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HA-1136 c. 1850's
S. MILLER HOUSE
Havre de Grace, Md.

This simple two story L-shaped frame house combines, as do many in Havre de Grace, vernacular Federal and Gothic Revival features. It is located in a neighborhood of similar mid to late 19th century frame single and duplex dwellings.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON S. Miller House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 428 S. Washington St.

CITY, TOWN Havre de Grace ___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6

STATE

COUNTY Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	✓OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
✓BUILDING(S)	✓PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	✓PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		✓NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME S. A. Miller Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER 428 S. Washington St.

CITY, TOWN Havre de Grace ___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code Md. 21078

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER Main St.

CITY, TOWN Bel Air

STATE Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	✓DETERIORATED	✓UNALTERED	✓ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

428 S. Washington St. is a two and an half story three bay wide L-shaped frame house with a center gable which is believed to have been built in the late 1850's. It is located on the corner of S. Washington and Revolution Sts., facing east. In shabby conditon, the house is covered with grey asbestos shingles. A shed addition joins the rear of the ell.

A three bay porch extends across the front elevation. It has a hipped roof with a plain cornice supported by metal posts and railing; engaged chamfered posts remain against the wall of the house. A shed roof porch supported by plain posts is on the south elevation of the wing.

Windows are arranged evenly on the front elevation. On the front they have 2/2 light sash while on the rest of the house they have 6/6 light sash.

The main entrance is in the north bay, ~~for~~ front elevation. The door is modern and the enframent has been altered. The door in the east bay of the wing is paneled with glass in the upper half.

An asphalt gable flank roof with a center gable covers the house. The gable has a small perforated barge board and contain a 2/2 light rectangular window. A brick chimney is in the center of the roof.

There is a small yard in the rear with no outbuildings of note.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	✓COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	✓ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
✓1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1858 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

There are many houses in Havre de Grace like 428 S. Washington St. All of them are frame and basically Federal in style but with a wide eaved gable flank roof which has an ornamented gable rising from a few feet up its front slope. The centergable often has , as in this case, a slight bargeboard. Such houses were apparently built (by or for their owners) in a time when architectural styles were in transition, perhaps around the ten years before and after the Civil War. The S. Miller House has a corner location with the ell running along Revolution St. on the south. The 1858 Herrick Map of Harford County shows a dwelling, belonging to Cantline, on this location, and it is quite possible that this is the same house.

All along S. Washington St. are well maintained,mid to late 19th century, frame dwellings, relating to each other in size, scale, style and building material. Many of them are gabled, Carpenter Gothic cottages on grassy lots that extend to the alleys behind them; built as one and two family dwellings, most of them retain that scheme of occupancy. However, because Harford Memorial Hospital is one block west, the neighborhood has become vulnerable to the intrusion of buildings related to the medical profession. Displacing the old houses, these new buildings could not only present architectural intrusions but discourage buyers who are initially attacted by the cozy, homogeneous appearance of this part of Havre de Grace but fear it is changing.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Herrick Map of Harford County-1858

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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

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ORGANIZATION Maryland Historical Trust DATE June, 77

STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN STATE

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HAVRE DE GRACE, MD.

SE/4 HAVRE DE GRACE 15' QUADRANGLE

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S. Miller House
428 S. Washington St.

East Facade

Marian Morton
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