

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

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| Maryland |
| COUNTY: Kent |
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| ENTRY DATE |

1. NAME

COMMON:
Fairlee Manor Camp House

AND/OR HISTORIC:
"Fare Lee" or Handy Farm

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1/2 mile north of Maryland Route 445, 1 1/2 miles east of Fairlee, Md.

CITY OR TOWN:
Fairlee

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
First

STATE:
Maryland

CODE:
24

COUNTY:
Kent

CODE:
029

3. CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY (Check One) | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object | <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both | Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress |
| PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum | <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>Summer camp for</u> <u>crippled children.</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments <u>Institution</u> | | | |

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children & Adults of Delaware, Inc.

STREET AND NUMBER:
2705 Baynard Boulevard

CITY OR TOWN:
Wilmington

STATE:
Delaware

CODE:
10

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Kent County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Courthouse Square

CITY OR TOWN:
Chestertown

STATE:
Maryland

CODE:
24

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks.

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road, Annapolis, Maryland

CITY OR TOWN:
Annapolis

STATE:
Maryland

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7. DESCRIPTION

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| CONDITION | (Check One) | | | | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins | <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed |
| | (Check One) | | | (Check One) | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Altered | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered | | <input type="checkbox"/> Moved | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Fairlee Manor is composed of a two-story, three-bay-long brick structure with a one-and-a-half story brick wing and a one-and-a-half story, three-bay-long plank wing on each side in decreasing height and width, creating in effect, a telescopic house from each end.

The three center parts are of brick laid in common bond, the central part has a molded cove water table, fanlight above the central double door, and flat arches above each of the other apertures. All windows have six over six sash and louvered shutters. A brick chimney is located within each outer gable of each of the five parts. One flat headed dormer extends from the ridge of the "A" roof on both sides of each wing.

An unusual method was employed in the construction of the plank wings. Instead of fitting end into, or over, end of log in the corners, the builders used a large corner post into which the individual planks were mortised and tenoned. Along the long walls are interior posts pegged into the planks approximately four feet apart. The end-into-end method of construction is to be seen in a building on Carter's Paper Mill property, begun about 1820 along the little Elk Creek, Cecil County. The interior post feature can be seen on the log cabin at Sotterley in St. Mary's County, though the posts are placed on the outside of the walls.

Some original woodwork remains in the house, although the interior has been altered by recent owners. In the central portion, windows and doors have bold molded trim, with corner blocks; and mantels with colonettes in vogue in the late 1820's and 1830's.

Raised paneling in the west, brick wing, of a style used in the eighteenth century was probably installed by a recent owner.

The interiors of the plank wings have exposed hewn beams and posts. Recent brick floors are used in each of the four wings. The East log wing was brought onto the site within the last fifty years according to local tradition.

Flanking the dwelling and set forward from the north facade are a pair of late nineteenth-century dependencies, used in 1971 as a pumphouse and a garage. They are square, board and batten structures with tall pyramidal roofs with cupolas. Beneath the edge of the main roof is a series of "ginger bread" scollops held by the ends of the rafters. The cupola has a square louvered portion with a pyramidal roof and pinnacle. Within the cornice is a series of holes for a bird house.

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| SIGNIFICANCE | | | |
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| PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate) <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | | | |
| SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) | | | |
| AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> Historic <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> Art <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Communications <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Industry <input type="checkbox"/> Invention <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> Literature <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Political <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/> Theater <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> |
| STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE | | | |
| <p>The old house on Fairlee Manor Camp is an early nineteenth, century dwelling composed of five symmetrical parts. It is unusual for its use of equally placed flanking dependencies, which are of late nineteenth-century period.</p> <p>Fairlee Manor Camp is a part of a 1900 acre tract of land called "Fare Lee" laid out in 1674 for "James Brown, merchant formerly of New England."</p> <p>The present house stands on a 263 acre farm which is used as a summer camp for the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Delaware. It was donated to the Society by Mrs. Louisa d'A. Carpenter, its previous occupant in 1953.</p> <p>The major part of the house appears to have been constructed during the period 1825-40. The owners of the land at that time were William Blakistone Wilmer and his wife Mary Anne (nee Taylor). Mrs. Wilmer received the land from her father, Philip Taylor. It then passed along the female line to Sarah and George D. S. Handy. Since 1880, the farm has seen ten owners, until 1953 when it was deeded to the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Delaware, Inc. The house is preserved through an adaptive use that makes an important contribution to helping the handicapped.</p> | | | |

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Kent County Wills and Land Records, Kent County Courthouse, Chestertown, Kent County and Hall of Records, St. John's Campus, Annapolis, Maryland.

