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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Pearre - Metcalfe House

2 LOCATION

NE of Unionville off MD 31

STREET & NUMBER

mile south of Md. Rte. 31

West side of Albaugh Road, approximately one

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Unionville

XX VICINITY OF

Sixth

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Maryland

024

Frederick

021

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

Frances G. Metcalfe

STREET & NUMBER

Route 2, Box 119

CITY, TOWN

STATE

New Windsor

XX VICINITY OF

Maryland 21776

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Frederick,

Maryland 21776

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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 Pearre-Metcalf House is located on Albaugh Road approximately one mile south of Maryland Route 31 in Frederick County. A brick structure built in the mid-nineteenth century, this farmhouse is an example of the Greek Revival style influence in central Maryland rural architecture.

Two stories with a T-shape plan, this brick house is built on a fieldstone foundation that is constructed into a slight slope. The five-bay main facade is at the top of the slope and faces east. This facade is laid in all stretcher bond with a central doorway and a one-story, one-bay entrance porch. The porch has a gable roof with a dentil and molded cornice that returns slightly at the corners. The porch roof is supported by fluted columns that have plain Doric capitals. The doorway has a transom and sidelights with mullions arranged to form an alternating pattern of panes. There are pilaster strips with plain, flat capitals between the sidelights and the door. The door is ornamented by paneled surround and a molded, flat, wood lintel. This lintel design is repeated over the windows throughout the house. The central bay on the second story of the main facade has a four-over-four sash window with two-over-two sash sidelights. The other windows on the main facade and the windows in the two-story gable ends are four-over-four sash with a wide, reeded, vertical mullion and thin horizontal members. In the gables are round-arch attic windows. Interior end brick chimney stacks rise on both sides of the roof ridge, connected above the ridge by a brick hyphen at each gable end of the main section. A single chimney stack is on the gable end of the rear wing. There is a wood dentil cornice on the main facade and on the sides of the rear wing. Also on both sides of the rear wing are inset double-tier porches. A full basement exists on the south side of the wing because of the sloped site.

The interior of the main section is two rooms deep with a central hallway (see floor plan sketch). However, the stair hall does not extend the full length of the house, thus creating an irregular plan in which the space behind the stair hall becomes part of the southwest room. The first story of the rear wing houses the kitchen.

As with the exterior, the wood ornamentation of the interior provides a unique character to the house. The central hallway has cyma molded doorframes, a molded cornice and a staircase with an avoid handrail, square balusters and scroll bracket stair ends. The parlor has overpanels in the doorframes with stylized half-acanthus relief in the corners -- a pattern which is repeated on the interior window lintels of this room. The wood mantel in the parlor has an exaggerated acanthus relief above reeded half-columns, which flank a half-elliptical central body. The mantel in the southeast room has reeded half-columns supporting an upper section of rectangular forms and naturalistic carving. The wood door and nobled window frames vary throughout the house. The upstairs trim, however, is more plain in design, e.g., the upstairs mantel design is reduced to large forms and shapes. The second-story northeast room has an original wood mantel painted to imitate marble.

The only outbuilding on the property is a small, brick springhouse with corbelled brick cornice and tin roof.

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 checked="" 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
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<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 1859

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The mid-nineteenth century Pearre-Metcalf house is an example of the typical central Maryland farmhouse form but with variations in plan and ornamentation. The basic form is a five-by-two bay, two-story brick structure with interior gable end chimney stacks. The perimeter of the floor plan is also representative of the region with its rectangular main section and a central wing on the rear, but there is an asymmetrical layout of rooms because the central stair hall does not run the full length of the main section. A rural interpretation of the Greek Revival style is found in the ornamentation of the house. The Greek Revival elements of the main facade include the plain stretcher bond, the dentil cornice, the gable roof entrance porch, the flat, horizontally molded wood lintels, and the window mullions which emphasize the square window panes. The builder has used architectural ideas prevalent during the mid-nineteenth century to give the main facade a blockish, monumental quality, but the retention of the farmhouse characteristics intrude upon this impression. The interior ornamentation, which varies from room to room, also derives from contemporary sources and stands apart from the restrained ornamentation and symmetrical facade characteristic of the central Maryland farmhouse,

The house is built on a tract of land called "Pearre's Retreat" and "Addition to Pearre's Retreat." The Pearre family had large landholdings in this region. According to local tradition, this house was built in 1859 by John R. Stevens for his daughter who married Hickson Pearre. One of the roof rafters has "Built 1859 Francis L. Biefdler," written in white paint. The property remained in the Pearre family until 1923. The current owner purchased it in 1961.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Frederick County

Geneological Resources of Pearre family.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 15 acres

UTM REFERENCES

313-870			313-880				
A	18	314900	4372480	B	18	314910	4372240
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
313C	18	314510	4372310	D	18	314610	4372510

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

313-580

Beginning at a point on the west side of Albaugh Road about one mile south of Maryland Route 31, following Albaugh Road south 700 feet, passing the drive to the house, to a point on the west side of Albaugh Road, then going West North West 1,200 feet to a point, then North North East 600 feet to a point, then east 900 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 15 acres.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

njm

NAME / TITLE

Joseph Getty

May 1977

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

212 York Street

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Manchester,

STATE

Maryland 21102

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

J. Mitchell

4-23-79

TITLE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles A. Smith
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

