

HO-1100
Lewis and Blanche Burgess Farm
13100 Triadelphia Road
Private

Description:

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Significance:

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Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Lewis and Blanche Burgess Farm

other

2. Location

street and number 13100 Triadelphia Road __ not for publication

city, town Glenelg X vicinity

county Howard

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

name William & Sandra Brewer

street and number 13070 Triadelphia Road telephone 410-531-1250

city, town Ellicott City state MD zip code 21042

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse liber 14148 folio 266

city, town Ellicott City tax map 22 tax parcel 522 tax ID number

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 type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	1	0
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	0	0
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	0	0
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	0	0
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	1	0
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory 0	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		

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.

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Description:

The Lewis and Blanche Burgess Farm is located at 13100 Triadelphia Road, about ¾ mile east of Glenelg, in central Howard County, Maryland. The house is located on the northwest side of the road, set well back from the road, and faces south toward it; it is the only surviving structure on the farm.

The house is a 1 ½-story, three-bay by two-bay frame bungalow with a CMU foundation, vinyl siding, and a gable roof with asphalt shingles and an east-west ridge. There is an interior parged chimney on the ridge, set just east of center.

The south elevation has an enclosed porch across the front, under the extended slope of the roof. It is set on CMU piers and has a new door in the center bay and new sash in the end bays. There is a large gabled dormer in the center with triple six-over-six sash. The front wall of the house, now inside the porch, has diamond-pattern asphalt shingle siding, with a doorway in the center and a six-over-six sash to each side.

The east elevation has a cellar bulkhead entrance. The first story has a six-over-six sash in the south bay and a narrower four-over-four sash in the north bay. The gable end has vinyl board-and-batten siding and paired six-over-six sash.

The north elevation has a narrow four-over-four sash in the east bay and no opening in the west bay. The center has a shed-roofed projecting enclosure of three bays, of the same materials as the rest of the house. The east bay has a six-over-six sash, the center bay has a door, and the west bay projects out even further, with a six-over-six sash on all three sides.

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The interior is a center-passage, double-pile plan. The passage has a straight stair with a closed stringer on the east wall. It has a square, paneled newel post and square balusters. The bottom tread is wider and rounded on the end. The architrave throughout is plain on the sides, with a cornice across the top creating a rudimentary entablature. The west wall has a wide opening with later infill of three 15-light doors. The northwest wall has a doorway into a cross-passage that connects the two rear rooms and a bathroom that projects off the center of the back wall. The partition between the southwest and northwest rooms has a wide opening with typical trim, but there is ghosting on the floor of the wall and a narrow doorway, indicating that this is a later alteration. There are now wood shelves built into part of this opening. The northeast room was the kitchen and retains a cast iron sink with drain board on the east wall, with varnished wood cabinets on the wall above. There is a stove chimney in the southwest corner of this room, and a pantry projects off the north side. The bathroom has black and white tile on the floor and a white and blue marbled plastic tile on the walls. The floor is rotted here and in the cross passage. The attic is finished with paneling on the knee walls, rafters, and collars, and has a room at the east and west ends, with the stair landing between them at the north end.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input 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 N/A Architect/Builder N/A

Construction dates c. 1927-1936

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.)

Summary:

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Significance:

The assessments and taxation office records date the construction of the Burgess house to 1927, which is a reasonable guess for this bungalow, though the source of the date is not known. If accurate, it would mean that Frank Burgess built the house the same year he wrote his will, just three years before his death. While this is certainly possible, it seems more likely that it was built shortly after his death, c. 1931, when the property was inherited by his two sons, Lewis and George. They divided the property between them, with the deed being executed in 1936, meaning that at least one of them needed to build a new house. It is possible that they had arranged this division ahead of time, and were already working what would be their individual farms. They could have even formalized it by building a new house, though without title to the property, expending a large sum of money like that would have been risky. Thus, the house could be as late as 1936-37. The house Lewis Burgess built was a bungalow with a center passage, a plan type that was not common in bungalows, but that had been popular with many home builders in Howard County for the past century. The trim and materials in the stairway are all consistent with a 1920s or 1930s period. Only the use of CMUs in the foundation would suggest a later period of construction, since they were rarer in the 1920s, but even this is not a dead certainty.

