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THE HECHT HOTEL BUILDING
Havre de Grace, Md.

c. 1890

This two and a half story five bay wide frame building was once a hotel (c. 1890's) with a livery stable behind it. In the early and mid twentieth century the town, on the water having a race track, and being served by two railroads and a double decker automobile bridge was a popular place for travelers. Breaking a journey for a meal or the night in a town was the custom until the advent of super highways and motels.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Hecht Hotel

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

667 Green St.

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

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 checked="" 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 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"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER rental

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

William Adams

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Rd. # Box 416

CITY, TOWN

Aberdeen

— VICINITY OF

Maryland 21001

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air, Md.

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

NA-15

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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 Hecht Hotel is a two and a half story five bay wide frame building on an ashlar granite foundation. A large two story ell is on the rear. Constructed as a hotel in the mid 1890's the building is used as apartments. The walls are covered with grey asbestos shingles. The structure faces south on the corner of Green and Stokes St.

An above grade three bay porch extends across the front of the building. The porch has a low hipped roof with a narrow molded cornice supported by tapered columns and a fence rail balustrade. An enclosed two story porch is on the east elevation, and a hood supported by fan-shaped brackets shelters the entrance on the south bay, first story of the ell.

Windows are spaced unevenly on the front elevation. Throughout the building, they have 1/1 light double hung sash. Two three part one story bay additions are on the front elevation, a slightly advanced bay on the east side, and a rectangular bay which projects from the center of the second story. Several transoms on the main section hold stained glass. Above the window in the second bay front elevation is a large one light transom filled with stained glass; a banner in the upper half of it is incised with the name of the hotel. Similar transoms with stained glass, but no name in them are found in the west bay, first floor front elevation and in the enclosed porch on the east elevation.

The main entrance is in the center bay, front elevation. The door has glass in the upper half and is framed by sidelights to the level of the door glass; the long transom above it has stained glass at each end. A pair of half-glass doors, having stained glass transom above them, are in the west bay, front elevation. Other entrances are found at the sides and rear of the structure.

The main section is covered by an asphalt shingled gable flank roof. A plain box cornice extends completely around the gable ends forming a closed pediment around the two attic windows.

Two chimneys are on the main section roof, an interior end chimney is on the west end of the ridge, and a large multi-flue chimney is on the south side at the east elevation.

Outbuildings: None are extant. Formerly a large livery stable stood at the rear of the hotel.

Interior: The building has a center hall plan with a large room on either side of it.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 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 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		<i>local history</i>	

SPECIFIC DATES *c. 1890's*

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Built as a hotel in the 1890's, the Hecht Hotel profited from the many means of transport serving Havre de Grace, particularly the Pennsylvania Railroad, whose station was located near by. In the 1920's a double decker automobile bridge opened across the Susquehanna River, bringing with it break of journey traffic and business; the Havre de Grace Race Track also attracted people to the town's hotels. However, old time residents of Havre de Grace remember the hotel most for its livery stable and restaurant.

The building appears to have no particular architectural significance, but despite very poor condition, it remains a local land mark for many people.

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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

Marion Morton-Historic Sites Surveyor

July 26, 1977

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis, Md.

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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SE/4 HAVRE DE GRACE 15' QUADRANGLE
N3930-W7600/7.5

1953
PHOTOREVISED 1970
AMS 5763 II SE-SERIES V835

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