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C. Merhl Cromwell
Buckeystown
Private

1899

The C. Merhl Cromwell House is a two and one-half story frame cross gable Carpenter Gothic residence covered with German siding. The main entrance is an arched four panel door with arched and bracketed transom with side lights.

The L-shaped residence with rear two story open porch is typical of many houses in Buckeystown.

The house was built on a parcel purchased by Ruth Ann Tavenner from Charles and Sarah Thomas for \$250.00 on May 9, 1999. In 1919, Luther Tavenner, the executor for Ruth Ann Tavenner sold the house to Clara Belle Cromwell for \$2,500.00. The house has remained in the Cromwell family since that time.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC C. Merhl Cromwell House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

East Side Route 85

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

E.D. 1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME C. Merhl Cromwell

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 132

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21717

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: DHH 3

Folio #: 688

STREET & NUMBER

North Court St.

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland 21701

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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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 Mehrl Cromwell House is a two and one-half story frame cross gable Carpenter Gothic residence which faces west from the east side of Route 85 in Buckeystown.

The principle facade is five bays wide. The main entrance, an arched four panel door with arched and bracketed transom with side lights is located in the third bay. Two over two arched Victorian windows with louvered shutters occupy the remaining bays on the first and second levels. A small Palladian window is located in the center gable. Extending five bays wide across the front of the building is a columned frame porch which has been replaced.

The main block of the building is two bays wide. A two story frame addition extends to the north rear of the building. A two story open porch is located along the south side of the addition.

On the south side of the main block of the building, both of the bays have been covered by their shutters and from historic photographs, it appears they have been covered for at least forty years.

The roof has been covered by patterned slate with fishscale shingling. Three single brick chimneys extend from the north, south, and east sides of the residence.

The residence is constructed on a low random stone foundation and is covered by German siding.

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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
X 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 type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
1899	

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The C. Merhl Cromwell House was built on a 5/8 acre parcel purchased by Ruth Ann Tavenner from Charles and Sarah Thomas for \$250.00 on May 9, 1899.¹

In 1919, Luther Tavenner, the executor for Ruth Ann Tavenner sold the house to Clara Belle Cromwell for \$2,500.00².

The house has remained in the Cromwell family since that time. The Carpenter Gothic architectural style of the building is typical of many of the residences in Buckeystown.

¹Frederick County Land Records, Liber DHH 3; Folio 688.

²Frederick County Land Records, Liber 329; Folio 281.

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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

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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DATE

5/25/79

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CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

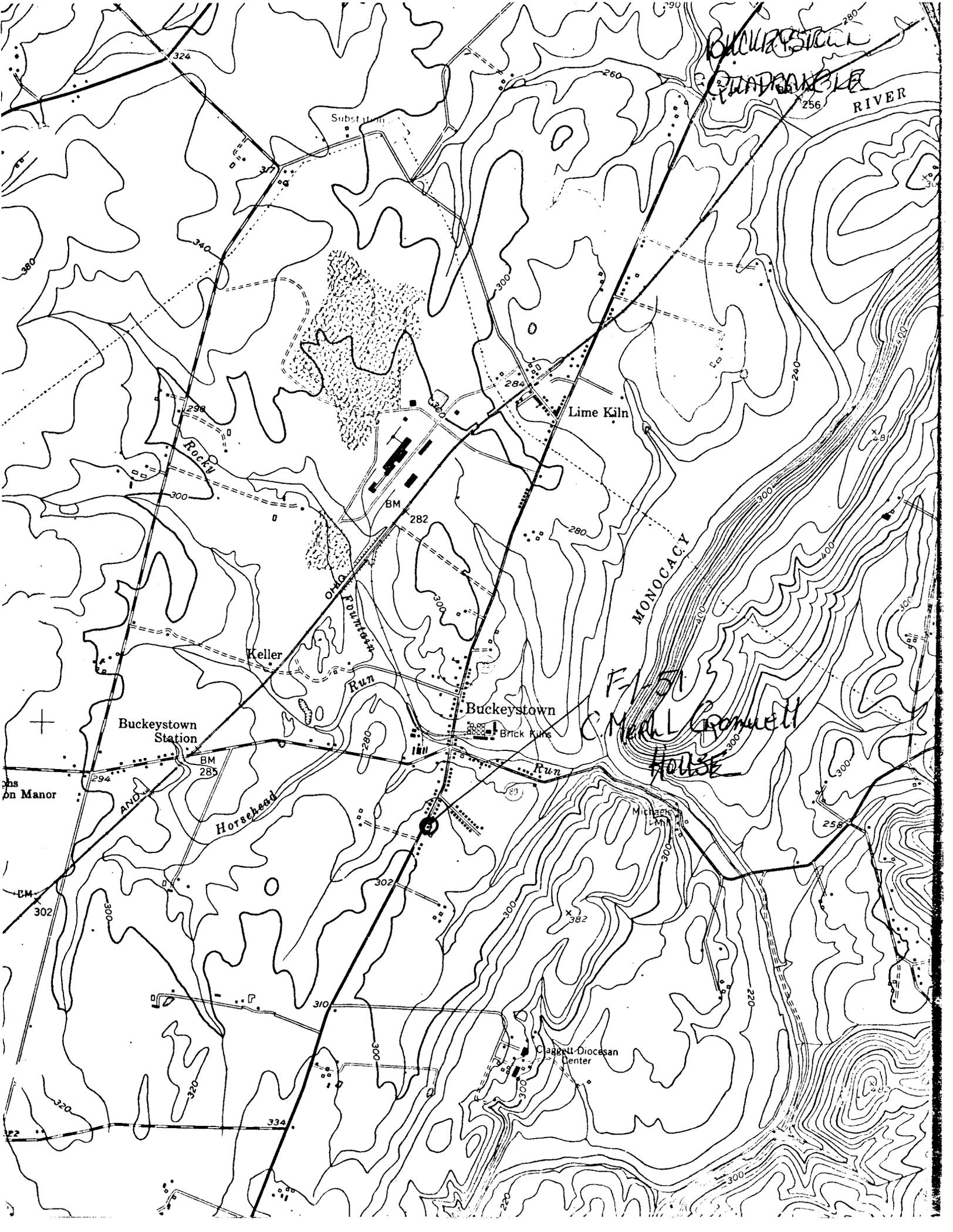
STATE

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.

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
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(301) 267-1438





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HSE

E/S Rte 85
BUCKEYSTOWN

NORTH WEST ELEVATION
CEN 3/79



F-1-51

C. Mehl (Cornwell) SE

E/S Rte 85

BULLEYSTOWN

SOUTHWEST

ELEVATION

CRW 3/79