

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

M: 20-14
(date entered 5-13-80)

1. Name: Monument Hill/Mountain View Hill/Daylily Farm/Peters House
 2. Planning Area/Site Number: 20/14 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 15
 Coordinate D-5

4. Address: 16415 Shady Grove Road
 Gaithersburg, Md.

5. Classification Summary

Category <u>building</u>	Previous Survey Recording <u>MNCPPC</u>
Ownership <u>private</u>	Title and Date: <u>Historic Sites Inventory</u>
Public Acquisition <u>N/A</u>	<u>1976</u>
Status <u>occupied</u>	
Accessible <u>No</u>	Federal <u> </u> State <u>x</u> County <u>x</u> Local <u> </u>
Present use <u>private residence</u>	

6. Date: c. 1908 7. Original Owner: Dr. Charles H. Waters

8. Apparent Condition

a. good b. altered c. original site

9. Description: This six bay by three bay, two and a half story Colonial Revival estate house sits high on a hill facing south. Built on brick foundations, the exterior walls are covered by white wooden shingles. A recessed, two story front porch, flanked by a projecting bay at each end, is contained under the roof of the house. The second level is enclosed by a decorative railing. A one story screened breezeway leads to the brick garage. Windows are eight-over-eight and six-over-six double-hung flanked by green wooden shutters. The cross gable and hipped roof has slate shingles.

10. Significance: This early 20th century mansion, built on a tract called Mountain View Hill, is connected with two well-known men, Dr. Charles H. Waters and Eugene Casey.

Dr. Waters had established the Fairview Seminary in Dawsonville, a school with the reputation of being one of the area's finest. In 1900 he moved his school to Gaithersburg, near the railroad, in a new building on this site.

In 1904 fire destroyed most of the building. Waters sold the property to be used for a tuberculosis sanitarium. "Starmont" Sanitarium operated from 1909-1914, consisting of a main building with tents and cabins for the patients.

In 1933 Eugene Casey, a wealthy member of FDR's New Deal administration, bought the property and developed it into a showcase mansion.

Since 1961 daylily growers have owned it, and operated the Starmont Nursery. Now Metro plans to build a highway through the estate to provide access to the Shady Grove station.

11. Researcher and date researched: Candy Reed - arch. description
 Donald M. Leavitt July 1979

12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman 13. Date Compiled: 9/79 14. Designation Approval
 15. Acreage: 8.18 acres

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Monument Hill/Mountain View Hill

AND/OR COMMON

Daylily Farm/Peters House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

16415 Shady Grove Road

CITY, TOWN

Gaithersburg

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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

Kenneth Peters

Telephone #: 948-3003

STREET & NUMBER

16415 Shady Grove Road

CITY, TOWN

Gaithersburg

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20760

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 2873

Folio #: 549

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

MNCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

—FEDERAL STATE COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Derwood

STATE

Maryland 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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

This six bay by three bay, two and a half story Colonial Revival Estate house sits high on a hill facing south.

Built on brick foundations, the exterior walls are covered by white wooden shingles. The south elevation has a recessed two story porch which is flanked, at the east and west end, by a projecting bay with a wooden paneled door. The entire porch is contained under the gable roof of the house. Three square posts, at the first and second levels, support the porch. At the first level there are four paired French doors. The second level is enclosed by a decorative railing. On the north elevation there is a one story screened porch with a shed roof. On the west elevation there is a one story gabled screened breezeway to the garage.

There are eight-over-eight and six-over-six double-hung windows throughout the house. Some are flanked by green wooden shutters. On the east elevation, at the south corner there is a Palladian window. At the north corner of the same (east) elevation there is a bowed bay window. There are four six-over-six double-hung dormer windows on the south elevation and one gabled six-over-six double-hung dormer window on the east elevation.

The cross gable and hipped roof has slate shingles. There is a denticulated cornice line. There are two exterior end chimneys on the north elevation and one exterior end chimney on the west end.

The house is attached to a one and a half story gabled brick four car garage. There are two gabled six-over-six double-hung dormer windows on the north and south elevations of the garage.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		Local History

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1908

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Monument Hill is an early 20th century mansion. Its history is connected with two famous county citizens, Dr. Charles H. Waters and Eugene Casey.

In the late 1890s Dr. Charles H. Waters, a well-known educator, announced he was going to open a new school on Monument View Hill near Gaithersburg. He had established the Fairview Seminary in Dawsonville, a school that quickly gained the reputation as being one of the finest in the area. To make his school accessible to more students Waters moved Fairview Seminary to Gaithersburg near the B & O Railroad station; the Summit Hotel housed the school during the winter, and vacationers during the summer months. Waters, looking for a new location for the school, in 1899 bought the tract of land on Monument View Hill just south of Gaithersburg,¹ The hill was also known as Mountain View Hill, as on clear days the mountains of Virginia were visible. In 1900 Fairview Seminary opened up in a new building designed by Waters and began classes for boys and girls. Two years later the school advertised only for boys.

