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~~K-15~~ Wickes Apartments

c. 1890

Chestertown

private

The significance of this house is limited to whatever interest there is in the history of the land it is on. The house itself is a massive late nineteenth century structure of no particular style. Water Lot 9 was associated with the Perkins House (k-14) next door during the nineteenth century when there was an office on it. The structure came down in the 1890's.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

MHT# 1503322604

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Wickes Apartments

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KTS

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

117 Water Street

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Kent

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" 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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER apts

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mary Jean Hudson

Telephone #: 778-1688

STREET & NUMBER

117 Water Street

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Md. 21620

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Office of the County Clerk

Liber #: no reference

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Kent County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

~~title~~ none

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" 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

117 Water Street is located on the southeast side of Water Street at the corner of Water Street and Maple Avenue adjacent to the Chester River Bridge. It is situated on Water Lot 9 in Chestertown.

It is a massive late nineteenth century 4-bay by 4-bay square frame dwelling, 2¹/₂--3 stories high and ~~asbestos~~ covered with asbestos shingles. There is a slate covered Mansard roof section in the front and rear, but the sides of the house run straight up to the flat roof deck, producing what is in effect a 3-story house on the side elevations.

The house sits on a high brick basement which has a molded brick water table capped with an additional wood molding. The two southwest (right) bays occupy a section which projects slightly from the main mass of the building. The first story windows in the projecting section are paired beneath a large plain cornice. The first story window in the extreme northeast (left) bay also has a cornice. ~~But~~ All three are double hung sash, ~~2~~ 2/2.

There is a large high wood entrance porch which occupies the remaining (second from the left) bay and which abuts the projecting section. The porch ~~is~~ has four square pillars with mitered corners in the front, two in line in the left rear, and a single pillar against the edge of the projecting section. The door is doubled, 3-paneled, and has side-lights.

The four second story windows on the facade are 4/4 with a pair of additional vertical mullions. The three third story windows (or dormer windows in the Mansard roof section) are 2/2.

There is a shallow molded cornice. There are four small chimneys in the corners of the flat roof deck.

There is an assortment of windows on the side elevations, including a 2-story bay window in the front two bays of the northeast (left) elevation. A one-story shed roof addition occupies the rear bays of this elevation.

There are two half-porches in the rear of different depths.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES circa 1890.

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of this house is limited to ~~the~~ whatever interest there is in the history of the land it is on. Water Lot 9, as far as we know was never built on before the erection of 117 Water Street, but was associated with The northeast half of Town Lot 15 in the late eighteenth century, presumably providing the owner (the Matzlar's) ~~with~~ access to the Chester River.

There was an office on the property in the early nineteenth century, which was associated with the Perkins House next door.

Summary of Title Search

Daniel Matzlar deeds Water Lot 9 to Robert Wright in 1785 for £100 EF 6 415

Robert Wright deeds it to his son, Robert, Jr. in 1805. TW 3 292

Robert Wright, Jr. sells it to George Washington Thomas with part of Water Lot 10 in 1839 for \$300. There is mention of an office. JNG 9 83

G.W. Thomas wills it to G.W.T. Perkins (part of Town Lot 15 with a stable on it--presumably the southwest ~~half~~ moiety, and "the office and water lots, parts of 9 and 10 purchased of Robert Wright, now occupied by myself") in 1842. Wills JFB 1 111.

G.W.T. Perkins to Eben F. Perkins SB 3 44 (1892) \$700.

Eben F. Perkins to William N.E. Wickes SB 8 219 (1886) \$300

William N.E. Wickes died intestate in 1896 and his son, Lewin Wickes inherited the property. The house was built for Wickes sometime between 1886 and 1896.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Water Lot 9 and part of Water Lot 10. Beginning at a point on the southeast side of Water Street where the property meets that of William B. Sears (115 Water) and running in two courses: (1) by and with Water Street in a northeasterly direction to the corner of Maple Avenue and Water Street; thence by and with Maple Avenue in a southeasterly direction to the waters of the Chester River; (2) by and with the line of the Sears property in a ~~southeasterly~~ southeasterly direction to the waters of the Chester River.

