

F-4-97
Beachley-Haupt House
Middletown vicinity
Private

Ca. 1830

The Beachley-Haupt House is a two-story stone dwelling built about 1830, with an exposed basement on the east elevation and an entry porch on the west elevation. It was considerably altered on the interior in the mid-20th century and replacement windows are in the first story. The upper stories retain 6/6 sash and the roof is covered with standing seam metal. The original plan was two rooms, but the first story partition wall has been removed and the fireplace has also been removed. A winding corner stair to the second story with a vertical board door and early 19th century hardware remain in place. The property also includes a frame chicken house and a frame wagon shed, both built in the early 20th century. The house is a fair example of the stone building technique of the second quarter of the 19th century, a reflection of its siting on the slope of South Mountain in what was a rather remote section of the County where local materials had to be used for building.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Beachley-Haupt House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 2000 Dahlgren Road not for publication

city, town Middletown vicinity of congressional district 6th

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 checked="" 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"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Frank T. Benson

street & number 2000 Dahlgren Road telephone no.:

city, town Middletown state and zip code Md. 21769

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1670

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 496

city, town Frederick state Md. 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. F-4-97

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 3

The Beachley-Haupt House is a two-story stone dwelling built about 1830 on the south side of Dahlgren Road about one mile east of the Frederick-Washington County boundary at U.S. 40A in Frederick County, Maryland. The house has been considerably altered inside during the mid-20th century, with the apparent removal of a partition wall on the first story, and a chimney has been rebuilt on the exterior. Associated with the house are a frame early 20th century chicken house and a frame wagon shed of about the same date.

The dwelling's principal elevation faces west and the stone foundation is exposed on the east, with access through a door on that elevation. The west elevation has three bays on the first floor and two on the second floor. The entrance is in the center bay under a modern entry porch. The door has four beveled, raised panels and the sash on the first story is replacement 1/1. The second story has 6/6 windows. The cornice is boxed and the roof is standing seam metal. The original chimneys are at the interior side of the north and south elevations, although the north chimney is non-working. An exterior brick chimney built during the mid-20th century is located at the south gable end. The north elevation of the house has two bays with the same sash as on the west elevation and two attic windows. The east elevation has two bays with a single door to the basement level, which contains the kitchen. The sash is as on the other elevations. The south elevation has no openings and a concrete block addition containing a tool and equipment shed is attached to the south side of the house. The interior of the first floor is a single room with a vertical board door on the south side which leads to a winding stair to the upper story. A chimney opening was probably once located on the south wall, but has been removed.

Chicken house: The early 20th century chicken house is located west of the dwelling and has vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof. It is no longer in use.

Wagon shed: The wagon shed, possibly built about 1900, is located at the edge of the road northwest of the house. It has vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof with an open elevation on the north side.

8. Significance

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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 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
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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)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates C. 1830 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Beachley-Haupt House is a fair example of the stone vernacular architectural style of the second quarter of the 19th century. Its simple exterior reflects the remoteness of the location on the eastern slope of South Mountain during the early 19th century, where local materials were used in traditional building techniques derived from German sources. The alteration of the interior of the house decreased its integrity, but a fair level based on its interior doors, hardware, and trim remains fairly intact. The house was probably built by Conrad Beachley, who purchased an early portion of the original 120-acre farm in 1832. The house is indicated by a dot on the 1858 Bond map, but without an accompanying name of the owner. On the 1873 Titus Atlas map, J. Haupt, undoubtedly Jacob N. Haupt, is indicated as the owner. Haupt first appears in the chain of title in 1884, but it seems likely that he owned some portion of the farm, including the house, at the time of the survey for the Titus map.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/chicken coop
Agriculture/subsistence/agricultural outbuilding/wagon shed

Known Design Source: None

ADDENDUM

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ITEM 8: Statement of Significance and History

This additional information is being supplied as part of the South Mountain Battlefield Survey Project, February 1998. The Beachley-Haupt house is located within the survey area and was impacted by the Battle of South Mountain which occurred on September 14, 1862. The Beachley-Haupt House was involved in the action at Turner's Gap when General Joseph Hooker's I Corps attempted a flanking move against the left wing of the Confederates holding the Gap.

