

FLEET HALL  
U.S. COAST GUARD YARD  
CURTIS BAY  
Public (Restricted)

Building No. 33, erected in 1939 at the U.S. Coast Guard Yard at Curtis Bay, is a barracks building known as Fleet Hall. It replaced temporary wooden barracks formerly on the site. Building No. 33 is a concrete and steel structure with pedimented columned porch veneered with brick and executed in the Colonial Revival style. U-shaped in plan with long wings extending westward from a central block, Building No. 33 was built during a WPA building program to modernize the Yard prior to World War II. Commitment of building funds to a permanent facility intended to house enlisted men reflects a military effort to prepare for war-time operations. The choice of a building style based on traditional architectural modes reflects the conservative taste of the government sponsor.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Building NO. 33, Fleet Hall

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

U.S. Coast Guard Yard

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE Curtis Bay

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

Maryland 21226

COUNTY Anne Arundel

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

U.S. Coast Guard

Telephone #: 789-1600

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Curtis Bay

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21401

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Anne Arundel County Courthouse

Liber #: GW 47

Folio #: 224

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<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 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**

In 1939, Building No. 33, Fleet Hall, was erected as part of a WPA building program to upgrade Yard facilities and replace temporary wood frame barracks formerly on the site. Fleet Hall is a steel and concrete structure with brick veneer executed in common bond. It rests on a full cement basement. It is U-shaped in plan, with a 12-bay wide center section joining perpendicularly placed north and south wings.

The front facade faces east and is composed of a 6-bay central block with two, 3-bay flanking sections. These flanking sections connect the main building with the three-bay wide north and south wings. The first floor level of the main block is reached via a flight of 15 concrete steps terminating at a 12-foot deep landing, protected by a columned porch.

A modern safety-glass door surmounted by a stone segmental arch is centrally placed within this section. Flanking the entranceway are two windows, each with modern 1/1 aluminum sash resting on cement sills. At second floor level are six windows of the same type. The porch is covered by a pedimented roof supported by six stone Doric columns. An unadorned stone frieze marks the intersection of the facade and roofline. In the center of the wood trimmed, brick-veneered gable front is an oval window trimmed in stone. Basement windows across the front facade are barred and are placed two per bay, centered beneath windows on first and second floors.

The flanking sections are characterized by three pairs of windows at both first and second floors. A painted wood cornice is found at the roof line. From the asbestos-shingled roof of each wing rise three dormer windows, each trimmed with wood and fitted with 1/1 modern sashes.

The east facades of north and south wings are identical, each being four bays wide, with two pairs of 1/1 modern sash windows at first and second floor levels.

The south facade of Fleet Hall represents the south facade of south wing. It is 10 bays long, with windows in each bay at each floor, as also found on the front facade. Four former windows rise from the roof above the central bays. The north facade is identical to the south facade except for the placement of a stairway instead of a window in the third bay from the northwest corner of this facade at first floor level. The stairs are concrete with iron railings.

The rear (west) facade of Fleet Hall consists of the west facades of the main block and its north and south wings. On this facade, its main section is 12 bays wide. An addition at second floor level projects from the main section and the corners of north and south wings. This addition is one bay deep and rests on brick pilasters, forming an arcade at first floor level. The facade beneath the addition contains one 1/1 sash window per bay, except for the center and two southernmost bays where entrances are located. The first floor level is elevated by flights of concrete stairs with iron railings. An iron pipe railing also guards the basement level stairs and walkway.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

See attached continuation sheet

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See attached continuation sheet

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE		DATE
Susanne Moore, Historic Sites Surveyor		August 1981
ORGANIZATION		TELEPHONE
Maryland Historical Trust		269-2438
STREET & NUMBER		STATE
21 State Circle - Shaw House		
CITY OR TOWN		
Annapolis, Md 21401		