Waters' institution came to an abrupt end. In February 1904 fire swept through the new building, destroying all but part of the outside walls. Waters considered reopening but a public high school for Gaithersburg was already planned and there would not have been enough students for both. Although he had contracted to have his private residence built on the hill, Waters instead put the property up for sale.

One prospective buyer was Dr. Sternberg, a retired surgeon general of the Army. Sternberg worked with the Washington Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Tacoma Park and was looking for a site for a branch institution. Upon viewing Monument Hill he was impressed with the healthful location. In 1906 the Washington Sanitarium Company bought the property and built a new house, utilizing some of the existing walls. "Starmont" Sanitarium opened in 1909, and consisted of the main building with tents and cabins for the patients lining the perimeter.

In 1914 Starmont closed down. For a short time the house was rented a retired Army colonel, but stood empty for many years.

In 1932 the property was sold to John Kings² and early in 1933 Eugene Casey purchased it.³

Casey was an influential member of Roosevelt's New Deal government, and one of the largest land owners in the nation. He took the decrepit Starmont building, added two flanking side wings, added a balcony to the second floor, and created a show-case mansion for the county. Casey lived in his Monument View Hill mansion until the late 1950s.

Casey gave the mansion to his daughter, Virginia, who sold it in 1960 to the Disciples of Christ Church.⁴ Their plan to convert it into a home and church for the aged was unsuccessful and in 1961 the current owners took title to the estate. Ken and Ethel Peters are daylily fanciers, and have laid a colorful blanket of flowers over much of Monument View's slopes.

As the suburban sprawl crept closer to Gaithersburg, the atmosphere surrounding the estate changed. Farms and country roads gave way to warehouses and asphalt highways, and today the mountains of Virginia are no longer visible. The Shady Grove Metro station is in the process of construction nearby, and Metro authorities plan to build an access highway through the estate. If this takes place the mansion and soft orange daylilies will be bulldozed to make way for a highway interchange.

FOOTNOTES:

- 1 Land Records of Montgomery County, Md. TD 8/52 (3/8/1899).
- 2 Ibid., 542/232 (8/29/1932).
- 3 Ibid., 548/488 (2/9/1933).
- 4 Ibid., 2845/225 (12/21/1960).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Witzgall, Elizabeth G., chairperson. Gaithersburg, The Heart of Montgomery County. Gaithersburg, Md.: The City of Gaithersburg, 1978.
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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 8.18 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Located on the north side of Shady Grove Road, approx. $\frac{1}{4}$ mile NE of Route 355.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Donald M. Leavitt	Candy Reed/arch. description
ORGANIZATION Sugarloaf Regional Trails	DATE July 1979
STREET & NUMBER Box 87	TELEPHONE 926-4510
CITY OR TOWN Dickerson	STATE Maryland 20753

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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RETURN TO: ~~Maryland Historical Trust~~ **SUGARLOAF REGIONAL TRAILS**
~~The Shaw House, 21 State Circle~~ **Box 87, Stronghold**
~~Annapolis, Maryland 21401~~ **Dickerson, Md. 20753**
~~(301) 267-1438~~ **(301) 926-4510**

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON: Peters House				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Waters House Site				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 16415 Shady Grove Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg				
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Montgomery	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC				
Yes:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted				
<input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: K. O. Peters				
STREET AND NUMBER: 16415 Deer Park Drive				
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Sites in the Bi-County Region				
DATE OF SURVEY: 1969 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: MNCPPC				
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue				
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring			STATE: Maryland	

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SIGNIFICANCE			
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	
SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)			
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE			
<p>In the early 1900's, the house was a tuberculosis sanitarium for a short period. It was a boys' school after that until Eugene B. Casey purchased it.</p> <p>The west half of the house was built about 1900. The east end was built in the 1930's. The foundation of an earlier and smaller building, which burned about 1900, is under the present building.</p>			

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: MNCPPC DATE: 24 Oct 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

PORTRAIT AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD.

Ice Company, and is connected with other important enterprises. A man of strong and untiring energy and will power, he has worked his way to success by the force of a determined character and ambitious spirit. Since his election many important and intricate cases have come up, and in these he has rendered his decision to the satisfaction of the unprejudiced and impartial. His broad knowledge of the law and accurate judgment of human nature have enabled him to fill his responsible position creditably to himself and satisfactorily to others.

