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Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
Intercounty Connector Project

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic Richard Hewitt Property "Easton House"

and/or common Quinichett Property

2. Location:

street & number 3501 Norbeck Road ___ not for publication

city, town Norbeck _x_ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Montgomery

3. Classification:

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___district	___public	_x_occupied	___agriculture	___museum
_x_building(s)	_x_private	___unoccupied	___commercial	___park
___structure	___both	___work in progress	___education	_x_private residence
___site	**Public Acquisition**	**Accessible**	___entertainment	___religious
___object	___in process	___yes: restricted	___government	___scientific
	___being considered	___yes: unrestricted	___industrial	___other:
	_x_not applicable	_x_no	___military	
			___transportation	

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

name Robert L. Quinichett

street & number 15500 Tierra Drive telephone no.:

city,town Silver Spring state and zip code MD 20906

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County liber 9994

street & number 50 Maryland Avenue folio 152

city,town Rockville state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form/Norbeck Historic District

date 1977 ___federal _x_state ___county ___local

depository for survey records Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

ty,town Silver Spring state Maryland

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
___excellent	___deteriorated	___unaltered	_x_original site	
_x_good	___ruins	_x_altered	___moved	date of move _____
_fair	___unexposed			

Resource Count: 2

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

The Richard Hewitt Property is a 2-story, 3-bay cottage on the north side of Norbeck Road in the Norbeck vicinity, Montgomery County. Constructed circa 1880, the original building was a wood-sided, side-gable structure. The present building consists of the original side-gable, a modern or remodeled 2-story rear ell and 1-story shed roof additions to the east and west elevations. The east addition extends beyond the rear ell and has a stone chimney at the northeast corner. The exterior of the front and west elevations of the original side-gable building, as well as both 1-story additions have a stone veneer.

The structure has an asphalt shingle roof, with two wall dormers on the front elevation. It is of wood-frame construction with stone veneer and wood clapboard siding. The foundation is obscured by the stone veneer and additions. The windows are vinyl replacement 1/1 double-hung. The bargeboards are decorated with a wood-sawn ornament and spindlework which spans the gable. The house has a small front-gable pediment porch on the front elevation. The porch has two wooden posts supporting a front-gable roof. The front-gable is sided with wood fishscale shingles.

The front, or south facade has a central entrance consisting of a replacement wood door with two ghts and an aluminum storm door. The first story has a single 1/1 double-hung window on both ıdes of the entrance. The second story has two wall dormers with 1/1 double-hung windows and wood fishscale shingles in the gable ends. The south elevation of the east addition has a single round arch window. There are no openings on the south elevation of the west addition.

The west elevation has a full-width 1-story shed roof addition. The first story has two 1/1 double-hung windows. The second story consists of the gable end of the original side-gable and the rear ell, both covered with wood siding. The original section and the rear ell each have a single 1/1 double-hung window. The rear ell is lower than the original side-gable and the ridge of the rear ell is capped with a louvered cupola with a hipped roof and a weather vane. The west elevation of the east addition, which extends beyond the rear of the house, has a round-headed window.

The rear, or north elevation has an irregular fenestration pattern. The first story of the rear ell has a replacement wood door and a picture window. The second story of the rear ell cantilevers over the first story. The second story has a pair of 1/1 double-hung windows. The second story of the original section has a shed dormer on the east side of the rear ell, and has a 1/1 double-hung window. The north elevation of the east addition has two single-light casement windows. The west elevation has a pair of 1/1 double-hung windows. The east addition is covered with a stone veneer, while the first story of the west addition and the rear ell is partially covered with the stone veneer.

The east elevation has a symmetrical fenestration pattern. The gable end of the original side-gable section has a three-sided canted bay with a hipped roof and three fixed windows. The second story has a single 1/1 double-hung window. The east elevation of the rear ell and the st addition have no fenestration.

Alterations to the property include the application of stone veneer, replacement of the windows and doors, and the additions to the east and west elevations.

7. Description (Continued)

There is one outbuilding associated with this property. The outbuilding is a shed, with a side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. It is of wood-frame construction with new plywood siding. The structure is located north of the house at the rear of the lot.

The property is located on the north side of Norbeck Road, with residential property to the north and east, and forested land to the west. The property is located in a suburban area, yet it retains its large lot and integrity of setting.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
__prehistoric	__archaeology-prehistoric	__Community planning	__landscape architecture	__religion
__1400-1499	__archeology-historic	__conservation	__law	__science
__1500-1599	__agriculture	__economics	__literature	__sculpture
__1600-1699	__architecture	__education	__military	__social/ humanitarian
__1700-1799	__art	__engineering	__music	
x 1800-1899	__commerce	__exploration/settlement	__philosophy	__theater
__1900-	__communication	__industry	__politics/government	__transportation
		__invention		__other (specify)

Specific dates circa 1880 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: __A __B __C __D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: __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.

