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Crocker House
2209 Ridge Road (south side,
just east of Valley Glen Court)
Chestnut Ridge

1860-1864

This house is probably the successor of the Mallonee house shown on Sidney's 1850 Baltimore County map. Charles A. Richter purchased this property in 1860 and paid $41,000. In 1864, Richter mortgaged the property, then 173 acres, for $10,000, which would suggest the addition of substantial improvements during his brief ownership. When he was unable to pay, Richter was sued by a building association in 1868, and trustees were appointed to sell the property. The trustees advertised a stone dwelling house in the county papers of 1868, describing it as 42 feet 6 inches by 46 feet 6 inches, containing 18 rooms. The first attempt to auction resulted in a sale to Captain Bohrer, who failed to pay. The trustees advertised again and in early 1869 sold to Howard H. Hopkins for $14,000. At the time of this case, the farm was known as "Sans Souci."

The 186? tax ledger showed Emanuel Crocker as owner, as did the 1877 county atlas. It was S.G. Crocker's in the 1915 atlas.

This is a very large stone house in Victorian Gothic style with a high English basement. There is a cross-gable with round-arched window in the peak, and slate gable roofing. The house is three bays wide. Windows are set in brick arches, and some windows are round-arched, mounted in pairs. There are interior chimneys in either end. The house was in good condition in 1980.

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Recent owners have been Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Dusenburg and Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Tabatznik.