

**Addendum to  
Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Survey Inventory Form  
CARR-642**

- 1. Name** - Historic Name - John Loatz Farm  
Common Name - Miller House
  
- 2. Location** - West of MD Route 30  
2315 Fridinger Mill Road  
Manchester , Maryland 21102
  
- 3. Classification**  
  
Category - buildings  
Ownership - private  
Public Acquisition - not applicable  
Status - occupied  
Accessible - restricted to exterior  
Present Use - private residence
  
- 4. Owner of Property**  
  
Earl Miller  
2315 Fridinger Mill Road  
Manchester , MD 21102
  
- 5. Location of Legal Description**  
  
Carroll County Tax Assessor  
Winchester Exchange Bldg. - Main Street  
Westminster, Maryland  
Block 14/ Lot 25
  
- 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**  
Unchanged
  
- 7. Description**  
  
Condition - Fair  
Altered  
Original site

### **Summary paragraph:**

This two-and-a-half story vinyl sided, brick structure has been substantially altered on the exterior of the main block while the visible interior has suffered deterioration. The bank barn is in good condition and used for the storage of tractors and other related equipment.

### **Description**

The John Loatz Farm is a 2-1/2 story, 3-by-2 bay brick with vinyl siding house on the south side of Fridinger Mill Road, south of Melrose, Carroll County. Based on a brief interview with the owner during a recent field survey, there is an eighteenth century log core house within the north section of the main block.

The main block, circa 1820-1830, has wood, double-hung six-over-one windows capped by rectangular wood lintels. The ridge line of the asphalt shingle, gable roof is parallel to the road. There is an interior brick chimney on the west gable end. A 2-1/2 story, 2-by-2 bay brick and vinyl sided addition is located on the south elevation, perpendicular to the main block. The addition has wood, double-hung, six-over-six windows with rectangular wood lintels and an asphalt shingle, gable roof with an interior brick chimney on the south gable end. The main block has an open, wood porch along its north facade while the addition had a larger, open wood porch with square columns along the east elevation.

The barn, a mid to late nineteenth century frame structure on a fieldstone foundation, is built into a slight bank. 3-by-2 bays, the barn has two wood ventilator windows on both east and west elevations. The north elevation forebay has two openings, an arched wood ventilator window and a wood hay door. The barn foldyard is oriented to the north. A small frame and metal sheet shed is located to the north of the barn and a frame, shed roof garage/tractor shed to the south.

**Contributing Resources: 3**

## **8. Significance**

### **Summary paragraph:**

The John Loatz Farm is a rural vernacular structure with a four-over-four plan. The simplicity of style indicates that the main block mirrored the log core house's form and fenestration without the addition of Georgian or Federal detailing found on many of the farmsteads within the project area. Within many rural communities, styles such as Georgian, Federal and Greek Revival were commingled with a rural vernacular style to

create a subtle or simpler version of the “high” style of architecture. Plans and designs were found in various publications such as the 1821 Domestic Encyclopedia and as residents prospered economically or saw their families increase, they not only enlarged their existing structures but also updated them periodically in the current styles obtained from the plan books.

### **History:**

The John Loatz Farm is located on Fridinger Mill Road west of Maryland Route 30 and south of Melrose. According to the owner, Earl Miller, there is an eighteenth century log core house located within the north section of the main block. The main block was built circa 1820-1830 with subsequent additions circa 1850-1870 and 1930-1950. The 2-1/2 story addition on the south elevation is built into a slight bank and is a two-over one plan with the first floor being the kitchen area.

The frame and fieldstone barn is also built into a slight bank and is oriented towards the north. The original cedar shingle roof has been replaced by metal sheeting with the ridge line parallel to the road. As the farm no longer has livestock, the barn is used by Mr. Miller for storage of personal items and machinery. The property is visible on the 1865 Martenet and Bond map [owner - J. Loatz], the 1877 Griffing & Stevenson Atlas [owner -J. Loatz] and the 1916 Rand Mc Nally Atlas [owner -W.H. Lippy].

