

D-27
Medicine Hill
Golden Hill vicinity
c. 1815, c. 1880
Private

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The land on which the complex is located is framed by tributaries and marsh surrounding the Honga River. Historically called "Richard's Beginning," the property was later renamed Medicine Hill, most likely due to its occupancy by Dr. Robert F. Tubman (1792-1864), during the early nineteenth century. Ann Marie Tubman (1811-1889) married John Easley Applegarth (1814-1887), who surfaces in the land records as a large landholder, who by the time of the 1860 census amassed real estate and personal property valued at \$6,000. In addition to his career as a farmer, he also ran the local store on his property. Medicine Hill passed to William F. Applegarth (1842-1889, who rose in the ranks of the county business community, and later as delegate and senator in the Maryland legislature. He was closely associated with both the Farmers & Merchants National Bank as well as the Dorchester National Bank. He resided at Medicine Hill

during the later stages of his life. The Medicine Hill farm has remained in Applegarth family ownership to this day.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Medicine Hill
 other J. E. Applegarth Farm, Dr. Robert F. Tubman House

2. Location

street and number 1130 Hip Roof Road not for publication
 city, town Golden Hill vicinity
 county Dorchester

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

name Paul V. Applegarth
 street and number 94 Meadow Wood Drive telephone _____
 city, town Greenwich state Connecticut zip code 06830

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dorchester County Clerk of Court liber 227 folio 31
 city, town Cambridge tax map 77 tax parcel 22 tax ID number 05-069580

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	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<u>9</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<u>9</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture		
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion		
		<input type="checkbox"/> social		
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 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.

DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

The John. E. Applegarth farm, also known as the Medicine Hill farm, is located between Hip Roof Road and Hooper Island Road in the northwestern corner of the Lakes Election District of Dorchester County, Maryland. The farm complex, consisting of a house, smokehouse, concrete block pump house, attached dairy and a detached dairy, stable, granary and barn is joined on the farm as well by a two-story, gable-front store building (see D-820) that has an earlier single-story early nineteenth century side wing. The complex is reached by a narrow farm lane that crosses a small feeder stream of Spicer Creek, a tributary of the Honga River. The complex is situated on a ridge of land surrounded by marsh in the vicinity of the former crossroads community of Golden Hill. Centered in the complex is a two-story frame dwelling built in stages between c. 1815 and c. 1880. The long, eight-bay frame dwelling is supported by a continuous brick foundation, and the exterior is partially sheathed with beaded weatherboards. The medium pitched gable roof, reworked during the late nineteenth century with extended eaves with returns, is covered with an asphalt shingle roof. The extended eaves to the roof edge were likely modified with the addition of a two-story, two-bay frame porch tower that shelters the main entrance. Attached to the east end of the two-story dwelling is an early nineteenth century kitchen featuring an exterior brick chimney stack. Attached to the back porch of the kitchen is a single-story, pyramidal roofed frame dairy accented with a pyramidal roofed cupola. Standing directly east of the exterior brick chimney stack is a single-story, rusticated concrete block well house. To the south of the kitchen is a single-story frame smokehouse. Standing east of the smokehouse is a single-story board-and-batten frame stable. Behind the house are several other outbuildings including another dairy building supported on brick piers and covered by a medium pitched gable roof supported by diagonal brackets. North of the house is a bi-level frame granary resting on brick piers and sheathed with board-and-batten siding. The gable roofed granary is extended to its west side by an enclosed shed roofed section and to the east by an open shed roofed wagon bay. Behind the granary is a gable roofed barn covered with a gable roof and sheathed with vertical board siding. Also standing on the property is a two-story gable-front store building. (See D-820)

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The property known as Medicine Hill is located between Hip Roof and Hooper Island Road in the northwestern corner of the Lakes Election District in southwestern Dorchester County, Maryland. The farm complex is access by a narrow lane that crosses a feeder stream of Spicer Creek, a tributary of the Honga River in the vicinity of Golden Hill. The two-story, early nineteenth century frame house, is supported on a continuous brick foundation, and exterior is sheathed with a combination of beaded and plain weatherboards. The two-story, eight-bay frame house was built in distinct stages with the oldest two-story, center hall/single-pile main block dating around 1815. The original two-story, five-bay center hall/single-pile frame dwelling is framed by tall brick chimney stacks finished with corbelled caps and beltcourses. During the late nineteenth century a two-story, two-bay frame porch tower type

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attached was added to the front of the house, and an adjacent part of the service wing was raised from one story to two.

