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Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead Ca. 1915
Frederick vicinity
Private

The Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead consists of a circa 1915 frame Four Square dwelling with a hipped slate roof, a wide veranda on two elevations, and a two-story polygonal bay on a side elevation, with three outbuildings of the same period which include a frame privy, a frame wagon shed/corn crib, and a frame agricultural outbuilding, possibly built as a hog barn, which is now a dog kennel. The farmstead also has several non-contributing concrete block outbuildings, one of which is a dated 1952 dairy barn and adjoining milk house which has decorative window frames with the initials of C. Frank Miller, the owner from 1943 to 1970. The farmstead is moderately significant for the architecture of the Four Square dwelling, which has few exterior changes. The Four Square house type was common in the first 20 years of the 20th century and easily incorporated the vernacular traditions of the 19th century apparent in the Holtz House's materials and simple geometric details.

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Frederick
Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/garage
Agriculture/Subsistence/storage/granary

Known Design Source: None

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DOE ___yes x no

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 6912 Sunday's Lane ___ not for publication

city, town Frederick x vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	x occupied	x 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	x yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	x not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Jeffrey L. and Kimberley Mellon

street & number 6912 Sunday's Lane telephone no.:

city, town Frederick state and zip code MD 21701

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1658

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 588

city, town Frederick state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

repository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
_x_ excellent	___ deteriorated	___ unaltered	_x_ original site
___ good	___ ruins	_x_ altered	___ moved date of move _____
___ fair	___ unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 4

The Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead is an agricultural complex centered on a circa 1915 frame Four Square dwelling with a frame privy of about the same date, a frame wagon shed/corn crib of about 1900, and a frame dog kennel which may have been built as a hog barn or calf shed about 1915, along with several non-contributing outbuildings which include a dated 1952 concrete block dairy barn, a machine shed, and two concrete block garages. The farmstead is located on the north side of Sunday's Lane about 1/4 mile east of the intersection of Opossumtown Pike near Charlesville, in the vicinity of Frederick (City), Frederick County, Maryland. The principal elevation of the house faces south and the outbuildings are located north and northeast of it.

The house has a three-bay south elevation with a veranda across the entire width of the house which extends to the east elevation. The exterior is covered with german siding and the hipped roof is slate, with a single dormer in the center of the south slope. Two interior brick chimneys with corbeled caps rise above the roof. The entrance is in the center bay and has a multiple light transom and sidelights. The windows are 1/1 with louvred shutters. In the center bay of the second story is a pair of windows. The slate-sided dormer above the cornice has a three-part window with the center sash dominating, a streamlined version of a Palladian window. The porch has Tuscan columns and originally reached to just pas the center of the three-bay east elevation. In about the mid-20th century, the porch was extended to meet a screened-in rear porch which encloses the first story of the north elevation. This porch has chamfered posts. The north elevation has irregular bays and a rear entrance in the center. The west elevation has four bays with 1/1 sash and shutters as on the other elevations, and also a modern exterior concrete block chimney. The interior of the house was inaccessible for this survey.

Privy: The small frame privy is located a few yards northwest of the house. Built about the same time as the house, it has tongue-and-groove siding and a single door of the same material in the east elevation. The extended shed roof is covered with corrugated metal.

Wagon shed/corn crib: The frame wagon shed/corn crib is located north of the house with its drive-through passage on a north-south axis. The exterior is covered with vertical siding with louvred arched vents in the gable. The cribs flanking the opening are raised on stone piers and the side elevations have horizontal siding. Vertical board doors on the south elevation give access to the cribs. The roof is corrugated metal roof. The wagon shed/corn crib appears to have been built about 1900, as compared to other examples of the same date, but may also be of the same date as the house. Material and design changes over time in wagon sheds are small and difficult to categorize.

Kennel: The dog kennel located south of the dairy barn may have been built as a hog barn in the early 20th century. It has german siding and a corrugated metal gable roof. Cross-braced doors are in the south and west elevations and multiple paned windows are also in the east and west elevations.