Thomas Rabbitt purchased 62.7 hectares (155 acres) of land from Thomas McCormick in 1858. Rabbitt sold 54.2 hectares (134 acres) to Richard Hewitt in 1885. Due to the form of the building and its architectural detailing, the house appears to have been built during Hewitt's ownership. Richard Hewitt sold the property to John Curtis in 1892. Rebecca DeMuth purchased the house and property in 1905 from John Curtis. The DeMuth family sold the property to Nathaniel White in 1919. The Federal Land Bank of Baltimore foreclosed on the Whites and the property was sold to the Montgomery County National Bank of Rockville. Frank Hewitt purchased the 62.7 hectares (155 acres) and subdivided the land. The house was sold along with .93 hectares (2.3 acres) to Naamen Johnson in 1935. The property changed ownership three times before it was purchased by the current owner, Robert Quinichett, in 1991.

The Richard Hewitt Property is located in the Norbeck area. The nineteenth century community of Norbeck was composed of two separate but related communities; Mount Pleasant, the African-American settlement established by freed slaves on Muncaster Mill Road, and a white commercial crossroads settlement at the intersection of Norbeck Road and Georgia Avenue. The community also extended along Norbeck and Bradford Roads, east of the crossroads. The African-American settlement was oriented around the community church and school, while the white settlement centered around the post office, general store, and blacksmith shop. While remnants of both communities still exist, the environment in which they developed has been greatly altered over time.

The community at the crossroads was established in the decade following the Civil War, when increased agricultural prosperity and an increased population created a greater demand in the area for goods and services. In addition to the growth of the local farm community, the area grew as a result of its location at the intersection of two of the oldest roads in the county, the Baltimore Road (Route 28/Norbeck Road) and the Washington-Brookeville Turnpike (Route 97/ Georgia Avenue) (State Highway Administration & Maryland Historical Trust 1977).

The Richard Hewitt Property, constructed circa 1880, is a vernacular cottage. Between 1870 and 1940 the vernacular cottage style was typically built for Americans of modest means. They are characterized by simple ornamentation and mass-produced components, such as door frames, moldings, sash and window units, and porch decoration. The development of post-Civil War machinery capable of producing large amounts of standardized housing elements, such as those found in cottages, contributed greatly to the development of the modern American housing industry. Designs for vernacular cottages were obtained from popular magazines, such as House Beautiful, or carpenter's and builder's journals, such as American Builder. A variety of front-

8. Significance (Continued)

gabled, side-gable, cross-gable and hipped roof frame cottages were developed in the early to mid-twentieth century. Front gable and hipped roof cottages are primarily one to one-and-a-half-stories tall, 3 bays wide and several rooms deep. Side-gable and cross-gable structures are usually two to two-and-a-half-stories tall, are typically two to three bays in width and vary from one to three rooms deep. They usually include a porch covered with a shed roof. Porches are supported by posts often containing machine-produced Victorian ornamentation. Some cottages feature ornamentation drawn from Craftsman style or Colonial Revival architecture (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, viii-xv).

The Richard Hewitt Property was included in the National Register of Historic Places Inventory - Nomination Form for the Norbeck Historic District, prepared by the State Highway Administration and Maryland Historical Trust in 1977. The form refers to this property as the "Easton House." According to the deed research completed for this survey, the property was never owned by an individual named "Easton." This form did not provide architectural descriptions and significance statements for individual buildings. The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places determined in 1978 that the area is too altered to constitute a historic district, but that the significance of individual buildings should be considered.

\TIONAL REGISTER EVALUATION:

Constructed circa 1880, the Richard Hewitt Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it suffers from a loss of material and architectural integrity. The house has been sided with stone veneer, the windows and doors have been replaced and large additions were constructed on the east and west elevations. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility Not Recommended X

Comments: _____

Reviewer, OPS: E. Hannold/K. Williams Date: 11/25/1996

Reviewer, NR Program: [signature] Date: 3/4/02

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Continuation Sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .93 hectare (2.3 acres)
Quadrangle name Kensington, MD Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Caroline Hall/Tim Tamburrino

organization P.A.C. Spero & Company date December 1996

street & number 40 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 412 telephone (410) 296-1635

city or town Baltimore 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 purposed only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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9. Major Bibliographical References (Continued)

