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PUTLAND HOUSE  
Havre de Grace, Md.

c. 1830's or 40's

The Putland House is, like many buildings in Havre de Grace, built on an earlier foundation. The basement, dating perhaps from pre-1813, (the year the British burned the town) has an interesting fireplace that has a semi-elliptical opening and a relieving arch. The building itself is a two story three bay wide frame house with an ell on the rear.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Putland House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

624 S. Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

William A. Putland

Telephone #: 939-4216

STREET & NUMBER

624 S. Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21078

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County

Liber #: 402  
Folio #: 42

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

NR-116

# 7 DESCRIPTION

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED	DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED			
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED				

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

624 S. Washington Street is a two and a half story, three bay by three bay, detached frame dwelling with a gable roof. A two story wing with a one story kitchen addition and shed is joined at the rear. The house faces east on the corner of S. Washington St. and Alliance St. It is covered with aluminum siding. A lighted brick basement, three bays wide and one room deep, is under the front section of the house; elsewhere the foundations are granite and brick. The building probably dates from around 1835 with an earlier basement.

A three bay, above grade porch extends across the front of the house, having modern metal trellis railing and posts supporting a tin hipped roof. Wooden steps lead to the entrance in the north bay. Two pilasters remaining on the sides of the house indicated the appearance of the earlier posts. A two story, two bay porch is on the south elevation, it also has modern metal trellis railing and posts supporting a flat roof.

Windows on the facade have 6/1 light, double hung sash; the dormer and gable windows have 6/6 light, double hung sash while the east bay of the wing has 6/6 light casement windows on both stories.

The main entrance is in the north bay of the facade. The doorway, recessed behind louvered shutters, contains a door with four deeply molded curved panels with a single light transom, having curved ends, above it. Other entrances are found in the wing, opening on to the two story porch, and on the rear. A bulkhead is on the south wall, main block.

The roof on the main block is gable flank, covered with slate shingles; it has a molded box cornice. A dormer with a triangular pediment, pilasters and a window having 6/6 lights with an arched upper sash is in the center of the roof on the front elevation. A large rectangular brick chimney rises from inside the east slope, south side. The wing also has a slate gable roof.

The house has a large yard surrounding it and there are no outbuildings.

Interior: The house has a side hall plan. The interior has been extensively remodeled and the fireplace on the first floor is covered. However the fireplace (relatively small) visible on the south wall of the basement, although filled in, has a semi-elliptical <sup>opening</sup> with a radiating brick arch above it. The supporting beams in the ceiling have been covered with boards.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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/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 type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input 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 c. 1835 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Like many houses in Havre de Grace built on earlier foundations, the brick basement underlying the front of the main section of the Putland House is believed to date from the early (pre-1813) 19<sup>th</sup> century. In that year British troops burned the town with the exception of a few buildings. The house itself is a two and a half story, three bay frame house built in a style which H. Chandlee Forman calls "hangover Georgian". The most interesting architectural features of the house are the basement fireplace having a semi-elliptical opening (no longer open) and radiating brick arch in the wall above it; the pilastered dormer with arched upper sash and the rectangular interior chimney.

The house is located in a neighborhood of predominately frame houses with Gothic Revival fronts.

# 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

Marion Morten-Historic Sites Surveyor

April 20, 1977

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

21 State Circle

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Annapolis,

Maryland

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.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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Putland House

Norma Montgomery

GRG 402 42 September 18, 1953  
Grantors: Joseph H. Numbers, Renice Spies, Joseph Spies  
Grantees: William A. Putland and Florence, his wife

SWC 242 480 December 15, 1936  
Grantor: G. Arnold Pffaffenbach  
Grantee: Rose B. and Sally Galloway

WSF 122 204 October 21, 1907  
Grantor: Moseetta Helper  
Grantees Sally P., Rose B., and Kate R. Galloway

HD 24 246 October 30, 1840  
Grantor: James T. Sullivan and wife  
Grantee: Moses Galloway  
\$275.00

HD 15 319 August 29, 1832  
Grantor: Samuel McNutt  
Grantee: James Sullivan  
\$150.00



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