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HALCYON FARM - c. 1860 - Eastside of Green Spring Avenue, Cronhardt vicinity. Vernacular style house built in three stages. Original part is a four-room cabin which was once believed to be colonial, but was advertised in May 1861 as "a comfortable log dwelling, nearly new." The log portion is flanked by an addition; originally in board, but now brick-veneered; on the opposite end of the log core is an addition in board and batten, dating from about 1880, which was restyled in 1940. The brick portion is 2-½ stories. The dining room has the original floor boards, rough exposed beams, simple fireplace. Furnished with early Virginia antiques, the farm has been open on garden tours. There is

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an old log smokehouse, and a blacksmith shop that doubled as a bathhouse; an icehouse has vanished. The grounds comprise portions of the tracts "Friendship" and "Gist's Search." Owners: Mr. and Mrs. J. Frederick Colwill.

1. STATE Maryland COUNTY Baltimore TOWN Crofton VICINITY Dist. VIII STREET NO. Green Spring Ave. ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE PRESENT OWNER Mr. & Mrs. J. Frederick PRESENT USE /Colwill WALL CONSTRUCTION NO. OF STORIES	HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY BA-185	
	2. NAME Halcyon Farm DATE OR PERIOD 1744 STYLE ARCHITECT BUILDER	154
3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE		

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC

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5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

3. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
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