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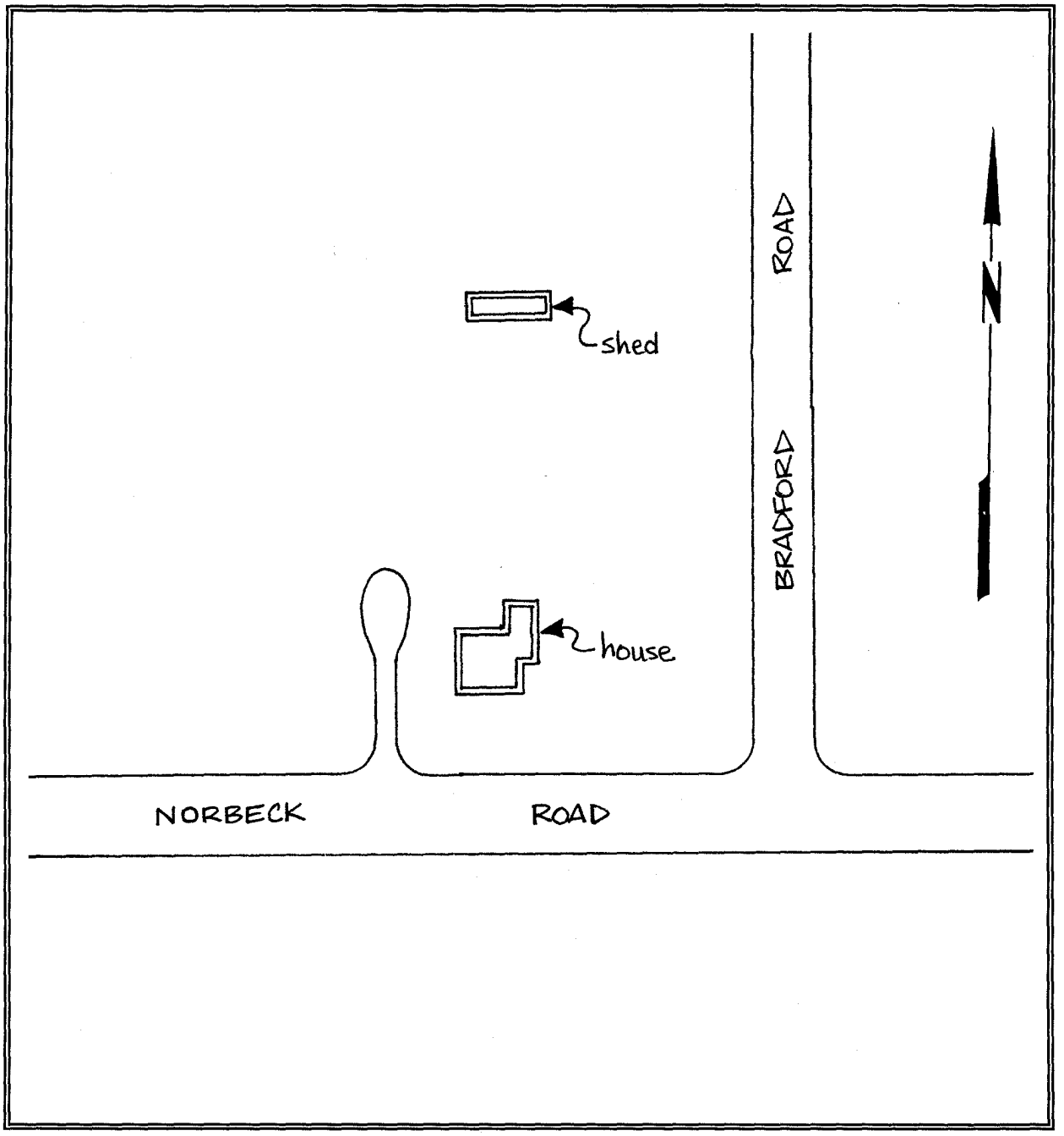
10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Private Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

Preparer:
P.A.C. Spero & Company
December 1996

Intercounty Connector Project
Upgrade Existing Roads Alternative
Quad Kensington
Survey No. M:23-113-6 (PACS D6.33)
Property Name Richard Hewitt Property
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COOKSVILLE 15 MI.
OLNEY 2 MI.
5562 II NE
(SANDY SPRING)
Brooke Manor Country Club
Brook Manor Park
Sycamore Acres
Norbeck
Mt Pleasant Ch
Manor Country Club
Golf Course
Manor Park
Bel Pre Farms
Homecrest
English Manor
Aspen Knolls
Gate of Heaven Cemetery
St Marys Ch
Hermitage Park
Aspen Hill
Harmony Hills
Georgian Forest
Green Wood Knolls
Wheaton Woods
Foxhall
Layhill Village
Layhill
Aspen Hill Park
Brookhaven Sch
Recreation Center
Forsdale Jr High Sch
Enchalt Manor Sch
Harmony Hills Sch
Georgian Forest Sch
Wheaton Woods Sch
Bel Pre Park
Oak Chapel Cem
Bell Cemetery
Sycamore Creek
Buckhorn
NORWOOD
GEORGIA
AVENUE
BATCHELLORS
FOREST
HOLLY
MILL
ROAD
LANE
WESTFIELD
DRIVE
BEL PRE RD
LONGVIEW
HOMECREST
LITTLE
DENNIS
ANDERS RD
Gaging Station
Gleamore

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4. Tim Tamburrino
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7. 3501 Norbeck Road, Front and east elevations
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7. 3501 Norbeck Road, Front elevation
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7. 3501 Norbeck Road, west elevation
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7. 3501 Norbeck Road, Rear elevation
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