The south (main) elevation is an asymmetrical eight-bay façade with a projecting porch tower, built around 1880, sheltering the front entrance. The first floor is lighted by a combination of nine-over-six and six-over-six sash windows flanked by louvered shutters. While the first floor of the porch tower is screened in, the second story is enclosed and defined by two-over-two sash windows. Fixed in the gable end is a tripartite Palladian inspired window with a center two-over-two sash window flanked by single-pane sash sidelights. The edge of the tower roof is extended with returns at this base. The second story of the main block is lighted by six-over-six sash windows, each flanked by louvered shutters. The original two-story main block is defined by a pair of tall brick chimney stacks, the west end stack is an exterior chimney, while the east end stack rises through the roof. The adjacent two-bay section to the original main block consists of a first period single story section that was later raised to a two-story height. The first story is lighted by a nine-over-six sash window and two door openings sheltered by a shed roofed pen supported on brackets. Attached to the east end of this section is a single story gable roofed kitchen served by an exterior corbelled base chimney stack.

Standing off the southeast corner of the kitchen is a single-story, gable roofed frame smokehouse supported on a brick piers and covered with plain weatherboard siding. The gable-front structure is covered by a steeply pitched roof finished with flush gable ends. An off-center board and batten door hung on long strap hinges provides access to the one-room interior, which shows characteristic signs of curing meat.

Located to the east of the smokehouse is a gable roofed frame stable supported by brick piers and covered by vertical board siding. The stable is extended on its east side by an open shed roofed bay. Board doors provide access in various sides as well as the loft.

A slight distance to the northwest of the stable is a pyramidal roofed, rusticated concrete block pump house pierced by a diagonal board door on its east face. The pyramidal roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Sited a few feet northwest of the pump house is an early twentieth century pyramidal roofed dairy building sheathed with plain weatherboard siding and capped with a pyramidal roofed cupola atop the asphalt shingle roof. The dairy building stands directly adjacent to a back porch off the kitchen wing. Small louvered openings mark several sides, and a door pierces the west face.

Centrally located in the backyard is a small mid nineteenth century frame dairy supported on brick piers and covered by a medium pitched gable roof with extended eaves supported on stick brackets. A board and batten door pierces the east face and louvered openings define the other sides.

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A range of farm buildings is located across the back of the yard, and the principal buildings is a story-and-a-half frame granary supported on brick piers and sheathed with vertical board-and-batten siding. A steeply pitched gable roof finished with slightly extended eaves is covered with a layer of asphalt shingles. Attached to the east side of the granary is an open shed-roofed wagon bay, and to the west is an enclosed shed roofed addition to the main block. Behind the granary is a long gable roofed barn and implement storage shed covered with gable roofs and sheathed with vertical boards or horizontal weatherboards.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

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 projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY

The property known as Medicine Hill for the past two centuries is defined by an important group of early nineteenth domestic and agricultural buildings that define the yard around a prominent two-story Federal period frame plantation house built around 1810-20. The complex is one of the most complete in Dorchester County and includes a frame smokehouse, frame stable, two frame dairy buildings, a granary as well as a two-story store building erected in two distinct phases and survives with an older single-story side wing. (See D-820) The farm is associated with the Tubman and Applegarth families were prominent landowners in southwestern Dorchester County during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

The land on which the complex is located is framed by tributaries and marsh surrounding the Honga River. Historically called "Richard's Beginning," the property was later called Medicine Hill, most likely due to its occupancy by Dr. Robert F. Tubman (1792-1864) during the early nineteenth century. Ann Marie Tubman (1811-1889) married John Easley Applegarth (1814-1887), who surfaces in the land records as a large land holder, who by 1860 had amassed real estate and personal property valued at \$6,000.¹ In addition to his career as a farmer, he also ran the local store as a merchant.² Medicine Hill passed to William F. Applegarth (1842-1889), who rose in the ranks of the local business community and later as a delegate and senator in the Maryland legislature. He was closely associated with both the Farmers & Merchants National Bank as well as the Dorchester National Bank. He resided at Medicine Hill during the later stages of his life. The Medicine Hill farm has remained in Applegarth family ownership to this day.

