

great deal of construction and demolition has taken place, with the most recent additions being made in 1956 when the old administration building and one of the original cell houses were razed to provide a site for a sixty-bed general hospital to serve male inmates in the correctional system. A new maximum security section for the confinement of prisoners awaiting execution and new execution chambers (lethal gas) were also erected in 1956. The last execution in the Maryland Penitentiary took place in June 1961.

Also located within the Penitentiary facility is the Reception Center.

### MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION—HAGERSTOWN

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The Maryland Correctional Institution—Hagerstown, originally established as the Maryland Institution for Males, is a medium security institution activated by Chapter 519, Acts of 1945, replacing the Maryland State Penal Farm established by Chapter 366, Acts of 1931, at the same location. Between 1962 and 1964, it was known as the Maryland Institution for Men. It adopted its present name on June 1, 1964.

### MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL TRAINING CENTER

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On November 22, 1966, the Maryland Correctional Training Center, authorized by Chapter 385, Acts of 1966, was dedicated. This facility is located across the road from the Maryland Correctional Institution—Hagerstown. This facility places emphasis upon educational and vocational training. Those inmates who are less amenable to treatment programs either remain in or are transferred to the Maryland Correctional Institution—Hagerstown.

A Work Release Center has also been established in a separate facility on the institutional grounds. This facility has a rated capacity of fifty beds and houses those inmates on the Work Release Program and several inmates who are part of the institutional care.

### MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION FOR WOMEN—JESSUP

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The Maryland Correctional Institution for Women—Jessup was originally established by Chapter 71, Acts of 1941, as the Women's Prison of the State of Maryland. By Chapter 520, Acts of 1945, it received the name of the Maryland State Reformatory for Women. On July 1, 1962, its name was changed to Maryland Institution for Women. It adopted its present name on July 1, 1964.

Prior to the erection of this institution, female prisoners were lodged in a section of the Maryland House of Correction. Before the opening of the House of Correction in 1879, they had been housed in quarters reserved for them at the Maryland Penitentiary.

Effective July 1, 1967, all persons sentenced by the courts in the State of Maryland are sentenced to the Division of Correction and must be admitted to a Reception-Diagnostic Classification Center for testing, evaluation, and assignment to one of the State's correctional institutions. In accordance with this new law, the Division of Correction has established a Reception-Diagnostic Classification Center at the Maryland Correctional Institution for Women—Jessup. This Center receives all adult females serving sentences ranging from three months through life imprisonment who have been convicted of felonies and misdemeanors and who are not sent to local jails. Upon the completion of these classification procedures in the Center, female inmates are transferred to the proper Maryland Correctional Institution to complete their sentences. Both the Reception Center for Women and the Maryland Correctional Institution for Women are located on the same grounds.

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