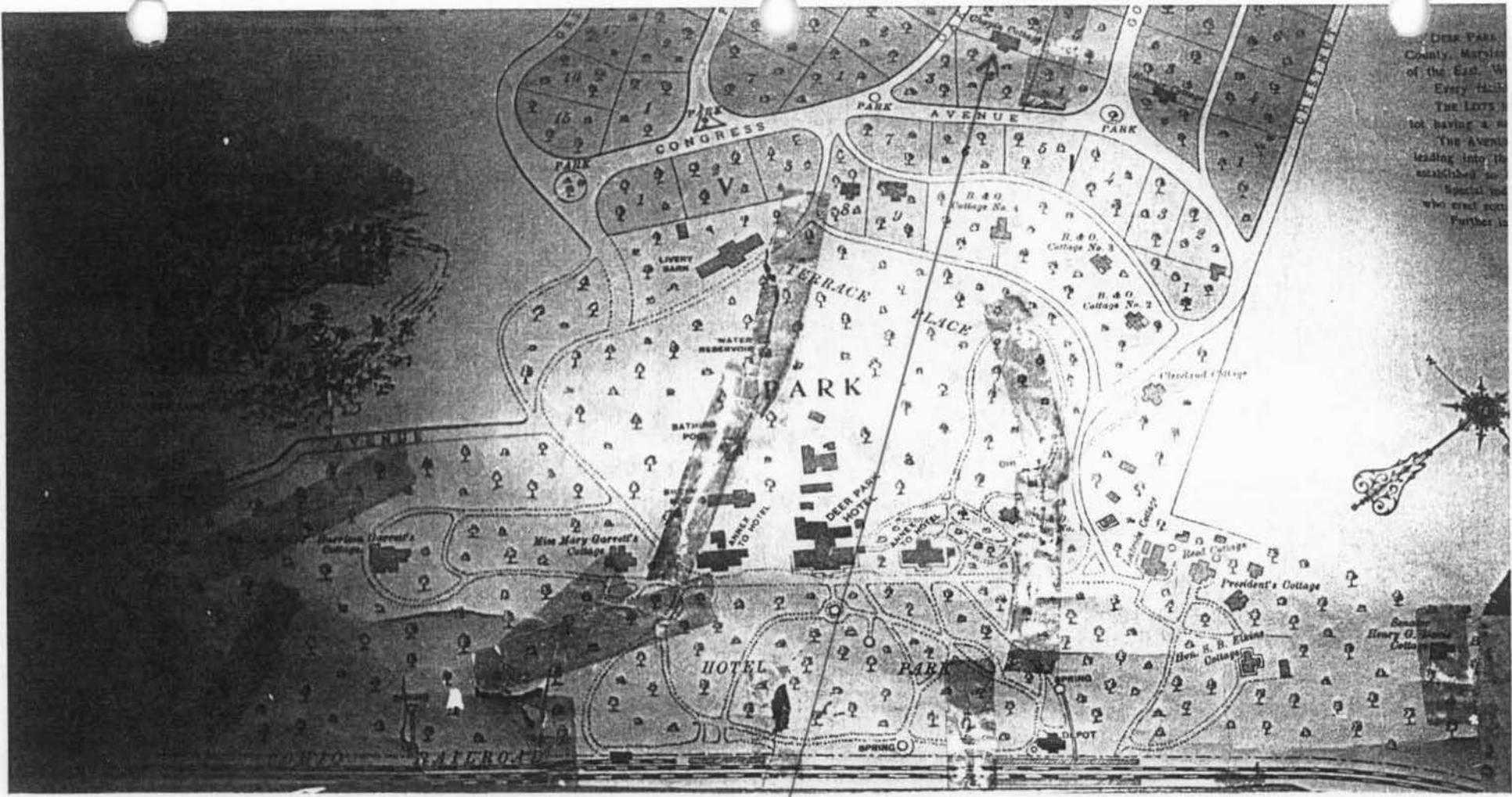
5 acres

The Chapins were from Washington, DC; at the time of the deed they were "temporarily residing in the city of Paris in the Republic of France."

