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Coal Company Farm House
Eckhart

late 19th century

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Coal Company House

AND/OR COMMON

Duckworth Residence

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Along Porter Road, one eighth mile from Rt. 40 Intersection; Eckhart

CITY TOWN

Eckhart

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegheny

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Melvin Duckworth

Telephone #: 689-5434

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 53

CITY TOWN

Eckhart

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21528

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Allegheny County Courthouse

Liber #: 390

Folio #: 363

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Duckworth old company house is located along Porter Street, in Eckhart, Allegany County on the east side of the road, one eighth of a mile South of the intersection of Route 40.

The house consists of a two story, six bay wide, "L" shaped facade. An eastern side wing abuts the main facade forming the "L" of the structure, and a one story rear entrance wing is attached to this portion. The house is a frame structure that is covered with insul brick siding, and is supported by a low stone foundation with a plain water table. A bulkhead entrance to the basement is found on the eastern side and it features the original doors and hardware. The roof of the structure is gabled which is supported by soffit and frieze and is covered by replaced asphalt shingles. Windows in the building are all double hung wooden sash frames with one-over-one lights and plain trim. The main entrance to the facade is located on the front southern face and features a transom with transom lights and a replaced verticle paneled door. The entrance is covered by a one story four bay end porch with hipped roof and is supported by square columns. One corbeled brick chimney, which appears to be original, is located centrally to the entire facade. A small underground fruit cellar is located to the rear of the building, and the entrance is constructed of stone and cement.

The old company house is structurally very sound and is in very near original appearance.

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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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Late 19th century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Duckworth old company house was built in the late nineteenth century by the Consolidation Coal Company. The house is an excellent example of the more fashionable houses that were built for the company foremen and workers during the era of peak production of the mines. The house is large and spacious and supplied very adequate housing for the company workers.

The house is in good condition and retains much of its original fabric; it stands as a cultural reminder of the dependency of early Allegany County upon coal production.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegheny County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre - .5acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Along Porter Street ; one eighth of a mile from the intersection with Rt. 40

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites

ORGANIZATION

Allegheny County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

5/27/76

STREET & NUMBER

10 Park Lane

TELEPHONE

689-8486

CITY OR TOWN

Frostburg

STATE

Maryland

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
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. ALV-A-029

Liber - 390

DATE: 5/21/76

Folio - 363

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Coal Company Frame House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Off Rt 40 at Porter Rd 1/2 Mile from Intersection

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: South

NAME OF OWNER: Melvin Duckworth 684-5434

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 53

Eckhart, Maryland 21528

STORIES: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: small wing forming the "L" to main facade

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) or "L" shaped -

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- LOG
- Other: Coverings Insel Brick

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS Plain

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE Bulkhead to Basement

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
Plain Trim pegged () nailed () wide () narrow () mitred () pediment ()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: South
HARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN Transom Light
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,
Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, BANGARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, CORNERS #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced() Gabled-Wing

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK() STONE() CORBELLED() original() replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Residence
Significance - Arch
Date Constructed - Late 19th
Condition - Good

Key points regarding interior architecture.

1. Floor plan

No through hall--How many rooms long and deep?
Where is stairway? Straight or winding?

With through hall--Rooms on both sides? How many?

Rooms on one side only? How many?

Is stair in through hall?

Open or enclosed? Straight--one run. Straight--landing

How many? Curved.

If not in hall, where is stair?

2. Wall finish: plaster, paneled, board partition

Note presence of chair rail, cornice, etc.

