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Vernon Georg Farm
Accident
Private 1865

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST G-III-B-105

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON
Vernon Georg Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Off Accident-Bittinger Rd., Approx. 3 mi. E of Rd., Approx. 1½ mi. SE of Accident

CITY, TOWN
Accident

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6th

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Garrett 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
Vernon W. and Eleanor L. Georg

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 288
Folio #: 419

STREET & NUMBER
Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN
Oakland

STATE
Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
None

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	X UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Vernon Georg Farm is located in a small valley on the NE side of George Hill, E of the town of Accident NE of the house is a small orchard. Trees dot the rolling hills around the farm, which consists of a house, barn, and several outbuildings.

The house is a two story, gable-roofed, log dwelling with a gable-roofed plank addition attached to its SW elevation. The facade of the house points NE. A one-story, shed-roofed porch runs the length of the facade. The ground slopes down from N to S, revealing a full basement story on the SW & SE elevations of the addition.

The house rests on a coursed stone foundation and is covered with German siding. The owner speculates that the logs are half-dovetail notched under the siding. The main block measures approximately 29 feet across the facade by 17 feet on the gable ends. An enclosed porch on the NW elevation of the addition is covered with asbestos shingles and the addition has a wooden water table. Most windows are modern; however, the basement windows on the SW and SE elevations of the addition are older six over six sash windows which may have been moved from other parts of the house. All windows have plain board surrounds. The facade door is seb NW of the center. The roof is a new one of asphalt shingles. On the NW elevation of the addition, the old roof is visible at the edge of the new one.

The house has two exterior stove chimneys: one brick on the NW elevation of the main block, and one of an unknown material which has recently been covered with cement on two SW elevation of the addition.

The first floor of the interior consists of two rooms in the log main block and two rooms in the plank addition. The stair to the second floor formerly occupied the N corner of the main block and had winders; a inodern straight run stair on the NW wall running to the W corner replaces it. The owner states that the ceiling beams in the house all measure approximately one foot by one foot; this can be seen in the cellar, but the first and second floors of the house have all modern finished, including panelling, new ceilings and new floors.

The second floor of the log section contains two rooms, with a hall running along the SW side of the house. In the NW room is the door to the attic, two steps up from floor level. This original stair has winders and occupie sthe N corner of the house. The roof of the house is supported by eleven sapling rafters, joined with squared, pegged lap joints. Rafters 2, 3, and 9 still display the Roman numerals marked on them to match them when the house was built. The plank addition contains two rooms, one of which is the kitchen. The cellar is unfinished and used for storage.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1865 BUILDER/ARCHITECT George Gorrich (Georg)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Vernon Georg farm is significant architecturally for its log dwelling and log springhouse. The farm makes up part of a small district of log structures (See G-III-B-106, 107, and 112) in this area, all perhaps built around the same time. The farm is also significant historically as the continuous home of the Georg family for over 100 years. The Georges gave their name to George Hill, which lies SW of the farm.

The current owner believes that the log portion of the house was built before 1868, as that is the date of building listed on the tax records. The house was built by George Gorrich (now Georg), ancestor of the current owner, a German immigrant. Property records show that Gorrich bought the property from one George Stark in 1874; however, Georrich could have homesteaded the land Por Stark and earned enought to purchase it. The plank addition was built ca. 1924. The owner also states that tuere was an earlier log house on the property which has long since disappeared.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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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: Ann Burns/ Historic Site Surveyor	
ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines	DATE: 1981
STREET & NUMBER: Shaw House, 21 State Circle	TELEPHONE: (301) 269-2438
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis	STATE: Maryland 21401

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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Vernon Georg Farm
Continuation #7 Description

Southwest of the house is a rectangular springhouse, built of half-dove tail-notched logs and measuring 15'6" by 8'7". The springhouse rests on a roughly coursed stone foundation. And the logs are so closely fitted that hardly any chinking or daubing is visible. In some spots the logs are daubed with mud. The second floor of the springhouse has walls of vertical boards. The gable roof is covered with corrugated metal. The spring is in the W corner of a small sunken stone terrace in front of the entrance on the NW elevation and is enclosed by concrete slabs. The terrace is covered with a corrugated metal shed roof. The lower level of the springhouse is now used for storing wood; the upper level is used for storing snowmobiles and other sports equipment and machinery.