¹ Eighth Census of the United States, Dorchester Population Schedule (1860), ancestry.com.

² John L. Graham, *The 1877 Atlases and Other Early Maps of the Eastern Shore of Maryland*. Wicomico Bicentennial Committee, 1976, p. 85.

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Golden Hill vicinity, Dorchester County, Maryland
Chain-of-title

Map 77, Parcel 22

227/31

S. Hubert Applegarth, Jr. of Dorchester County, William F. Applegarth IV,
of Atlanta County, Georgia, and Charles H. Applegarth of New Castle Co.,
Delaware

to

5.12.1983

William Francis Applegarth, IV

Whereas the three said Grantors are the owners of certain real estate which was conveyed to them by deed from the Equitable Trust, et al., dated July 2, 1982, and recorded in PLC 223/583

Parcel No. One "All that tract or parcel of land known locally as the Charles Shenton Wind Mill Site" fronting on the Eastward side of the Smithville county Road and the Northeastward side of the county road which connects the Smithville road and the State Road leading to Hoopers Island and which in the Deed unto L. Theophilus Spicer from Bertha M. Spicer, dated 11.26.1946, and Recorded in RSM 60/298, containing one-half acre of land immediately at the forks of the two county roads above mentioned, as conveyed to The Co-Operative Store Company by deed from Nelson A. and Joseph R. Shenton and others, dated 11.29.1916, WHM 4/631; being the same land and property conveyed in a deed from Joseph L. Spicer, et ux, et al., unto Anita A. France dated 2.12.1970, PLC 165/6

Parcel No. Two All of that tract of land conveyed in a deed from Phillips Lee Goldsborough, et al, Trustees, unto Annette K. Applegarth, dated 11.24.1922 and recorded among the land records in JFD 13/418; All those tracts or parcels of land situate lying and being in the Lakes Election District, commonly called Medicine Hill, and the lots or parcels of land being bounded on the north by the Public county road and by Harpers Creek, on the east by Honga River on the south and west Great Marsh Creek and Mill Creek, containing about 190 acres, being

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especially those parts or parcels of land described as Lot or Tract No. 1 in a deed for the said property from Samuel A. Keene and wife to the said William F. Applegarth, dated 9th day of July 1888, and recorded in CL 11/691, and the same and identical property designated as Lot No. 11 in the first advertisement of the sale of the real estate of William F. Applegarth, and the same property designated as Parcel No. 11 in the First Report of Sales of the real estate of William F. Applegarth filed in No. 3937 Chancery in the Circuit Court of Dorchester County.

WHM 9/52

William F. Applegarth

to

7.14.1920

Philips Lee Goldsborough, Emerson E. Harrington, E. McClure Rouser

the said William F. Applegarth does hereby grant, convey and assign unto the grantees all his estate and property of every nature, kind and description, real, personal, or mixed, in possession or expectancy and wherever situated.

CL 11/691

Samuel A. Keene and Nora S. Keene

to

7.9.1888

William F. Applegarth

(Nora S. Keene and William F. Applegarth sole heirs of John E. Applegarth, late of Martinsburg, West Virginia, who died intestate)

\$9,500 1st ...all those tracts or parcels of land situated in the Lakes District and commonly called Medicine Hill being the same lands sold to the said Applegarth by Benjamin G. Keene, Trustee

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FJH 9/447

Benjamin G. Keene, executor of the last will and testament of
Robert F. Tubman

to

7.2.1874

John E. Applegarth

“Richards Beginning” known as Medicine Hill 78 acres

ER 4/67

Dorsey Wyvill

to

Written
11.27.1815
Recorded
2.26.1816

Robert F. Tubman

\$1,400 75 acres

all that part or parcel of a Tract of land called Richards Beginning lying on Mount Pleasant and being in Dorchester County, Beginning for the out bounds of said Tract of land at the mount of a Ditch and on the North side of said ditch where stands a locust post on the side of a gut on the west side of Shentons Point being part of said Richards Beginning

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St. Mary's Star-of-the-Sea Catholic Church Cemetery

Burials

John E. Applegarth, born 5.23.1814, died 3.7.1887
Wife, Ann M. Tubman, born 5.2.1811, died 5.7.1889

William F. Applegarth, born 1842, died 1920, wife Annette Keene, 1858-1943
William F. Applegarth, Jr. born 9.24.1877, died 1.2.1937

William F. Applegarth was president of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank and a director of the
Dorchester National Bank

Maryland House of Delegates 1894
Maryland Senate 1904

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Ancestry.com

Dorchester County Land Records, various volumes, Dorchester County Courthouse.

