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Harry Jackson House (Site)
Blocktown Community
Private

c. 1900

This two story frame dwelling with two rooms down and two up was built as the home of the second generation of landowners in this black community, which began in the 1880's.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Harry Jackson House (site)
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER East side of Slidell Road

CITY, TOWN Boyds VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8
STATE Maryland COUNTY Montgomery

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 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 checked="" 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
	No	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME R.R. Wagner Telephone #: Not listed
STREET & NUMBER Slidell Road
CITY, TOWN Boyds VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 20720

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, LIBER #: 4712
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Folio #: 633
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE
STREET & NUMBER
CITY, TOWN Rockville STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE None
DATE
—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

According to Dorothy Lockett Curtis, this house of her uncle Harry Jackson was a two story frame dwelling with a cross gable pediment. In plan, the house had two rooms down and two up. The facade consisted of two bays. The front door opened into the parlor and a window with two over two panes illuminated the other room, the kitchen. On the gable end of the kitchen was a brick stove flue. On the opposite gable end, a door led to the outside from the parlor.

Along the partition dividing the two rooms was a boxed stairway in the parlor. Underneath the stairs was a closet, as was typical in these houses. There was no back door. The only opening in the back length was a window in the kitchen.

On the gable end of the parlor was built a foundation on which a platform of boards had been built. The Jacksons had intended to add another room there.

Mrs. Curtis says that her uncle's house resembled the home of his brother Tom Jackson.

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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 checked="" 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		
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				Black History Local History

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

C. 1906

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Though the house is no longer standing, Mrs. Curtis's recollection of it provides another example of the type of house that was common among Black landowners near the turn of the twentieth century.

The title search for this property dead-ended with the deed 1844/263, in which Alfred Spates, attorney for Daniel T. Jackson, conveyed the land to Robert M. Myers in 1953 for \$1,050 as a mortgage foreclosure. This foreclosure was cited in equity case #16693, but there was no mention in either the deed or the case of previous owners or deeds.

Research of the grantee and grantor index did not locate a Harry Jackson purchasing land on this location. It is therefore not known when this tract was purchased by Harry Jackson, or if it was indeed owned by him. According to Dorothy Curtis, Jackson's niece, this land did belong to him. Since she was born in 1920 and remembers his house as an "old house" when "I was about ten years old", the dwelling may have been built in 1900, or earlier.

Harry Jackson was not located in the 1900 U.S. Census for Montgomery County.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Dorothy Curtis, by George McDaniel, not taped. Boyds, Maryland, March and April, 1979.
Registry of Deeds, Montgomery County Courthouse, Rockville, Maryland.

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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

NAME / TITLE

George W. McDaniel, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

4/79

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

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