INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: C. Melvin and Helen W. Kight house Survey Number: G-VI-A-~~041~~ 081

Project: US 219/Oakland Vicinity Improvement Project Agency: MSHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: ___ No ___ Yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended ___ Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessdary and attach map)

The C. Melvin and Helen W. Kight House, built *circa* 1930, relates to the expanded settlement of areas previously located on the fringes of the town of Oakland. Characterized by development along pre-existing road networks, these areas were subsequently annexed into Oakland's corporate boundaries. Garrett County historian Thekla Weeks noted that this area of Oakland was subdivided for residential development in the 1940s. The house is typical of early-twentieth-century architecture.

Research has not identified any associations with the lives of persons significant to the Oakland area's past or with events that have contributed significantly to broad patterns of the area's historical development. The architecture does not represent a particularly distinctive type, period, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master, possess high artistic values, or represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction. This resource has not yet yielded and is not likely to yield significant information important in history or prehistory.

Document on the property/district is presented in: Historic Structures Inventory and Determination of Eligibility Report (KCI/MSHA 1997)

Prepared by: Gabrielle M. Lanier/KCI Technologies, Inc.

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services — Date 7/20/98

NR program concurrence: X yes ___ no ___ not applicable

Reviewer, NR program — Date

Kight House
G-VI-A-~~041~~ 081
561 South Third Street
Oakland vicinity
Circa 1935
Private

This is a one-story, three-bay-by-three-bay, gable-roofed, gable-fronted bungalow with a projecting two-thirds-width central gable-roofed porch, a single interior brick chimney, and a half-width gable-roofed one-room rear wing. It includes a rockfaced concrete block foundation, wood-shingled walls, and an asphalt-shingled gable roof. The windows are mostly three-over-one, double-hung wooden sash with wooden trim, and the door openings contain either paneled wooden or half-glass doors finished with flat wooden surrounds. The building faces southeast and is located on an open lot facing Third Street about 1/2 mile southwest of Oakland.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other C. Melvin and Helen W. Kight House

2. Location

street & number 561 South Third Street ____ not for publication

city, town Oakland X vicinity

county Garrett

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

name C. Melvin and Helen W. Kight

street & number 221 Farmwood Drive telephone

city, town Oakland state and zip code IN 46350

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Garrett County Courthouse tax map and parcel 112-14-1671

city, town Oakland liber and folio 125/147

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

____ Contributing Resource in National Register District
____ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
____ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
____ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
____ Recorded by HABS/HAER
____ Historic Structure Report or Research report at MHT
____ Other:

6. Classification

Category
____ district
X building(s)
____ structure
____ site
____ object

Ownership
____ public
X private
____ both

Current Function
____ agriculture
____ commerce/trade
____ defense
X domestic
____ education
____ funerary
____ government
____ health care
____ industry
____ landscape
____ recreation/ culture
____ religion
____ social
____ transportation
____ work in progress
____ unknown
____ vacant/not in use
____ other:

Resource Count

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	0	Total

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

0

7. Description

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Condition

___ excellent ___ deteriorated
_X_ good ___ ruins
___ fair ___ altered

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

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Built on a rockfaced concrete block foundation that encloses a full cellar, the walls of the house are clad in wooden shingles. The building is topped with an asphalt-shingled gable roof finished with exposed rafter feet, a plain wooden verge and cornice board, and decorative triangular wooden brackets under the overhanging front and rear eaves. A single brick chimney with a corbelled drip cap rises near the center of the roof peak.

Windows consist primarily of single and paired three-over-one, double-hung wooden sash with plain flat wooden surrounds and drip caps, inset wooden surrounds, and concrete lintels and sills. One fixed one-light focal window pierces the northwest elevation of the rear wing. Several fixed two-light sash windows light the cellar.

The front door opening, which is nearly centered on the southeastern elevation, is fitted with a paneled wooden door with a four-light upper section. The rear entrance, on the northeast side of the rear ell, contains a paneled wooden door with a nine-light glass-paned upper section. A third entrance, also located on the northeast elevation but near the rear corner of the building, leads into the cellar; this was originally a garage-sized opening that has since been infilled with a combination of glass brick and a standard-sized half-glass door. All door openings are finished with flat wooden surrounds.

The front porch rests on a rockfaced concrete block foundation. It includes a wooden deck and ceiling, battered wooden piers atop brick pillars, and an enclosed shingled balustrade capped with a wooden rail. A small set of brick steps leads up to the level of the deck, and two open wooden trellises climb either side of the porch. The rear entrance consists simply of a concrete stoop at ground level. A set of wooden steps leads from this stoop to the back door. The gable-roofed rear wing rests on a plain rather than a rockfaced concrete block foundation, and is clad and roofed to match the rest of the house.