E of the house is a gable-roofed bank barn. The bank entrance points N and the barn is covered with vertical siding and rests on a stone foundation. NE and E of the house are scattered several other farm buildings and SE of the house is a pond. The road to the farm runs NE of the house.

Chain of Title

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Vernon Georg Farm

288/419 9-16-68 Deed	From: Ronald C. & Ruth E. Georg To: Vernon W. & Eleanor L. Georg Consideration: $10.00 and "other good and valuable consideration" Parcels 1 and 2, 143 acres
282/57 9-19-67 Deed	From: Ariel Georg, widow To: Ronald C. & Ruth E. Georg Consideration: $10.00 and "other good and valuable consideration" 98 acres - part of tract "Chalons"
238/1 10-14-61 Deed	From: Wesley F. Georg & (Gloria C. Georg) wife and Florence A. Georg Schell & husband (Robert L. Schell) To: Ariel Georg, widow Consideration: $10.00 and "other good and valuable consideration" 143 acres - plus 5 acres and 120 sq. rods subsequently conveyed to other parties
165/344 1-24-51 Deed	From: Emory Georg & Ariel Georg To: Wesley F. & Gloria C. Georg and Florence A. Georg Consideration: $5,000.00 148 acres; 120 square perches
154/ 72 10-8-48 Deed	From: Julia A. Rowan, Trustee To: Emory & Ariel Georg Consideration: $1.00 148 acres, 120 square rods, 74¼ perches
154/70 11-5-48 Deed	From: Emory Georg & Ariel Georg To: Julia A. Rowan, Trustee Consideration: $1.00 4 parcels -- 1. 98 acres of tract "Chalons", conveyed to E. Georg from Alexander Georg L/F: 99/105, dated 12-12-28 2. 45 acres of ML #3246, conveyed to E. Georg from Newton Geis & wife L/F: 102/362, dated 3-9-31 3. 5 acres and 120 sq. rods, conveyed to E Georg from David A. King and wife L/F: 102/360, dated 3-6-31 4. 74¼ perches, conveyed to E. Georg from Vurl Willard Kight and wife L/F: 139/493, dated 5-1-46

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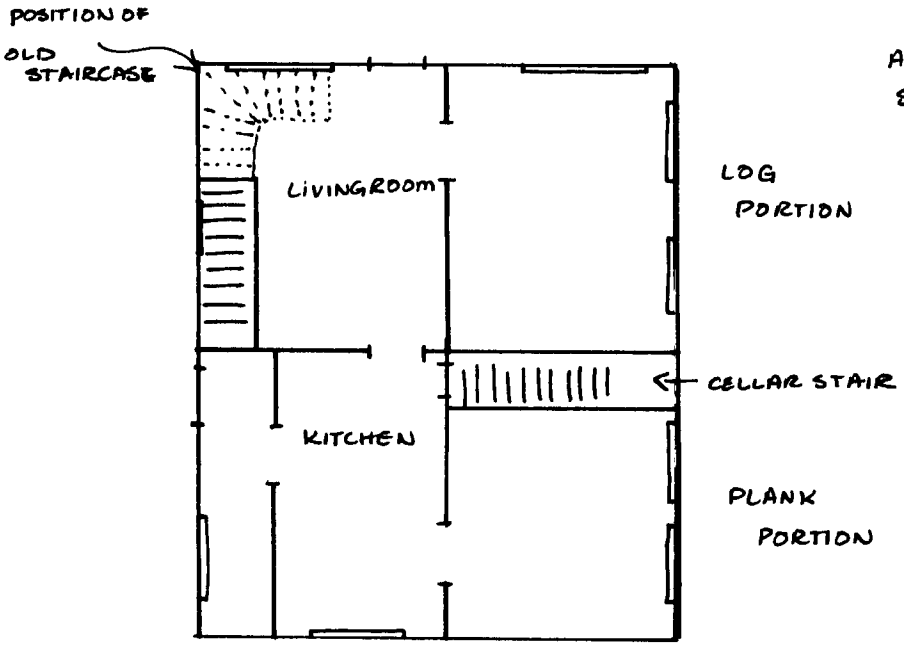
Parcel 1