Graham, John L. *The 1877 Atlases and Other Early Maps of the Eastern Shore of Maryland*. Wicomico Bicentennial Committee (1976)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 194 acres

Acreage of historical setting 78 acres

Quadrangle name Golden Hill, MD Quadrangle Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The metes and bounds of this property are coincidental with the current boundary of the lot.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian		
organization	Chesapeake Country Heritage & Preservation	date	10.1.2012
street & number	Cedar Hill, P. O. Box 5	telephone	410-651-1094
city or town	Westover	state	Maryland 21871

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.

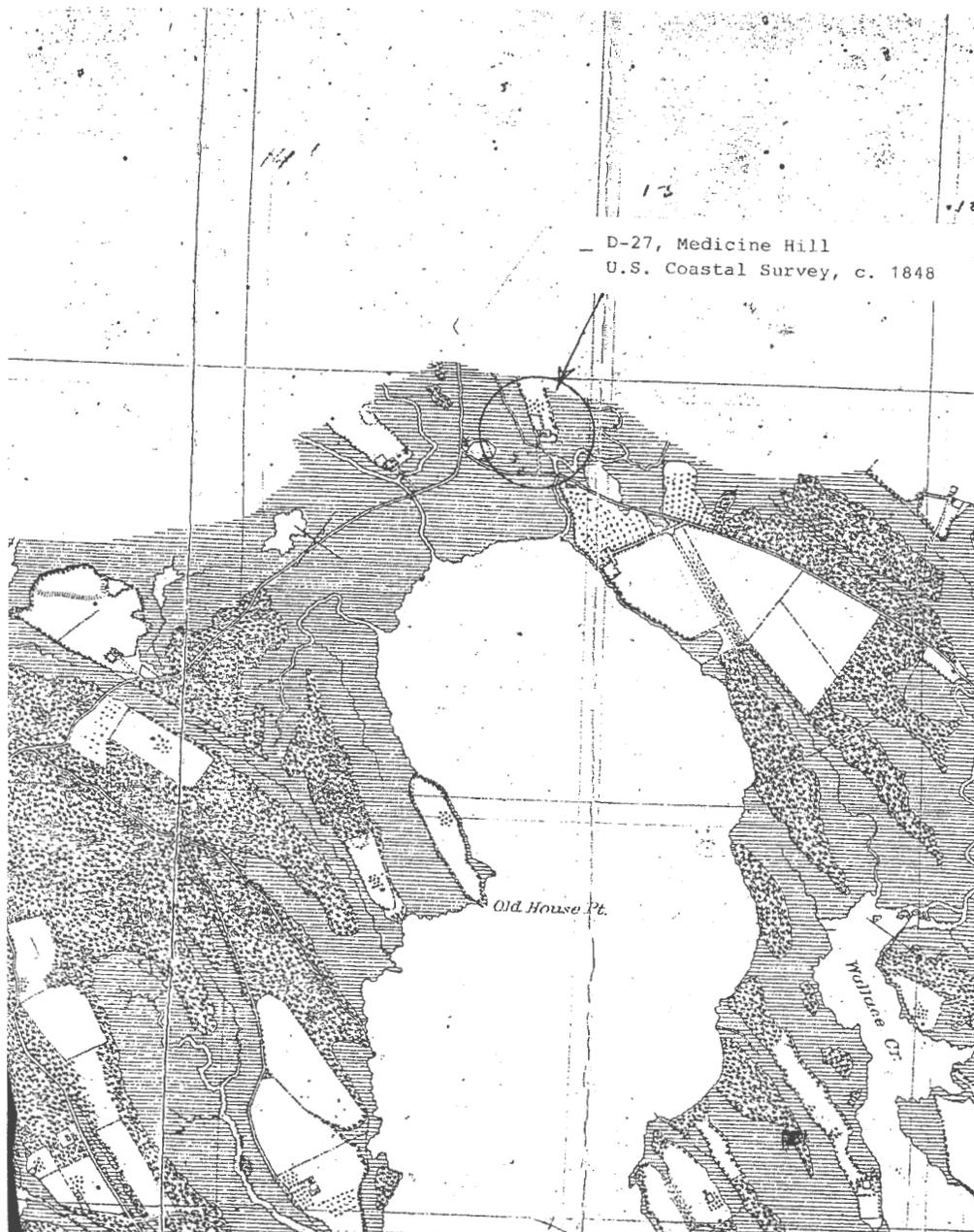
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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600

