

Form 10-300
(July 1969)

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	
COUNTY: Anne Arundel	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: The Paca House, Carvel Hall Hotel, Paca Garden, William Paca Garden, Governor William Paca Garden

AND/OR HISTORIC:
The Paca House and Garden (formerly Carvel Hall Hotel)

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
186 Prince George Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Annapolis

STATE: Maryland

CODE 24	COUNTY: Anne Arundel	CODE 003
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>Horticultural attraction</u>

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
State of Maryland - Contact: Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER:
94 College Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Annapolis

STATE:
Maryland

CODE:
24

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Anne Arundel County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Church Circle

CITY OR TOWN:
Annapolis

STATE:
Maryland

CODE:
24

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

DATE OF SURVEY: 1971

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER:
94 College Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Annapolis

STATE:
Maryland

CODE:
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Paca House and Garden

#7 DESCRIPTION continued

woodwork considered to be from the hand of William Buckland, and which was apparently installed several years after the house was initially completed. Notable features include a handsome chimney-piece with a cornice shelf supported on a pulvinated frieze carved with oak leaves. Above the cornice shelf is a croissetted frame which retained its original landscape painting. The cornice of the room is enriched with plaster ornaments, and the window shutters are carved with octagonal motifs in typical Buckland fashion. In spite of the numerous interior changes there still remains much original woodwork in the house, especially on the second floor.

The preservation of the Paca House is comprised of the restoration of the exterior and the rehabilitation of the interior retaining all possible original features in order to use the building as a distinguished visitors guest house in as much as Annapolis has been designated the fourth "national host city" for foreign visitors.

The Garden of Governor William Paca, under reconstruction following careful research and archaeological investigation is bounded on the south by the Paca House; is enclosed with no opening on the north on King George Street by the reconstructed brick wall (on three sides) the precedent for which was found during archaeological excavations; on the west by Cumberland Court and on the east by the new (1971) Visitor's Center, the entrance to which is on Martin Street.

It is destined to rank among the less-than-six-eighteenth-century-gardens-of-the-period in the country.

Features of the garden appear in the background of Charles Willson Peale's portrait of William Paca. The portrait is owned (1971) by the Peabody Institute, Baltimore, and hangs in the Maryland Historical Society headquarters in Baltimore. Structures, viewed in the portrait, include the brick perimeter wall with ventilating slots, a bridge in Chinese Chippendale-style, one small brick building which is presumably the bath house, and a classic-style, domed, gazebo. The two-story gazebo is architecturally noteworthy: a square, white structure, the first story features quoins at each corner, and each corner is topped by an urn-shaped finial. The second story is octagonal and the whole is covered by a dome. A figure that appears to be a lead statue of Mercury stands atop the dome.

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Archeological findings discovered under nearly nine feet of land-fill (used as an asphalt driveway and for the structure of the former Carvel Hall Hotel) have revealed the perimeter brick and stone wall; the position and shape of the "falls", or terraces, an intricate, unique, irrigation and water system, a free-form-shaped pond, and a springhouse foundation.

A letter written by Rosalie de Stier Calvert, daughter of Baron Henri de Stier, onetime resident in the House describes many features of the Garden and of the House. A drawing by Frank Mayer, owned by the 1971 owners of the James Brice House, Annapolis, shows the garden (north) facade in 1884 and depicts the upper terrace, as well as one sloping section of the perimeter of the garden wall in which there are ventilating slots. Mayer's drawing also shows a brick wall which screened the "kitchen yard." This wall had an ornamental ball finial on top of the corner depicted. The five-part Georgian-style mansion Paca built has an unusual tower, or pavillion "jut out," overlooking the garden, and Mayer's drawing depicts a set of wooden stairs leading down onto the highest terrace level.

These terraces, or parterres, are being planted with geometrically patterned borders and walkways fashionable with Paca's contemporaries and of-the-period.

The Garden and a Visitor's Center, are being developed by the Maryland Historical Trust as an historical site and horticultural attraction, complementary to the handsome Paca House restoration being accomplished by Historic Annapolis, Inc., south of the Garden and terraces.

At the present time reconstruction of the Garden and the restoration of the exterior of the House are nearly complete, and restoration of the interior of the House has just begun (1971).

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) 1763 - 1765

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Paca House and Garden constitute one of Maryland's chief historic and architectural landmarks.

