

Hensley Frame House  
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Hensley Frame House, located on the Orleans Road near Piney Plains, is typical of the many frame farm-houses built in eastern Allegany County during the early part of the 20th century. As the prosperity and economic importance of farming increased larger frame houses were built to accommodate traditionally large farm families. The house and attached summer kitchen is structurally sound and retains its original appearance.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Hensley Frame House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

western side of Orleans Road

Sixth

CITY, TOWN

Piney Plains

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**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

John H. Hensley

Telephone #: 478-2938

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 1 Box 105A

CITY, TOWN

Little Orleans

VICINITY OF

Maryland 21766

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 456  
 Folio #: 459

STREET &amp; NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE  
Maryland 21502**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<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

This frame house is located on the western side of Orleans Road near Piney Plains.

This rectangular two story, four bays wide structure is frame with german siding. The building rests on a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The gable front roof is covered with corugated aluminum. Wall features include fluted cornerboards. One outside end chimney is made of cinder-blocks.

Two pedimented entrances on the northeastern facade have fluted jambs, one original door remains. Pedimented one over one light, pegged windows with fluted frames have wooden lugsills. One gabled frame addition is on the northwest. Part of a shed roofed porch has been enclosed on the southwest. Behind it is a gabled frame summer kitchen with a tin roof.

On both the northeast and southwest there are shed roofed porches. The front porch has decoratively cut wooden posts. Both porch roofs are covered with ribbed tin.

**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 checked="" 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	
<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			

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SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Hensley Frame House is located in eastern Allegany County, a predominantly rural and agricultural area. No major industries or towns are located in this region, so the main occupation of the residents has been farming.

This frame house has a four bay wide facade rather than the more usual three or five bay facade in the county. The house retains much of its original appearance and serves as a memorial to farming families of eastern Allegany County.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2.80 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

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ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Site Survey

DATE

April 23, 1979

STREET &amp; NUMBER

3 Pershing Street

TELEPHONE

777-5944

CITY OR TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland 21502

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO: #170

DATE: 8-2

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

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NAME OF PROPERTY: Yanker

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Beall Grove

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Orleans Rd & Watson

NAME OF OWNER: NE CO

ADDRESS: Map 21 p. 112 John H. Hensley 456/459 2.80 Acres  
Rt 1 Box 105 A Middle O. ph. #478-2938

STORIES: 1( ) 2(✓) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3( ) 4(✓) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: cement foundation galbeled add, wider beveled german siding

DWELLING SHAPE: (square) cross, rectangular

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (✓) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- ( ) BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- ( ) STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- ( ) LOG
- ( ) OTHER: Coverings

perman siding narrow beled

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others Fluted cornerboards?

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(✓) 2/2( ) 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( ) Fluted  
pegged(✓) nailed( ) wide( ) narrow( ) mitred( ) pediment(✓)

wood lugsills

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: 2 center NE one replaced (fluted pedimented jamb)

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced( )  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal Boards  
Bottom up 3 vertical recessed  
architrave trim - 2 sq same  
one light painted. orig. hardware

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)  
original( ) replaced( ) rafter ends, modillions, dentils, (frieze) architrave

ROOF: Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers #  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt; original( ) replaced(✓)

corrugated aluminum

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed(✓) hip( ) gable( )  
rear shed in roof - ribbed partially enclosed  
of decoratively carved round & sq. cement block  
latted?

CHIMNEYS: Number: 1 Brick( ) Stone( ) Corbeled( ) original( ) replaced(✓)  
Location: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end(✓) Central( ) Interior( )

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

USE:  
SIGNIFICANCE:  
DATE CONSTRUCTED:  
CONDITION:

connected summerhouse corner boards  
same alder siding galbe front corrugated  
tin roof

FLOOR PLAN:

- ( ) CENTRAL HALL: Two rooms, each side; double parlor, one side
- ( ) SIDE HALL: One room deep, two rooms deep
- ( ) IRREGULAR

STAIRWAYS:

- ( ) ENCLOSED: Single flight, two flights with landing
- ( ) OPEN: Single flight, two flights - one landing, three flights - two landings
- ( ) DOG-LEG
- ( ) DOG-LEG with WINDERS
- ( ) SPIRAL
- ( ) ROUNDED
- ( ) SYMMETRICAL DIVIDED FLIGHTS

WALL FINISH:

- ( ) PLASTER
- ( ) PANELED: original; replaced
- ( ) BOARD PARTITION: baseboard, cornice, chair rail, wainscot

FIREPLACES:

NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 LOCATION: parallel to walls, diagonal  
 MANTELS: wood mouldings, pilasters, columns, masonry, marble

DOORS: paneled, board and batten, flush

HARDWARE: original; replaced

DOOR & WINDOW TRIM:

- ( ) PLAIN
- ( ) ARCHITRAVE
- ( ) SYMMETRIC with CORNER BLOCKS
- ( ) FLUTED
- ( ) FLUTED with CORNER BLOCKS
- ( ) ARCHED OPENINGS: elliptical, tudor

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HENSLEY FRAME HOUSE  
ORLEANS RD PINEY PLAINS  
US G S BELLE GROVE QUAD  
1951

ORLEANS  
HOOP FOLE  
ROD  
669  
TLEMYER  
Ford  
RISER  
Swain  
Creek  
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EAST