The marriage of Judge Motter, in 1875, united him with Effie B., daughter of Josiah Merklin, of Frederick, who is a successful business man. Judge and Mrs. Motter have three sons and five daughters, in whose intelligence and refinement they may justly take a deep pride. Some years ago he purchased a beautiful place adjoining Frederick, on the Frederick and Opossumtown turnpike, and here they have established a happy home, with every comfort that can enhance the pleasure of existence.



CHARLES H. WATERS, M. D., was the founder of the Fairview Seminary, formerly located in Dawsonville, but for the past three years situated in Gaithersburg, Montgomery County. He has attained prominence, not only in the medical profession, but in the educational field, and his genuine love for children and inherent understanding of their needs and gradually expanding minds make him specially qualified to guide them in the paths of knowledge. The institution which he succeeded in starting has rapidly risen in importance as a factor in the education of the young people of this community, and now, within its beautiful environment each year about one hundred pupils, from numerous states in the Union, gather to do homage to the goddess of wisdom. Recently, the doctor commenced to build a private school of his own on Monument View Hill, about one and a-half miles from

Gaithersburg. This school, which is charmingly situated as to location, is exclusively for girls. The doctor personally supervises everything, giving lectures on mathematics and scientific subjects, and employs four other teachers.

Born July 1, 1849, Dr. C. H. Waters is a son of Samuel and Mary Waters. He is a native of Howard County, but his father was born within three miles of Gaithersburg. The latter was a son of Ignatius Waters, who in turn was a son of Dr. Richard Waters. Both were natives of Montgomery County, and R. Waters was at one time the owner of large estates (several thousand acres) in Montgomery County. He was a nephew of General Williams, who founded Williamstown, Md., and served on the staff of General Washington. Samuel Waters, father of our subject, was a prosperous farmer, and for many years occupied a prominent place before the public in official positions. He sympathized with the south in most things during the stormy days of the '60s, but was not in favor of secession. He was an ardent Democrat in later life and was elected to act as judge of the orphans' court—a post which he filled for years with credit. Religiously he was a Baptist. He died in 1883, aged sixty-five years. Of his family four sons survive. Thomas is a retired farmer, living in Tacoma. He has represented his county in the state legislature several terms and has been very active in political life. Richard is a successful agriculturist of Burnt Mills, Montgomery County. Samuel D. has been engaged in merchandising in Tacoma for years and has held numerous appointive offices.

Until he was about twelve years old Dr. Waters lived on the old homestead, but at that age he accepted a place as a clerk in the store of John Windsor, of Clarksville, Howard County. At the end of four years the youth entered the Phrenakosonian Academy of his native county, and was but seventeen when he began his pedagogic career. He continued to teach for three years, at the same time reading medicine with Dr. William A. Waters, of Montgomery County. In 1871 he graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the medical department of the

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University of Maryland. He immediately opened an office in Spencerville, Montgomery County, and gave his whole attention to his profession. In 1885 he removed to Dawsonville, and there continued the practice of the healing art, which he has not abandoned entirely, though of late years he has devoted himself chiefly to educational work. He is still called into consultation with his brother-physicians, who greatly value his opinion and experience. He is quite independent in his political ideas, and while he usually votes the Democratic ticket, he does not feel bound to the party. He is an associate editor of *Zion's Advocate*, published in Virginia, in the interests of the Baptist denomination. In 1880 the doctor was ordained a minister of the Baptist church, and at present has charge of four congregations, though he has never accepted a salary, and discharges these duties through genuine love for the work.

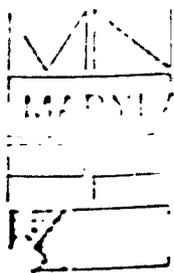
December 21, 1871, Dr. Waters married Ella O. Yates, daughter of Elder Paul W. Yates, a Baptist minister of Rappahannock, Va. The eldest child of this worthy couple, Alice May, a gifted and beautiful girl, died when about twenty years old. Their living children are as follows: Mary Lee, Paul Y., Charles L., Anna T., Lessie B., Lucy G., William C., Samuel D. and Eleanor. Mary is an associate teacher in the academy.



CABIN JOHN BRIDGE HOTEL. Near the bridge whose name it bears, this well-known hotel occupies a picturesque location, in Potomac District, Montgomery County, and seven miles from the city of Washington. It has recently been rebuilt and enlarged to twice its former capacity, and contains a number of dining rooms for parties, broad verandas affording a beautiful outlook, and a pavilion where every evening a fine orchestra furnishes music. A concert is also given every afternoon during the season. Every modern convenience is to be found