Begun in 1763, the house and garden served as the home of the famous Maryland patriot, William Paca, from the time it was completed in 1765 until he sold it in 1780. Paca was born at Wye Hall, Harford County, in 1740. He served as a member of the Maryland provincial assembly from 1771 to 1774. In 1774 he became a member of the Committee of Correspondence and a year later he served on the Council of Safety. He represented Maryland in the Continental Congress from 1774 to 1779 and during that time he achieved his greatest distinction by being a Signer of the Declaration of Independence. In August, 1776, Paca was appointed to a committee "to prepare a declaration and charter of rights and a form of government for Maryland," and when the state government was inaugurated he was chosen as Senator in the first General Assembly of Maryland. He assisted in planning naval armaments in the American Revolution, and in 1778 he was appointed Chief Justice of the General Court of Maryland. Paca also served three times as Governor of Maryland, and was chosen a member of the Maryland Convention which ratified the Constitution of the United States.

Paca sold his property in 1780 to Thomas Jenings, a fellow attorney. In the year following his death in 1796, Jenings' heirs rented the house to Baron Henri de Stier. Throughout most of the nineteenth century it was used as rental property. In 1907 a hotel building was attached to the north side of the House. The subsequent grading and landfill obliterated the terraces, pond and the water system of the garden. The whole complex, that is the Paca House and addition, became known as the Carvel Hall Hotel - so called because it was said the house was used as the setting in the popular, romantic novel of that name by the American writer Winston Churchill. Carvel Hall Hotel was widely known as a center of social activity among state legislators, Annapolis visitors and is known round-the-world by the U.S. Naval Academy personnel - admirals, midshipmen and guests alike.

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In 1965 the house and hotel were condemned for demolition. Through dramatic effort on behalf of Historic Annapolis, Inc. sufficient funds were secured for the purchase and preservation of the house. Since that time the house and its grounds have been the focus of one of the most thorough research and restoration projects ever undertaken by the state of Maryland.

In 1970 the House was added by the State to the Garden acquisition. The House and grounds have since then been the focus of extensive research and archeology, making this the most dramatic garden reconstruction project ever undertaken in Maryland. The architect for the garden-of-the-period plan is Mr. Laurence S. Brigham F.S.I.A. of Port Royal, Virginia.

Architecturally significant, the Paca House belongs to the impressive group of eighteenth century mansions for which Annapolis has become so famous. By being located in the same block with two other great five-part Palladian-form houses, the Brice House and the Hammond-Harwood House, the Paca House assumes a special interest.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Recorder:

Orlando Ridout, IV, 94 College Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland, 21401.

Calder Loth, Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, Historic Annapolis, Inc., 18 Pinkney Street, Annapolis, Maryland

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

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	
NW	° ' "	° ' "	38°	58'	46.5"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "	76°	29'	15.5"	
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 3 acres and city lot.

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Mrs. Preston Parish, Keeper of the Maryland Register

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

STREET AND NUMBER:

94 College Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

CODE

003

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 _____

Title _____

Date _____

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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William D. Hoyt, Jr. "Calvert-de Stier Correspondence." Maryland Historical Magazine. Vol. XXXVIII (1943), 128.

Rosalie de Stier Calvert description of Paca Gardens.

Stanley South, The Paca House, Contract Archaeology, Alexandria, Virginia 1967.

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3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: M.E. Warren #1665 Mr. Stanley Wohl, Annapolis, Maryland			
DATE OF PHOTO: Photo done in 1965 of 1884 sketch.			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Marion Warren, Annapolis, Maryland 21401. Not to be published without permission of Stanley Wohl, Annapolis, Maryland			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Sketch by Frank B. Mayer, Nineteenth Century, Maryland artist, showing terraced gardens and north-east facade. With the exception of the stoop, restoration of both house and garden all as shown here.			



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DATE OF PHOTO: June 1971			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Richard D. Bond, Jr., 713 Genessee St., Annapolis, Md. 21401			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Photograph taken from northeast edge of garden facing south-west toward Paca House.			



