

WHORTON LOG HOUSE

AL-II-A-062

Dolly Road, north of Route 40, Flintstone  
ca. 1890

The Whorton House is a two story, two bay wide, rectangular structure. Logs in the house are laid with dove tail notching while the chinking is cement. The Whorton Log House is typical of the type of housing utilized by the less affluent citizens of Allegany County throughout the 19th century.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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AL-II-A-062

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Whorton Log House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Dolly Road, north of Route 40

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegheny

**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
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Della Whorton

Telephone #: 78-2454

STREET & NUMBER

P.O.

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegheny County Courthouse

Liber #: 213

Folio #: 488

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

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

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Whorton Log House on the east side of Dolly Road, approximately 200 yards north of Route 40 near Flintstone, Allegany County.

The Whorton Log House is a two story, two bay wide, rectangular block. A single story rectangular, frame addition abuts the main block on the north side. Logs in the house are laid with dovetail notching while the chinking is cement. The house rests on a low foundation constructed of log joists resting on stone pilings. Windows in the house are one over one lights with plain trim. The main entrance, which is located on the south side of the house, is covered by a three bay end porch with a shed roof. A second porch is found on the east side of the frame addition. The roof of the Whorton House is gabled with a soffit and is covered with tin. Two cement block chimneys are located at the outside ends of the building.

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

SPECIFIC DATES    ca. 1890

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Log Cabin remained a popular form of housing in Allegany County until the present century; and Whorton Log House is an excellent example of this type. The structures were inexpensive to build, easy to construct and extremely sturdy. In the 1890 decade, numerous log structures were built in the county by its less wealthy inhabitants, as subsistence type farms. Soon after their construction, many of these buildings were generally covered with board and batten; however, this example retains its exposed log surface.

An interesting group of these log houses can be found in the Eastern portion of Allegany County. The buildings are generally two stories high and two or three bays wide with some additions to accommodate a growing family's needs. The Whorton Log House is a good example of such a structure and is similar in construction to the E.V. Sportsman's Club Log House, the Carder Log House and others located nearby.

The house is structurally near its original appearance and remains a cultural and architectural reminder of a way of life once found in Allegany County.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 24 acres**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

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ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

11/8/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

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.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-II-A-062

213/488

DATE: 10/11/76

24 A.

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Whorton Log House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Dolly Rd., north of Rt. 40, Flintstones

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: South

NAME OF OWNER: Dalla ~~Marion~~ Whorton 478-2454

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Flintstones

STORIES: 1( ) 2() 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2() 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: ons/rsar

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ( ) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- ( ) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- ( ) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- () LOG dovetail notching/wood + cement chinking
- ( ) Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE Log joints on stone pilings

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2( ) 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( )  
pegged ( ) nailed( ) wide ( ) narrow ( ) mitred ( ) pediment ( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced( )  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)  
original( ) replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,  
on addition Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced( )

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip( ) gable( ) replaced

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK( ) STONE( ) COREELED( ) original( ) replaced( )  
LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end() Central( ) Interior( )

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Cabin  
Significance - Arch  
Date Constructed - 1890's?  
Condition - good

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Wanton Log House  
Dolly Rd.

USGS - Flintstone Quad

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MARYLAND

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AI-II-A-060

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AI-II-A-056

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AI-II-A-039

AI-II-A-038

AI-II-A-059

AI-II-A-067

AI-II-A-063

AI-II-A-073

AI-II-A-005 & 065

AI-II-A-061

Toms Hill

Town

Creek

White

Rd





AI-II-A-062

Warton Log House

1/2 M. North of Rt 40 - Flintstone

John E. Nelson

10/13/76

Northeast



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Warten, near Heuss

1/2 m. N. of Rt. 40, Flintstone

John E. Nelson

10/13/76

Southwest