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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

George Canoles House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

North side of Belfast Road West of Priceville Road

CITY, TOWN

Sparks

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

George Canoles

Telephone #: 472-4551

STREET & NUMBER

Belfast Road

CITY, TOWN

Sparks

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21152

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County Courthouse

Liber #: 276

Folio #: 25

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE  
Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

None

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The George Canoles House is a stone house, the principal part of which, facing south, is four bays in length, three storeys in height; a kitchen wing of coeval construction extends north, flush with the west end, two bays in length, two storeys in height with a shed roof perpendicular to the gable roof of the principal section to the front; its taller wall is its westerly. Single-flue flush chimneys of brick rise above each gable end and the kitchen chimney rises, in brick, flush with the northwest corner of the kitchen wing. A two storey frame addition, its roof an extension of the kitchen's, fills the northeast angle formed by the house and its kitchen wing; this addition may incorporate parts of a narrower porch with decks at each floor level.

The general three storey form of this house together with its many remaining original details reflect a late rural interpretation of the Greek-revival and the absence of fireplaces suggests a date hardly earlier than 1850-1865.

Each middle bay of the principal facade contains a door, sheltered by a one storey hipped roof porch with largish square columns; other bays contain 6/6 windows with narrow frames and louvred blinds; third storey windows are 3/3, also with louvred blinds. Windows in each storey flank the westerly chimney but the east wall is void of openings. Large stone lintels support the

(See Continuation Sheet #1)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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

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SPECIFIC DATES	Unknown	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Unknown
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## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Hopkins, G.M. Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland. (Philadelphia 1877).

Baltimore County Tax Assessments: 1876, 1896.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2 acres ±

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

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ORGANIZATION

For Valleys Historical District Project

DATE

September 1976

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Baltimore

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.

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

Continuation Sheet #1

Question #7 continued

masonry above the south front openings but wooden lintels with projecting end blocks support masonry above other windows. A recessed rectangular stone high in the gables immediately beneath each chimney suggests intended date and signature stones; on the easterly one is painted '1796' but no evidence suggests such early construction.

Internally, each south front door opens into an identical room; between them the stair rises to the upper floors straight and enclosed between the partitions. In the second storey a narrow hall subtracted from the westerly room allows access to the similar staircase to the third floor. The kitchen wing is a single room and an enclosed winding stair rises to the second floor in the northeast corner, adjacent to the chimney.

Architraves in the principal spaces are beaded with an echinus backband, raked at the top. Mantels, probably surrounding a stove-pipe hole, are applied to the flush wall at the chimneys; original ones include plain pilasters supporting a plain frieze. Doors are of four raised panels, those in the lower storey having loose mouldings.

In the cellar, which extends under the principal part of this house, the straight-sawn joists are exposed and no evidence is apparent of chimney foundations, the single-flue existing ones being original, within the thickness of the end walls.

(See Continuation Sheet #2)

Continuation Sheet #2

Question #7 continued

Numerous small outbuildings remain including, among others, a wooden smokehouse, a wooden dairy and wash house, two wooden privys and a small stone barn, but two bays in length, set into the hillside northwest of the house, its upper storey having a framed section cantilevered over the lower storey to shelter a door in the easterly bay, a window in the westerly.

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John E. Lloyd House  
North side of Belfast Rd  
west of Priceville Rd.  
Not accessible  
1870's

This modest dwelling with its stone outbuilding and frame blacksmith shop dates from the 1870's. It was built by Daniel Brooks and inherited by his widow and children. It is presumed that this was a tenant house and that the present George Canoles house (q.v.) was probably the family dwelling of Mrs. Sallie Brooks shown in the 1877 Hopkins Atlas. The 1896 Baltimore County tax shows that the Brooks family owned two stone dwellings, a log smith shop, stone stable, a wheelwright shop and a frame building described as a store with a hall, all at Belfast. In about 1860, about one half an acre of their land was sold to the county for the Belfast schoolhouse, which is still standing just west of this house.