

Maryland Glass and Mirror Company
Baltimore City, Maryland
B-1067
private, 1890's

Statement of Significance

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Survey No. B-1067

Magi No. 0410675614

DOE yes no

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Pabst Brewing Company

and/or common Maryland Glass and Mirror Company

2. Location

street & number 1834 S. Charles Street not for publication

city, town Baltimore vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county

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	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Maryland Glass and Mirror Company

street & number 1834 S. Charles Street telephone no.: 727-1050

city, town Baltimore state and zip code Maryland 21230

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore City Courthouse liber RHB 2644

street & number Fayette and Calvert Streets folio 627

city, town Baltimore state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

file 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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 Pabst bottling plant at S. Charles and Wells Streets was built to take advantage of Baltimore's excellent rail connection to the Midwest. Built adjacent to the Baltimore and Ohio's Locust Point line, the plant received beer in bulk and bottled it for local consumption.

The plant is divided into a fanciful two-story office building connected at the rear to a one-story bottling building. The office facade faces east. It is of brick masonry construction with limestone ornamentation. A stone veneer sheathes the first five feet of the facade, forming the sills of the windows. The lintels on these windows and over the door are also stone, including the finials and gorgons' heads of the door surround. On the second floor, the three central bays have recessed windows with brick segmental arched lintels. The windows of the two end bays are surmounted by Pabst medallions, badly faded. The most prominent feature of the building is its castellated parapet wall that ends in a tower on the southeast corner. The two tower facades which face the street have a pair of narrow rounded arch windows.

The bottling plant is a high one-story brick structure with a flat roof and parapet wall. Brick corbelling at the top simulates the castellation of the office building. Several of the segmentally arched lintels have been altered but the building remains essentially intact. A concrete block addition has been added at the west end for truck loading and storage, replacing an earlier wooden shipping shed.

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

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

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.

The Maryland Glass and Mirror Company building was built as a bottling and distribution branch of the Milwaukee-based Pabst Brewing Company in the 1890's. The fanciful design of the brick castle-like structure is similar to late nineteenth century Germanic breweries. The building is now home to the Maryland Glass and Mirror Company, which has been in operation since 1912.

The Maryland Glass and Mirror Company building was built as a branch of the Milwaukee-based Pabst Brewing Company in the 1890's. It was used as a bottling and distribution center. The fanciful design of the castle-like building was similar to late nineteenth century Germanic breweries. With the advent of Prohibition in 1920, the brewery branch closed.

The Maryland Glass and Mirror Company, which had been opened in 1912 on E. Saratoga Street, moved to the Pabst building in 1922, where they have been manufacturers and jobbers of mirrors and plate glass, windshield glass, glass push plates, and polished edge furniture tops. The company is still in operation at the S. Charles Street location.

1. SITE NO

B-1067

HAER INVENTORY

Historic American Engineering Record
Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240

2. INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION

manufacture

3. PRIORITY

4. DANGER OF DEMOLITION?
(SPECIFY THREAT) YES NO UNKNOWN

5. DATE

1890's

6. GOVT SOURCE OF THREAT

OWNER

ADMIN

7. OWNER ADMIN

Maryland Glass + Mirror Co

8. NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE

Maryland Glass and Mirror Co.

9. OWNER'S ADDRESS

1834 S. Charles Street

10. STATE
COUNTY

M D

COUNTY NAME

CITY/VICINITY

Baltimore

CONG
DISTSTATE
COUNTY

M D

COUNTY NAME

CITY/VICINITY

Baltimore

CONG.
DIST.

11. SITE ADDRESS (STREET & NO.)

1834 S. Charles Street

12. EXISTING
SURVEYS NR NHL HABS HAER-I HAER NPS CL6 CONF STATE COUNTY LOCAL OTHER

13. SPECIAL FEATURES (DESCRIBE BELOW)

 INTERIOR INTACT EXTERIOR INTACT ENVIRONS INTACT

14. UTM ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

SIGN

SCALE

 1:24 1:62.5QUAD
NAME

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15. CONDITION

70 EXCELLENT71 GOOD72 FAIR73 DETERIORATED74 RUINS75 UNEXPOSED76 ALTERED82 DESTROYED85 DEMOLISHED

16. INVENTORIED BY

Leslie Barr, Dennis Zembala

AFFILIATION

Baltimore Museum of Industry

DATE

7/83

17. DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY, INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S); HISTORICAL DATE(S); PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS
MATERIALS; EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ENGINEERS, ETC.

See attached

(CONT OVER)

18. ORIGINAL USE

manufacture

PRESENT USE

manufacture

ADAPTIVE USE

19. REFERENCES—HISTORICAL REFERENCES, PERSONAL CONTACTS, AND/OR OTHER

Baltimore City Directories

(CONT OVER)

20. URBAN AREA 50,000
POP. OR MORE? YES NO

21. NPS REGION

22. PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY

 YES, LIMITED YES, UNLIMITED NO UNKNOWN23. EDITOR
INDEXER

24. LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT?

 YES NO

NAME

DISTRICT I.D. NO



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 1914 Bromley Atlas

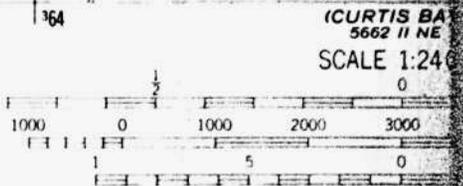
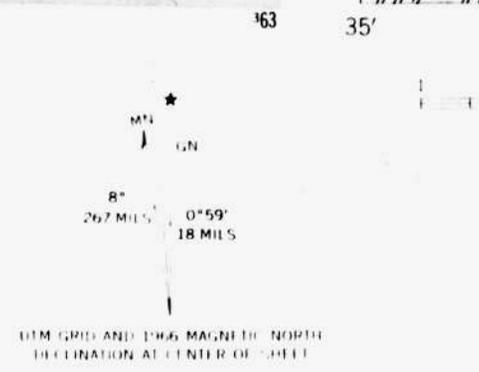


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 18360680 48380

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1:25000 (EAST SECTION)

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 based on Maryland coordinate system
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CONTOUR INTERVAL
 DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL
 DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET
 SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE
 THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPLICABLE

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looking N.W.



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looking S.W.



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looking west

A black and white photograph of a long, single-story industrial building. The building is primarily brick with a prominent sign that reads "MARYLAND GLASS & MIRROR CO." in large, white, sans-serif capital letters. The sign is mounted on a dark horizontal band that runs along the top of the brick facade. Below the sign, there are several windows of varying sizes, some of which appear to be boarded up or missing panes. To the right of the main brick section, there is a taller, more ornate structure with a crenellated roofline. In the foreground, there is a paved street with a white car parked on the right side. The sky is overcast and grey.

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looking NE



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front facade detail