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Sudlersville Bank
Sudlersville

1913

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Sudlersville Bank

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Northeast corner of Md. Routes 300 and 313 (Main & N. Church Streets)

CITY, TOWN

Sudlersville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne'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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Sudlersville Bank of Maryland

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Sudlersville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21668

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: SS#7

Folio #: 559

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland 21617

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY 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 type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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 Sudlersville Bank is located on the northeast corner of Maryland Routes 300 and 313, in the center of Sudlersville. It is a relatively small building, but both the massing and the stone construction make it a fairly imposing structure. Unfortunately, a new bank building is nearing completion immediately to the east, and the old bank is scheduled for demolition.

The old bank faces south, across Route 300, but because of the corner site, there is a prominent secondary entrance on the west facade, facing Route 313. The building is constructed of dressed ashlar with the faces of the blocks left rough. The wall surfaces are relieved by dividing each wall into three units, with the corners expressed by breaking forward, and the center section of the wall recessed. Horizontal unity is increased by a plain water table near ground level and a bold cornice about 18 inches below the top of the building. The top of the walls are terminated by a flat stone drip cap.

The principal entrance is located in the center of the recessed "panel" on the south

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7.1 DESCRIPTION

facade, and is accentuated by an ornate crossetted surround surmounted by a pediment and flanked by a handsome pair of engaged stone columns which in turn support a carefully dressed stone cornice. This cornice is located directly above the door pediment, and only extends across the recessed entrance area. Above the stone cornice is a large semi-circular leaded glass window with a dressed stone extrados. The window is divided into three parts by vertical mullions, and the leaded glass forms a radiating fan of clear glass accentuated by a very simple band of colored glass. Directly above this window is the bold wood cornice that encircles the building. In the center of the upper wall, above the main cornice, is a rectangular datestone, on which the date "1913" is inscribed.

The west facade, facing Route 313, is more restrained than the south facade. The wall surface is also broken into three fields, with a large door located in the center flanked by a single window on each side. The door is set in an arched opening, with a tripartite fan light transom above modern double glass doors. A bold wood hood-mold is applied

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.2 DESCRIPTION

to the extrados of the arch. Scrolled brackets below the label-stops give the appearance of supporting the hood mold. The windows on either side of the door have dressed stone extrados, and the openings are divided into 6 lights by a horizontal style and two vertical mullions.

The north facade is relatively simple, with a square stone chimney rising at the center of the recessed wall surface, flanked by a tall narrow window on each side. These have arched lintels, and are divided into four lights by a vertical mullion and a horizontal style. The wood cornice is carried across this facade, but stops against each side of the chimney. The top of the wall is stepped up to meet the top of the chimney shaft. On the east facade, a single narrow window is located in the center of each of the projecting walls at the corners, and three windows are symmetrically ranged across the recessed center wall surface. These three windows have arched openings and are divided into two lights by a center mullion.

The interior of the bank is basically divided into three areas, each serving a particular function.

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.3 DESCRIPTION

The north end of the building is reserved for offices and work space, while the tellers and the vault are located in the center of the building against the east wall. An L-shaped public area extends across the south end of the building and along the south end of the west wall. The tellers' windows are arranged along an L-shaped counter facing this space. Due to the need for more office and secretarial space, a second floor was added in the late 1950's or 1960's. This extends across the north end of the building and projects out over the tellers' counter. This upper floor is not screened off from the lobby, but is simply enclosed by a three foot partition.

The interior was at one time quite grand, but later renovations have softened some of the impact. The barrel vaulted ceiling still displays the original decorative coffered tin at the south end of the building, with square columns and pilasters with plaster Ionic capitals highlighting the south door. This door is further embellished by a molded crossetted architrave surmounted by a broken pediment. The west door is simple by comparison, with a molded architrave that follows the arched opening. Other

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.4 DESCRIPTION

decoration consists of pilasters with Ionic capitals along the side walls that support the roof trusses, a heavy molded interior cornice, and molded baseboard. The tellers' counter and most of the remainder of the interior dates to the circa 1960 renovations. The safe was manufactured by Remington and Sherman Co., of New York, Philadelphia, and Boston.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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 1913

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Geovan Nozze (builder)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Sudlersville Bank was organized in 1904, and the present building was constructed in 1913. According to Paul Phillips' history of Sudlersville, the contract was awarded on September 1, 1913, to a Wilmington, Delaware contractor named Geovan Nozze, for the sum of \$11,333. The renovation of the interior and the addition of the second floor balcony occurred in 1965.

