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The Arnold Farmhouse  
Elkridge  
Private

circa 1906

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Fenestration is vertically aligned. Windows are rectangular and double hung. Those on the north side of the house feature six-over-three lights, often an indicator of a log building, while those on the south side of the house hold six-over-six lights, evidently a later addition to the house.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

M&I # 1405295704

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC The Arnold Farmhouse

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 6245 Meadow Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN Elkridge

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6th

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Howard

**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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER Private Residence

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Josephine M. Peyton

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER 6245 Meadow Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN Elkridge

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records  
Tax Map 37, p. 301

Liber #: 664  
Folio #: 303

STREET & NUMBER Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN Ellicott City

STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE 1978-1979

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN 21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE Maryland

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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

The Arnold Farmhouse faces west on the east side of Meadow Ridge Road. It is a four bay wide, one room deep, two story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame (covered with asbestos shingles) house, resting on a stone foundation, with square brick central chimney and a one story high, hipped roof open porch, held by six square posts, running along its entire west elevation. Windows are vertically aligned, rectangular and double-hung. Two second floor, six-over-six light windows rest in the building's two south bays and two second floor, six-over-three squarish windows in its two north bays. Half of a three-over-three light basement window can be seen inset into the stone foundation in the west wall's north end. Another is located on the north and the south walls. Windows are underlined by wooden sills and decorated by shutters. The north and south sections of the building are notably distinguishable, the north side's squarish windows contrasting sharply with the rectangular fenestration of its south side. These squarish windows often indicate log construction.

Two entrances are located on the west elevation. A two light, rectangular entrance in the second north bay, fronted by two wooden steps and an eleven light, rectangular, entrance between the two first floor windows in the two south bays. A first floor, batten wood shutter, door-window is located in the east elevation's north bay.

Three one story high, shed roofed, connecting additions, run along the building's east wall. That on the south end features a square brick chimney centered into its east wall and a six-over-six light south window, while that on the north is a lean-to storage area. The middle section features a four light rectangular entrance flanked by six light rectangular windows.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Local History
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES      Date 1906

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Arnold Farmhouse is significant to Howard County and the State of Maryland architecturally and historically.

Architecturally, it is presentative of the vernacular frame architecture of Howard County, Maryland, constructed in the late nineteenth or early twentieth century, and how a building grew with the needs of its successive owners. As such, it is significant to Howard County as an example of such basic, two story high, one room deep, two or three bay wide, gabled roof, frame buildings, constructed on either a modest or grand scale, which featured either an "L" or "T" plan or had later additions, which created such a plan. One story high, open proches usually covered entrances as in the case of this building. The "L" plan, however, has been altered with the three continuous one story high, shed roofed, additions along the building's east wall.

The north side of the building, with its square windows, was evidently constructed first and then the south wing of the building.

According to the present owner, the north side of the building was used some seventy-five years ago as a General Store for this area. This would explain the use to which the shed roofed lean-to on its east wall, was put at that time, providing a cover for storage.

This store may have been operated by Herman Affeldt, who owner the property at that time. Historically, the land on which this building was constructed was composed of two tracts of land. One is traced back to October 5, 1906, when Adolphe and Amelia Affeldt conveyed a three and three quarter acre parcel of land to Herman Affeldt for \$75.00 "together with the buildings made of being erected." (82-579)

Another tract of land, composed of some twenty acres, was conveyed to Herman Affeldt by William David, Jr. on February 19, 1887 for \$615.00. No buildings or improvements are mentioned in this deed. (51-524)

Herman Affeldt probably constructed this building sometime after 1887 on this latter tract of land, or used it only for farming, living on the parcel conveyed to him in 1906.

On February 21, 1924 a public sale was held here at 10 a.m. by Reuben Rogers for a mortgage from Herman Affeldt to John F. Reus, issued on November 9, 1916. (102-357)

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## Significance

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At that time the property had been cut down to some 15 acres, when Herman conveyed eight acres of the twenty-three to Elsie Affeldt. (116-465)

John and Florentine Chambers acquired the property and in 1932, conveyed the property to Joseph Selby. (143-541). On August 28, 1932, some three or four months later, Joseph and Priscilla Selby conveyed the house and farm to John and Mary Arnold.

For over forty-five years Mr. John Arnold has lived on his farm, now consisting of some 13 acres, after conveying 2 acres to the Elkrdige Methodist Independent Church, located just south of the house. He still maintains a life estate, after conveying the property to William E. and Glenita Cornell, in 1972. (597-706), who in turn conveyed the property to Josephine M. Payton the present owner, one year later. (664-303).