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

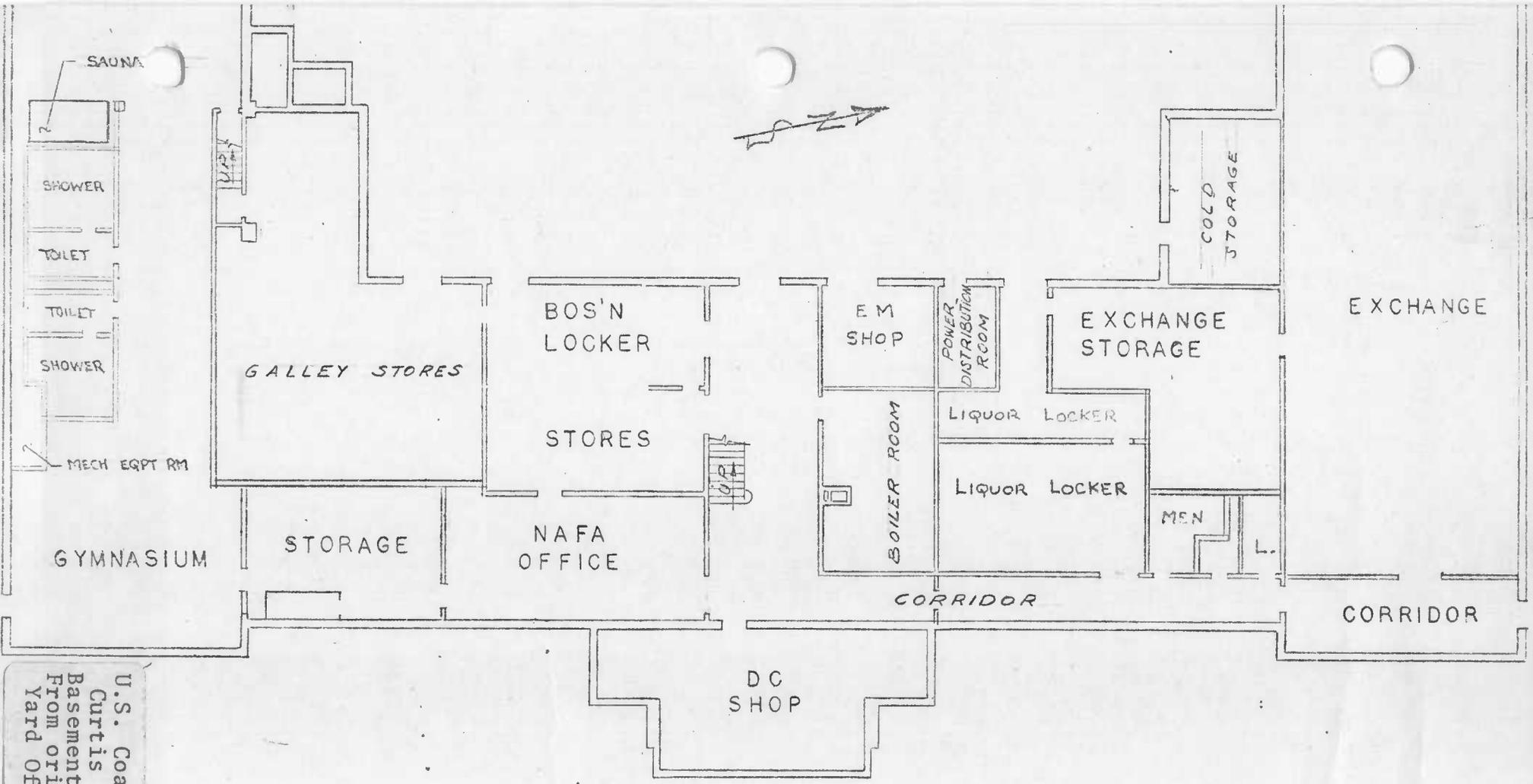
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

## #7 Description (continued)

At second floor level, the one-bay wide addition projects 12 feet from the main wall plane. The bays of the addition are separated by cement capped brick pilasters, and contain one modern 1/1 sash window each.

Also visible from the view of the west facade of Building No. 33 are the north and south wings as they extend westward from the main center block. These opposing facades are identical, each containing two-bay long portions of the second floor addition at their points of intersection with the main center block. In the extreme west end of both wings are two 1/1 sash windows at second floor level. One dormer window rises from the roof at third floor level of each wing. First floor windows of the south wing have been bricked in.

The western facades of the wings are identical, featuring four 1/1 modern sash windows at both first and second floors. A brick chimney wall occurs between pairs of windows on the south wing.