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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 C. 1915 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: __A __B x C __D
and/or
Applicable Exception: __A __B __C __D __E __F __G

Level of Significance: __national __state x local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead is moderately significant for the architecture of the Four Square dwelling which is a good, little-altered example of the early 20th century house type. The Four Square style was very common in the early 20th century in Frederick County, but most have been covered with artificial siding or have additions which significantly alter the exterior appearance. The Holtz House is one with few changes apparent, principally in the screened porch on the rear and the exterior concrete block chimney. These additions are minor and do not obscure the essential "squareness" for which the style is most noted. The Holtz House also has a common variation in the type, a polygonal bay on one elevation.

The Holtz Farmstead has been located on the site since at least the mid-19th century. Land records and the 1858 and 1873 historical maps indicate that a Holtz residence was extant. The Holtz family was active in community affairs in the Charlesville area. Albert B. Holtz, the immediate previous owner prior to Clarence Holtz, was a teacher at the Bethel School nearby and Clarence C. Holtz was a member of the building committee which rebuilt the fire-damaged Zion Reformed Church at Charlesville in 1903. The property was sold to his son William H. Holtz in 1916. The house could possibly have been built about this time by Clarence or William. It remained in the Holtz family until 1943 when it was purchased by C. Frank Miller. He was responsible for the concrete block dairy barn in 1952.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Miller, Charles W. Post Offices of Frederick County for the year of 1887. Typescript in Frederick County Planning Dept. Historic Sites Survey files.

Williams, T.J.C., and Folger McKinsey. History of Frederick County, 1910. Reprinted Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1979, 474, 1603.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 3 acres

Quadrangle name Frederick, Md. **Quadrangle scale** 1:24000

UTM **References** do NOT complete UTM references

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
A				B			
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

Approximately 3 acres centered on the dwelling on Tax Map 48, Parcel 228.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. **date** January 1993

street & number 12 E. Church Street **telephone** 696-2958

city or town Frederick **state** MD 21701

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7.1 Description (Continued)

Dairy barn: Although non-contributing because of its 1952 date, the dairy barn is interesting in its design and combination of 19th century and modern details and materials. It has concrete block walls with 9 bays of pivoting metal sash. The roof has a "wishbone" arched profile and is covered with standing seam sheet metal and topped by two metal ventilators. The attached milk house is a lower-height extension of the barn at the southwest corner with the same roofline. The end gables are covered in german siding and, on the south elevation, the gable has three 6/6 windows with dentil-trimmed, arched surrounds with scroll-sawn consoles. The center window in the gable peak has in the frame the initials of C. Frank Miller and the date 1952. Miller and his wife owned the farm from 1943 to 1970.

6912 Sundays Lane

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Other Information, Original Tracts	Cost	Miscellaneous
1653/588 13 Jul 90	Jeffrey & Kimberly Mellon	Charles R. & Carol H. Zimmerman	P.1: 10.426 a. P.2: 5 a. P.3: "notable bldg. lot."		
960/170 8 May 75	Charles R. & Carol H. Zimmerman	John W. & Mary L. Rippeon			
P.1&2: 860/484 15 Oct 71	John W. & Mary L. Rippeon	John P Buchby			
838/400 20 Nov 70	John P. & Madeleine W. Buchby	Skyline Realty Co.			
821/547 2 Apr 70	Skyline Realty Co.	Wm. H. Hunn, Committee for Valletta H Miller, divorced, incompetent in Equity 22041		$146,000	
439/17 30 Jun 43	C. Frank Miller & Valletta H. Miller	Bejdie Holtz, ex. of LW&T of Wm. H. Holtz, dec.	Wm. H. Holtz Farm	$10,000	
316/375 1 Apr 16	Wm. H. & Annie C. Holtz	Clarence C. & Carrie C. Holtz	1st tract of 117.5 a.	$9,000	
DHH 7/173 9 Aug 1900	Clarence C. Holtz	Glenn H. Washington atty for heirs of A. B. Holtz, dec.	tract of 118 a. & 27½ a. of mountainland	$6,600	

