

AL-V-B-110
Orndorf Board and Batten
Route 36 near Mount Savage
1860's-1870's

Orndorf Board and Batten is located in the northeastern section of the Georges Creek mining region. It was probably built shortly after the Civil War when coal companies of the area were experiencing a boom in business. Many buildings built by the coal companies or the miners themselves were board and batten structures. In this isolated part of the coal region it stands as a reminder of the way of life experienced by miners of western Allegany County.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Orndorf Board and Batten
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER Route 36 Sixth
CITY, TOWN Mount Savage X VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
STATE Maryland COUNTY Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	X PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Grace T. Orndorf Telephone #:
STREET & NUMBER Route 1 Box 214
CITY, TOWN Mount Savage VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 21545

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Allegany County Courthouse Liber #: 489 Folio #: 952
STREET & NUMBER 30 Washington Street
CITY, TOWN Cumberland STATE Maryland 21502

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
DATE
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Orndorf Board and Batten is located on the south side of Jennings Run east of Mount Savage.

The building consists of a rectangular, two story, three bays wide frame structure with board and batten. It rests on a low stone foundation of random rubble with no apparent water table. The gable flank roof is covered with tar paper. Eaves consist of a close overhang with a frieze. An interior brick chimney with a corbeled cap is original.

A two paneled door in the center of the northern facade is the main entrance. Windows are six over six lights pegged. The front porch has been removed. A shed addition is on the south.

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 checked="" 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Orndorf Board and Batten is located in the northeastern section of the Georges' Creek mining region. It was probably built shortly after the civil war when coal companies of the area experienced a boom in business. (1) The house is near the Parker Vein Coal Company's 'mining village of Barelville.' (2) Even closer were the Mount Savage George's Creek Coal Company's number one mine and the Potomac Coal Company's Cassanave Mine. (3)

Many of the buildings built for miners by the coal companies or by the miners themselves were board and batten structures. In this area that is isolated from the heart of the coal region it stands as a reminder of a way of life experienced by the coal miners of Western Maryland.

- (1) Katherine Harvey, The Best Dressed Miners, Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910. Ithaca Cornell University Press, 1969 p-78
- (2) Ibid. p.77
- (3) Harry Stegmaier, et al. Allegheny County-A History (Parsons W Va.: McClain Printing Co.) pp 306-307

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Harvey Katherine A., Best Dressed Miners: Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910 (Ithaca: Cornell University Press)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 6.6 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

DATE

June 7, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

3 Pershing Street

TELEPHONE

777-5944

CITY OR TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland 21502

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 purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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

MAP 2 Parcel 138

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REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: ORNDORF BOARD & BATTEN

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: S OF 36 W of Bonelville

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: N

NAME OF OWNER: GRACE T. ORNDORF 489/452 G.G.A

ADDRESS: RT 1 BOX 214 Mt. Savage Md.

264 415

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: 5 Shed no foundation

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
- OTHER: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others _____

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone RR

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: center N 2 panel
HARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
close part
Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architrave

ROOF: Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt; original() replaced()

