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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 (7)
COUNTY:	Allegany
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ENTRY DATE	

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: City Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC: City Hall

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: North Center Street between Frederick St. and Bedford St.

CITY OR TOWN:		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:	
Cumberland		Sixth	
STATE: Maryland	CODE: 24	COUNTY: Allegany	CODE: 001

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☒ Building ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object	☒ Public ☐ Private ☐ Both	Public Acquisition: ☐ In Process ☐ Being Considered	☒ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	Yes: ☐ Restricted ☒ Unrestricted ☐ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Agricultural	☒ Government	☐ Park	☐ Transportation	☐ Comments
☐ Commercial	☐ Industrial	☐ Private Residence	☐ Other (Specify)	
☐ Educational	☐ Military	☐ Religious		
☐ Entertainment	☐ Museum	☐ Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Mayor and City Council

STREET AND NUMBER: City Hall, North Centre Street

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Cumberland	Maryland	24

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Allegany County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: Washington Street at Prospect Square

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	CODE
Cumberland	Maryland	24

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

DATE OF SURVEY: 1971 ☐ Federal ☒ State ☐ County ☐ Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER: 2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Annapolis	Maryland	24

STATE: Maryland
COUNTY: Allegany
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One) ☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☒ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed	
	(Check One) ☐ Altered ☒ Unaltered	(Check One) ☐ Moved ☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The City Hall in Cumberland, Maryland, is within a block bounded on the north by Bedford Street, on the east by Centre Street, on the south by Frederick Street and on the west by Liberty Street.

The Cumberland City Hall (c. 1911-1912) is a two-story stone-faced, neo-classical structure. A simple straight-forward block underneath (notice the almost factory-like plain windows), City Hall has a thin "veneer" of neo-classical embellishments, and it is classically composed, being made up of stylobate (base), shaft (the two main floors), and capital (cornice and roof-top balustrade). The main entrance is flanked by giant, double pilasters with fluting; the cornice and balustrade above this entrance project slightly to become part of the overall entrance-pavilion treatment. Except for this entranceway and occasional other pilasters, the major wall areas are plain, broken only by the skillful emphasis of an irregular corner, into which the architect has recessed a curving "bay" within "pilasters" formed by the exposed ends of the front and side walls. The City Hall in Cumberland provides an interesting contrast with the Old Post Office across the street; built a decade later, it shows how far the interest in historical styles may be modified by functional demands. City Hall, with its "stripped-down" quality, is reminiscent of late eighteenth-century and early nineteenth-century buildings in England by architects such as Cockerell, Dance, and Soane. Many representations of Soane's huge building complex for the Bank of England show a corner which has been rounded, somewhat in the manner of the City Hall. In this country, Latrobe used a similar design. Forming a block in itself, City Hall occupies a crucial location in downtown Cumberland, and, is an important companion and compliment to the Old Post Office.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- [ ] Pre-Columbian
- [ ] 15th Century
- [ ] 16th Century
- [ ] 17th Century
- [ ] 18th Century
- [ ] 19th Century
- [X] 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1911-1912

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal
- [ ] Prehistoric
- [ ] Historic
- [ ] Agriculture
- [X] Architecture
- [ ] Art
- [ ] Commerce
- [ ] Communications
- [ ] Conservation
- [ ] Education
- [ ] Engineering
- [ ] Industry
- [ ] Invention
- [ ] Landscape Architecture
- [ ] Literature
- [ ] Military
- [ ] Music
- [X] Political
- [ ] Religion/Philosophy
- [ ] Science
- [ ] Sculpture
- [ ] Social/Humanitarian
- [ ] Theater
- [ ] Transportation
- [ ] Urban Planning
- [ ] Other (Specify) _____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Cumberland City Hall, built between 1911 and 1912, replaced an earlier structure erected 1873-1874 which burned on March 14, 1910. The firm of Holmboe and Lafferty designed the extant City Hall including its rounded corner. It was built at a cost of $87,000. Wright Butler (1868-?1932), the architect of the 1894 Allegany County Courthouse located on the other side (west) of Wills Creek in Cumberland, was the contractor. On March 25, 1912, the City Council held its first meeting in its new quarters.

According to local Allegany countians, the City Hall is the only example of this sort of municipal architecture in Allegany County.

The mural on the interior of the rotunda dome depicts the early history of the city including representations of General Edward Braddock, and of George Washington. The artist was Gertrude du Brau.