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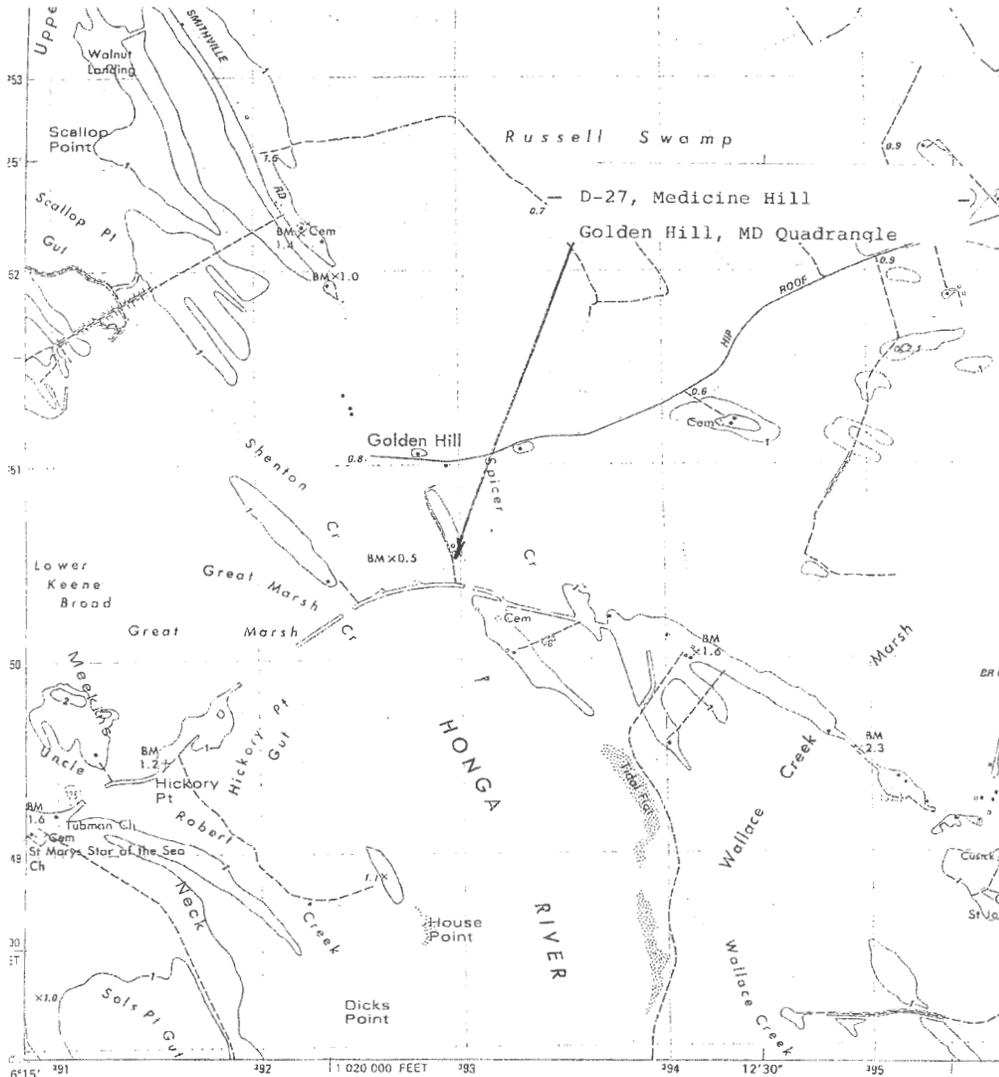