The mountain farms around the hamlet of Frostown witnessed the grand display of Hooker's I Corps preparing lines of battle the afternoon of September 14, 1862. From the Mountain House above, D.H.Hill watched in awe as well as the Divisions of John P.Hatch, George G. Meade, and James B. Ricketts arranged themselves for a massive attack against the left of Hill's defenses.

The Beachley-Haupt House and farm, located on the south side of the Old Hagerstown Rd., provided open fields for Hatch's Division to begin their ascent of South Mountain. Their intention was to divide the Confederate line leaving Rodes' Brigade isolated to the north against Meade's Division. As they passed the western edge of the Beachley-Haupt farm they approached a cornfield held by some of Longstreet's reinforcements, Garnett's Brigade. Brig.Gen. Abner Doubleday (commanding Hatch's Division): "They lay behind a fence on the summit, running north and south, fronted by a woods and backed by a corn-field, full of rocky ledges."¹ The deadly battle for the cornfield raged until darkness ended it. The Confederate line had been pushed back to the summit, but the pass had not been taken by the Federals.² By morning Hill and his men were gone and on the road to Sharpsburg.

¹Jay Luvaas and Harold W. Nelson, eds. **US Army War College Guide**, New York: Harper Collins, 1987, p.59, from O.R., Vol.XIX, Part I, pp.221-22.

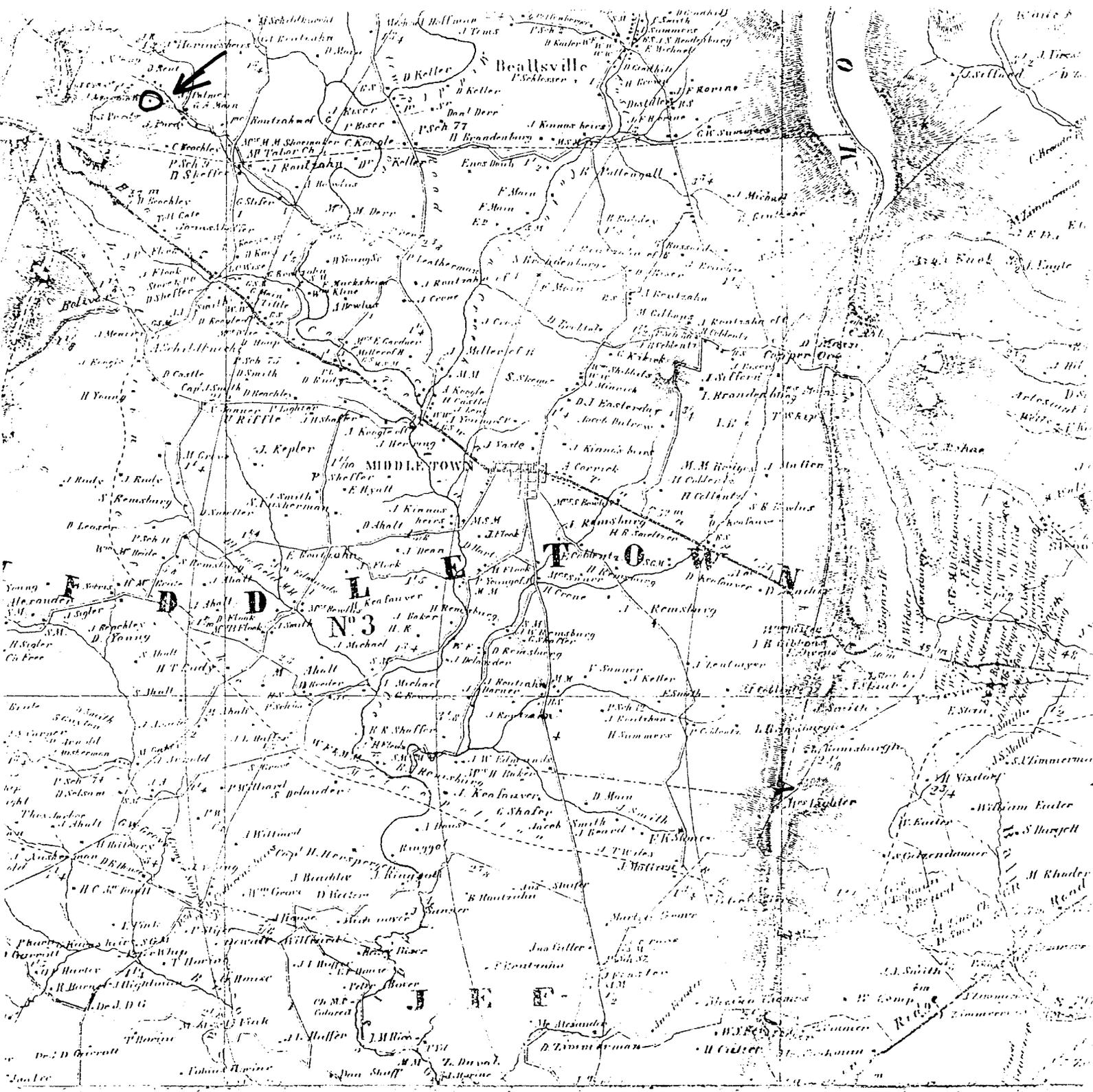
²James V. Murfin, **The Gleam of Bayonets**, New York: Thomas Yoseloff, 1965, p.181.