The site has served civic functions since the 1840's at which time the city market was located there. The city rebuilt the old market house building in 1873-1874. The brick structure had housed the market on the ground floor, city offices and the Academy of Music, complete with an auditorium, on the south side of the second floor. Frank E. Davis of Baltimore had been employed as architect of the old market house building and City Hall.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Recorders: William D. Morgan, Field Surveyor, Maryland Historical Trust, April 1971.

Orlando Ridout IV, Director, Maryland Historical Trust, April 1971.

(see continuation sheet 1)

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY									OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES					
CORNER	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE						LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds				Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"				39°	39'	10.5"	78°	45'	47"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"									
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"									
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"									

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: one acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Mrs. Preston Parish, Keeper of the Maryland Register

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust

DATE: May 13, 1971

STREET AND NUMBER: 2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis

STATE: Maryland

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 May 13, 1971

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date

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STATE	
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City Hall

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Thomas, James W. and T. J. C. Williams: History of Allegany County Maryland . . . . 2 vols. n.p.: L. R. Titsworth, 1923.

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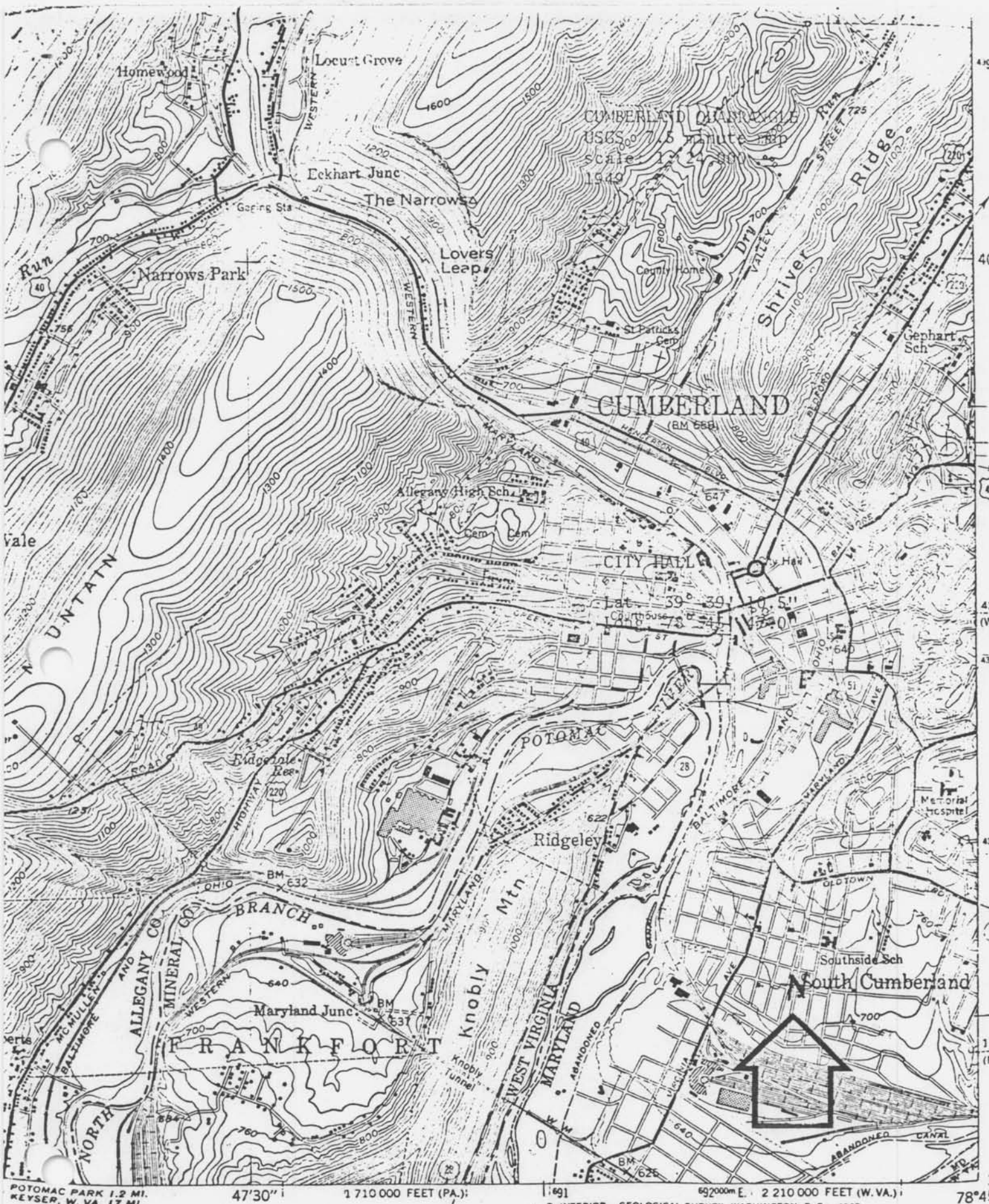

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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STATE: Maryland
COUNTY: Allegany
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: City Hall

AND OR HISTORIC: City Hall

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: North Centre St. between Frederick St. and Bedford St.