3. Fireplaces: How many? Parallel to walls or diagonal in corner?

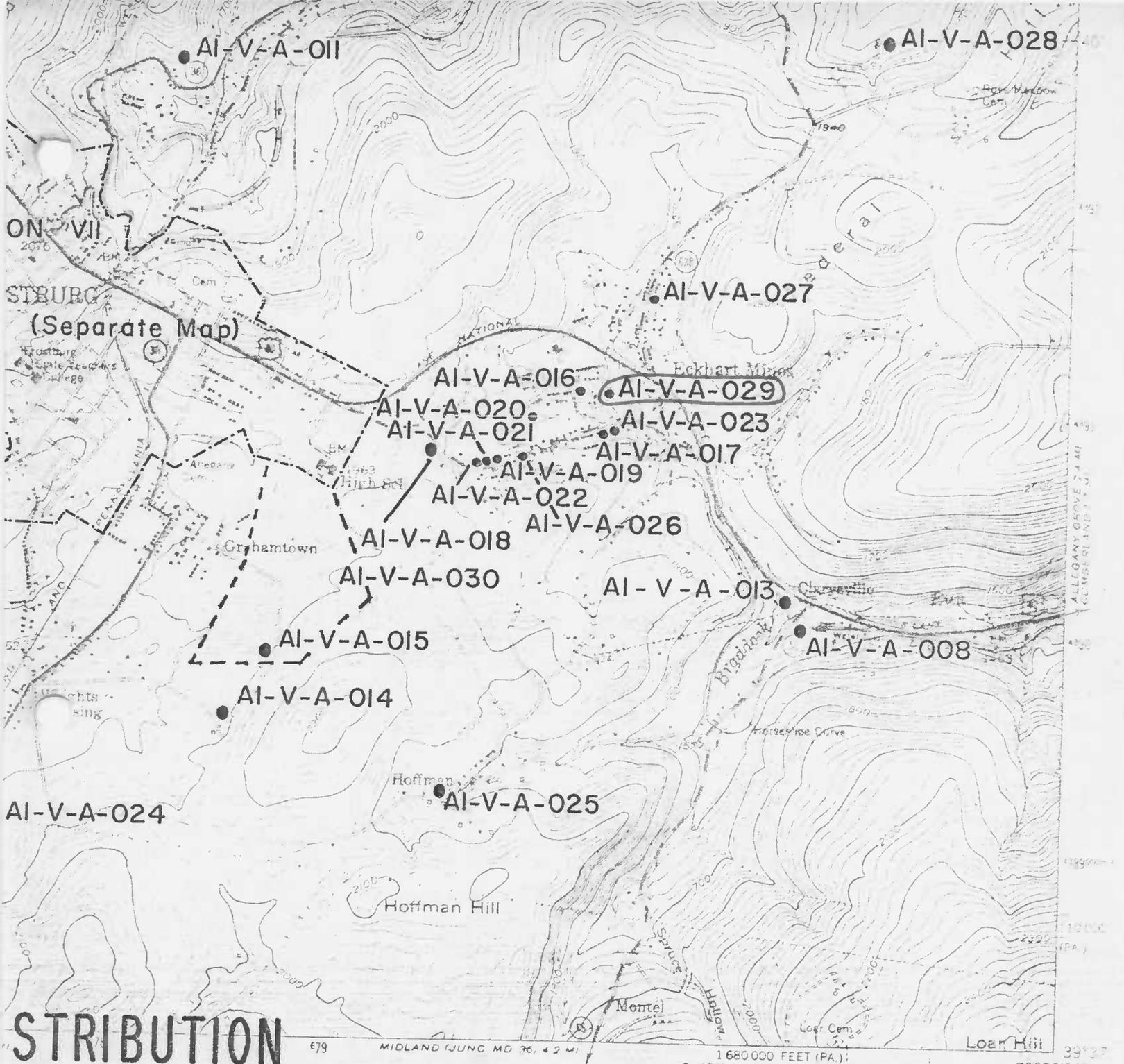
Mantels: wood--mouldings, pilasters, columns
masonry--marble(what color?), brick

3. Doors: on the inside of exterior doors, note the presence of applied flush boards and their direction (diagonal, vertical, horizontal). In general are doors paneled or ledge or other?

4. Door and window trim: plain, architrave; fluted, reeded; pilasters

5. Kitchen: Where is original if extant or known (marked by very large fireplace)? Separate building; wing to principal dwelling; within principal dwelling? On which floor of any of the above?

6. How presence of bands (of wood) on any window member determined



DISTRIBUTION

● = SITE LOCATION

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Duckworth Coal Co. House
Porter St. Eckhart

USGS - Frostburg Quad
1:24,000
1949

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	4 LANE 16 LANE	Light duty
Medium-duty	4 LANE 16 LANE	Unimproved dirt
U. S. Route		State Route

FROSTBURG, MD.-PA.
 NW/4 FROSTBURG 15 QUADRANGLE
 N3937.5-W7852.5/7.5

STANDARDS
 TON, D. C. 20242
 AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

1949

AMS 5263 III NW-SERIES V833



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Porter Rd

Eckhart

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Northeast



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Southwest