

ABSTRACT

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1877

Eshleman-Hege Farm

Hagerstown Vicinity

private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Eshleman-Hege Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

North of Reid Road near junction with Paradise Church Road.

CITY, TOWN

Reid

 VICINITY OF Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

 DISTRICT BUILDING(S) STRUCTURE SITE OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

 PUBLIC PRIVATE BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

 IN PROCESS BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

 OCCUPIED UNOCCUPIED WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

 YES, RESTRICTED YES, UNRESTRICTED NO

PRESENT USE

 AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PRIVATE RESIDENCE RELIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC TRANSPORTATION OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Ira J. and Martha G. Hege

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 8, Box 167

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

 VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 251

Folio #: 491

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Maryland Historical Trust Survey # 3041

DATE

Summer 1967

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> _DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> _UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> _GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> _RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> _MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> _FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> _UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located north of Reid Road west of its junction with Paradise Church Road in Washington County, Maryland. The house is situated on sloping ground and faces east.

The dwelling is a two story brick structure resting on coursed limestone foundations which become nearly a story in height at the south and east elevations. The bricks forming the walls are arranged in American or common bond with, generally, six courses of stretcher bricks between header rows. Located in the north gable are glazed header bricks arranged to form the date 1877. There is no decorative brick work associated with the window and door openings.

Windows and doors are grouped toward either end of the front elevation. Windows have narrow frames under wide wooden lintels. First story windows are flanked with pairs of two panel shutters while those at the second story have pairs of louvered shutters.

Entrances are located in the two center bays of the front elevation. They appear to be identical and have transoms above the doors.

A one story shed roofed porch shelters the four openings at the front elevation. The porch, supported by chamfered square posts, rests on stone piers enclosed with latticed woodwork.

The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and extends beyond the end walls ending with molded barge boards. Molding is also present at the eaves. Small brick chimneys with corbels at their tops are located inside each gable end.

North of the house are various outbuildings and a frame bank barn. The complex is in excellent condition and is located on a tract containing 64.79 acres.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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		
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1877

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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In 1866 Peter Eshleman and his wife deeded a farm to their son, Jonas who also purchased other lands to enlarge his holdings. (IN19/363, WMcKK6/191). Jacob Eshleman purchased part of the farm from Jonas in 1885. (88/405). It has descended through the Eshleman and Hege families to the present. (125/598, 251/489, 491).

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 64.79 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

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

October 1976

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

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CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

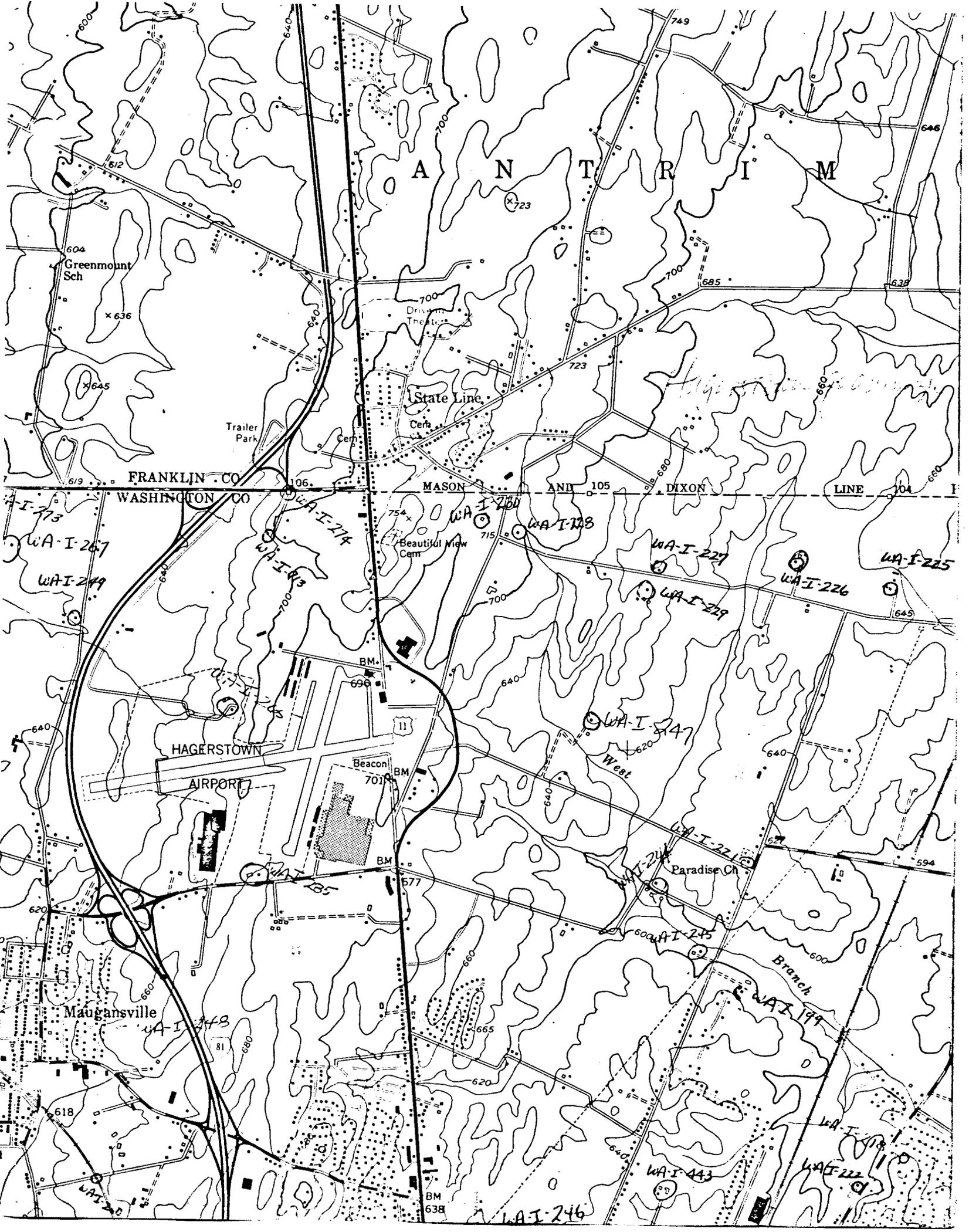
STATE

Maryland 21740

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