In conclusion, this modest frame dwelling, once used as both a General Store for this area of Howard County, as well as a residence, is important architecturally and of local historic interest. As such, it should be placed on the National Register of Historic Places, should its owners so desire, as well as the State Critical Areas Program and any local landmark ordinance, which the citizens of Howard County may seek to initiate.

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Howard County

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 37, p. 301

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 664 Folio 303

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

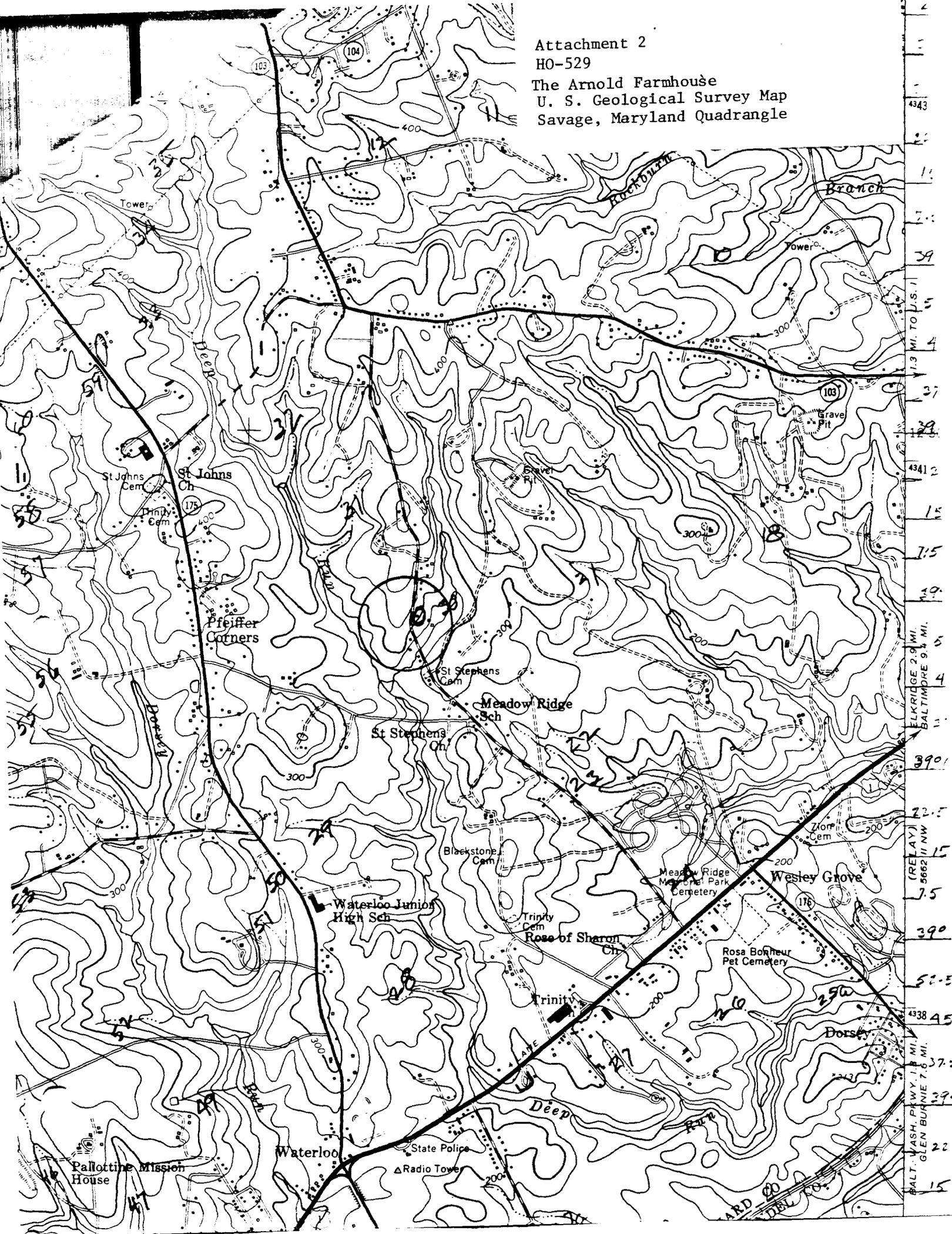
The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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  
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Attachment 2  
HO-529  
The Arnold Farmhouse  
U. S. Geological Survey Map  
Savage, Maryland Quadrangle





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The Arnold Farmhouse  
west  
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