

OLD FRAZIER FARM (K-402)
Fairlee, Maryland
(1875, 1925)

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC OLD FRAZIER FARM

AND/OR COMMON

Barnes Farm

2 LOCATION

North side Bay Shore Road

STREET & NUMBER

1st

CITY, TOWN

Fairlee

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Kent

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES- RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES- UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

W. Frank Barnes, Sr.

Telephone #: 301-778-1897

STREET & NUMBER

RD 2 Box 305

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21620

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Kent County Court House

Liber #: RAS 30

Folio #: 70

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown, Maryland

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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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

The Barnes Farmhouse is situated in open fields, but woodlands that surround it on all sides at a distance of about ½ mile create feeling of isolation and enclosure. The house is separated from the road by a spacious front lawn that once included an alley of trees. Behind the house is a group of farm buildings and a windmill. The building faces south and rests on a stone foundation.

The dwelling house is frame; it is 5 bays wide and a full three stories plus supra-attic in height. It has wood-shingle Mansard roof and a five-bay, one-story front porch. Behind the main house is a two-story, gable roofed ell and a 1½ story kitchen which probably predates the rest of the building.

The main house roof is extremely tall and pierced on the front by five shed dormers with two over two sash. The roof is finished with a box cornice and return which has no moldings. In the west end wall is a short enclosed brick chimney; against the east wall is a large exposed chimney stack of recent date.

The main house is covered with 5" weatherboards; corners are emphasized with 12" cornerboards. At the time of the surveyor's visit, the owner was in the process of covering the house with wide aluminum siding.

Fenestration on the main facade is slightly assymetrical, but there is a central entry and all first and second floor openings are aligned. Windows have two over two sash in the main house with smaller six over six sash in the wing. The window trim consists of a fillet and inside bead; sills project slightly. The main entrance has a 4-panel Victorian door but no lights.

The visible portions of the north wall of the two story section of the ell are covered with beaded weatherboarding. Although this would imply an 18th century structure, all other visible building details duplicate those of the main house. It may be that

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1875, 1925

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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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

Marsha L. Fritz, Survey Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Kent County Planning Commission

DATE

778-4600, ext.67

STREET & NUMBER

Court House

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Chestertown, Maryland

STATE

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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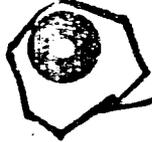
fragments of an earlier structure were incorporated into the 19th century dwelling.

The 1½ story kitchen wing gives the impression of having once been a separate structure. It has verticle plank walls (under modern siding) and a stone foundation which is not continuous with the stone foundation of the main house. The small structure is three bays long and one room deep. Its steep A roof is finished against vergeboards on the gable and plain box cornices on the front and rear. There are two gable dormers with 6 over 6 sash windows in each roof slope. The interior has been completely remodeled and a shed proch constructed against the west side. Window and door openings have been greatly changed and no stair remains on the interior.

On the inside of this house, the windows and doors have original 3" trim which incorporates a Greek ogee and bevel molding. The very simple stair detailing appears to date from the 1925 remodeling.

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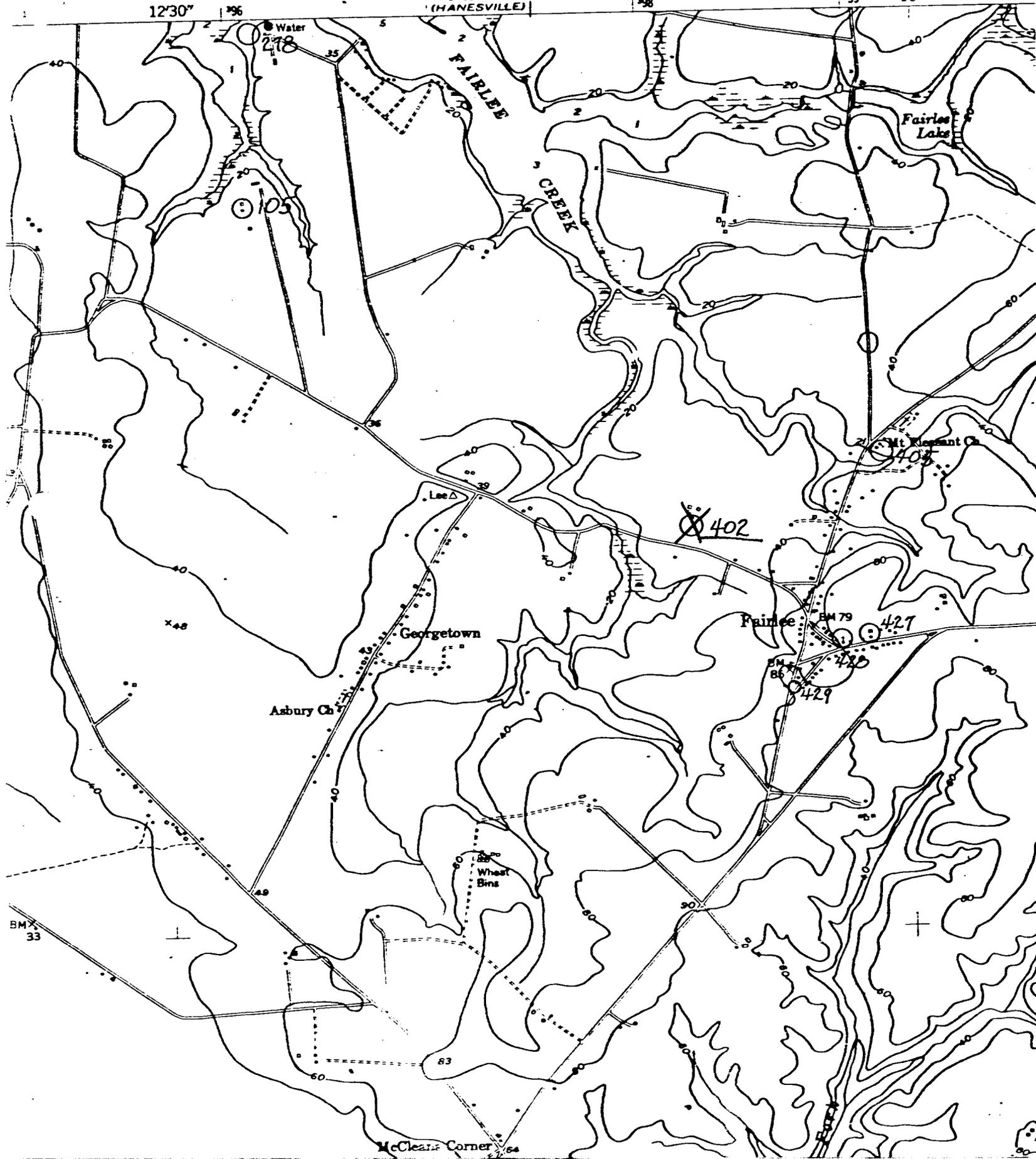
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Old Frazier Farm

View to North

Fairlee

Kent County

M.L. Fritz

3/1980

J. Tyler Campbell
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