CITY OR TOWN: Cumberland

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Maryland	24	Allegany	001

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: Orlando Ridout V

DATE OF PHOTO: Jan. 16, 1971

NEGATIVE FILED AT: Maryland Historical Trust
94 College Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

West elevation

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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N. R. FIELD SHEET

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

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STATE:	
Maryland	
COUNTY:	
Allegany	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: City Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC: City Hall of Cumberland, Maryland

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: N. Liberty, Frederick, Centre & Bedford Sts.

CITY OR TOWN: Cumberland

STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Maryland	21502	Allegany	21502

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District ☐ Building ☒	Public ☒	Public Acquisition:	Occupied ☒	Yes:
Site ☐ Structure ☐	Private ☐	In Process ☐	Unoccupied ☐	Restricted ☐
Object ☐	Both ☐	Being Considered ☐	Preservation work in progress ☐	Unrestricted ☒
				No: ☐

PRESENT USE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Agricultural	☐	Government	☒	Park	☐	Transportation	☐	Comments	☐
Commercial	☐	Industrial	☐	Private Residence	☐	Other *(Specify)*	☐		
Educational	☐	Military	☐	Religious	☐				
Entertainment	☐	Museum	☐	Scientific	☐				

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: City of Cumberland (Taxpayers)

STREET AND NUMBER: Faces N. Liberty & Centre Sts. Cor. on Bedford & Frederick

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Cumberland	Maryland	21502

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Allegany County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER: Washington Street

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	CODE
Cumberland	Maryland	21502

ACREAGE — APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Over 1 acre

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: 1785 Survey - Lots 267 & 268

DATE OF SURVEY: 1785 Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local ☒

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Allegany County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER: Washington Street

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Cumberland	Maryland	21502

STATE: COUNTY: FOR NPS USE ONLY ENTRY NUMBER DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One) Excellent ☒	Good ☐	Fair ☐	Deteriorated ☐	Ruins ☐	Unexposed ☐
INTEGRITY	(Check One) Altered ☐	Unaltered ☒		(Check One) Moved ☐	Original Site ☒	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL *(If known)* PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Physical appearance excellent well-kept. Large enough and accomodated over 40,000 citizens. Urban Renewal occupying largest and most commodious section. Now tell citizens(down to 1920 census) that building not large enough. They now deny they ever intended to destroy since citizens demanded it be saved. Urban Renewal planning $200,000. Museum.

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8. 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)* 1912

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Aboriginal		Education	☐	Political	☒	Urban Planning	☒
Prehistoric	☐	Engineering	☐	Religion/Philosophy	☐	Other *(Specify)*	☐
Historic	☐	Industry	☐	Science	☐	Urban Renewal	
Agriculture	☐	Invention	☐	Sculpture	☐		
Art	☐	Landscape Architecture	☐	Social/Humanitarian	☐		
Commerce	☐	Literature	☐	Theater	☐		
Communications	☐	Military	☐	Transportation	☐		
Conservation	☐	Music	☐				
Architecture	☒						

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)*

This is the FIRST City Hall constructed as such in Cumberland, Maryland. Heretofore, city business conducted in Market House or offices of City Fathers. June 6, 1911 - Cornerstone with Masonic ceremonies.

Only one of this architecture in Allegany County.

N. R. FIELD SHEET

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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NONE NONE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Helen E. Hinkle & Hazel G. Hansrote - Co-chairmen

ORGANIZATION: Allegany County Committee of Md. Hist. Trust

DATE: 3/20/1971

STREET AND NUMBER: 519 Hill Top Drive

CITY OR TOWN: Cumberland

STATE: Maryland

CODE: 21502

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

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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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

STATE	
Maryland	
COUNTY	
Allegany	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: City Hall of Cumberland, Maryland

AND/OR HISTORIC: City Hall of Cumberland, Maryland

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
N. Liberty, Frederick, Centre & Bedford Sts.

CITY OR TOWN:
Cumberland

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Maryland	21502	Allegany	21502

3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:
City Map - Sept. 1910

SCALE:

DATE: 1910

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property broundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.