### **Evaluation:**

Constructed circa 1790-1798 with subsequent additions circa 1820-1830, 1850-1870 and 1930-1950, the John Loatz Farm is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A; no significant events historically or agriculturally have been determined to be associated with the property. The property is not eligible under Criterion B; no person significant in local, state or national history has been associated with the property. The property is not eligible under Criterion C; the house is a vernacular type that does not embody the distinctive characteristics of a particular style. The style is indigenous to the rural landscape between Carroll County and Pennsylvania counties along the state line and there are more intact and noteworthy structures within the project area that meet the criterion. In addition, the integrity of the property has been compromised to a large degree.

## **9. Major Bibliographical References -**

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**10. Geographical Data -**

**Acreage:** 54.91

**Quadrangle name -** Manchester

**Quadrangle scale -** 1 to 24,000

**Verbal Boundary Description:**

The boundary of the property is coterminous with Carroll County Tax Map Block 14 / Lot 25, which encompasses 54.91 acres historically associated with the property.

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**June , 1996**

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Eligibility Recommended _____	Eligibility Not Recommended <u>XX</u>
Comments: _____	
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Reviewer, OPS: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>8/21/96</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>BR</u>	Date: <u>"</u>

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**Maryland Historic Preservation Plan Historic Contexts:**

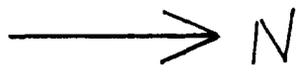
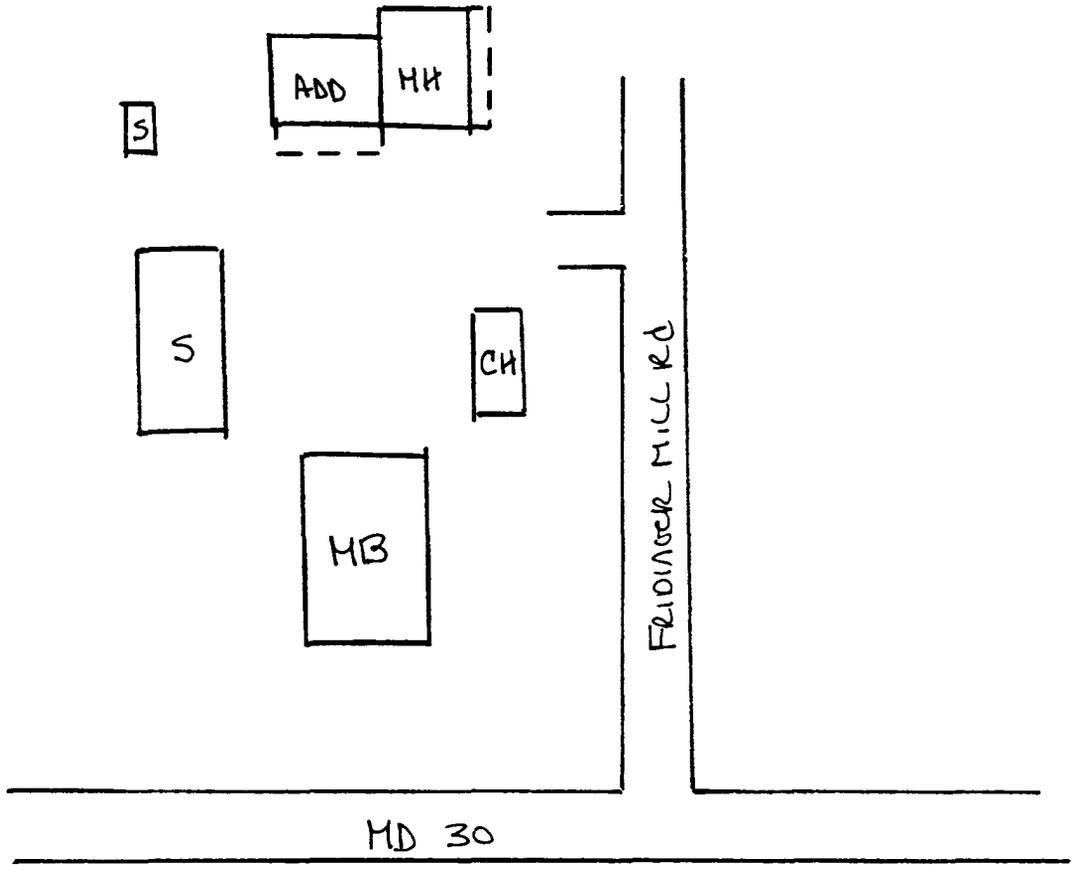
*Geographic Organization:* Piedmont