2000 Dahlgren Rd.

LIBER/FOLIO	GRANTEE	GRANTOR	ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
1670/496 13 Sept 90 Deed of Gift	Frank T. Benson	Gustave T. Messitt	5.7a.		
913/591 1 June 73	Frank T. Benson, jr. & Gustave T. Messitt	A. Edwin + Christine B. Sparks	5.7a.		
712/44 ³ 20 Oct 64	A. Edwin Sparks et ux	Mr. Charles & Elizabeth R. Morris	5.7a.		
462/495 17 Apr 47	Mr. Charles Morris et ux	John R. & Nora W. Miller	5.7a.		
454/216 25 Apr 46	John R. Miller et ux	Howard L. & Mary Ellen Huffer	2 tracts totaling 180 1/4 a.		
421/508 2 Jan 40	Howard L. Huffer et ux	Cleveland W. & Kathryn D. Moser	1) 397/407, 1 Apr 35 = 122 a. 2) 408/246, 1 Feb 37 = 58 1/4 a.		
2) 408/246 1 Feb 37 mortgage	Cleveland W. & Kathryn D. Moser	Booneslow Bank	58 1/4 a. 404/523 3 Dec 36	#2025 #840	

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1) 397/407 1 Apr 35	Cleveland W. Moser et ux	Frederick County Realty Co.	Maurice Haupt Farm 107A.		
1) 376/65 2 Sept 30	Frederick Co. Realty Co.	Dra J. Young et al	122A.		
1) 376/64 28 Aug 30	Dra J. Young, et al	Leslie N. Coblenz assignee of mortgage from Maurice E. Haupt et ux, in default	107A - 331/210 15A - 331/210 - mounla	\$4,705	
1) 331/210 13 Jan 20	Maurice E. Haupt	Amanda E. Haupt, widow of Jacob N. Haupt	107A. + 15A. of mountain land	\$6,500	
1) AF 9/555 12 Mar 1884	Jacob N. Haupt	Susan Beachley et al	"The Resurvey on "Martitaney" "Deep Hole" incl. B&F 4/107 for 12 1/2 a.	\$3250	
JS 41/192 7 Sept 1832	Conrad Beachley	Henry Seeting et ux	57A. + 5 other deeds dating from 1834 to 1858 incl. B&F 4/107 for 12 1/2 a.		
B&F 4/107 8 Nov 1858	Conrad Beachley	William Metzger Trustee of Georg A. Main	7 1/2 a. beginning on S.W. side of road leading to the Pike...		



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Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick

County, 1858.