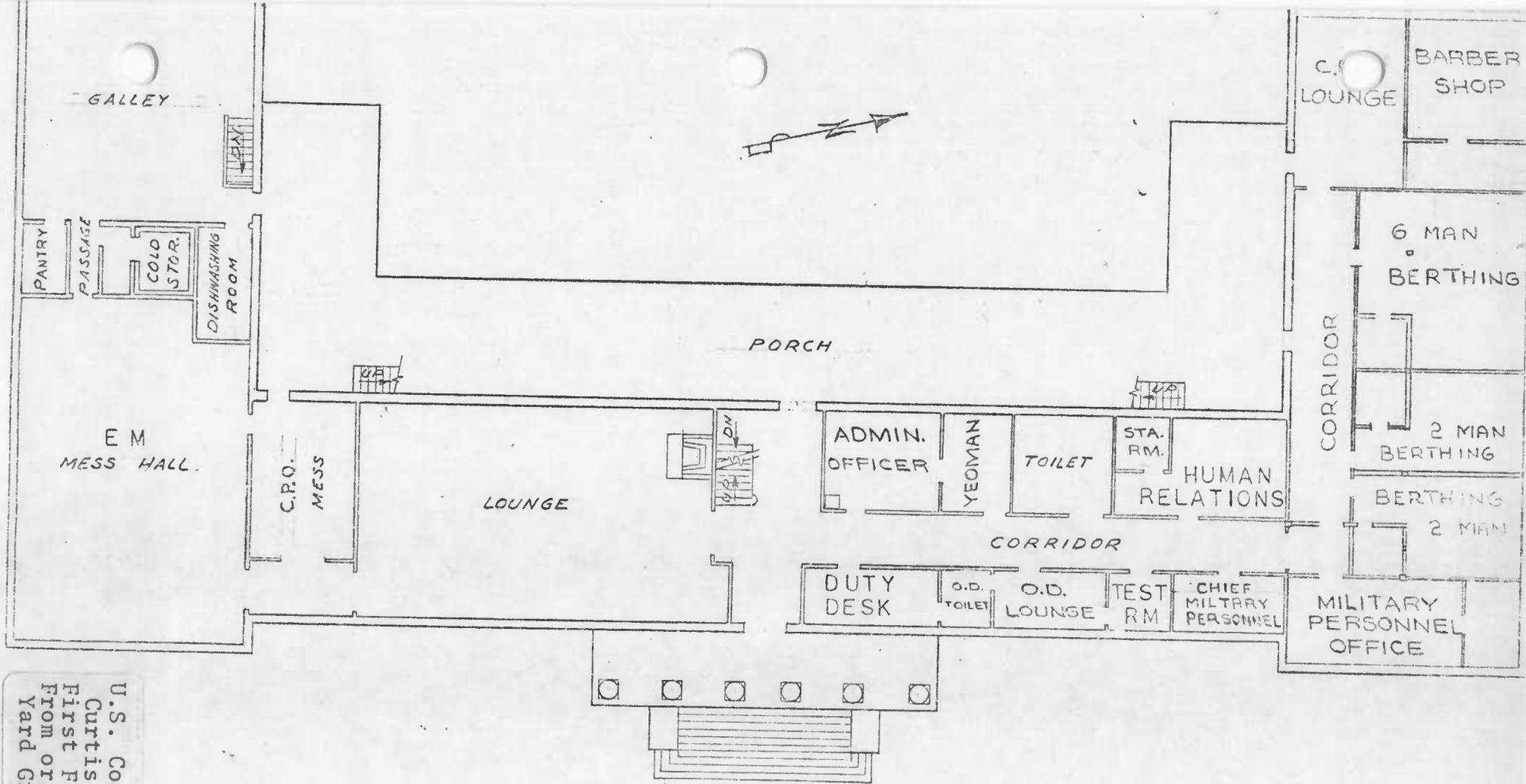
~ BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN ~

U.S. Coast Guard Yard AA-798  
 Curtis Bay - Bldg No. 33  
 Basement Plan  
 From original on file in  
 Yard Office of Graph/Repro

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AREA 14,000 SQ FT

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BLDG. 33 BARRACKS	
APRIL 1974	SCALE: 1" = 20'
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~ FIRST FLOOR PLAN ~

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 Curtis Bay - Bldg no. 33  
 First Floor Plan  
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 Yard Graphics/Repro Office

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TOTAL AREA  
 10,080 FT<sup>2</sup>