99/105 12-12-28 Deed	From: Alexander Georg et al (formerly Gorrich) To: Emory Georg (formerly Gorrich) Consideration: $2,000 98 acres of tract "Chalons" Alexander Georg was executor for the estate of Georg Gorrich (now Georg) who died intestate
2/134 9-11-1875	From: George Stark, executor of Adam Stark To: George Corrich (now Georg) Consideration: $1700.00 98 acres of tract "Chalons"
Al Co. 11/756 6-14-1848 Deed	From: George Stark To: Adam Stark
102/362 3-9-31 Deed	From: Newton Geis & wife (Gies) To: Emory Georg Consideration: $10.00 45 acres of ML #3246
91/8 8-1-25 Deed	From: Jacob Beeghly To: Newton Geis Consideration: $600.00 40 acres of ML #3246 the party of the 1st part also agreed to give the party of the 2nd part a mill site to cut the timber on the land
38/168 1-9-1900 Deed	From: James Beeghly To: Jacob Beeghly Consideration: $2,860.00 several tracts, including ML #3246



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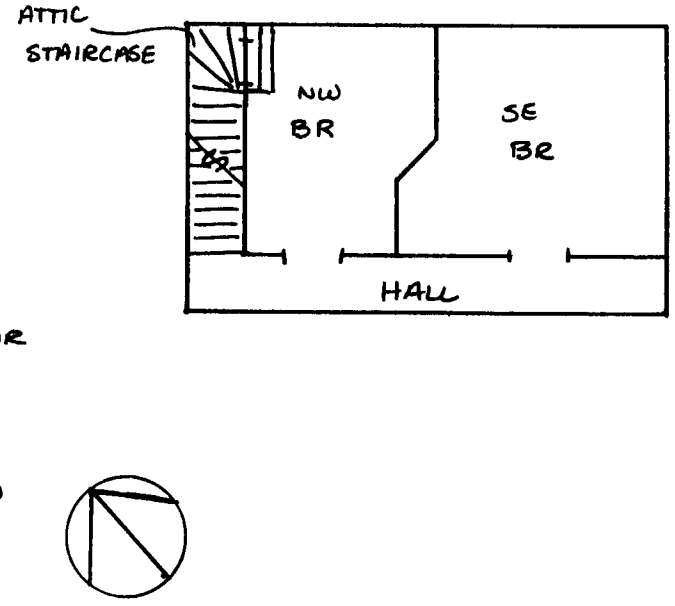