W. J. ...
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
DATE 7-2-79

ATTEST: *Emma Jane Saxe*
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
Regional Review Coordinator

DATE 6-26-79

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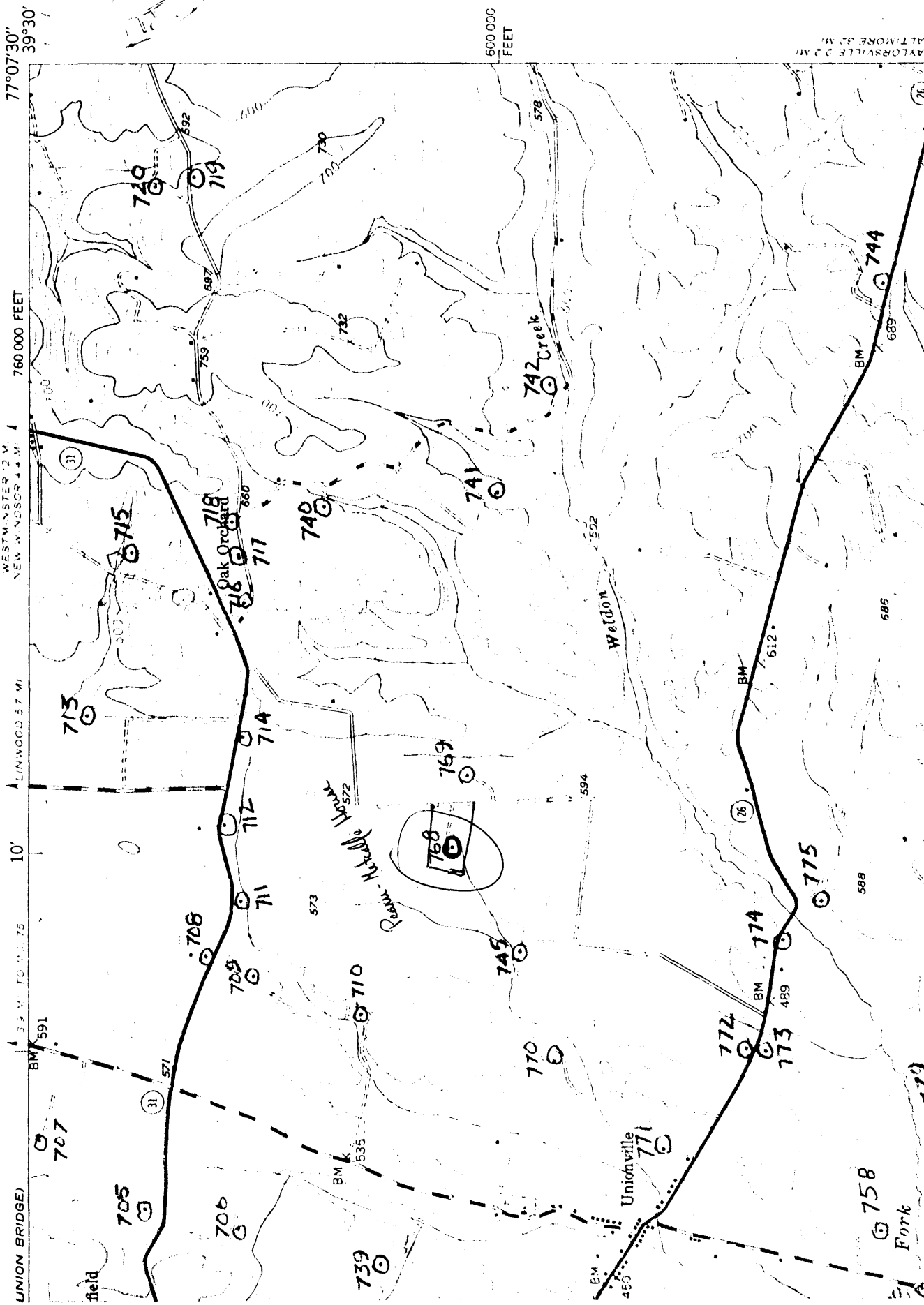
BOUNDARY EXPLANATION

The boundary as drawn for the Pearre-Metcalf house includes the house, springhouse, and entrance drive. The springhouse is located 300 feet southwest of the house. The rear (west) boundary was drawn paralleling the road and far enough behind the house to include the springhouse. The south boundary was also drawn to include the springhouse. The north and south boundaries both parallel the drive to include the approach to the house which, along with the building itself, is on a slight rise. The northwest boundary was determined by where the west and north lines, mentioned above, intersect.

Pearre-Metcalf
house

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
ENGINEERS

LIBERTYTOWN QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NW 1/4 MOUNT AIRY 15' QUADRANGLE



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(NEW WINDSOR)

MAY 1973
MASTER

JUL 2 1971

BALTIMORE 32 M
TAYLORVILLE 32 M