

BRICK MINING BUILDINGS

AL-V-A-049
Old Legislative Road, Midlothian
ca. 1850

The Brick Mining Buildings consist of a cluster of three brick buildings; a two story "L" shaped facade flanked by one story, square shaped structures. The facades are of American Common Bond construction and are believed to have served as stables and scales for the New Central Mining Company. The New Central Company built the structures circa 1850 and were solely responsible for the operation of the mines and the growth of the village of Midlothian.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Brick Mining Buildings **New Central Company**

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Legislative Road

CITY, TOWN

Midlothian

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

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

Garage & Storage

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Lester Chapman

Telephone #: 689-9177

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box

CITY, TOWN

Midlothian

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 329

Folio #: 14

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

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 type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Brick Mining Buildings are located on the east side of the Old Legislative Road in Midlothian, Allegany County, near the intersection of the road to Carlos.

The site basically consists of a cluster of three brick buildings; a two story, "L" shaped facade flanked by one story, square shaped structures. A two story wing with shed roof abuts the central building while the other two have no additions. The buildings are brick facades with American Common Bond construction. All of the structures are supported by low stone foundations with plain water tables. The roof of the central building is gabled while the two flanking buildings feature hipped roofs, and all are covered with asphalt materials. The eaves feature boxed cornices and soffit and the two end buildings exhibit louvered copulas. Windows in the buildings include double hung wooden sash frames with one over one and six over six lights with semi-circular arches and hood molds. Entrances are located on the front western faces and exhibit replaced doors. Two original corbeled brick chimneys are located to the interior of the two northern buildings, while only one is found on the southern structure.

The buildings are structurally sound but have been somewhat altered to be used for garage and storage spaces.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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	
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Brick Mining Buildings are a series of structures that were erected by the New Central Mining Company in the mid 19th century. The New Central Company owned and operated the mines in the Village of Midlothian during the mining era in the George's Creek Valley, and the mines supported a population of 398 according to the tenth U.S.G.S; census report, 1880.¹ The buildings were used for stables for the housing of workponies and also the housing of the scales for weighing the coal. In 1873, miners became convinced that the company was cheating them of their full salary and struck. The miners "complained of short weight and demanded that the scales be adjusted, that the miners be granted the privilege of placing a check weighman at the dump, and that the weight of each car be marked upon its side."² The company granted all of these demands.

To bring attention to their greivences, the miners of the New Central Company advertised their complaints in the "Frostburg Mining Journal" and also scheduled a meeting concerning the forming of a miners union.³ The forming of the union came into being and were to be known as "The Miners and Laborers Protective and Benevolent Association of Allegany Co. Maryland. The union was initiated by the workers at the Midlothian mines.

The buildings are presently in fair condition and are being used for garage space.

1 HARVEY, Katherine A. The Best Dressed Miners, Cornell Univeristy Press, 1969, pp. 84
 2 ibid pp. 168
 3 ibid pp. 169

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MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland
Harvey, Katherine A. The Best Dressed Miners (Ithaca, N.Y.
Cornell University Press, 1969)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 9.41 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

12/10/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LAVale

STATE

Maryland

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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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. A1-V-A-~~1~~ ⁰⁴⁹

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DATE: 11/19/76

9.41 Acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Brick Mining Buildings

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Old Legislative Bld., Middlethian

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: West

NAME OF OWNER: ^{Lester} Chapman 689-9177

ADDRESS: P.O. Middlethian M.D. 21543

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: 3 Bldgs

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

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS Plain

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()
Semi-Circular Hood Mallepegged () nailed() wide () narrow () mitred () pediment ()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: _____
HARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) Boxed Cornices
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, BORNERS #
Copula MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2+2+1 BRICK() STONE() CORBELLED() original() replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:
Use - Garages
Significance - Arch. Industry
Date Constructed -
Condition - Fair

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 Old Legislative Rd. - Midlothian
 Frostburg, MD. - PA
 1:24,000
 1949

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SECTION VII

FROSTBURG
 (Separate Map)