*Chronological/Development Periods:* Rural Agrarian Intensification - A.D. 1680-1815  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition - A.D. 1815-1870

*Historic Period Themes:* Architecture

*Resource Types:* Farmhouse, Farmstead

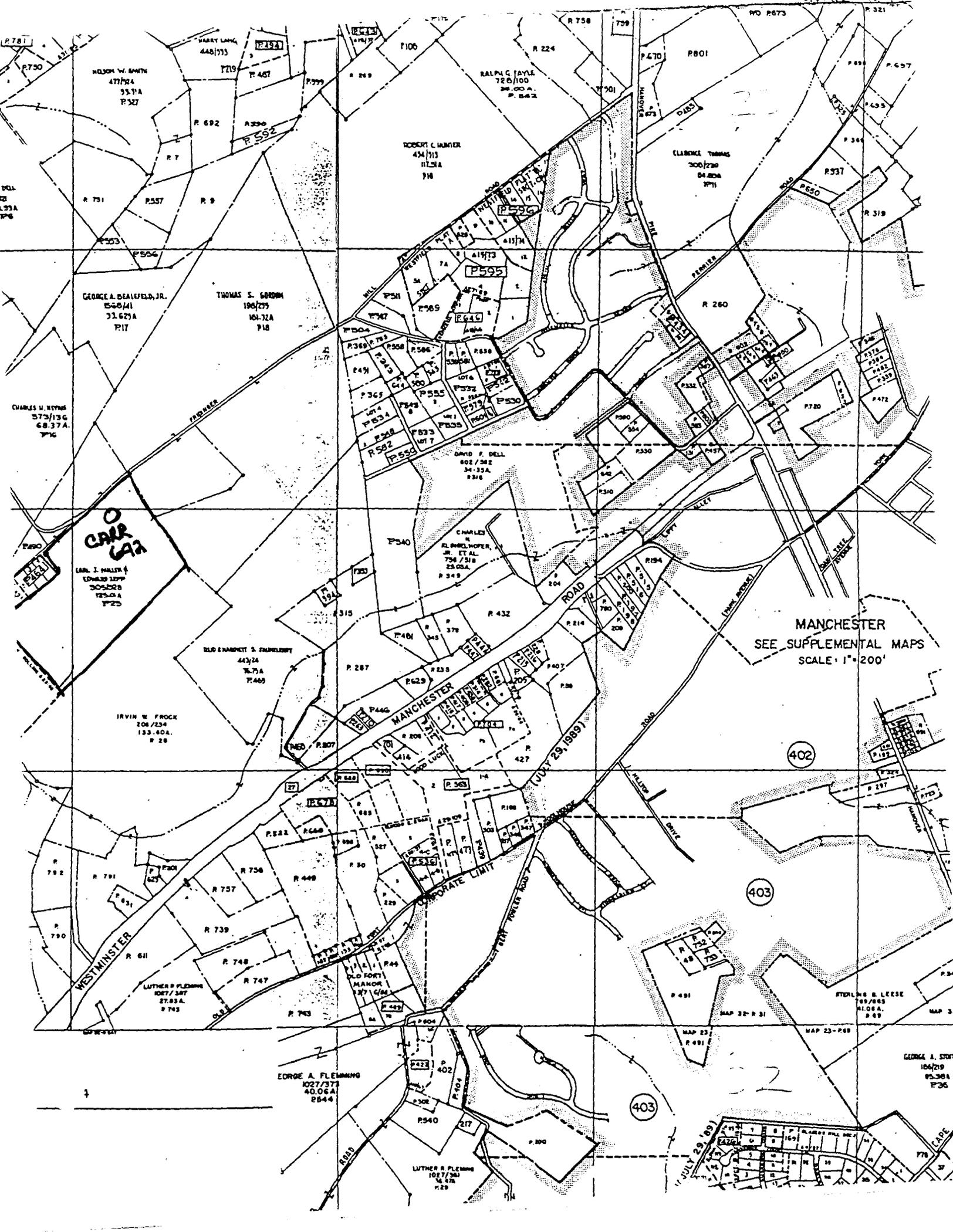
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John Loatz Farm  
Manchester vicinity  
Carroll County  
Manchester Quad