Hanson, George A. Old Kent, Regional Publishing Co., Baltimore, 1967, (original 1876).

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY | | | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES | | |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------|-------------------------|
| CORNER | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | LATITUDE | | LONGITUDE |
| | Degrees Minutes Seconds | Degrees Minutes Seconds | Degrees | Minutes Seconds | Degrees Minutes Seconds |
| NW | ° ' " | ° ' " | 39° | 14' 33" | 76° 12' 12" |
| NE | ° ' " | ° ' " | | | |
| SE | ° ' " | ° ' " | | | |
| SW | ° ' " | ° ' " | | | |

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 4 acres

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

| STATE: | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Michael Bourne, Field Surveyor

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: Nov. 9, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER: 2525 Riva Road

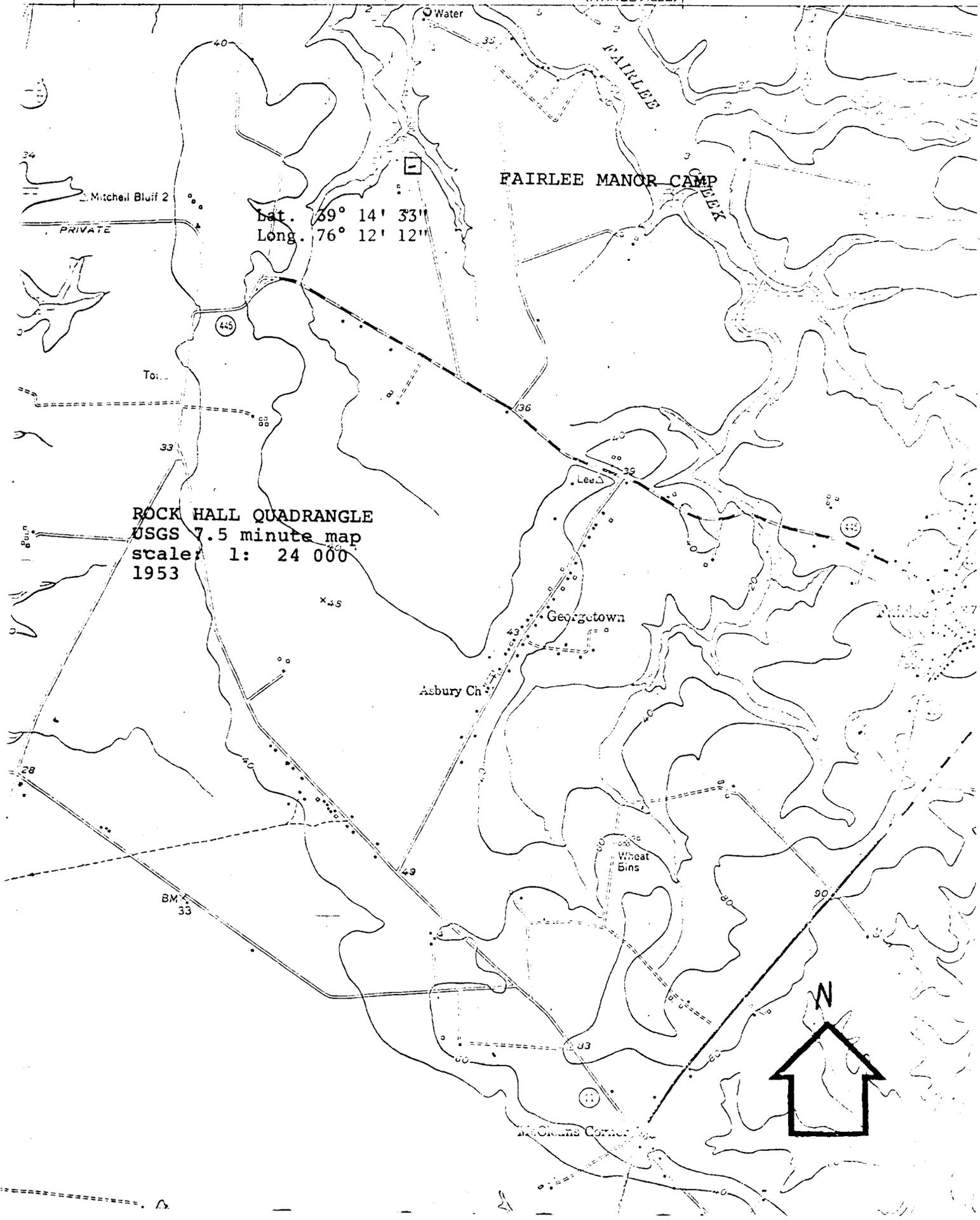
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

