

WI-420  
Jackson Memorial Building  
Salisbury  
Private

1913-14

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School instruction since that time.



MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-420

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DOE  yes  no

Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Jackson Memorial Building, Young Men's Christian Assoc. Building

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number NE corner of North Division and Broad streets  not for publication

city, town Salisbury  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

**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 type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input checked="" 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"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Trintiy United Methodist Church

street & number telephone no.:

city, town Salisbury state and zip code MD 21801

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 107, P. 753  
liber 454

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 306

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties

date 1970  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville state MD 21032

# 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Jackson Memorial Building, originally known as the Young Men's Christian Association Building, stands on the northeast corner of the intersection of Broad Street and North Division Street in the center of Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland. The three-story, three-bay by seven-bay brick building faces south.

Built in 1913-14, the three-story rectangular brick structure is supported on a poured concrete foundation with an excavated cellar. The foundation wall rises above grade to the level of the first floor and is finished with beveled edge. Resting atop the concrete foundation are Flemish bond walls trimmed with stone accents. A flat stone band wraps around the building at the level of the first floor window sills, and a molded stone beltcourse trims the building between the first and second floors. At the top of the building, the third floor is enhanced with a heavy stone cornice featuring bold modillion blocks. The three story building is topped by a parapet wall that disguises a low pitched or flat roof.

The south (main) facade is a symmetrical three-bay elevation defined by a center entrance and flanking window openings. Double front doors are topped by a round arched fanlight framed by a decorated stone surround featuring a molded keystone. The arched entrance is framed by a projecting Roman Doric portico of limestone. Smooth Doric columns support a delicately carved entablature and pediment. The entablature features triglyph carvings, and the cornice is enriched by a wall-of-troy bed molding. The soffit of the pediment is finished with inset panels. Immediately adjacent to the neo-classical entrance are small window openings featuring stone jack arches and sills. The outer two bays are marked by six-over-six sash windows set within recessed arched bays enriched with stone carved panels. Set within a slight recess with an arched top, the window bay features intricately carved urn and floral panels above the sash and a neo-classical swag carved panel below. Framing the urn panel above the window is a series of recessed panels set within the arched recess. The round arch is executed in brick with a stone keystone. Stretching across the wall above the first floor openings is a molded stone beltcourse. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced twelve-over-twelve sash windows featuring stone jack arches and sills. Three eight-over-eight sash windows light the third floor, and like the second floor windows, each opening has a stone jack arch and sill. The top of the wall is finished with a bold modillion block cornice of carved stone. Fixed atop the parapet wall is a stone cap.

The east and west side walls are essentially alike. Divided into seven bays, the outermost bays project approximately a foot from the principal wall surface. The first floor is defined by a series of round arched bays. The north and south first floor bays have decorative stone trimming set within the round arched recess that frames the six-over-six sash windows. Below each window is a neoclassical

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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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1913-14 **Builder/Architect**

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check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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<sup>2</sup> Wicomico County Land Records, 121/469, December 30, 1920 and IDT 155/155, March 13, 1928.

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DESCRIPTION (Continued)

swag panel of carved stone. Above the six-over-six sash window is an arched transom framed by a series of stone panels that follow the curve of the round arch. Each round arch, executed in brick with stone impost blocks, features a stone keystone. The six-over-six window openings that define the five inner bays have plain stone panels below the window and an arched fanlight above.

The arched windows of the first floor are separated from the second floor twelve-over-twelve sash windows by the molded stone beltcourse. The second floor windows as well as the third floor eight-over-eight sash windows are trimmed with stone jack arches and sill sills. The bold modillion block cornice extends across the entire wall surface. Rising through the parapet wall near the southwest corner is a brick furnace stack. The concrete foundation wall is pierced by cellar window openings.

The rear (north) wall is finished in a similar fashion with arched window bays on the first floor decorated with stone carved panels. Neoclassical swags are featured below each first floor six-over-six sash window. The second and third floors are lighted by twelve-over-twelve sash and eight-over-eight sash windows, respectively.

The interior floor plan has a small front hall with small rooms to each side and a large meeting room occupies the majority of the first floor.

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Broad Street  
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Chain of title

Map 107, Parcel 753

454/306                      Richard N. Jackson, Catherine B. Jackson, Nellie J. Leonard, William  
W. Leonard, Fay Leonard Jackson Hynson and Richard Hynson,  
Richard R. Jackson and Katherine B. Jackson his wife, Elisabeth  
Jackson Dobbin and George W. Dobbin, Everett E. Jackson III and  
Ann C. Jackson, et al.

to

5/24/1958                      Trinity M. E. Church South of Salisbury

IDT 168/564                      Second Item: Margaret J. Vanderbogart, et al., Executor of Nannie R.  
Jackson of Baltimore County

to

6/11/1931                      Trustees of Trinity M. E. Church South of Salisbury  
(William F. Messick, R. McKenny Price, Clinton D. Krause, Carroll  
W. Fields, Everett E. Jackson, John F. Coulbourn and Joseph  
Bloxom)

IDT 155/155                      William S. Gordy, Jr. and others (Trustees, Graham Gunby, Walter  
S. Sheppard, G. William Phillips and Richard N. Jackson, of the  
Young Men's Christian Association of Salisbury

to

3/13/1928                      Nannie R. Jackson

and being part of the property devised by the said Nannie R. Jackson  
by her last will and testament, MNN 1/298,

...together with upon said lot of ground, and with all the furniture  
and equipment in said improvements...