This building is one of the earliest bank buildings remaining in the county, and is virtually the only commercial building of any distinction surviving in Sudlersville. The pleasing architectural composition combined with the prominent corner site make this a keystone building at the center of town. The rough ashlar construction contrasts nicely with the refined columns and the molded stone cornice on the south facade. Further embellishment is provided by the leaded fanlight above the south door, the

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8.1 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

dressed stone arches, and the bold wood cornice.

Much of the original interior remains intact. Of particular interest are the barrel vault ceiling with the original coffered tin finish, the Ionic pilasters, and the pedimented door surround.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Phillips, Paul W. Sudlersville, on Maryland's Eastern Shore
Centreville, no date.

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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

Orlando Ridout V, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

12/13/78

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

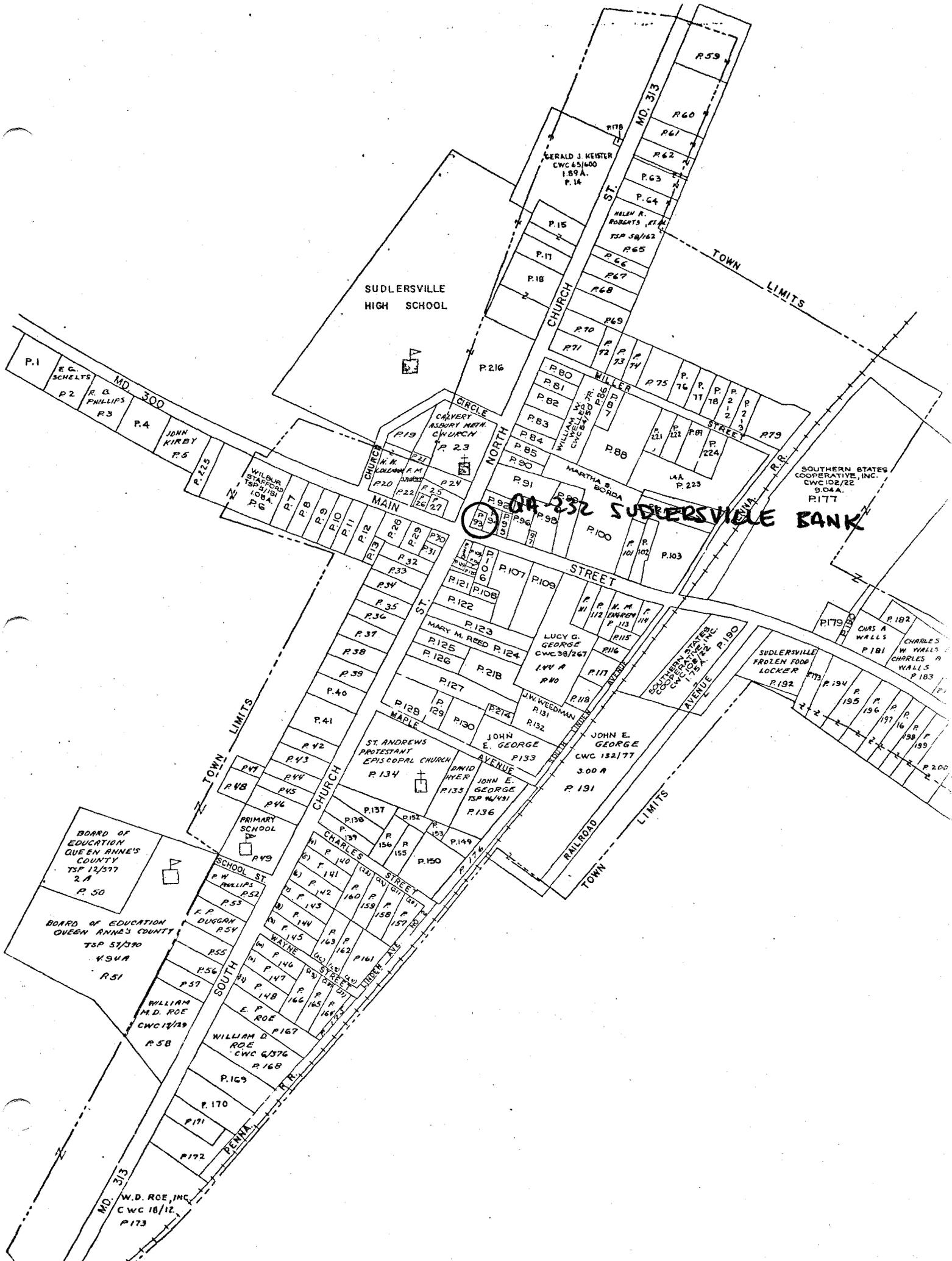
STATE

Maryland 21617

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9.04A.
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