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Control by USGS and NOS/NOAA

Orthophotomap prepared from aerial photograph taken

April 29, 1978. Topography by planetable surveys

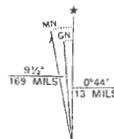
1980. Field checked 1980. Map edited 1981

Supersedes Army Map Service topographic map dated 1942

Selected hydrographic data compiled from NOS chart 12264 (1980)

This information is not intended for navigational purposes

Projection and 1000-meter grid, zone 18: Universal



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MEDICINE HILL

GOLDEN HILL VIC.,

DORCHESTER Co. MD.

SOUTH ELEVATION

10/2012, PAUL B. TOUANT, PHOTO.

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MEDICINE HILL

GOLDEN HILL VIC., DORCHESTER C. MD.

SOUTHWEST ELEVATION

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MEDICINE IKA

GORDON IKA VC, DUNDESTER C. NO.

SOUTH ELEVATION

10/2012, PAUL B. TOWN, PUTUVU.

WV. / ANA. INST. TRUST

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MEDICINE HILL

GOLDEN HILL VIC., DOACITESTER C. CO.

NORTHEAST ELEVATION

10/2012, PAUL B. TOWNS, PITVU.

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GOLDEN HILL VIC, BOROCTON A.M.
EAST ELEVATION
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W.E.B./M.D. HISTORICAL TRUST

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MEDICINE HILL

GOLDEN HILL VIC. DONCASTER C.W.M.

STABLE SMOKEHOUSE PUMP HOUSE

NORTH ELEVATION

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DAILY - SE ELEVATION
10/2 UIC, PAUL B. TOUANT, PITTS.
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MEDICINE HILL
GOLDEN HILL VIC., DOULIGHTER
C., MD.
SOUTH ELEV. OF WARM BUILDINGS
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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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1. NAME

COMMON:
Medicine Hill
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Rt. 335, .1 mile east of Smithville Road
CITY OR TOWN:
Church Creek
STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Dorchester

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. Jacob France
STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 5768, Old Court Road
CITY OR TOWN: Pikesville STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Dorchester County Courthouse
STREET AND NUMBER:
High Street
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge STATE: Maryland 21613
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): JFD 13/418

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> (Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Uncltered </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site </div> </div>
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>Medicine Hill, at Golden Hill, Dorchester County has a good collection of farm buildings and dwellings. The house is probably early nineteenth century in date with later additions. Between the two chimneys is a five bay long two story frame building. Later two more bays were added to an already existing lower section but a one story, one bay section exists on the far end. A two story porch with gable roof was installed in front of parts of the house. The lower part is screened and the upper part enclosed. Facing the lawn is a fully exposed chimney, probably containing a fireplace on both stories.</p> <p>Around the house in a fenced area are two dairys, two necessaries, a smoke house and several barns in various states of repair, and all of this exists a couple of feet above the marshes near Hooper's Island.</p>	

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian
- 15th Century
- 16th Century
- 17th Century
- 18th Century
- 19th Century
- 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture
<input type="checkbox"/> Art
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering
<input type="checkbox"/> Industry
<input type="checkbox"/> Invention
<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture
<input type="checkbox"/> Literature
<input type="checkbox"/> Military
<input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-
losophy
<input type="checkbox"/> Science
<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-
itarian
<input type="checkbox"/> Theater
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Medicine Hill Farm is one of the better-preserved of the early nineteenth century houses of Dorchester, comparable to the Waterworks and the Brooks Farm. It also possesses good early outbuildings.

Medicine Hill is owned by Anita A. France, who is now 95 years old. She and her husband, Jacob, contributed funds to the Maryland Historical Society and the Cambridge Hospital; and it is for them that the auditorium and chapel are named, respectively. Mrs. France's father, William F. Applegarth, owned and lived at Medicine Hill. "He was a Senator and after the war established a store on the property," which stands today.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Blank area for Major Bibliographical References.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreege Justification:

District 5, Tax Map 77, p.22

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: 1975

STREET AND NUMBER:
Shaw House, 21 State Circle

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland ZIP: 21401

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

 Signature

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M. Bourne Nov 1975