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The farm had been in the Burgess family since the nineteenth century, at least. John Burgess had it in 1889 and turned it over to his son, Frank, in 1904. According to local tradition, Lewis and Blanche Burgess could not have children, so they raised 18 foster children at the farm, over the years. Aerial photographs from the mid-twentieth century show what might have been a barn northeast of the house. George's farm was to the west, and had its own house and barn according to these photographs. Lewis Burgess's land was subdivided beginning in 1979, with the house cut off on 3.6 acres. Lewis died in 1981, leaving the house to his brother, George, and his last foster child, Isabelle Parrette. George sold his share to Isabelle, who lived here with her son until recently. Unfortunately, the house was not maintained during this time and began to deteriorate. The property was sold in 2012 to a neighbor and the house was scheduled to be demolished to provide more open space for horses.¹

¹ Interview with Sandy Brewer, 17 August 2012. The 1943 aerial photographs, and others, can be found at <http://data.howardcountymd.gov/OLMaps/InteractiveMap.html>

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See footnotes

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	<u>3.6 A</u>	
Acreage of historical setting	<u>69.5 A</u>	
Quadrangle name	<u>Sykesville</u>	Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24000</u>

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the outlines of the property, tax map 22, parcel 522, which encompasses all of the historic buildings and features on the site.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Ken Short		
organization	Howard County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	November 2012
street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	state	MD

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.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600

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CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR/HOME	GRANTEE/HOME	DATE	LIBER/ FOLIO	INSTRU- MENT	CONSIDER- ATION	ACREAGE	NOTES
Isabelle Parrette Elijah J. Parrette	William & Sandra Brewer (H/W)	2 July 2012	MDR 14148-266	Deed – fee simple	\$225,000	?	Lot 1 on plat of Burgess Property, CMP 4195
Eloise Parrette / Howard	Isabelle Parrette Elijah J. Parrette / Howard	? July 1994	MDR 3682-376	Deed – fee simple	\$1.00	?	Lot 1 on plat of Burgess Property, CMP 4195
Isabelle Parrettee Eloise Parrette / Howard	Isabelle Parrette Eloise Parrette Elijah J. Parrette / Howard	? May 1987	CMP 1667-630	Deed – fee simple	\$0	?	Lot 1 on plat of Burgess Property, CMP 4195 LWB d. 30 Aug. 1981 Docket 12, f. 408, file 5499
George W. Burgess, pers. rep. of Lewis W. Burgess George W. Burgess, individual	Isabelle Parrette Eloise Parrette (daughter)	10 February 1984	CMP 1232-595	Deed – fee simple	\$40,000	3.603 A.	Lot 1 ½ int. fr. GWB
John L. Clark / Howard	Lewis W. Burgess & wf Blanche V.	23 June 1960	RHM 354-425	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	69½ A - 1 A	
Lewis W. Burgess & wf Blanche V. / Howard	John L. Clark	23 June 1960	RHM 354-423	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	69½ A - 1 A	
George A. Burgess & wf Bertha M. / Howard	Lewis W. Burgess	9 July 1936	BM Jr. 154-463	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	69½ A	
Maggie Street May Howard Elsie Burgess / Howard	Lewis W. Burgess George A. Burgess	27 May 1931	HSK 141-264	Deed – ?	\$3,000	?	Frank Burgess left property to grantees subject to legacies paid to grantors – clears title - \$3000 paid
Frank Burgess	Lewis W. Burgess Georange A. Burgess (sons of Frank)	<u>Written</u> 20 June 1927 <u>Probated</u> 9 December	<u>Wills</u> MFB 7-258				

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		1930					
John Burgess	Frank Burgess (son of J.B.)	6 September 1904	JHO 79-104	Deed – fee simple	Assumption of mortgage & maintenance	?	Life estate to J.B. mort. 55-314, 1889, JB to Enoch Selby [no metes & bounds] (A)
John Melia & wf Martha I. / Phila., PA	Frank Burgess / Howard	23 April 1902	JHO 75-189	Deed – fee simple	\$800	?	[no metes & bounds] (B)
J. Thomas Clark William H. Gorman, trustees	John Burgess	21 December 1889	JHO 55-281				(A)
Joseph Selby & wf	John Melia	8 November 1889	JHO 55-171				(B)

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Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera
Epson Premium paper
Epson Photo Black UltraChrome ink cartridge

HO-1100_2012-08-17_01
South elevation

HO-1100_2012-08-17_02
North & west elevations

HO-1100_2012-08-17_03
Interior, center stair passage, vw. northeast

HO-1100_2012-08-17_04
Interior, vw. from center stair passage to
southwest room



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Sykesville quad



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Lewis + Blanche Burgess Farm

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South elevation

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North + west elevations

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Interior, center stair passage, vw.
northeast

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MD SHPD

Interior, view from center stair passage
to southwest room

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