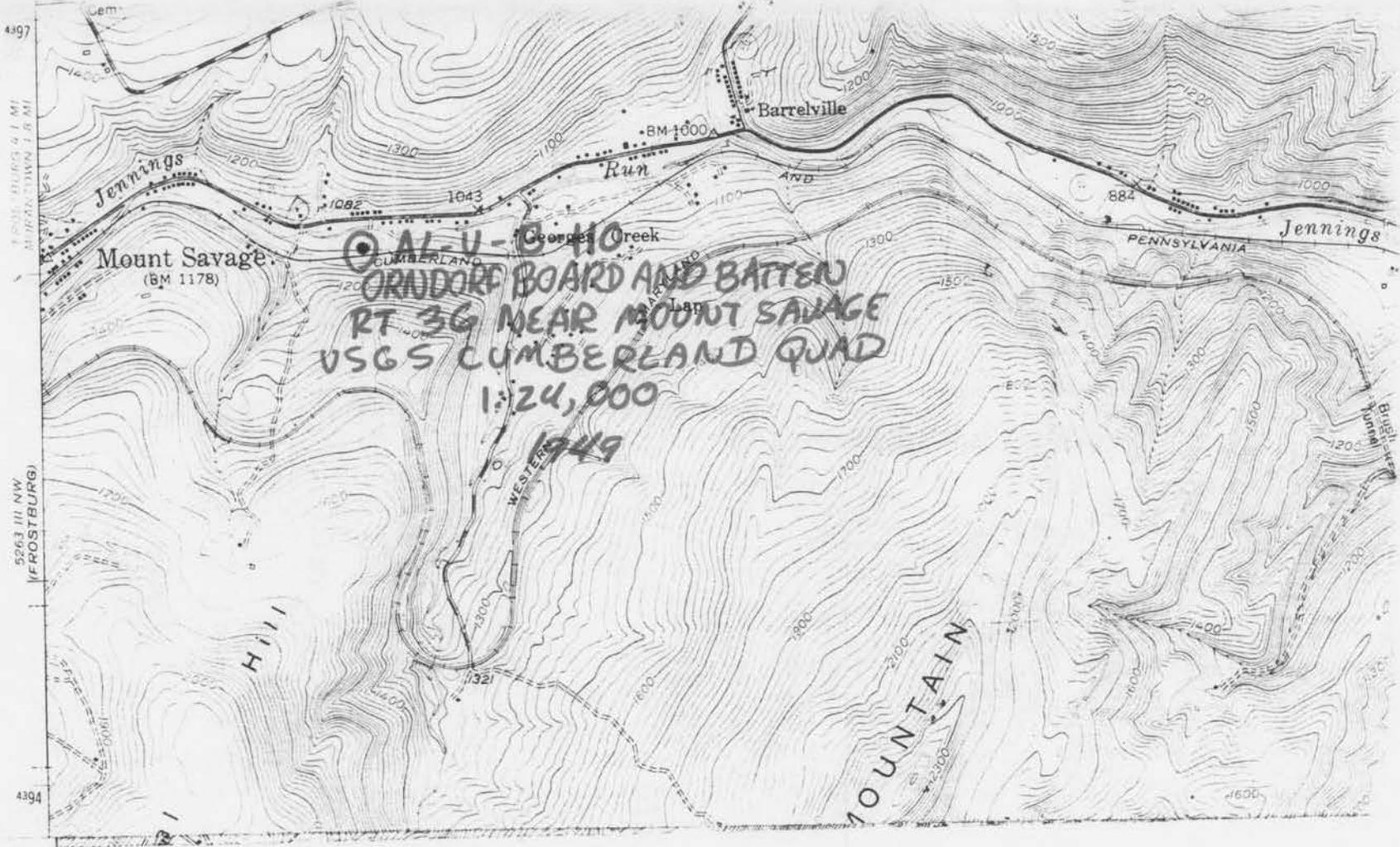
PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: Number: 1 Brick() Stone() Corbeled() original() replaced()
Location: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, ~~Segmental~~, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

USE: _____
SIGNIFICANCE: _____
DATE CONSTRUCTED: _____
CONDITION: _____



497
4.905 HURS 4 1 MI
1.6242 DOWN 1.6 MI

5263 III NW
(FROSTBURG)

494

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ORNDORF BOARD AND BATTEN
RT 36 NEAR MOUNT SAVAGE
VSGS CUMBERLAND QUAD
1:24,000
1949

Mount Savage
(BM 1178)

Barrelville

Jennings

Run

George Creek

PENNSYLVANIA

Jennings

HILL

MOUNTAIN



AZ. U- B- 100

ORDER BOARD & BATTEN
RT 36 NEAR MOUNT SAVAGE
DAVID A DORSEY

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Southeast