121/469                      Nannie R. Jackson

to

12/30/1920                 William S. Gordy, Jr.

EAT 88/143                 M. Josephine Humphreys, et al.

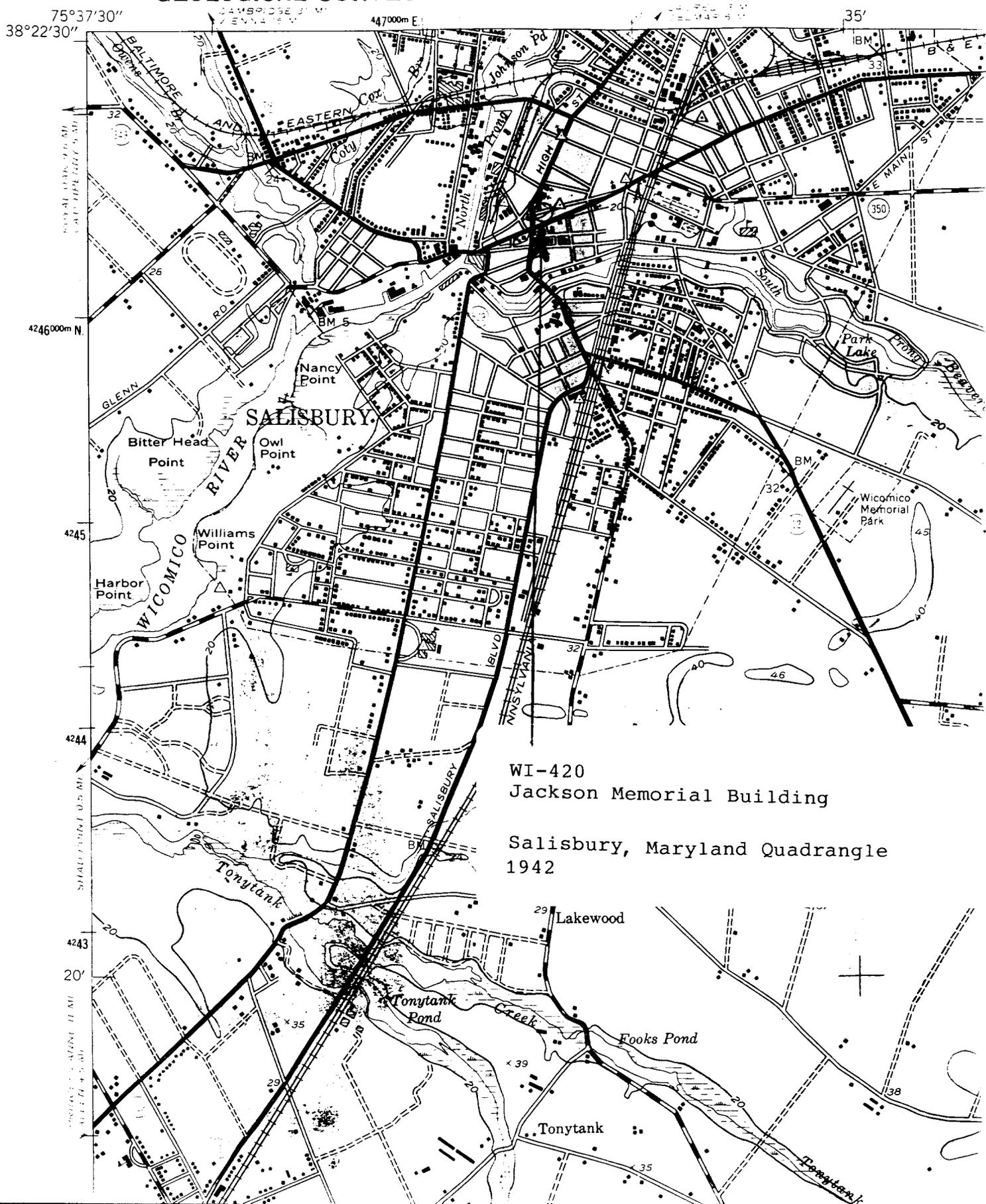
to

8/26/1913                 Nannie R. Jackson

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



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Salisbury, Maryland Quadrangle  
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