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Porter Frame House
Eckhart
Private

Circa 1900

The Porter Frame House is located on Scrub Ridge Road near Eckhart. This frame house is a typical example of turn-of-the-century residential architecture. The "T" shaped dwelling is two and one-half stories tall and three bays wide on the facade.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON
Porter Frame House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Scrub Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN
Eckhart

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6th

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Allegany County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		X NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

__ VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #:
Folio #:

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER
30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN
Cumberland

STATE
Maryland 21502

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
None

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This "T" shaped dwelling is two and one-half stories tall and three bays wide on the southwestern-facing facade. Wall construction is frame covered with asbestos shingles. The building rests on a high foundation of coursed ashlar stone. The gabled roof is covered with asphalt shingles and has snowbirds. In the center of the facade second story is a central gable with a deep triangular pediment atop an oriel window. Eaves consist of a boxed cornice, soffit, bed mould, frieze and returns. A two story bay window on the northwestern elevation has a flat roof.

A hip roofed porch on the facade has four square wooden posts. Windows are 1/1 sashes with drip mouldings. Windows of the facade are wide. An entrance in the center of the facade has a one light transom with a drip moulding and a door of one beveled glass light, original engraved hardware, and six rectangular panels surrounding a larger decorated square panel. Two chimneys in the center of the building and one located inside end are of white glazed bricks and have corbeled caps.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
__1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
X 1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Porter Frame House is located on Scrub Ridge Road near the town of Eckhart Mines. The current resident states that the house was built by members of the Porter family in 1900. (interview 2/3/81) The Porters were pioneer settlers of the Eckhart area and this house was built on a portion of their large farm. (Scharf p. 1504 and Liber 322, Folio 3) The frame house is a typical example of turn-of the century residential architecture.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Scharf, John T., History of Western Maryland Philadelphia: L.H. Everts Company, 1882.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
David A. Dorsey, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION DATE
Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines May 1981

STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE
21 State Circle, Shaw House (301) 269-2438

CITY OR TOWN STATE
Annapolis Maryland 21401

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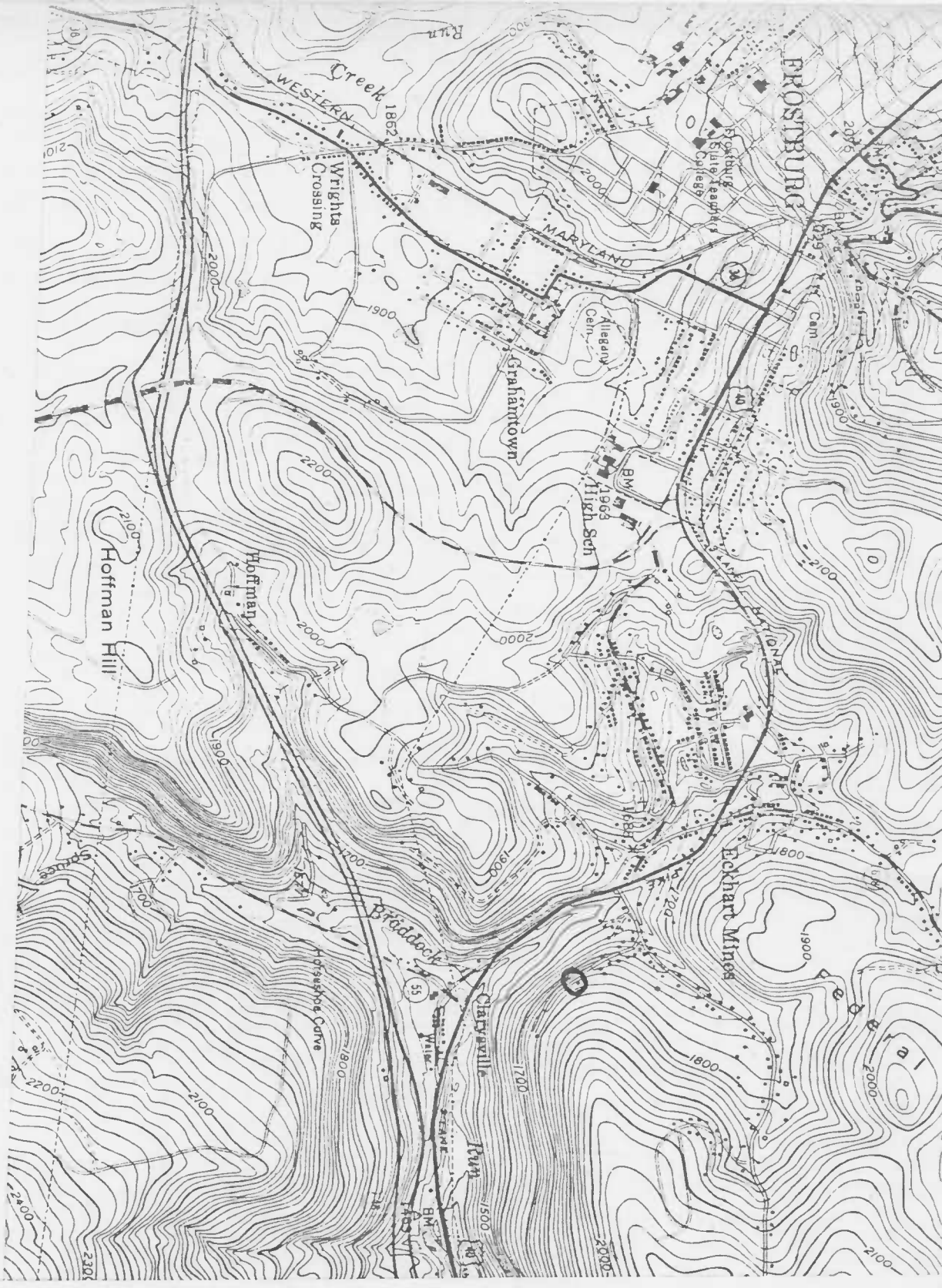

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