

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
 21 STATE CIRCLE  
 SHAW HOUSE  
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: <u>AA 684</u>	
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:	
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing	
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:	
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:	
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:	
PRESENT USE: SF Res	ORIGINAL USE: SF Res
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER: 1936-Clyde M. Fry Col. R. Snowden Andrews (Baltimore)	
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Same	
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent (X) Good ( ) Fair ( ) Poor: ( )	
THEME:	
STYLE: Georgian Revival (was Second Empire)	
DATE BUILT: 1868-69/1936	

COUNTY: Anne Arundel
TOWN: Annapolis
LOCATION: State Circle
COMMON NAME: Governor's Mansion
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Res Map 32 Par 633
OWNER: State of Maryland
ADDRESS:
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes (X) No ( ) Restricted ( )
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: <sup>HABS</sup> Local (X) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone ( ) Brick (X) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
- Wall Structure
  - Wood Frame: Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ( )
  - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick (X) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard ( ) Board and Batten ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( )  
 Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( )  
 Brick Veneer (X) Stone Veneer ( ) Asbestos Shingle ( )  
 Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
  - Truss: Wood (X) Iron ( ) Steel (X) Concrete ( )
  - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate (X) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Sheet Metal ( )  
 Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers (X) Chimneys (X) Sheds ( ) Ells (X)  
 Wings (X) Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
 Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
 Other:

Number of Stories: 2

Number of Bays: 11 x 3

Approximate Dimensions: 80 x 160

Entrance Location: Centered

THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat (X) Zoning ( ) Roads ( ) Development ( ) Deterioration ( ) Alteration ( ) Other:
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LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive ( ) Negative ( ) Mixed ( ) Other:
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

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Altered French Second Empire mansion, now "Georgian" with five part plan, gabled roof dormers, Palladian window in rear pavillion, belt courses, round arched windows in wings, Venetian windows in end walls of wings, all in 1935.

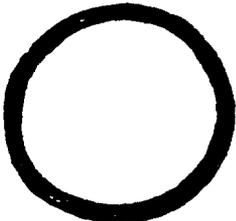
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

While a good example of the Georgian Revival of the 20thC, the pastiche replaced an exceptional Second Empire structure, rare in Annapolis. Georgian Revival massing and detailing compatible to State House, and building is compatible with streetscape despite deep setback, but Second Empire structure of 1868-69 would be of more importance.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )  
Moderately Built Up(✓) Densely-Built Up( )  
Residential( ) Commercial( )  
Agricultural( ) Industrial( )  
Roadside Strip Development( )  
Other:

RECORDED BY:

Russell Wright

ORGANIZATION:

Historic Annapolis, Inc

DATE RECORDED:

AUG. 1983

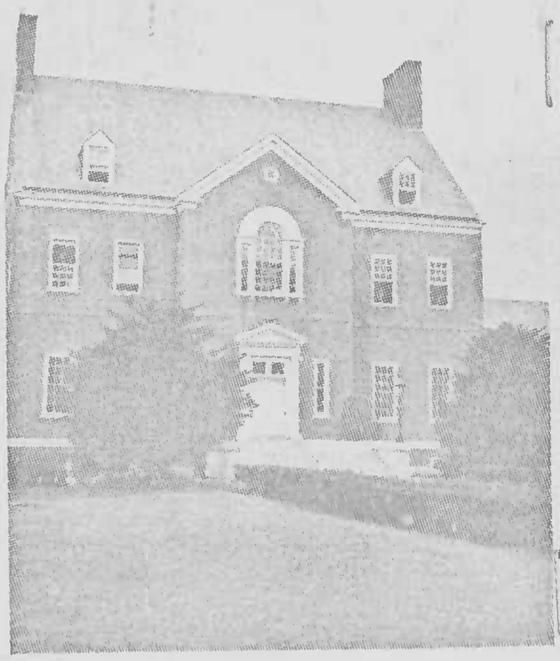
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<p>1. STATE <b>Annapolis, Maryland</b>          COUNTY          TOWN          VICINITY          STREET NO. <b>State and Church Circles</b></p> <p>ORIGINAL OWNER <b>State of Maryland</b>          ORIGINAL USE <b>Governor's residence</b>          PRESENT OWNER <b>State of Maryland</b>          PRESENT USE <b>Governor's residence</b>          WALL CONSTRUCTION <b>brick</b>          NO. OF STORIES</p>	<p>HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY</p> <p>2. NAME <b>Government House</b></p> <p>DATE OR PERIOD <b>1868-69</b>          STYLE <b>"Georgian"</b>          ARCHITECT <b>Col. R. Snowden Andrews of</b>          BUILDER <b>Baltimore</b></p> <p>3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE</p>
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4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC at times

The Governor's Residence, aside from obvious historical association, is notable in that a Victorian Mansion with mansard roof of 1869 has been remodeled (1935) into a Georgian country house of 5 parts - with hyphens and wings. The Georgian remodeling was good in that there is use of very Maryland Georgian elements (authentic elements) etc., however, the scale is entirely too large and the result is a large pile of brick that looks like a Colonial Revival fraternity house of the 1920s. A few Victorian period sections remain untouched and are visible from College Avenue side. The state is presently undergoing \$150,000 interior renovation. Govt. House has a prime location and the fence and gardens are very nice, etc. This pile is illustrative of a well meaning attempt on the part of interested persons who understood Annapolis' architectural heritage but were, in effect, blind.