16/604
4-18-1891
Deed

From: The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company
To: Anna S. M. Chapin
Consideration: \$500.00

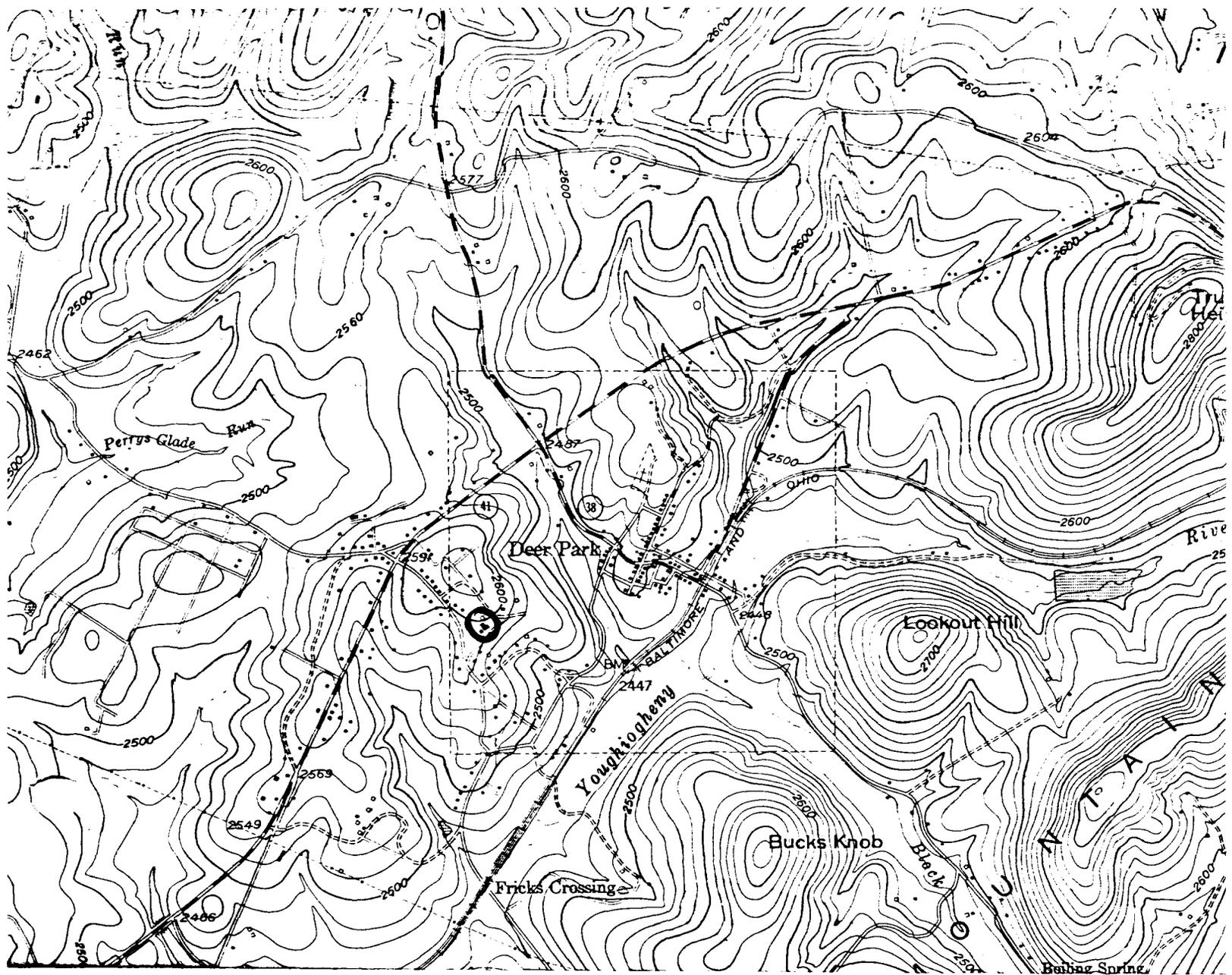
5 acres,
subject to the three restrictions mentioned above



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Chapin Mansion (Cottage)



Deer Park, MD
USGS 7.5 Minute Series
Scale - 1:24,000
1948; photorevised 1974

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Off Deer Park Hotel Rd., NE side, approx. .4 mile
SW of Deer Park



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Garrett Co., MD

Ann Burns 10/7/81

Hs. B: NE & NW elevs.



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Hs. B: SW elev; Fac-SE elev.



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Hs. A: SW elev.



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Hs. A: NE & NW elevs.