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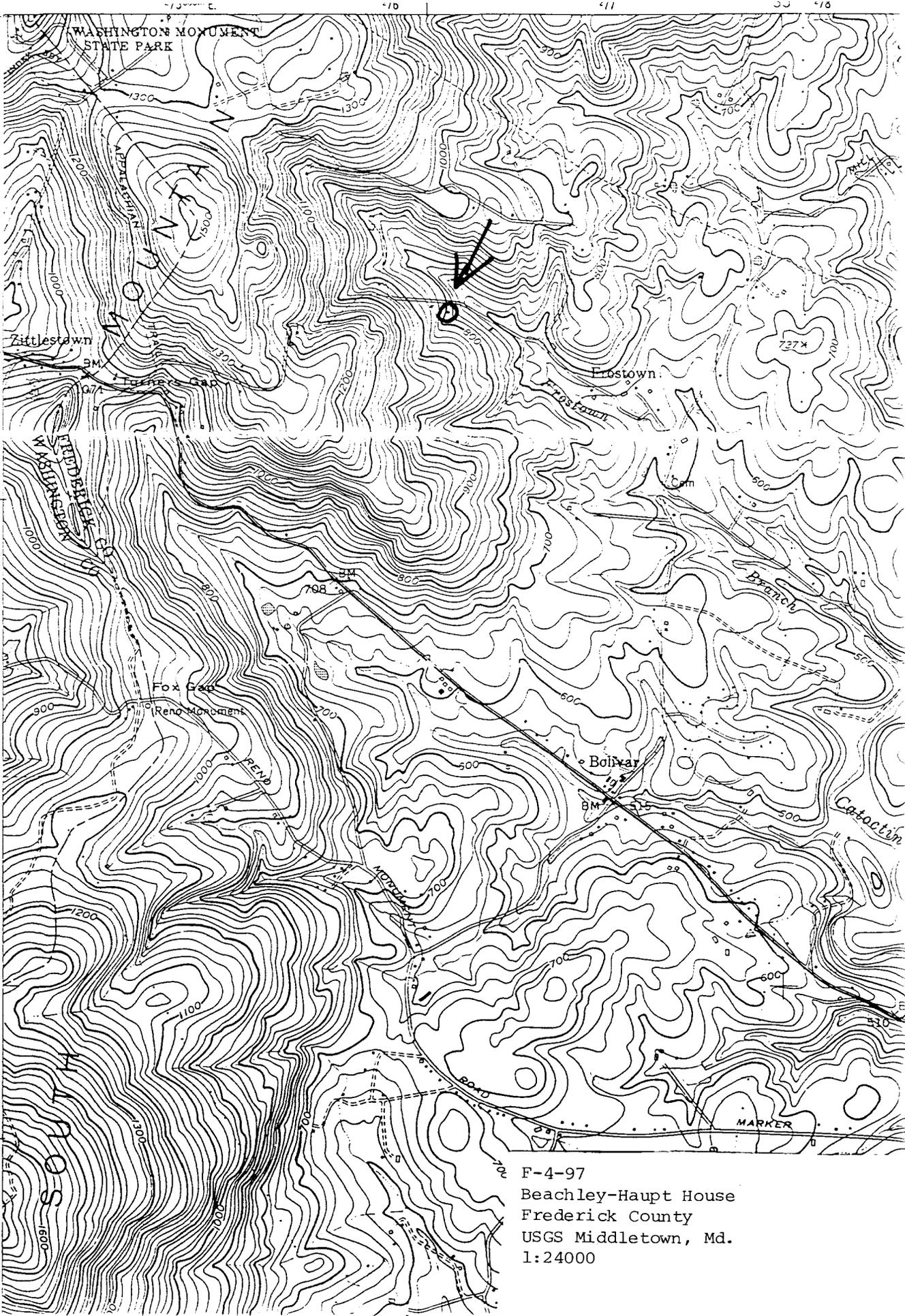
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27°30'

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 USGS Middletown, Md.
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Photo: Janet Davis

June 1992

Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md

Northwest corner view

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June 1992

Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md.

Southeast corner view

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June 1992

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Wagon shed, north elevation

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Edith B. Wallace

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Maryland SHPO

view southwest from Dahlgerm Rd
NE elevation overall and setting

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view southeast from Dahlgren Rd.

NW elevation of house

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view southwest from Dahlgren Rd

NE elevation of house

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view south from Dahlgren Rd

N elevation of barn foundation

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3 November 1997

Maryland SHPO

view southwest from Dahlgren Rd.

NE elevation of equipment barn

5/5