| 12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION | NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION |
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| <p>As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665). I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name <u>Orlando Ridout IV</u></p> <p>Title <u>State Liaison Officer for Maryland</u></p> <p>Date <u>November 13, 1972</u></p> | <p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register</p> <p>_____ Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</p> <p>Date _____</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____ Keeper of The National Register</p> <p>Date _____</p> |

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12'30"

(HANESVILLE)



Lat. 39° 14' 33"
Long. 76° 12' 12"

ROCK HALL QUADRANGLE
USGS 7.5 minute map
scale 1: 24 000
1953



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PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

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| | | | 029 |
| 3. MAP REFERENCE | | | |
| SOURCE: | | | |
| U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute map Rock Hall, Maryland, Quadrangle | | | |
| SCALE: 1:24,000 | | | |
| DATE: 1953 | | | |
| 4. REQUIREMENTS | | | |
| TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS | | | |
| 1. Property boundaries where required. | | | |
| 2. North arrow. | | | |
| 3. Latitude and longitude reference. | | | |

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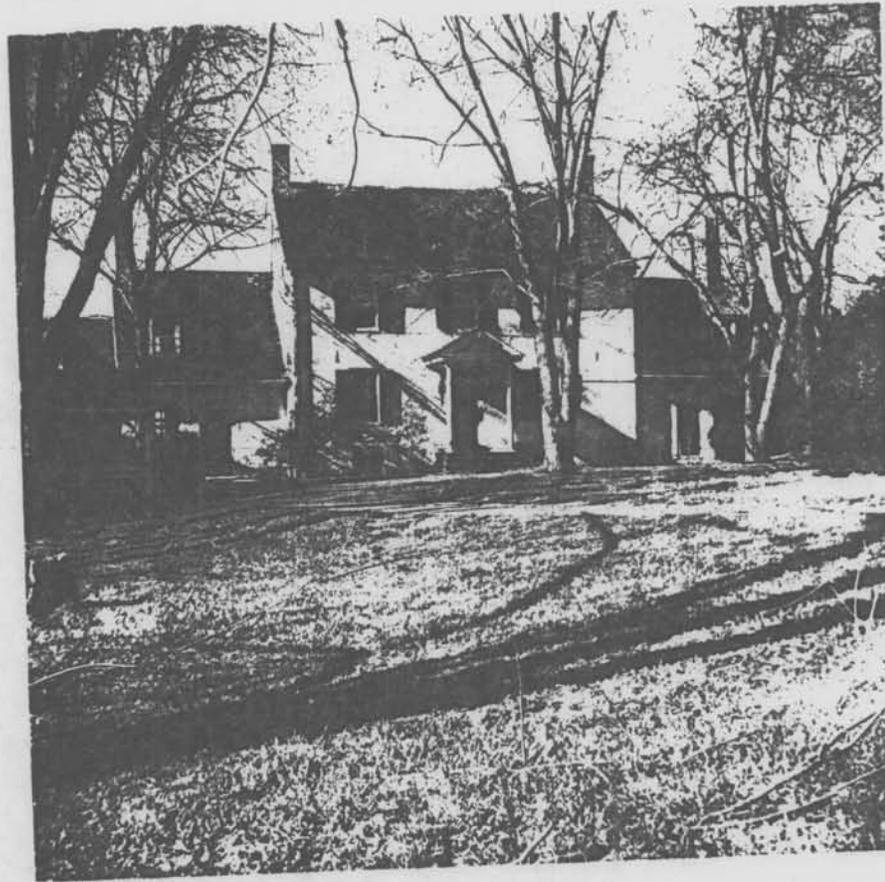
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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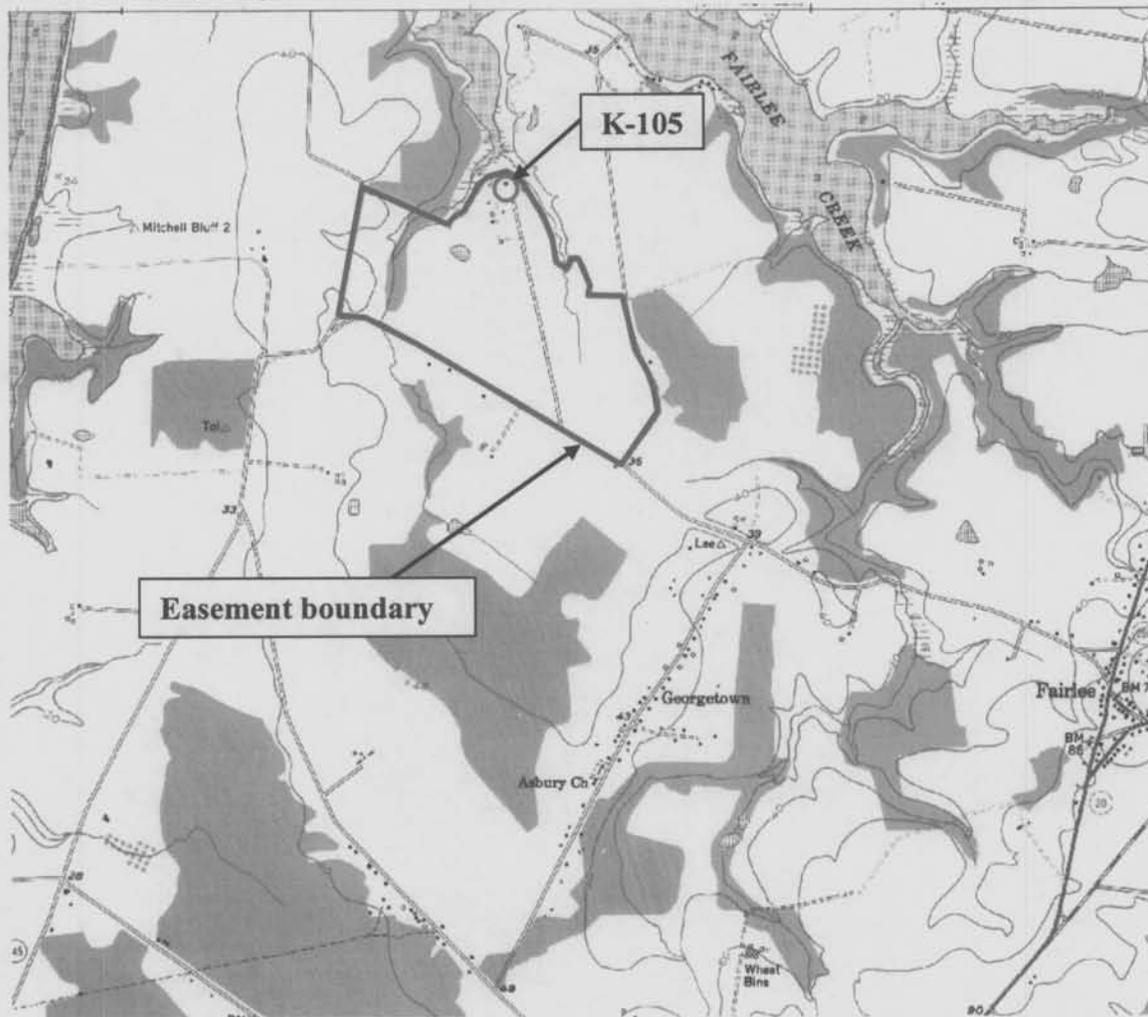
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| 3. PHOTO REFERENCE | | | |
| PHOTO CREDIT: | Michael Bourne | | |
| DATE OF PHOTO: | March 1971 | | |
| NEGATIVE FILED AT: | Maryland Historical Trust 2525 Riva Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 | | |
| 4. IDENTIFICATION | | | |
| DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. | | | |
| South elevation | | | |



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Fairlee Manor Camp
(Fare Lee, Handy Farm)
22242 Bay Shore Road, Chestertown
Rock Hall Quadrangle





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Fairlee Manor Camp

Michael O. Bourne

April 1971

Dr. Herbert J. J. J.
in College Park
Annapolis, Md. 21403



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Fairlee Manor C.1830

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