

HAGERSTOWN LANDMARKS RECONNAISSANCE SURVEY

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties # WA-HAG-15

Property Name/Address: "Cynosure," 1016 Potomac Ave., Hagerstown, Maryland

Description/Significance: A very large two story L-shaped brick house with bracketed cornice, segmental-arched window heads, porte-cochere, and two-story gallery across part of the facade, reflecting the Italian Villa influence of the third quarter of the nineteenth century. The principal facade faces east, and comprises a gable front main block four bays wide, with a wing extending to the north. A one story verandah spans the main block, supported on square posts. The entrance, located in the second bay from the north, features sidelights and transom set in a segmental-arched opening. The remaining bays of the first floor hold large 6/6 windows with operable paneled shutters. On the second story, two 6/6 sash are fitted with louvered shutters. All the window openings are segmental-arched. The peak of the gable holds a louvered vent flanked by small narrow sash. The overhanging cornice is supported on scrolled brackets. A two story wing spanned by a gallery projects from the north side of the main block. The house is set well back from the street, and predates the subdivision of the surrounding area.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
 - Agricultural/Industrial Transition, 1815-1870
 - Industrial/Urban Dominance, 1870-1930
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):
 - Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
- IV. Resource Type
 - Category: Building
 - Historic Environment: Urban
 - Historic Function(s) and Use(s):
 - DOMESTIC/single dwelling
 - Known Design Source: Unknown

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Old McKee property

owner: Mrs. S. R. Wells, Jr (Doctor died)

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Mrs. Jack Beachley, 10-4-68



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