

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

M: 28-32

(date entered 5-12-80)

1. Name: Hopkins/Frey House

2. Planning Area/Site Number: 28/32* 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: *Not on Atlas

4. Address: 204 Heil Road, Silver Spring

5. Classification Summary

Category	<u>building</u>	Previous Survey Recording	<u>None</u>
Ownership	<u>private</u>	Title and Date:	
Public Acquisition	<u>N/A</u>		
Status	<u>occupied</u>		
Accessible	<u>no</u>	Federal	<u>State</u> <u>County</u> <u>Local</u>
Present use	<u>private residence</u>		

6. Date: pre-1865

7. Original Owner: Mrs. D. Hopkins

8. Apparent Condition

a. fair b. altered c. original site

9. Description: This three-section farmhouse faces south. The two-and-a-half story main block which comprises the east end of the house is three bays by two bays. It has a dirt floor basement made of fieldstone parged in places with cement. The joists under this section are tree trunks, one with bark intact. There is one off-center wooden paneled front door. Windows in this section are six-over-six double-hung, with a smaller one-by-one central window over the door. There is a central brick chimney, and a shed-roofed one story porch on the north facade. In the attic, small tree trunks were used for roof beams, and the west and east attic windows are four-over-four. To the west is a two-story, two bay by two bay kitchen block. It has fieldstone foundations and an exterior brick stove chimney on the west end. First floor windows in the front (south) facade are small double four-over-four, while those in the upper level are three-over-six. This section projects farther north than the main block & has a handsome glass & wooden paneled door which opens onto the north porch. These two sections are sheathed in five inch clapboard covered with asbestos siding. A garage section was added in the 1940's.

10. Significance: This old farmhouse, with many of its original features, stands as a reminder of the County's farm heritage in the midst of modern subdivisions.

It is believed that the main section of the house was constructed for Mrs. D. Hopkins before 1865. By 1875 the 123 acre parcel was owned by Samuel J. Hopkins and Hiram W. Hopkins and their wives. In 1882 the property was sold to John A. Frey, and probably under the Frey ownership the kitchen block was added. Julia Frey sold the farm in 1903 and it passed through a series of owners in the 20th century until the house and two acres were sold to Nancy and Thomas Albrecht in 1974. The Albrechts are restoring the house.

1. Researcher and date researched: Nancy Albrecht-9/79 Eileen McGuckian Arch. Description

12. Compiler: Gail Rothrock 13. Date Compiled: 10/79 14. Designation Approval

15. Acreage: 2 acres

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

M: 28/32

Not on Atlas
MAGI:

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Hopkins/Frey House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

204 Heil Road

CITY, TOWN

Silver Spring

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Nancy and Thomas Albrecht

Telephone #: 384-1278

STREET & NUMBER

204 Heil Road

CITY, TOWN

Silver Spring

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20904

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 4541

Folio #: 532

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		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three-section farmhouse faces south. The two-and-a-half story main block which comprises the east end of the house is three bays by two bays. It has a dirt floor basement made of fieldstone parged in places with cement. The joists under this section are tree trunks, one with bark intact. There was once a double-door entrance, but only one off-center wooden paneled front door is usable now. Windows in this section are six-over-six double-hung, with a smaller one-by-one central window over the door. There is a central brick chimney, and a shed-roofed one story porch on the north facade. In the attic, small tree trunks were used for roof beams, and the west and east attic windows are four-over-four.

To the west is a two-story, two bay by two bay kitchen block. It has fieldstone foundations and an exterior brick stove chimney on the west end. First floor windows in the front (south) facade are small double four-over-four, while those in the upper level are three-over-six. This section projects farther north than the main block, and has a handsome glass and wooden paneled door which opens onto the north porch.

Photographs of the house in the 1940's indicate a shed-roofed porch on each older section of the south facade, and the double entrance doors in use.

The garage section, added in the 1940's, is to the west of the kitchen block, and is one-a-half stories high. It is two bays by two bays, although there are three bays on the south facade. The door has vertical boards. Windows are six-over-six, and the foundation is of cinderblock.

The two older sections of the house are sheathed in 5" clapboard which is covered with asbestos siding. The garage is covered with matching asbestos siding. Each section has a gable roof covered with standing seam metal.

Inside, there are two sets of stairs, both ascending north to south. Walls are plaster over lath. Mature trees surround the house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input 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 pre-1865 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

It is believed that the main section of the house was constructed for Mrs. D. Hopkins before 1865. By 1875 the 123 acre one rood and 25 square perch parcel was owned by Samuel J. Hopkins and Hiram W. Hopkins and their wives. It was assessed in 1881 at \$468 for the land, \$952 for improvements, \$375 for livestock, and household furnishings at \$100.¹ The following year the Hopkins brothers sold the property to John A. Frey for \$5,625;² Frey retained it for the use of his wife even though they separated in 1885.³ Between 1885 and 1891 there was an increase in the assessment for improvements, which probably indicates the kitchen addition. A decrease in value in subsequent years may be due to the economic situation at the end of the 19th century or it is possible that Julia Frey did not work the farm for a time after her estranged husband's death in 1891.

Julia Frey sold the farm to William Edward Johnson in 1903 for \$4,059.⁴ The farm passed through a series of owners (being successively lessened in acreage) between 1905 and 1941, when Arthur and Maude Heil bought 15 acres with the house from Granville Thompson.⁵ The Heils subdivided the land, constructing several houses. This house with two acres was sold to Nancy and Thomas Albrecht in 1974. The Albrechts are slowly restoring the house.

FOOTNOTES:

1. Montgomery County Assessment Records, 1881.
2. Land Records of Montgomery County, Md., EBP 35/9 (made March 18, 1882; recorded April 29, 1885).
3. Ibid., agreement, EBP 33/424 (April 17, 1885).
4. Ibid., TD 24/277 (1903).
5. Ibid., 844/121 (September 16, 1941).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land and Assessment Records of Montgomery County, Maryland

Maps: Martenet and Bond (1865)
Hopkins Atlas (1879)
Hopkins (1894)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Eileen McGuckian, Architectural Description

Nancy Albrecht

September 1979

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

9/79

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

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