**SITE PLAN ABBREVIATIONS**

ADD	-	Addition
CC	-	Corn Crib
CH	-	Carriage House
CKH	-	Chicken House
CS	-	Cow Stalls
G	-	Garage
GR	-	Generator Room
HP	-	Hog Pens
MB	-	Main Barn
MH	-	Main House
MR	-	Milk Room
OB	-	Outbuilding
OH	-	Outhouse
PH	-	Pump House
RC	-	Root Cellar
S	-	Shed
SB	-	Secondary Barn
SH	-	Summer House
SK	-	Summer Kitchen
SPH	-	Spring House
ST	-	Stables
TH	-	Tenant House
W	-	Well



MANCHESTER  
SEE SUPPLEMENTAL MAPS  
SCALE 1" = 200'

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EDRDE A. FLEMING  
1027/273  
40.06A  
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LUTHER P. FLEMING  
1027/273  
27.83A  
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CAMP CAR

MANCHESTER

CORPORATE LIMIT

(JULY 29, 1989)

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GEORGE A. STOR  
106/219  
85.36A  
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STEARNS B. LEESE  
709/885  
148.8A  
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(JULY 29, 1989)

CHARLES H. REYER  
573/136  
68.37A  
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GEORGE A. DEALFIELD, JR.  
156/41  
33.629A  
P. 117

THOMAS S. GORDON  
190/275  
104.32A  
P. 118

ROBERT C. HAMNER  
434/113  
112.5A  
P. 118

RALPH C. BAYLE  
720/100  
36.00 A.  
P. 542

CLARENCE THOMAS  
300/270  
84.82A  
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DAVID F. DELL  
402/382  
34.35A  
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CHARLES W.  
KLOMBELHOPFER,  
JR., ET AL  
704/318  
23.02A  
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IRVIN W. FROCK  
208/234  
133.40A.  
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BLD. SHANNETT S. FARMLEY  
443/24  
16.75A  
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HAROLD W. SMITH  
477/24  
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HARRY LANG  
448/113

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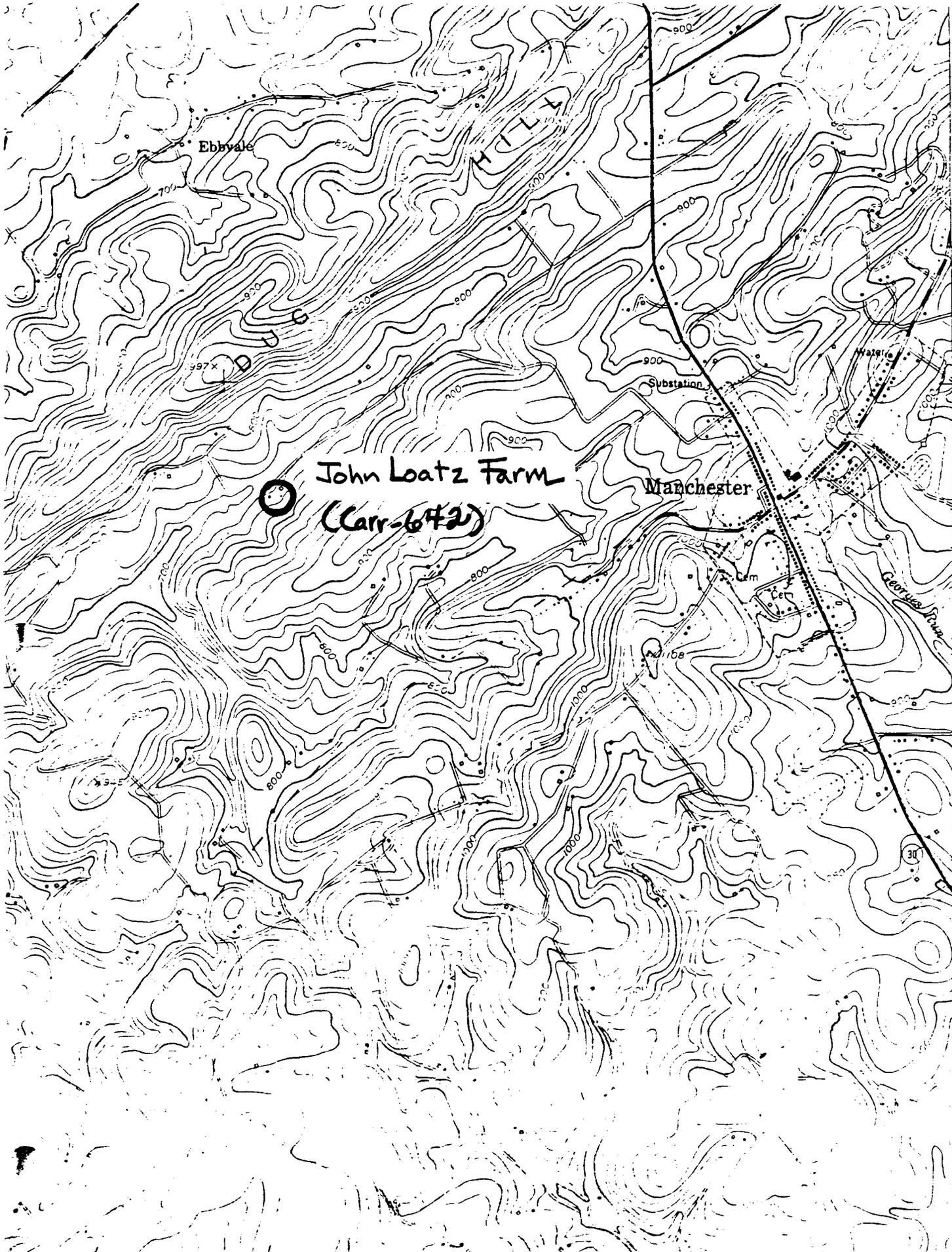
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John Loatz Farm  
(Carr-642)

