

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common U.S. Post Office

### 2. Location

street & number 44-62 West Franklin Street  not for publicationcity, town Hagerstown  vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Washington County

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. liber

street &amp; number folio

city, town state

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

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date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. WA-HAG-157

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input 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.

An Art Deco style masonry structure erected in 1935-1936 and enlarged to the west about 1960-1965 - excellent condition - 3 large original wall paintings depicting mail service in America.

# 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 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 type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input 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.

Architects (as listed on cornerstone (SE corner)):

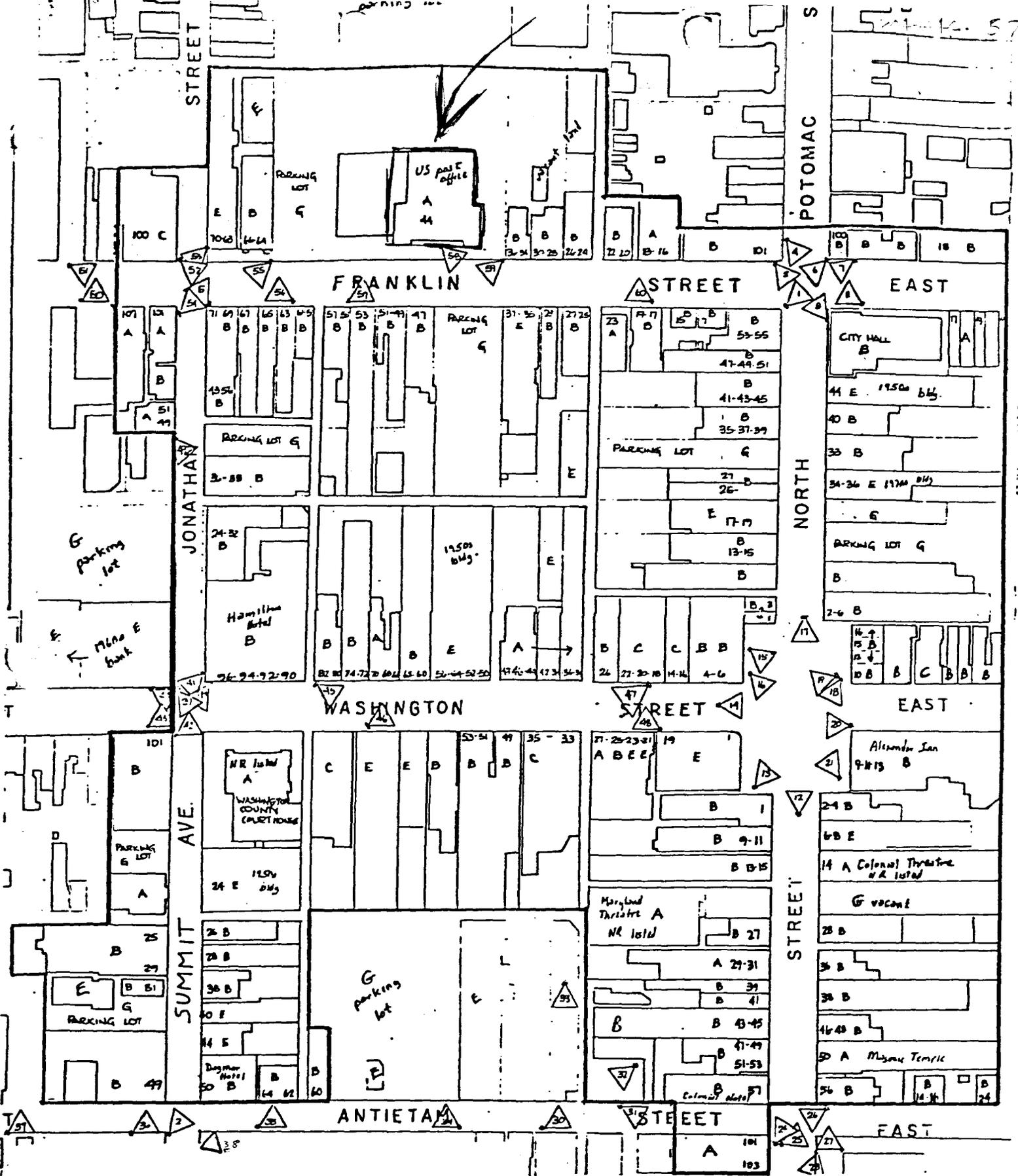
Mottu and White  
Baltimore, Maryland

Howard M. Mottu and Henry S. Taylor White  
see Withey & Withey Biographical Dictionary of American Architects,  
p. 651, for White biography

Daily Mail, Hagerstown, Md. (19 Feb. 1936):

cost of construction was \$250,000  
contractor was Spence Brothers (where?)





Each building is identified as to contributive value to significance of the district - see reverse of map for code identification

Hagerstown Commercial Core Historic District  
 Hagerstown, Washington County, Maryland  
 entered into National Register 17 Jan. 1983

U. S. POST OFFICE, HAGERSTOWN, MD.



1944



*El Cortez Motel*

5 Miles south of Hagerstown, Md.  
On U. S. 11

Feldstein, Albert L.

1984 Feldstein's Historic Postcard Album of Washington County, Maryland.  
Commercial Press Printing Company, Cumberland, Maryland.



1924

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Hagerstown Commercial Core Historic District  
Washington County, Maryland

Photo by: Douglass C. Reed

July, 1982

Neg. Location: Preservation Associates, Inc.  
Sharpsburg, Maryland

W. Franklin Street, NE View

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W. Franklin Street, NW View

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