

QA-388  
Price Hotel  
Price  
Private

circa 1900

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Price Hotel

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Southeast side of Massey Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Price

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

J. Tilghman Knotts

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Queen Anne

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21657

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURT-HOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: TSP 70

Folio #: 296

STREET & NUMBER

Court House Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

47-375

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 Price Hotel is located on the southeast side of Massey Avenue in Price, several hundred yards north of the main street through town. The hotel faces northwest across Massey Avenue to the railroad line, and almost directly across from the small frame railroad station, now converted into a dwelling.

The hotel is frame, 2 1/2 stories high, three bays wide and two rooms deep, with a two story frame wing to the rear. The front section of the hotel is approximately square, with a pyramidal roof, while the rear wing projects from the northeast end of the rear facade and has a pitched gable roof.

The front facade, facing northwest, is three bays wide, with an entrance door in the center flanked by 1/1 windows on each side and three 1/1 windows on the second floor. A single pitched roof 2/2 dormer is centered on the third story. The entrance door is framed with sidelights and a transom, while the center window on the second floor replaces an original door that led onto the

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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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/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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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

Orlando Ridout V, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

9/4/80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

Field Notebook QA-XVI; Recorded April 29, 1980.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION

upper level of a two story porch. This porch can be seen in early photographs of the hotel, and was probably only recently demolished, as the outline of the posts and deck can be seen in the wood shingle siding. Delicate paneled pilasters at each corner of the facade and a box cornice with deep soffit add refinement to this facade.

The south gable is also three bays wide. There is a door in the left bay and two 1/1 windows to the right on the first floor, and three 1/1 windows on the second floor. A single 2/1 pitched roof dormer is centered on the third story. The box cornice and shingle siding match the front facade, but there is no pilaster on the rear corner.

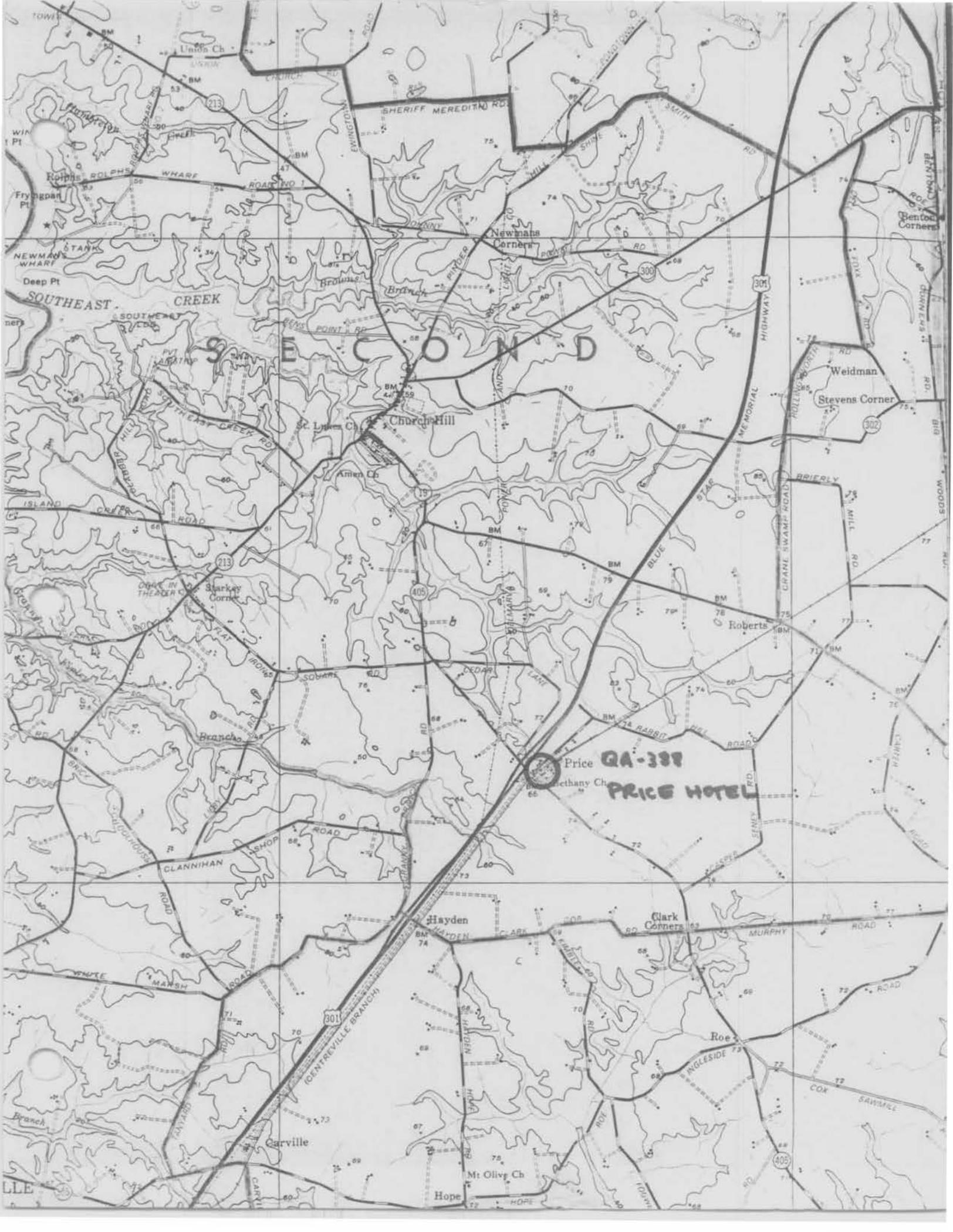
A similar fenestration pattern is repeated on the northeast gable, but the door is offset to left of center with one 1/1 window immediately to the left and a second to the far right. The northeast facade of the rear wing is flush with this gable. There is a door to the left of center and one 1/1 to the right on the first floor. Three 1/1 windows are ranged across the second floor. The siding, stucco foundation, and cornice all match the front section of the hotel.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION

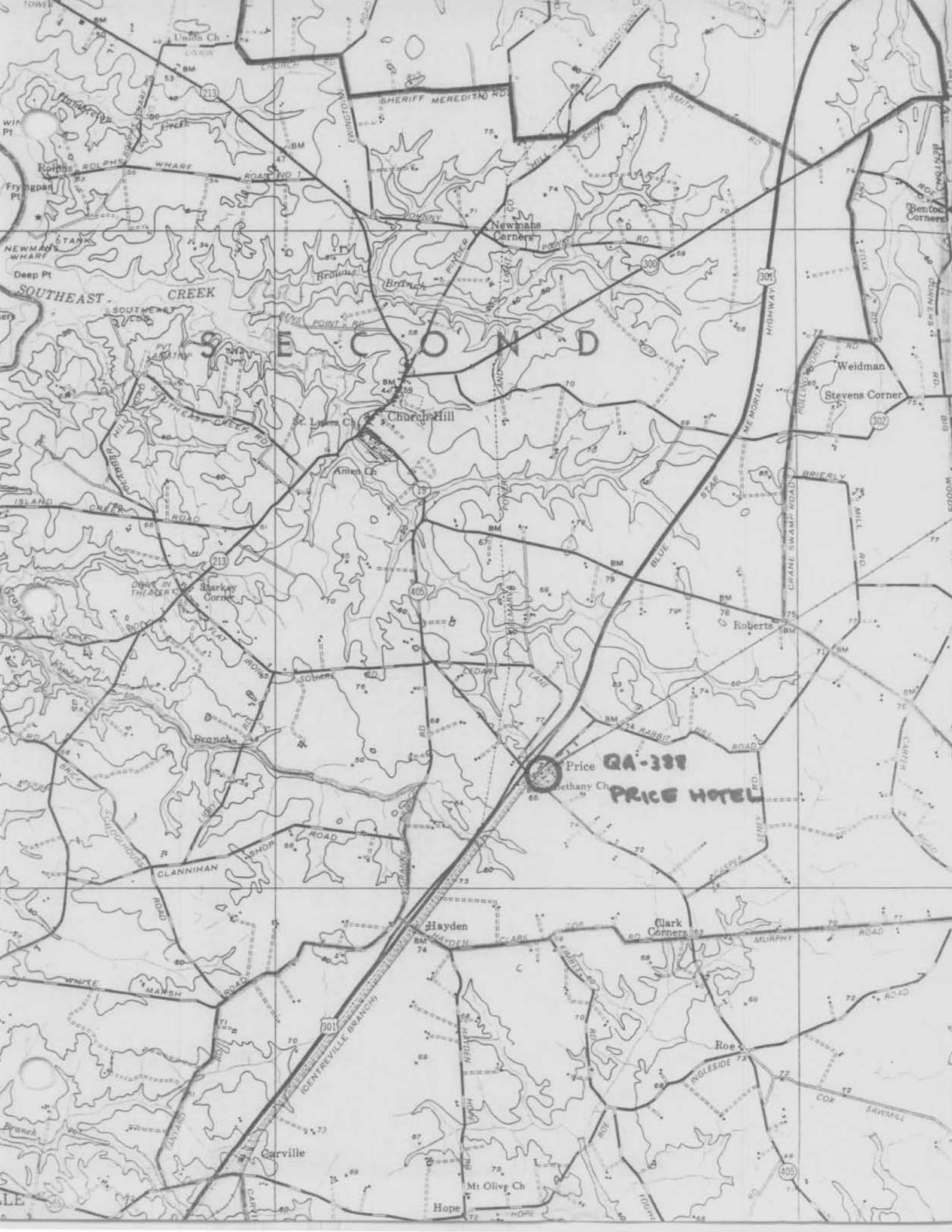
A flush brick chimney is centered on the rear gable wall of the wing, with a single 1/1 window to the right on the first and second floors. A one story porch along the southwest wall of the wing is partially enclosed. A door with a two-light transom opens onto the porch, with a 1/1 window to the right. Two 1/1 windows light the second floor of the wing. A second door opens onto the porch from the enclosed pantry at the northwest end of the porch.

The majority of the rear facade of the front section of the hotel is covered by the wing. There is a door in the extreme left bay on the first floor and 1/1 windows in the left and center bays on the second floor. One 2/2 pitched roof dormer is centered on the third story. The brick chimneys serving the main section of the hotel are located on the interior partition walls.



S E C R E T

Price QA-381  
PRICE HOTEL





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Price Hotel

Price, Maryland

Orlando Ridout V 1980

Front facade from West



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Price, Maryland  
Orlando Ridout V 1980  
View from South