*is within boundaries of Colonial Annapolis Historic District (NHL)*



5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE E

good



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)  
 INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

**M.L. Radoff's State Buildings, etc.**  
**numerous records**

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER

**William D. Morgan**  
**Columbia University**  
**New York City**

DATE OF RECORD **June 29, 1967**

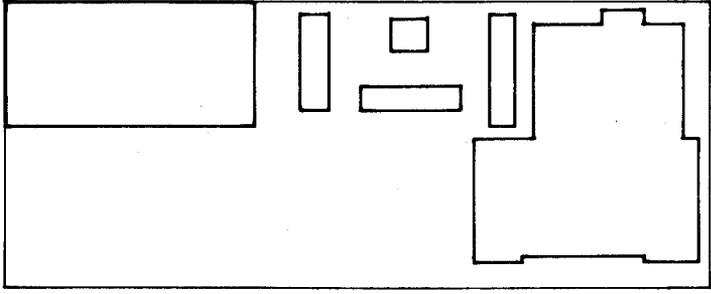
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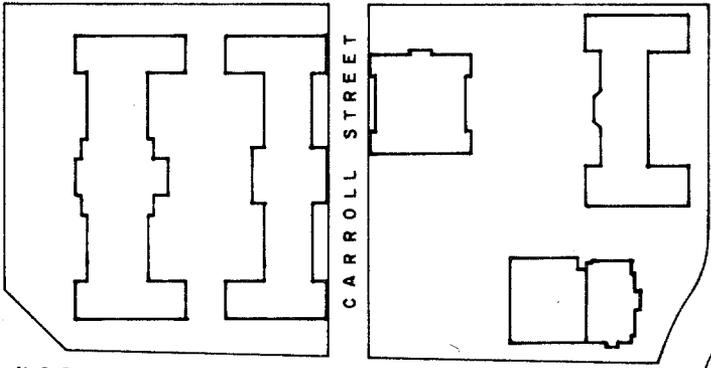
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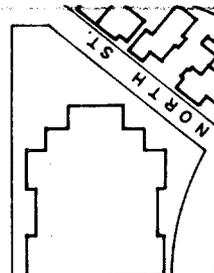
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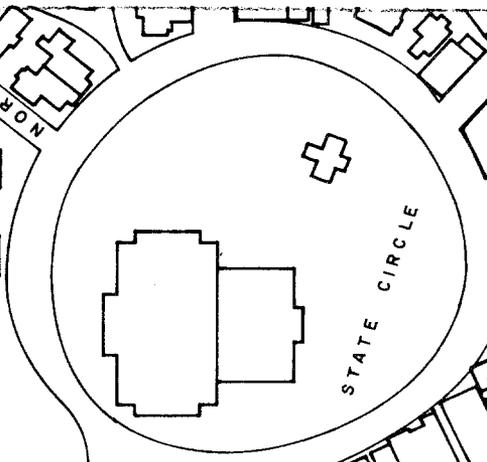
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CATHEDRAL STREET



COLLEGE



STATE CIRCLE

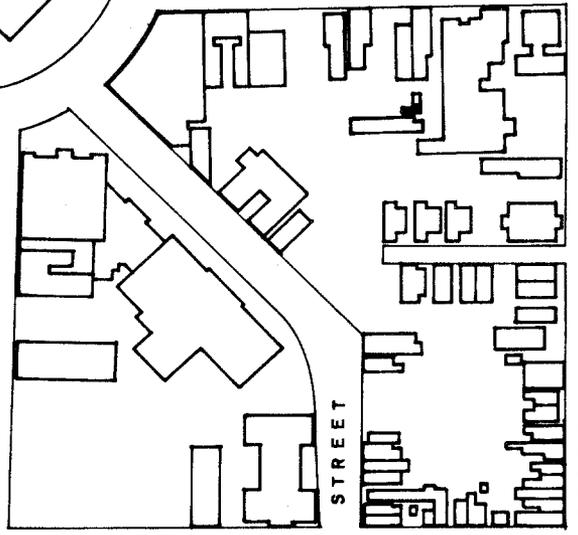


CHURCH CIRCLE

SCHOOL ST.



DUKE STREET



STREET

STREET

WASHINGTON

PARK ST.

WATER ST.

CITY GATE LANE

SHAW DEAN STREET

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SOUTH

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