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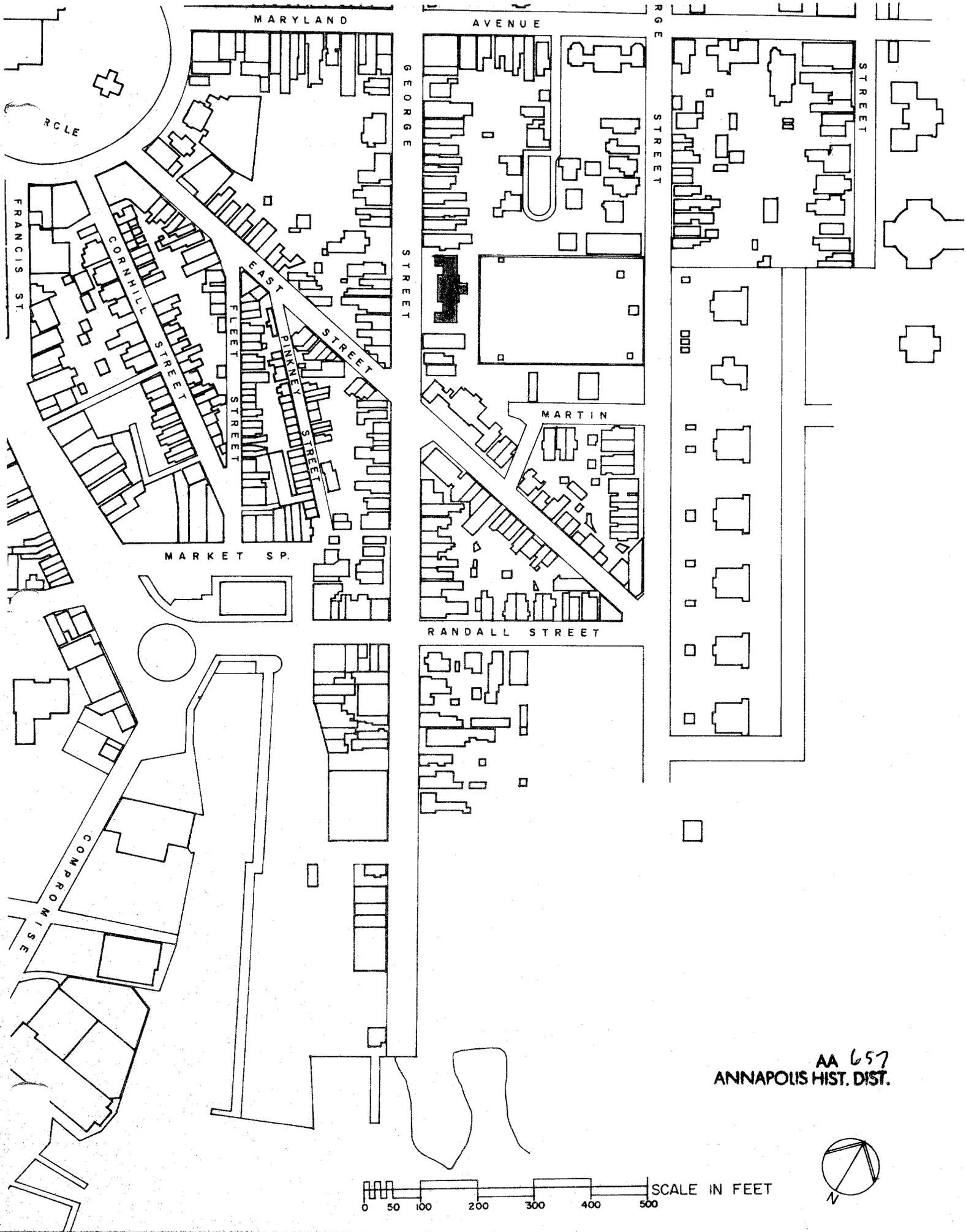
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4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Prince George Street facade facing southwest. Photo before restoration, when Paca House was part of Carvel Hall Hotel.			





MARYLAND

AVENUE

GEORGE STREET

STREET

RCLE

FRANCIS ST

CORN HILL STREET

FLEET STREET

PINKNEY STREET

EAST STREET

GEORGE STREET

MARTIN

MARKET SP.

RANDALL STREET

CONPROMISE

AA 657
ANNAPOLIS HIST. DIST.

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PACA House - Anp

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186 Prince George St
Annapolis

MOB - 11/71



WILLIAM PACA HOUSE AND GARDEN

186 Prince George

AA 657

Annapolis, Anne Arundel County

Russell Wright July, 1982

Maryland Historical Trust,

Annapolis, Maryland

SW Elevation/camera facing NE



PACA HOUSE & GARDEN

186 PRINCE GEORGE ST.

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PACA HOUSE

156 PRINCE GEORGE ST.

ANNAP.



William Paca House, Annapolis

186 Prince George St.

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PACA House
186 PRINCE GEORGE St.
Annapolis

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144 MARKET STREET
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

DATE 10/10/69
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SUBJECT S.E.
Elevation



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144 MARKET STREET
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21404

DATE 10 Sept '69

FILE NO. PA.1/12

SUBJECT _____

East Wing

EAST WING
10 SEPT. '69

PACA House
186 Prince George St.
ANNA P.

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ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21404

DATE 10/1/69
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PACA House & Garden
186 Prince George St., ANNAP.