in the hotel—hot and cold water, electric bells, electric lights, electric fans, gas, steam heat and every accommodation for the convenience and comfort of the guests. It has been made a League hotel and special attention is paid to cyclists. Among the patrons, who drive or ride over from Washington, are celebrated members of congress, statesmen and diplomats. The hotel is conducted by the Bobinger Brothers. The elder of these, William H., was born in Montgomery County, February 2, 1863, a son of Joseph and Rosa Bobinger. He was educated in the local schools and from an early age was interested in the hotel established here by his father. His father died in May, 1881, and afterward he and his brother, George, assisted their mother in the business. On the latter's death, December 31, 1893, they succeeded to the management of the place. During the past eight years they have made constant improvements, investing large sums annually for this purpose. The hotel is surrounded with beautiful grounds, laid out by landscape gardeners, sloping down to the banks of the Potomac River, and here families visit and resort for many months of the year. This part of the noble river furnishes excellent fishing and the angler may rely upon excellent sport during the entire fishing season. The younger brother, George, was born November 9, 1865, and has spent his entire life here. Both brothers are interested in the work of the Presbyterian Church and the older one is a Mason, belonging to Montgomery Lodge No. 195, A. F. & A. M., at Rockville.

Cabin John bridge, from which the hotel takes its name, is the largest stone arch bridge in the world. It is built of granite, with a Seneca stone coping along the roadway. In length it measures four hundred and fifty feet; in height, one hundred and five feet. It cost \$250,000 and stands unsurpassed in the history of bridge building. The arch has a clear spring of two hundred and twenty feet and is twenty feet longer than the arch of the Grosvenor bridge, which spans the River Dee and is next in length. It is on the line of the conduit road, extending from the capital to the Great Falls of the Potomac, and



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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated June 12, 1984

ACTION TAKEN

The following sites have been reviewed and found not suitable for regulation under the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Those sites also listed on the Locational Atlas will no longer be subject to regulation under the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition.

Site No.

10/2			23/70
10/9			23/98-1
10/11			24/12
10/22			24/14
10/25			24/15
10/54			25/1
10/71			25/10-1
10/73			27/5
	<u>Site No.</u>		27/7
	15/68		*27/11
	15/69		*27/13
10/74	16/19		28/15
11/8	*17/4		28/26
12/14-1	17/55		30/3
12/16	18/1		30/7
12/26	18/9		30/9
	18/22		30/15
13/15	18/27		30/17
13/16	18/29-1		30/19
13/28	19/8		31/9
13/32	19/18		33/3
	19/20		33/5
14/1	20/6		33/11
14/15	20/14		*34/1
14/18	20/27		*34/9
14/19	22/5		
14/23	22/6-1		
14/30	22/18		
14/31	22/21		
14/40	22/22		
14/48	22/23		
14/54	22/24		
15/10	23/13		
15/11			
15/18			
*15/62			

Site No.

- 35/6
- 36/9
- *37/4

*Recommended for designation by the Mont. Co. Historic Preservation Commission.

**These sites were previously considered by the County Council and found not to warrant regulation under the Historic Preservation Ordinance. They are listed here to bring the functional Master Plan in conformance with Council's actions.

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated May 16, 1984

ACTION TAKEN

The following area sites were reviewed either as part of this Plan or at previous public hearings and were found not suitable for regulation under the Historic Preservation Ordinance. This Plan recommends their removal from the Locational Atlas. Although removed from the Locational Atlas these sites will remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's Inventory of State Historical Resources.

<u>Site No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Planning Board Hearing Date</u>
20/1	Remus Dorsey Tenant House**	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/2	Dorsey Cemetery	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/3	Shaw Cemetery	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/5	Snouffer Schoolhouse	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/6	Urah Bowman House**	6/17/82
20/7	Day Farm Barns**	9/25/80
20/8	Emory Grove Camp Meeting Grounds	7/5/83 - 7/6/83
20/9	Emory Grove Methodist Episcopal Church	7/5/83 - 7/6/83
20/10	MINERAL SPRING HOUSES	4/12/84
20/11	SYLVESTER THOMPSON'S STORE	4/12/84
20/12	FIELD'S KING FARM	4/12/84
20/13	WATKINS FARMHOUSE	4/12/84
20/14	Peters House/Monument View Hill	7/22/82
20/15	Gaither/Howes House	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/16	Heater/Crown Farm	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
*20/18	THOMPSON HOUSE**	10/9/83
20/19	Windy Knoll Farm	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/20	Hunting Hill Church	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/22	Hunting Hill Store and Post Office	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
20/23	Ward/Garrett Cemetery	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
*20/24	Mills House	1/20/83
20/25	Briggs Farm #1**	7/24/80
20/26	BRIGGS FARM #2**	4/12/84
20/27	Pleasant View Church**	6/17/82
20/29	Woodlands Site and Smokehouse	4/5/83 - 4/6/83
*20/30	RAILROAD UNDERPASS	4/12/84

* Recommended for designation by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission.

** No longer standing.



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