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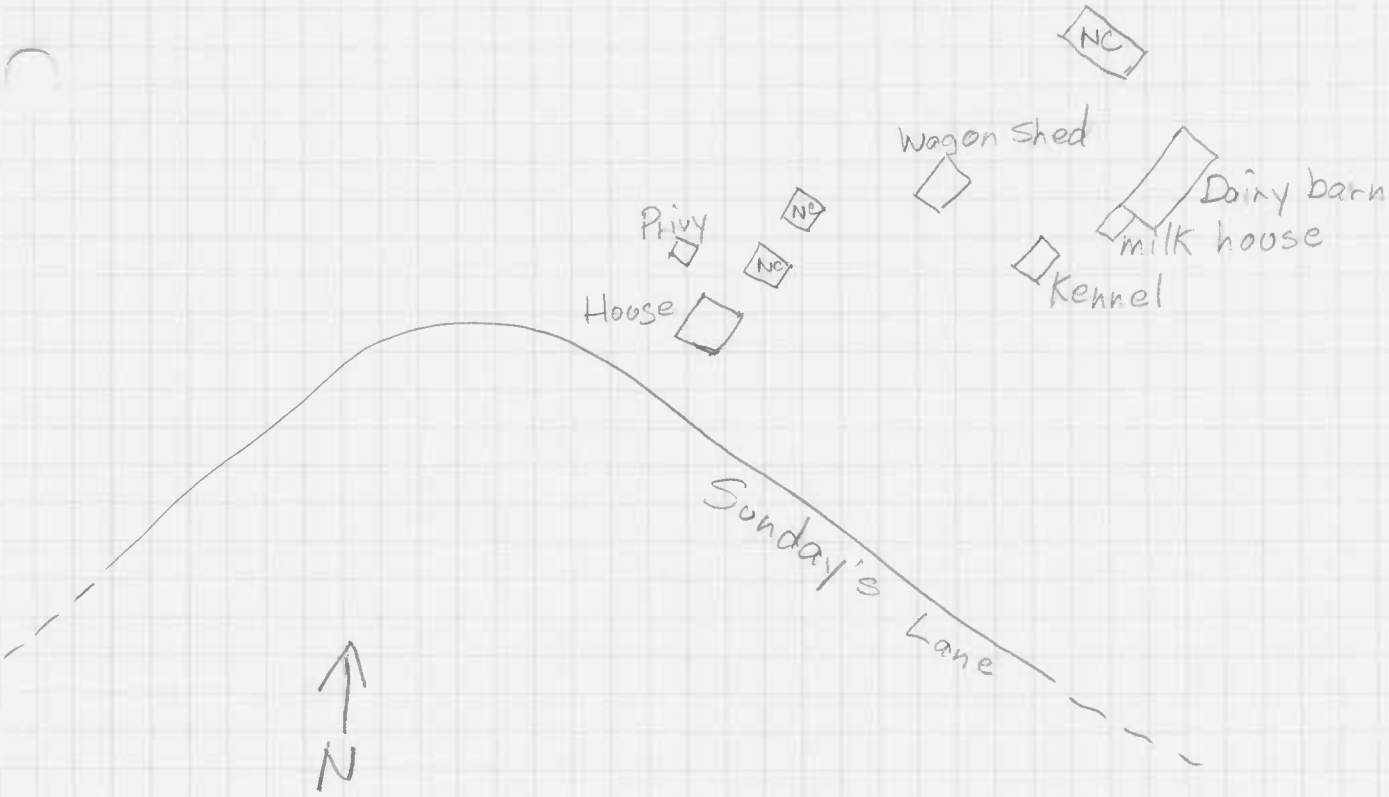