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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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CITY OR TOWN:
Cumberland

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Maryland	21502	Allegany	21502

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: Triplett's Studio

DATE OF PHOTO: Nov. 1970

NEGATIVE FILED AT:
Triplett's Studio

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

Back view of City Hall located on Liberty Street.
(Note: Front view of city hall on N. Cente St. identical)
Picture view is facing West.

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Allegany	
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: City Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC: City Hall

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
North Centre St. between Frederick St. and Bedford St.

CITY OR TOWN:
Cumberland

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Maryland	24	Allegany	001

3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:
U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute map, Cumberland Quadrangle

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4. REQUIREMENTS

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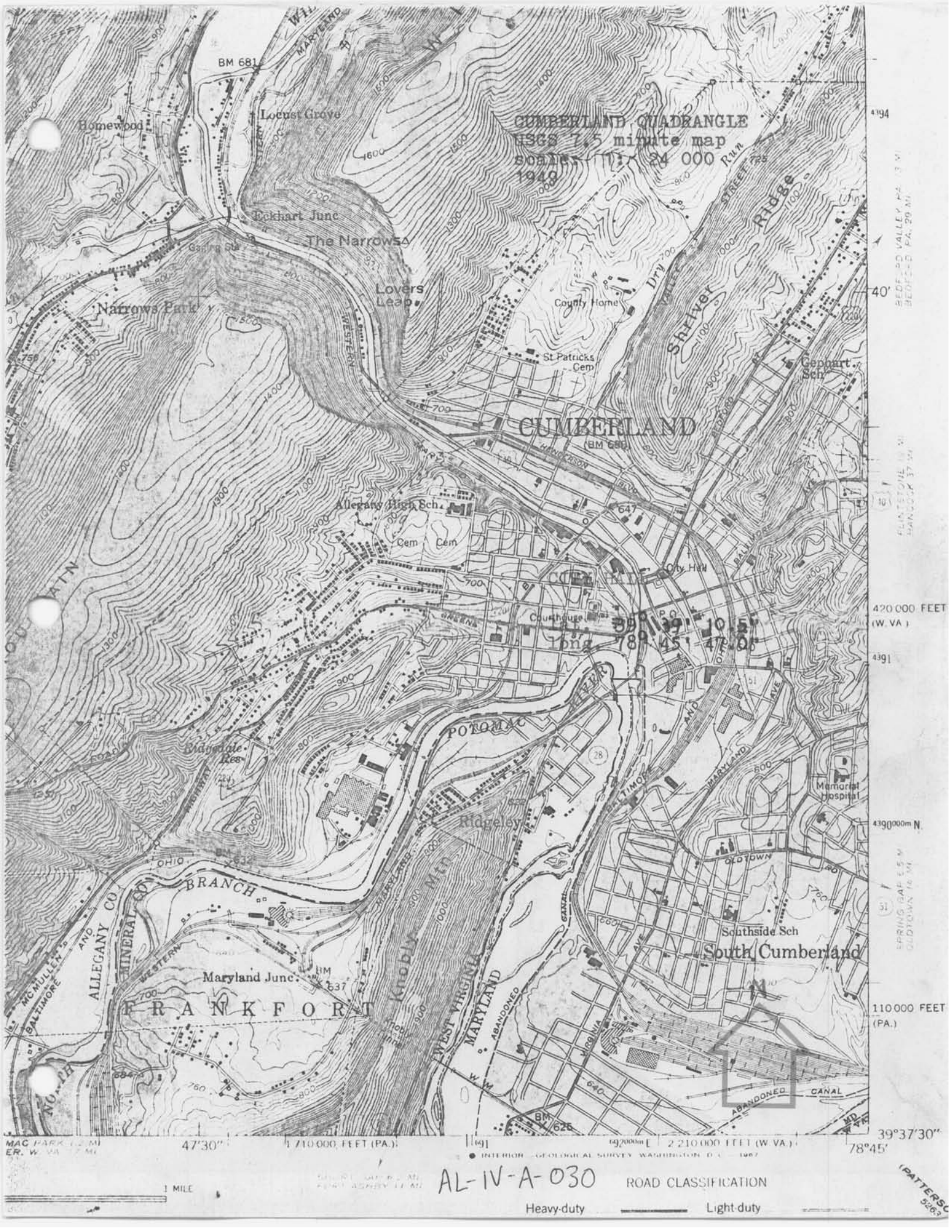
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County Home
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Shriver Ridge
Dry Run
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CUMBERLAND
Allegany High Sch
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City Hall
Courthouse
Lat. 39° 39' 10.5"
long. 78° 45' 47.0"
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Ridgedale Res
Ridgeley
Memorial Hospital
OLDTOWN
Southside Sch
South Cumberland
Maryland Junc
FRANKFORT
Knobly Mtn
WEST VIRGINIA
MARYLAND
ABANDONED CANAL
ALLEGANY CO
MINERAL CO
NORTH BRANCH
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110 000 FEET (PA.)
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2 210 000 FEET (W. VA.)
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty
Light-duty