No outbuildings stand on the property. The house faces the street squarely, standing on a lot that appears to be roughly rectangular. A macadam driveway running perpendicular to the street extends along the northeast elevation of the house. Several low foundation shrubs ornament the house, and a few larger deciduous and coniferous trees shade the rear yard. A set of stone steps leads from the end of the driveway to the back entrance. The lot slopes gently downward at the rear. The house is presently occupied and in good condition.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
__ 1600-1699	__ agriculture	__ economics	__ health/medicine	__ performing arts
__ 1700-1799	__ archeology	__ education	__ industry	__ philosophy
__ 1800-1899	__ architecture	__ engineering	__ invention	__ politics/government
X 1900-1999	__ art	__ entertainment/ recreation	__ landscape architecture	__ religion
__ 2000-	__ commerce	__ ethnic heritage	__ law	__ science
	__ communications	X exploration/ settlement	__ literature	__ social history
	__ community planning		__ maritime history	__ transportation
	__ conservation		__ military	__ other:

Specific dates Circa 1935 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Evaluation for:

X National Register ___ Maryland Register ___ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:	Western Maryland
Chronological/Developmental Period(s):	Modern Period, A.D. 1930 - Present
Historic Period Theme(s):	Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
Resource Type:	
Category:	Building
Historic Environment:	Rural/Suburban
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	Dwelling
Known Design Source:	None

9. Major Bibliographical References

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(See Continuation Sheet)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 0.61 acres
Acreage surveyed 0.61 acres
Quadrangle name Oakland, MD-WVA
Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 1671, Map 112, Grid 14

11. Form Prepared By

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city or town	Hunt Valley	state and zip code	MD 21030-1888

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032
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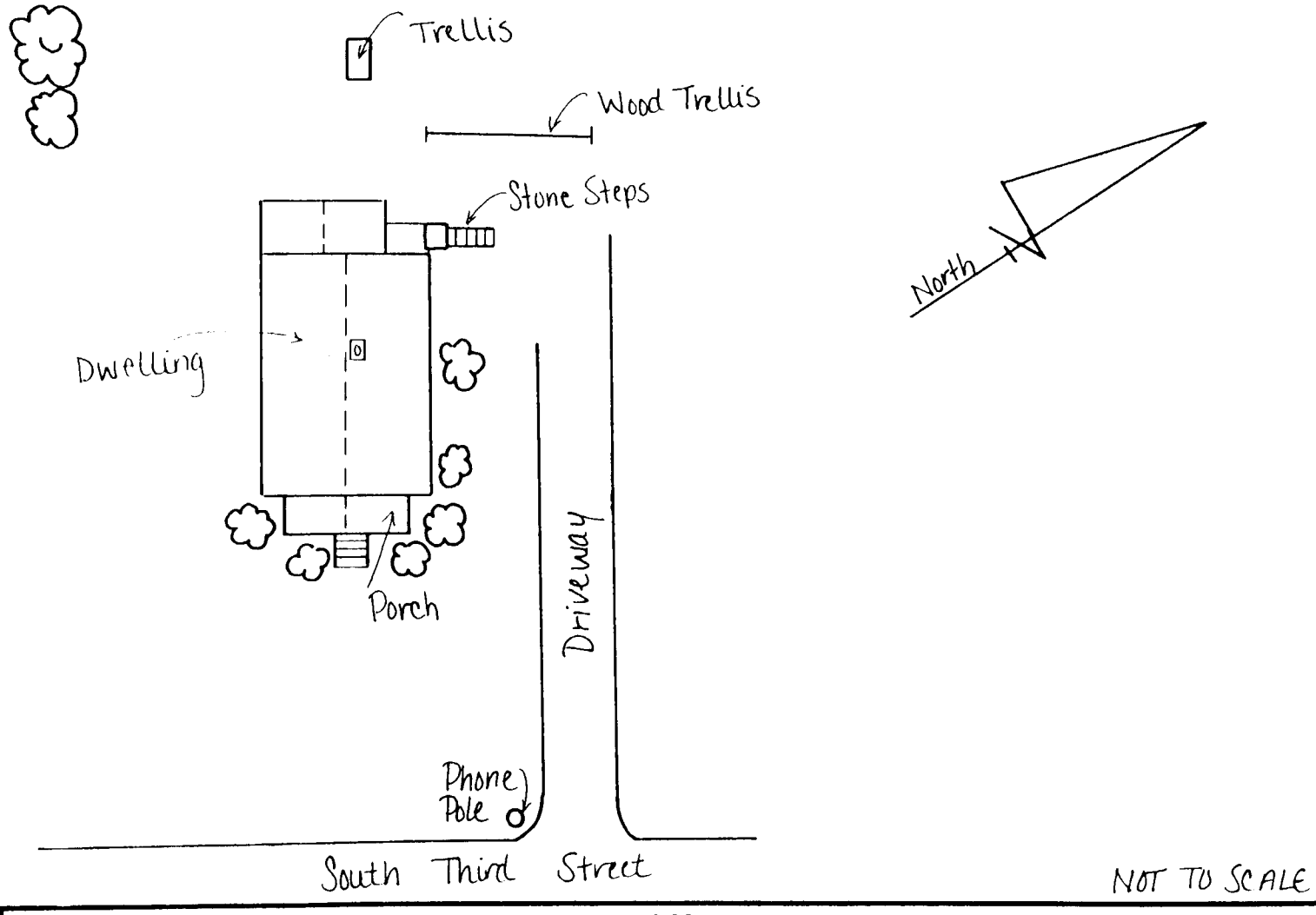