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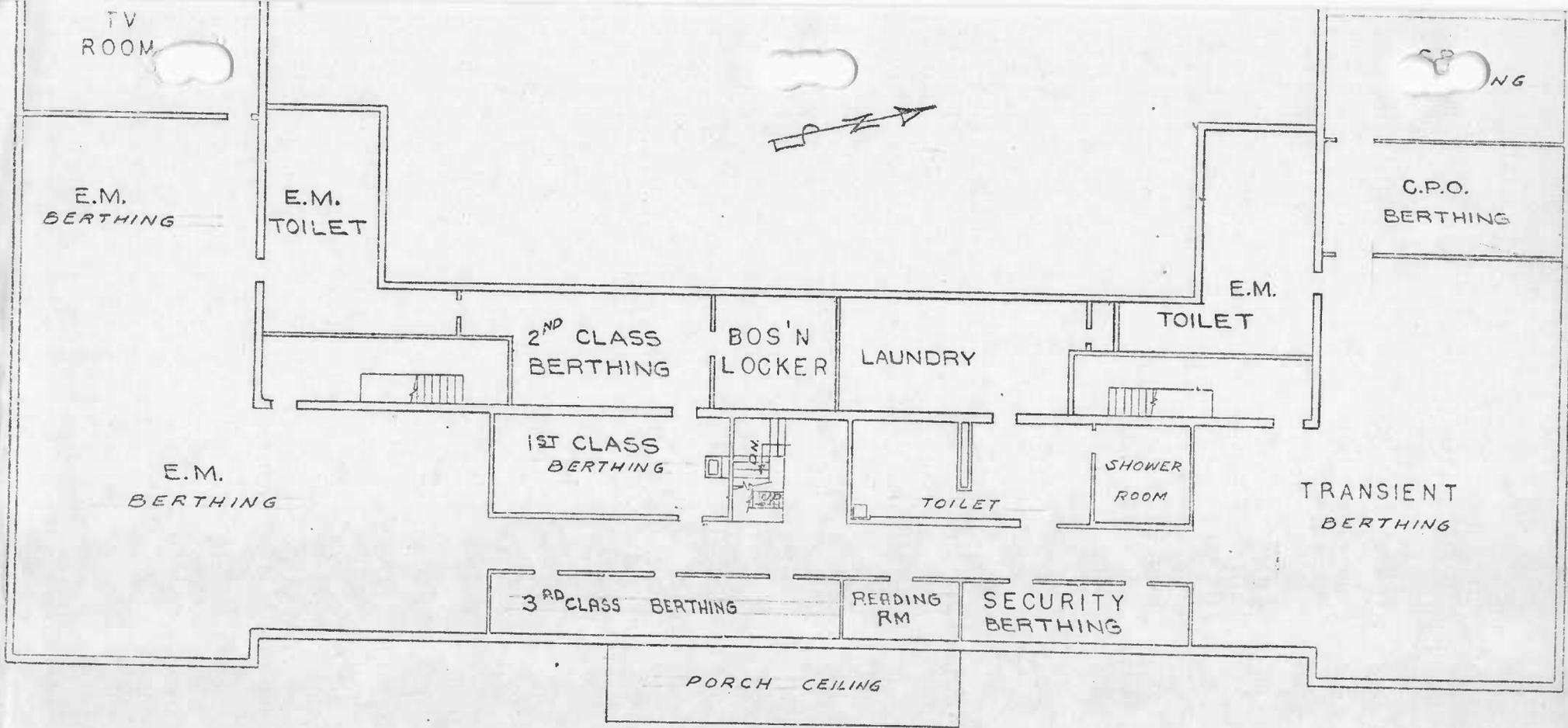
BARRACKS

APRIL 1974

SCALE: 1" = 20'