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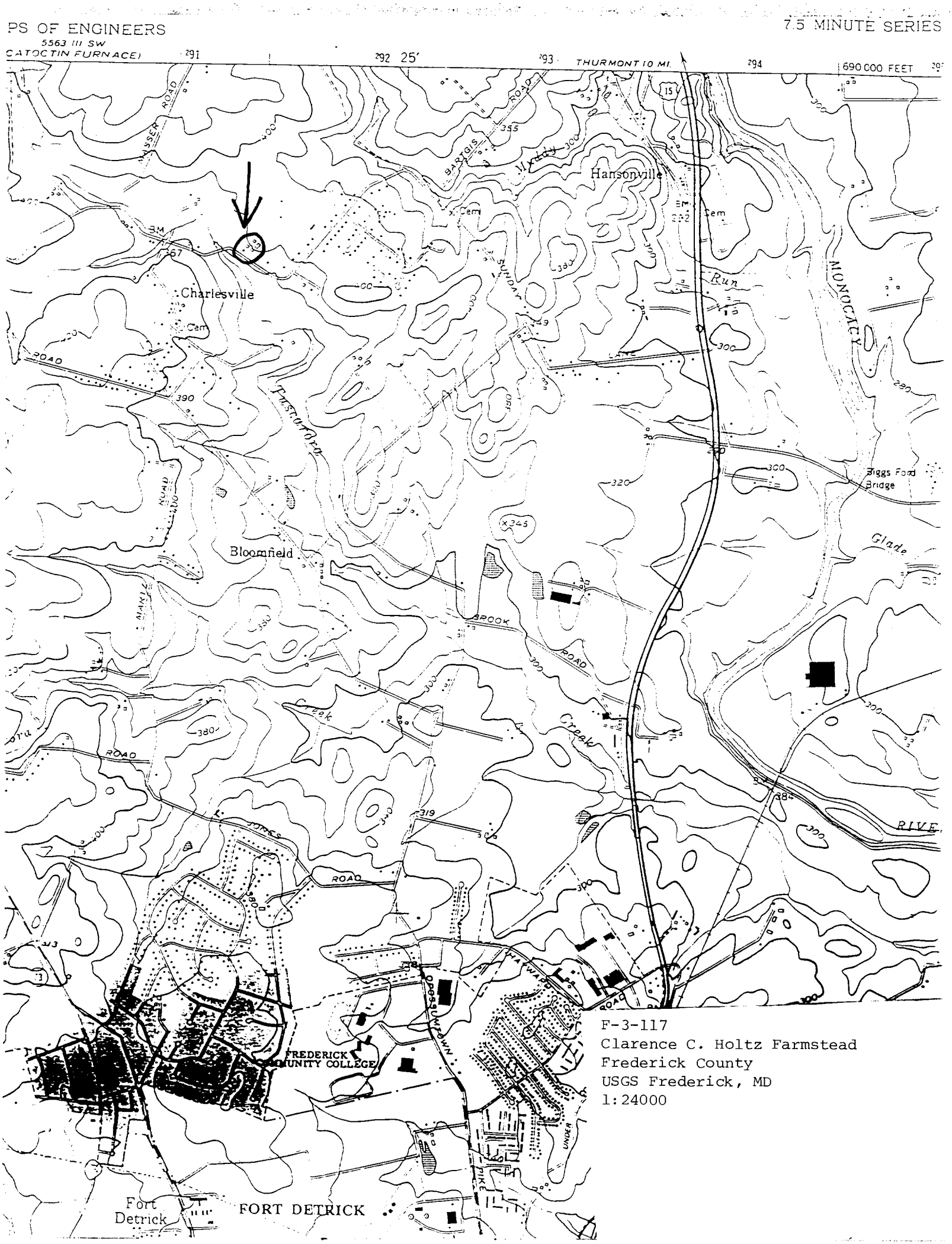

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Photo Janet Davis

January 1990

Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO Brownsville MD

Southeast corner view

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Fig. 7

Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead

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Neg. Loc. Mid. SHPO Crownsville, MD

Northeast corner view

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Clarence C Holt, Farmstead

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Neg. loc., Md. SHIO Crownsville, Md

Priv., east elevation

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Clarence C. Holtz Farmstead

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Wagon shed/corn crib, south elevation

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Clarence [illegible] Farmstead

Frederick County

Photo: Janet Gaines

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Neg [illegible] Gaithersburg [illegible]

1952 [illegible] and in the house south

west corner view

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