

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Chuck's Liquors

2. Location

street & number 3416 - 3418 Rhode Island Avenue (U.S. Route 1) not for publicationcity, town Mt. Rainier vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county Prince George's

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 type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Charles F. Stoltino

street & number 11561 West Hill Drive telephone no.:

city, town Rockville state and zip code Maryland 20852

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 5625

street & number Main Street folio 31

city, town Upper Marlboro state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Historic Sites and Districts Plan

date 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Historic Preservation Commission, N-NCPPC, CAB, Rm. 4010

city, town Upper Marlboro state Maryland 20772

7. Description

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

3416-3418 Rhode Island Avenue is a freestanding, two story brick commercial building with a rectangular plan and a gable roof. (See Slide #53.) The main (south) facade is gable-ended and contains a storefront at the first story with a projecting triangular plan plate glass display window on a brick base and a single metal clad entry door with transom at right (east). At the east edge of the first story is a single wood entry door with obscured transom, leading to the upper story. The storefront is surmounted by a projecting, facade-wide molded metal cornice. The second story has two pairs of attached 1/1 sash double-hung windows with sills and decorative shutters, spaced evenly across the facade. Beginning at the second story and extending to the gable-end attic is a projecting neon sign that faces east and west and obscures an attic window opening that has been boarded up.

The main (south) brick facade has been painted and the configuration and materials of the first story storefront and entry door are non-his-toric. The fenestration of the second story appears to be early or origi-nal and the neon sign is old but not original. The building's gable end boxed cornice appears to be original and despite alterations, the build-ing's early 20th century scale and relationship to the streetscape remain intact.

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 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 checked="" 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 **Builder/Architect**

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

Level of Significance: national state local

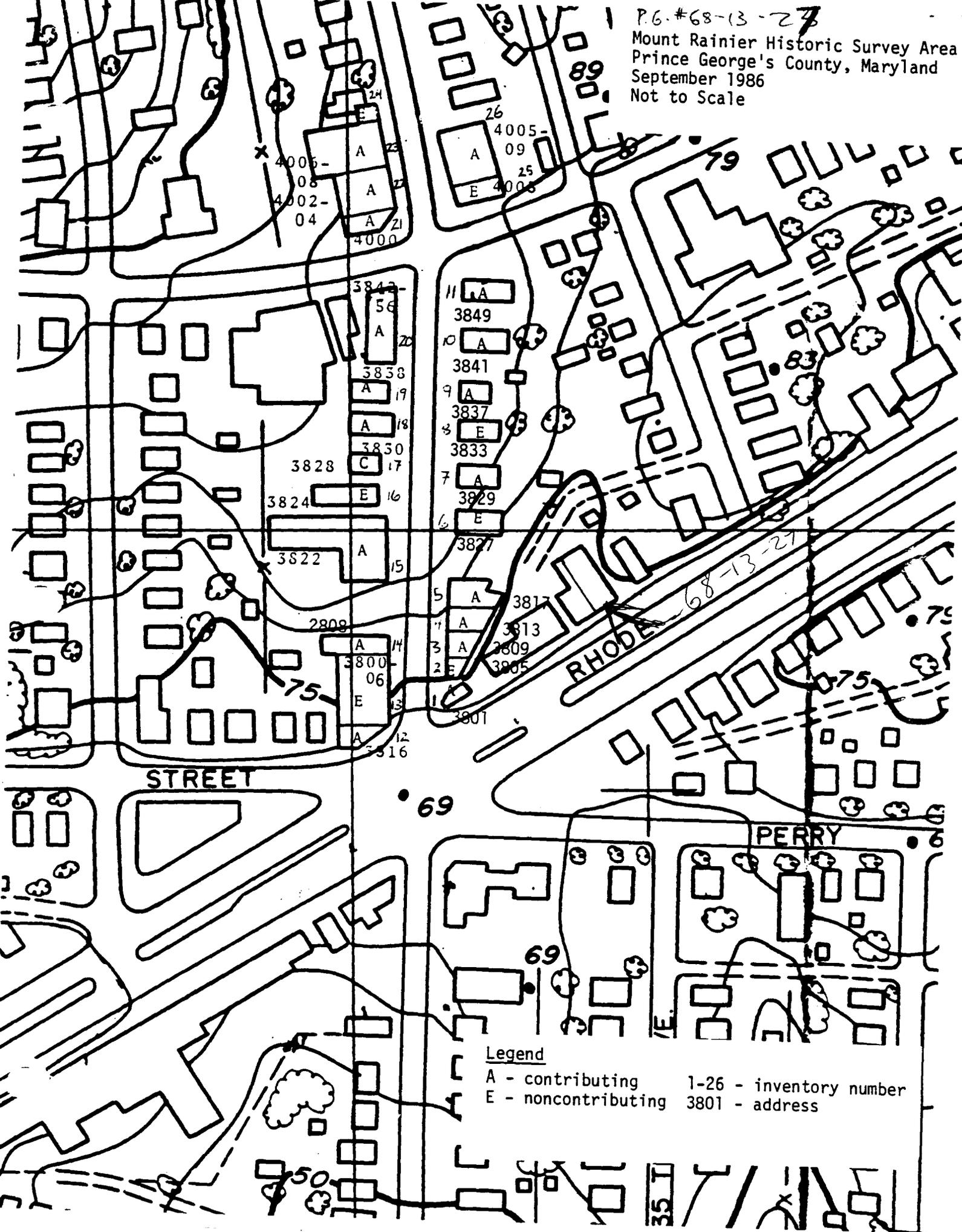
Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

CONTRIBUTING

The two story brick commercial building at 3416-3418 Rhode Island Avenue (Block 1, east half of Lot 13, Rhode Island Avenue Addition to Mt. Rainier) contributes to the architectural character of the survey area as an example of early 20th century small-scale, mixed-use construction. Although the main (south) facade has been somewhat altered, the building's configuration and relationship to the street are typical of the mixed-use buildings of the early decades of the century with a shopfront at the sidewalk and living quarters above for a proprietor/tenant.

The present building on this portion of Lot 13 is not the site's earliest or original improvement. Assessment records indicate that by 1912, an improvement valued at \$400 had been made by the owner Edward S. White.¹ White had owned the parcel since November of 1909, when he purchased it from Willard and Nancy Bigelow (see Chain of Title). By 1917, an improvement valued at \$1,530 is recorded.² A 1921 fire insurance map indicates that the parcel was then occupied by a one story, rectangular plan frame building housing a "hay and feed" business.³ Assuming the accuracy of the map, the present brick building would have been built after 1921. It is possible that the improvement assessed by 1917 was not corrected on the later insurance map. The materials, massing and fenestration of the present building are typical of a number of others built throughout the survey area by the early 1920's and most likely dates at least to that period. While it could have been erected as early as 1917, it was definitely in place by 1939, as a later insurance map indicates.⁴

Edward White is known to have operated a "flour and feed" business on this site from about 1912 to 1930.⁵ White also operated a grocery business in the adjacent building (3414 Rhode Island Avenue) during roughly the same period. White had acquired 3414 in November of 1919 and sold all of Lot 13 in 1930 to Otto and Mary Gerhardt.⁶



Legend
 A - contributing 1-26 - inventory number
 E - noncontributing 3801 - address