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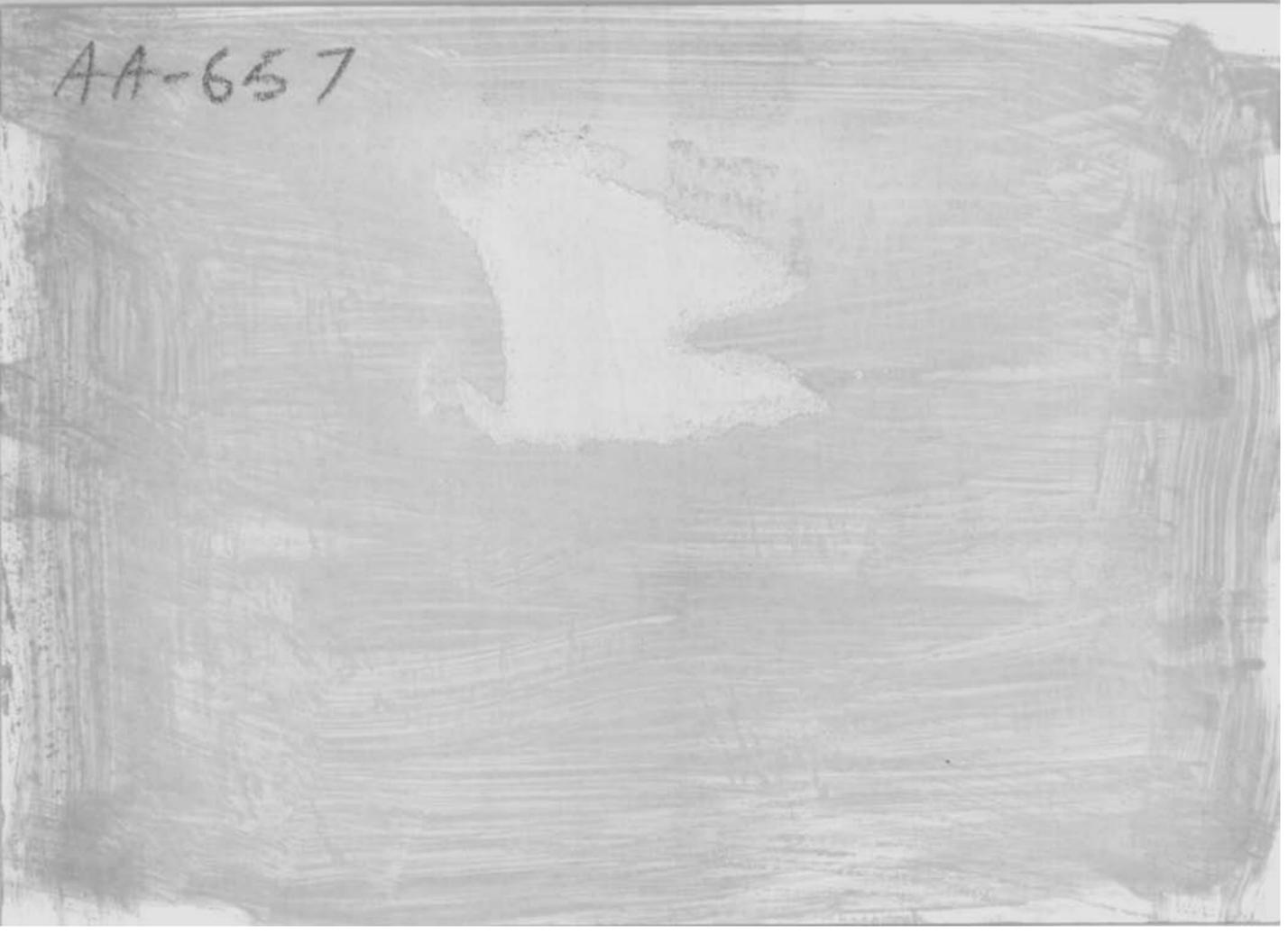
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PACA House

186 PRINCE GEORGE ST., ANNAP.



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PACA HOUSE RESTORATION
Project #24-74-00090-00

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Paca House facade

186 PRINCE GEORGE ST.
ANNAP.





PACA HOUSE

RESTORATION OF THE
WILLIAM PACA HOUSE
FUNDED AND SUPERVISED BY
HISTORIC ANNAPOLIS INCORPORATED

PROJECT NO. MD, HPR 3
ARCHITECT: JAMES WOOD BUREK, ANNAPOLIS
CONTRACTOR: BROWN ENGINEERING AND
CONSTRUCTION, GLEN BURKE

NO
PARKING
7:00 AM - 4:00
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FACADE
WILLIAM PACA HOUSE, 186 PRINCE GEORGE ST.
ANNAPOLIS, MD.