2ND FLOOR

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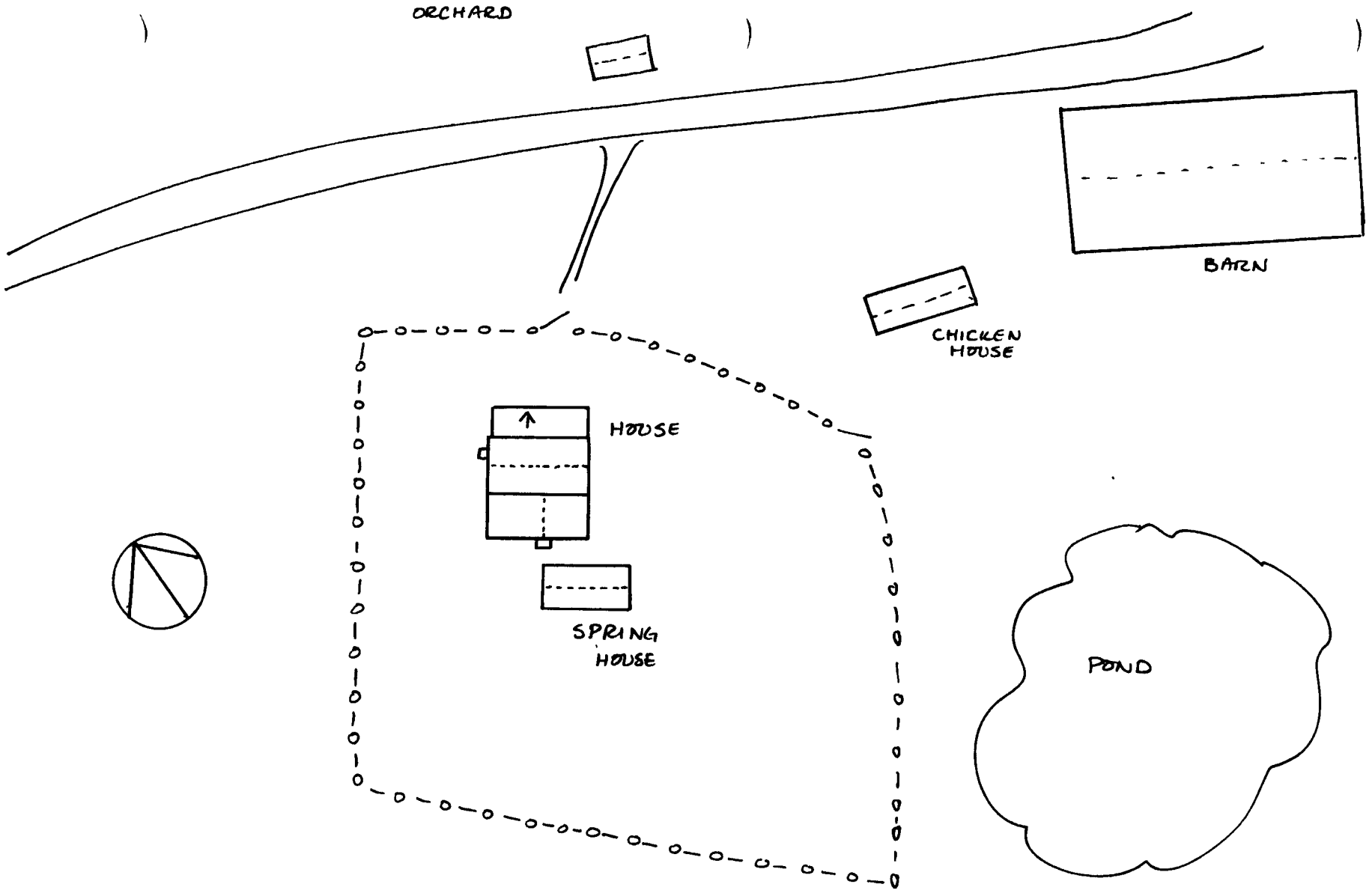
SKETCH FLOOR PLAN
NOT TO SCALE

VERNON GEORG FARM
ACCIDENT - BITTINGER RD
GARRETT CO, MD

ANN R. F. BURNS
SURVEY DATE 7-7-81
PLAN DRAWN 1-9-82



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SKETCH SITE PLAN
NOT TO SCALE

VERNON GEORG FARM
ACCIDENT - BITTINGER RD.
GARRETT CO., MD.

ANN R.F. BURNS
SURVEY DATE 7-7-81
PLAN DRAWN 1-9-82

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STATE OF MARYLAND
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

McHenry, MD
USGS 7.5 Minute Series
Scale - 1:24,000
1947; photorevised 1974

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Vernon Georg Farm
Garrett Co., MD
Ann Burns 7/7/81
Facade - NE elev.

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Vernon Georg Farm
Garrett Co., MD
Ann Burns 7/7/81
NW elev.

FIGURE 106

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Vernon Georg Farm
Garrett Co., MD
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Springhs.-NE & NW elevs.

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Vernon Georg Farm
Garrett Co., MD
Ann Burns 7/7/81 Springhs.
½ dovetail notching, NW elev.

FIGURE 95