

M. 29-32

| 7. DESCRIPTION | |
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| CONDITION | <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed (Check One) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unclered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site (Check One) |
| DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE | |
| <p>There are several late-19th Cen. houses here that line MacArthur Blvd. on both sides. They generally are two-story frame dwellings, with German siding, 2/2 windows, and metal roofs. The traces of an old brickyard and several quarries are located on the Canal side of the intersection. The area is presently being developed.</p> | |

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2. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian
- 15th Century
- 16th Century
- 17th Century
- 18th Century
- 19th Century
- 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> Historic <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> Art <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Communications <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Industry <input type="checkbox"/> Invention <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> Literature <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Political <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/> Theater <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ |
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The houses here date from the late-1800's to the early-1900's. By then, a small commuter/settler pattern had begun, even though the area was remote from any established communities. The Conduit Road (now MacArthur Blvd.) had been built for the water supply to Washington. Gold mines were in operation, the C & O Canal was still operating, and weekend visitors were riding the trolley to places such as Glen Echo Chatauqua, and the Cabin John Hotel. Some homes were built as summer retreats, but others were occupied by year-round residents. Other activity here included a large brickworks (one of few ever commercially operated in the County.)

The Cropley family (for whom this area was named) ran a grocery and liquor business in Georgetown for many years.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1) Boyd, T.H.S. HISTORY OF MONT. CO., MD. (1879).

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY | | | O R | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES | | |
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| CORNER | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | |
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC

DATE: 3/5/75

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Ave.

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring

STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____



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NAME "RIVER" HOUSE

LOCATION 10550 McARTHUR BLVD., GREAT FALLS, MD.

FACADE NE

PHOTO TAKEN 3/5/75

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