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Please Credit to:
Maryland Historical Trust
21 State Circle
Shaw House
Annapolis, MD 21401



REAR ELEVATION & GARDEN

WILLIAM PACA HOUSE, ANNAPOLIS

PACA HOUSE RESTORATION
Project #24-74-00090-00

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Paca House garden view to rear of house

186 PRINCE GEORGE ST.
ANNAP

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21 State Circle
Stow House
Annapolis, MD 21401



Paca House Restoration
Project # 24-74-00090-00B

Paca House Garden toward gazebo

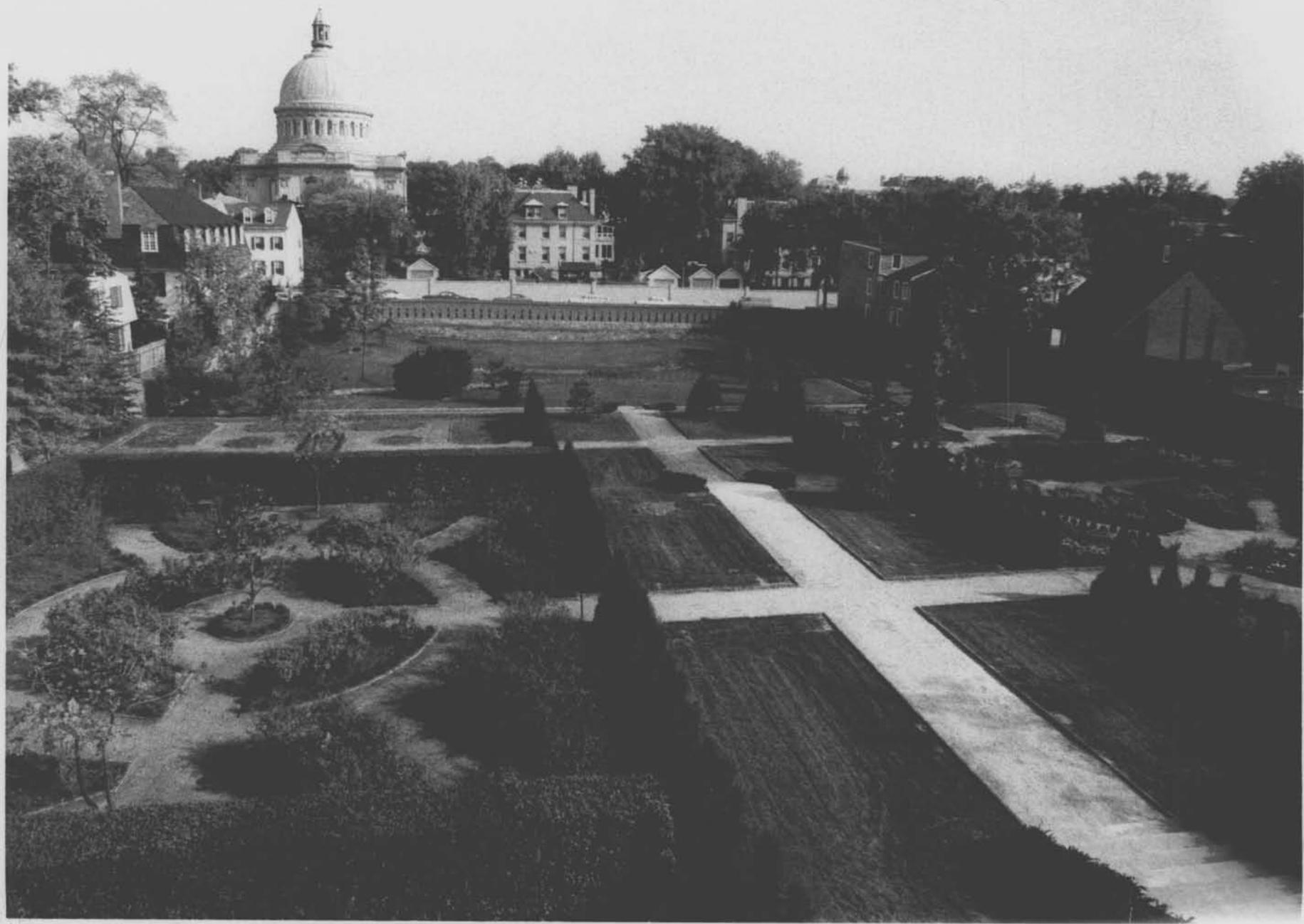
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