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Resource Sketch Map

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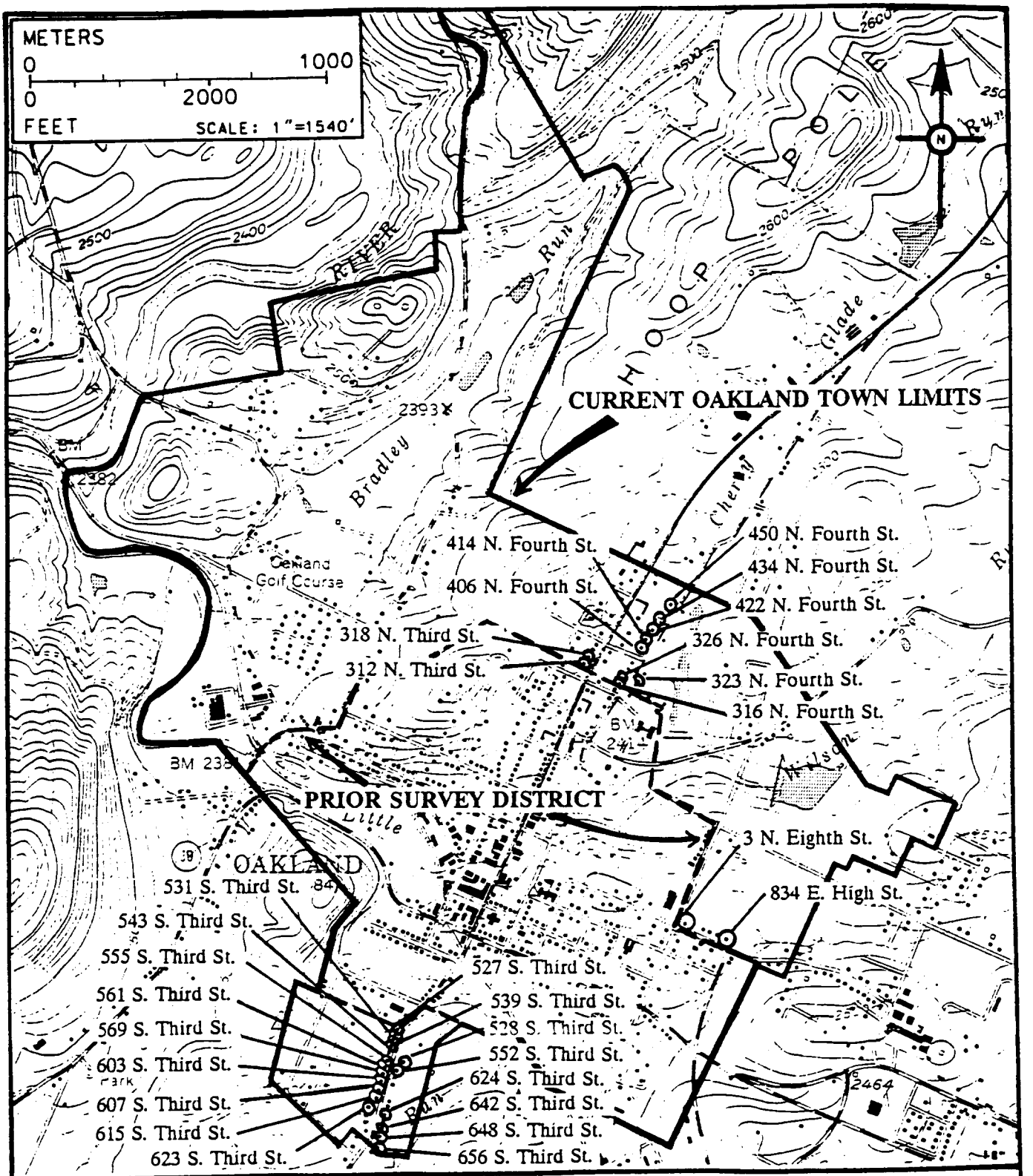
561 South Third Street

Oakland, Garrett County



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Addenda to Oakland Survey District

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Enlargement of the Oakland, MD-WVA (USGS 1974) 7.5 ' Quadrangle map showing the location of historic resources being added to the Oakland Survey District previously documented by the MHT.

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