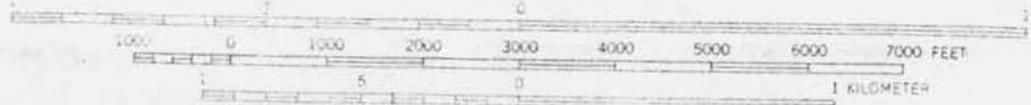
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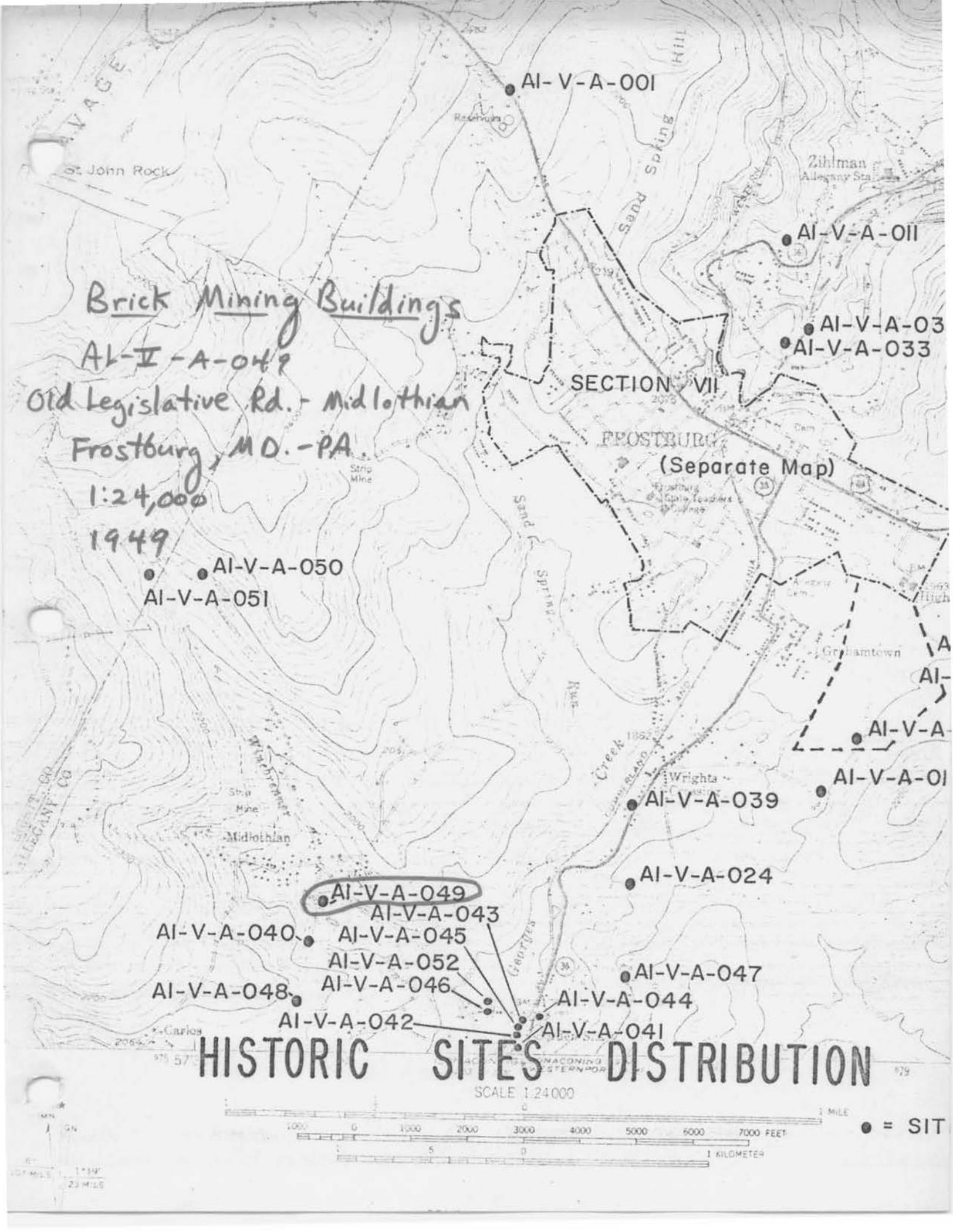
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South



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