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~ SECOND FLOOR PLAN ~

BERTHING	10,280	SQ FT
TOILET	1,680	SQ FT
LAUNDRY	450	SQ FT
LOUNGE	220	SQ FT
OTHER	830	SQ FT
TOTAL	13,460	SQ FT

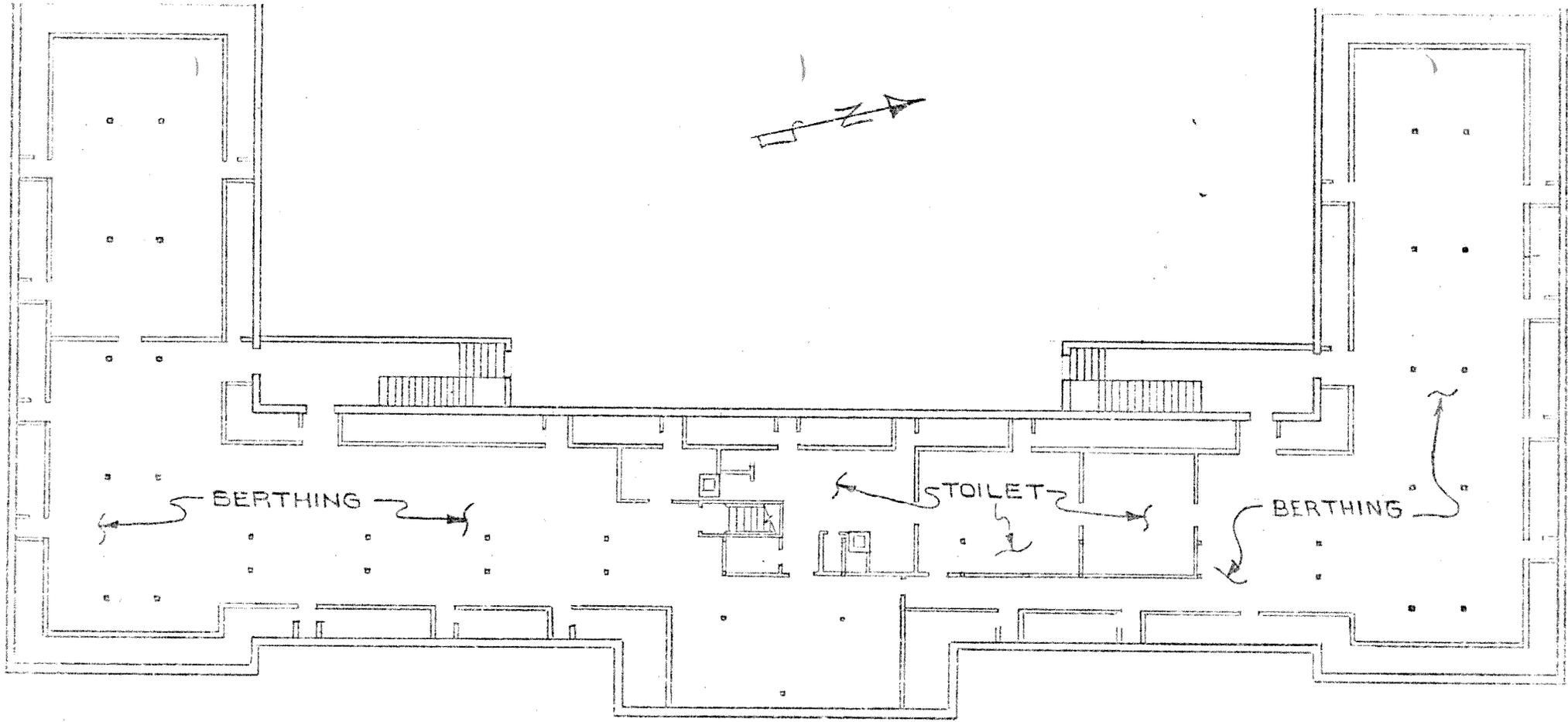
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 U.S. Coast Guard Yard  
 Curtis Bay - Building No. 33  
 Second Floor Plan