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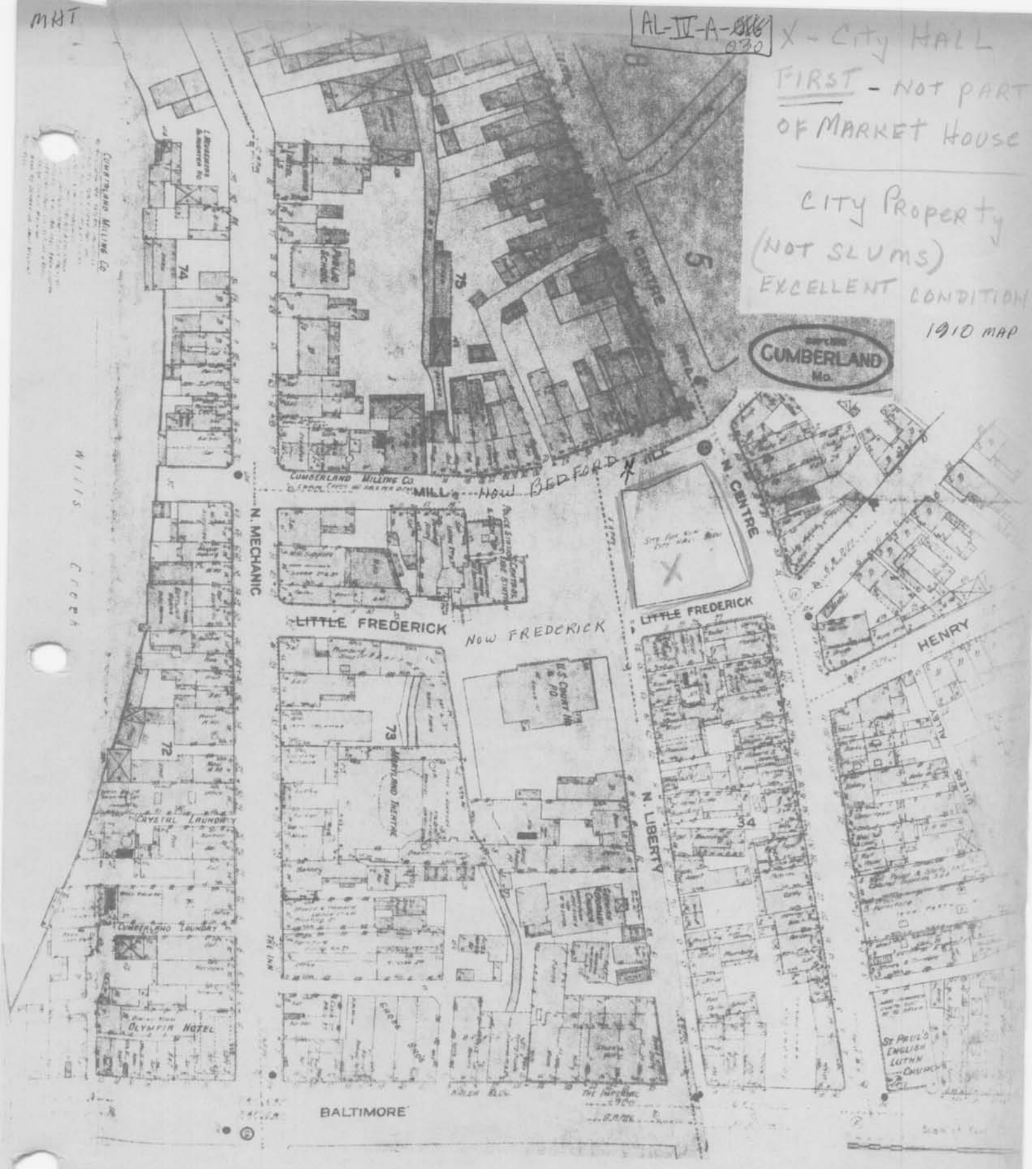
X - City Hall
FIRST - NOT PART OF MARKET HOUSE

CITY PROPERTY
(NOT SLUMS)
EXCELLENT CONDITION
1910 MAP



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City Hall,
Cumberland

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
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ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

SW entrance, west elev.

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Allegany Co., Md
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