Substation

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M 108

Georgetown

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HAMPSTEAD 2.8 MI.  
BALTIMORE 28 MI.

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1. CARR : 642
2. Carroll County
3. Madeline Scheerer
4. June 1996
5. Maryland SHPO
6. John Loaty Farm  
2315 Fridinger Mill Rd  
NE elevation - house

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1. CARR: 642
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2315 Fridinger Mill Rd.  
West Elevation - house
- 7 2/3



1. CARR: 642

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4. June 1996

5. Maryland SHPO

6 John Loaty Farm

2315 Fridinger Mill Rd

West Elevation - barn

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
John Loatz Farm  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
South side Fridinger Mill Road  
CITY, TOWN  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
 VICINITY OF Manchester  
STATE  
Maryland  
COUNTY  
Carroll 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	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Telephone #:  
STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN  
VICINITY OF  
STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC  
Liber #:  
Folio #:  
STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN  
STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
DATE  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
CITY, TOWN  
STATE  
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

**7 DESCRIPTION**

**CONDITION**

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR

- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED (*minor*)

**CHECK ONE**

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Loatz Farm is located on the south side of Fridinger Mill Road, northwest of Manchester, in an open agricultural setting of fields, with woods to the south.

The house faces north toward the road, and is two stories high, gable roofed with ridge parallel to the road. To the rear is an ell which is perpendicular to the main block, and is also gable roofed. On the east wall of this rear ell is an interesting porch and stairway. The west wall of this ell is being partially enclosed by an outer wall and new siding.

The property is probably that of John Loatz shown on the 1862 Martenet and 1877 Lake, Griffing and Stevenson atlases of Carroll County.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

**PERIOD**

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

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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)     |
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**SPECIFIC DATES**

**BUILDER/ARCHITECT**

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Loatz Farm is significant for its very interesting house, whose Germanic form is clearly expressed despite some new exterior siding. It also has an interesting rear ell with an unusual type of porch and stairway. The complex retains its undisturbed agricultural setting.

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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

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

April 1930

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle - Shaw House

TELEPHONE

269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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



Ebbvale

HILL

John Loatz Farm  
(Carr-672)

Manchester

Substation

Water

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Cem

Georgetown

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40'

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(PA.)

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