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BLDG. 33  
 BARRACKS

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ATTIC PLAN

BERTHING	7,690	SQ	FT
TOILET	1,000	SQ	FT
OTHER	4,270	SQ	FT
TOTAL	12,960	SQ	FT

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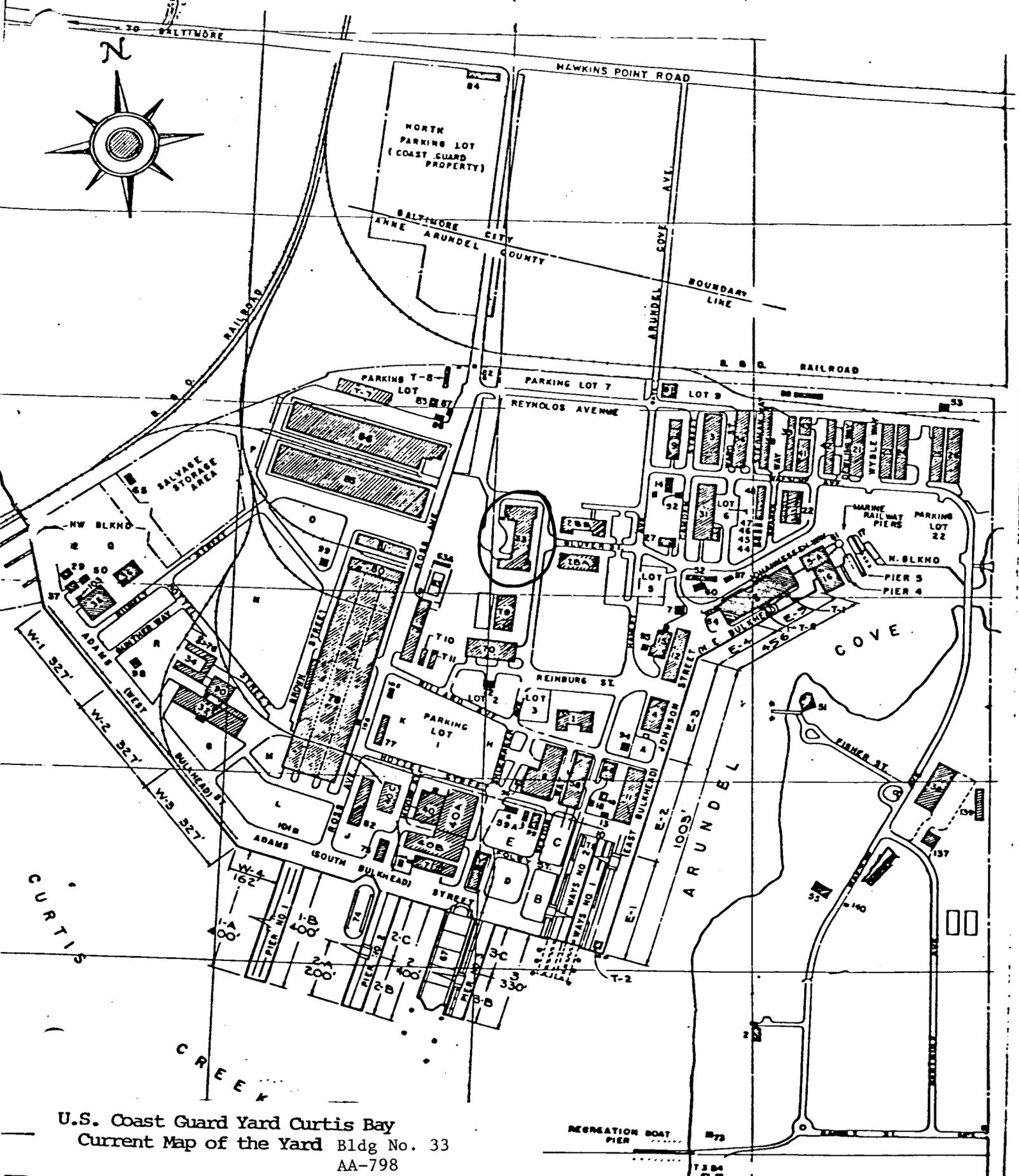
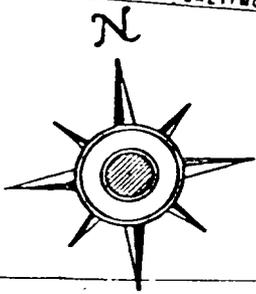
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**BLDG. 33**  
 BARRACKS

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YARD MAP



U.S. Coast Guard Yard Curtis Bay  
Current Map of the Yard Bldg No. 33  
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SHERRI MARSH

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SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

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NORTHWEST PERSPECTIVE

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U.S. Coast Guard Yard  
Curtis Bay - Building No. 33  
Anne Arundel County, Md  
Susanne Moore  
July 1981  
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Southeast corner  
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Curtis Bay - Building No. 33  
Anne Arundel County- Md  
Susanne Moore  
July 1981  
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East facade  
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Curtis Bay - Building No. 33  
Anne Arundel County, Md  
Susanne Moore  
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Northwest corner  
3/4



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BARRACKS

U S COAST GUARD DEPOT

CURTIS BAY MD

CONSOLIDATED ENG CO CONTRACTORS

U.S. Coast Guard Yard    AA-798  
Curtis Bay - Building No. 33  
Construction photograph, c. 1939  
Original on file in Yard photo-  
graphic archives  
southwest corner



U.S. Coast Guard Yard      AA- 798  
Curtis Bay - Building No. 33  
Construction photograph, c. 1939  
~~West~~ facade  
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