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Robert Neill Historic Site Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Town of Chestertown

DATE

May, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

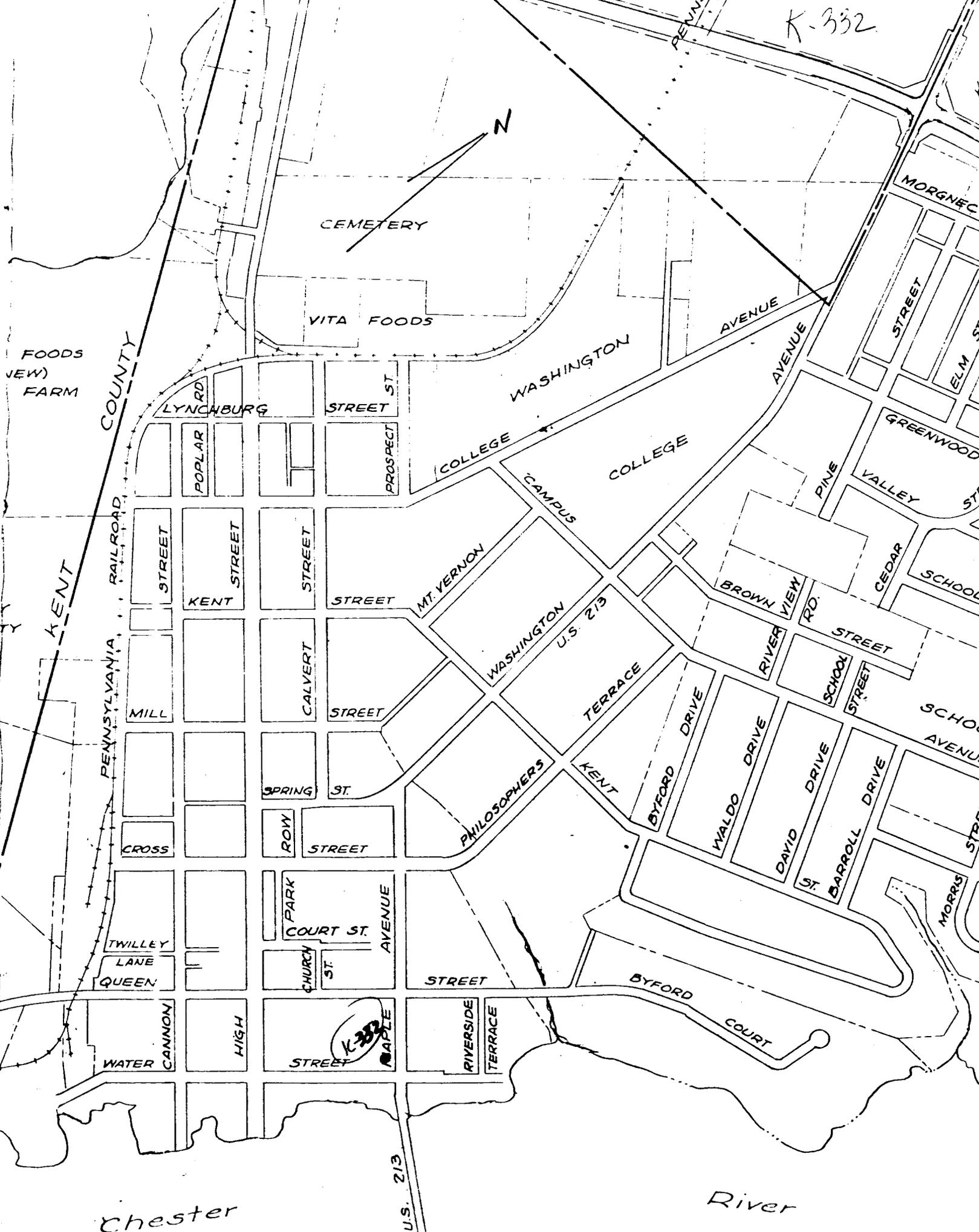
STATE

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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River

U.S. 213



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117 Water St.

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