

Corriganville Schoolhouse  
AL-V-B-139  
Old Mount Savage Road, Corriganville  
1870's

Many schoolhouses in western Allegany County were built on land owned by mining companies. In most cases the companies donated the use of the land and later conveyed it to the Board of County School Commissioners or its successor the Board of Education. This is the case of the Corriganville Schoolhouse which was built during the 1870's on land owned by the Union Mining Company of Allegany County but was not owned by the county until 1913. The two room schoolhouse had separate classrooms for boys and girls which were heated by pot bellied stoves. Grades one through six were taught here. The frame building with a gabled roof had gabled vestibules entrances on either end.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Corriganville Schoolhouse  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Old Mount Savage Road Sixth  
CITY, TOWN Corriganville VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE Maryland COUNTY Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 checked="" 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 Robert M. and Marylin Y. Emerick Telephone #: 724-4568  
STREET & NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, TOWN Corriganville VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ STATE, zip code Maryland 20740

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Allegany County Courthouse Liber #: 458  
Folio #: 689  
STREET & NUMBER 30 Washington Street  
CITY, TOWN Cumberland STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<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

Corriganville Schoolhouse is located on the southern side of the Old Mount Savage Road in Corriganville.

The building is a one story, one bay wide rectangular frame structure with clapboard siding. Gabled vestibules are on the east and west. The high foundation is of random ashlar stone with a plain water table. The gable front roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Eaves consist of rafter ends and a frieze. An original brick chimney is located inside end.

The main entrance, originally on the eastern vestibule has been removed as has one on the west. Entrances are now located on the northern flank. Original windows are pegged wide, six over six lights with shutter hinges and wooden slipsills. Other windows are four over one and two over two lights. A shed roofed addition on the southern flank rests on a stone foundation.

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 checked="" 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		

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SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Corriganville Schoolhouse was built during Allegany County's initial school building program of the 1870's. Like many other schoolhouses in the county's mining area it was erected on land owned by a mining company. (1) Mention of the school is made in a 1913 deed by which the Union Mining Company of Allegany County conveyed the property to the Board of Education.(2) Inclusion of the school in Scharfs 1881 list of county school confirms its existence at that time.(3)

The two room schoolhouse had separate classrooms for boys and girls which were heated by pot bellied stoves. Grades one through six were taught at this school;students attended high school in Cumberland. (4) The schoolhouse was converted into a residence when a larger brick schoolhouse was built in the early 1920's. (5)

The frame building with clapboard siding has entrances in gabled vestibules on either end. It is a simple functional building with eaves consisting of rafter ends and a frieze. Many original pegged six over six light windows remain. It stands as a reminder of the progress od education in Allegany County during the nineteenth century.

- (1) Allegany County Land Records, Liber 123, Folio 638 and Katherine A. Harvey, Best Dressed Miners: Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910 (Ithaca: Cornell University Press) p.110
- (2) Allegany County Land Records, Liber 123, Folio 638
- (3) John T. Scharf, History of Western Maryland (Phialdephia: L.H. Everts Company) p.1356 Vol. II
- (4) Interview with Mr. Leo P. Ford, former student, LaVale, Md. 7-27-79
- (5) Unpublished document, Allegany County Board of Education and Allegany County Land Records, Liber 153, Folio 315.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegheny County Land Records  
 Harvey, Katherine A. Best Dressed Miners: Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1969  
 Scharf, John T. History of Western Maryland, Philadelphia: L.H. Everts Co. 1882

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY

163'x49'

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

David A. Dorsey, Historic Sites Coordinator

ORGANIZATION

Allegheny County Historic Sites

DATE

July 23, 1979

STREET &amp; NUMBER

3 Pershing Street

TELEPHONE

777-5944

CITY OR TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland 21502

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

INVENTORY NO: A1-V-B-139

DATE: 6/26/79

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: CORRIGANVILLE SCHOOL 6/26/79

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: s side old Mount Savage Rd.

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: East

NAME OF OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: shed add on south gersiding on stone found

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 gabled vestibules on cornerboards

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others with circular vents

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone Random Ashlar 4/1 on N & E

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

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

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: new on N flank  
HARDWARE: original( ) replaced()  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
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: \_\_\_\_\_

FLOOR PLAN:

- ( ) CENTRAL HALL: Two rooms, each side; double parlor, one side
- ( ) SIDE HALL: One room deep, two rooms deep
- ( ) IRREGULAR

STAIRWAYS:

- ( ) ENCLOSED: Single flight, two flights with landing
- ( ) OPEN: Single flight, two flights - one landing, three flights - two landings
- ( ) DOG-LEG
- ( ) DOG-LEG with WINDERS
- ( ) SPIRAL
- ( ) ROUNDED
- ( ) SYMMETRICAL DIVIDED FLIGHTS

WALL FINISH:

- ( ) PLASTER
- ( ) PANELED: original; replaced
- ( ) BOARD PARTITION: baseboard, cornice, chair rail, wainscot

FIREPLACES:

NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 LOCATION: parallel to walls, diagonal  
 MANTELS: wood mouldings, pilasters, columns, masonry, marble

DOORS: paneled, board and batten, flush  
 HARDWARE: original; replaced

DOOR & WINDOW TRIM:

- ( ) PLAIN
- ( ) ARCHITRAVE
- ( ) SYMMETRIC with CORNER BLOCKS
- ( ) FLUTED
- ( ) FLUTED with CORNER BLOCKS
- ( ) ARCHED OPENINGS: elliptical, tudor

NOTES:

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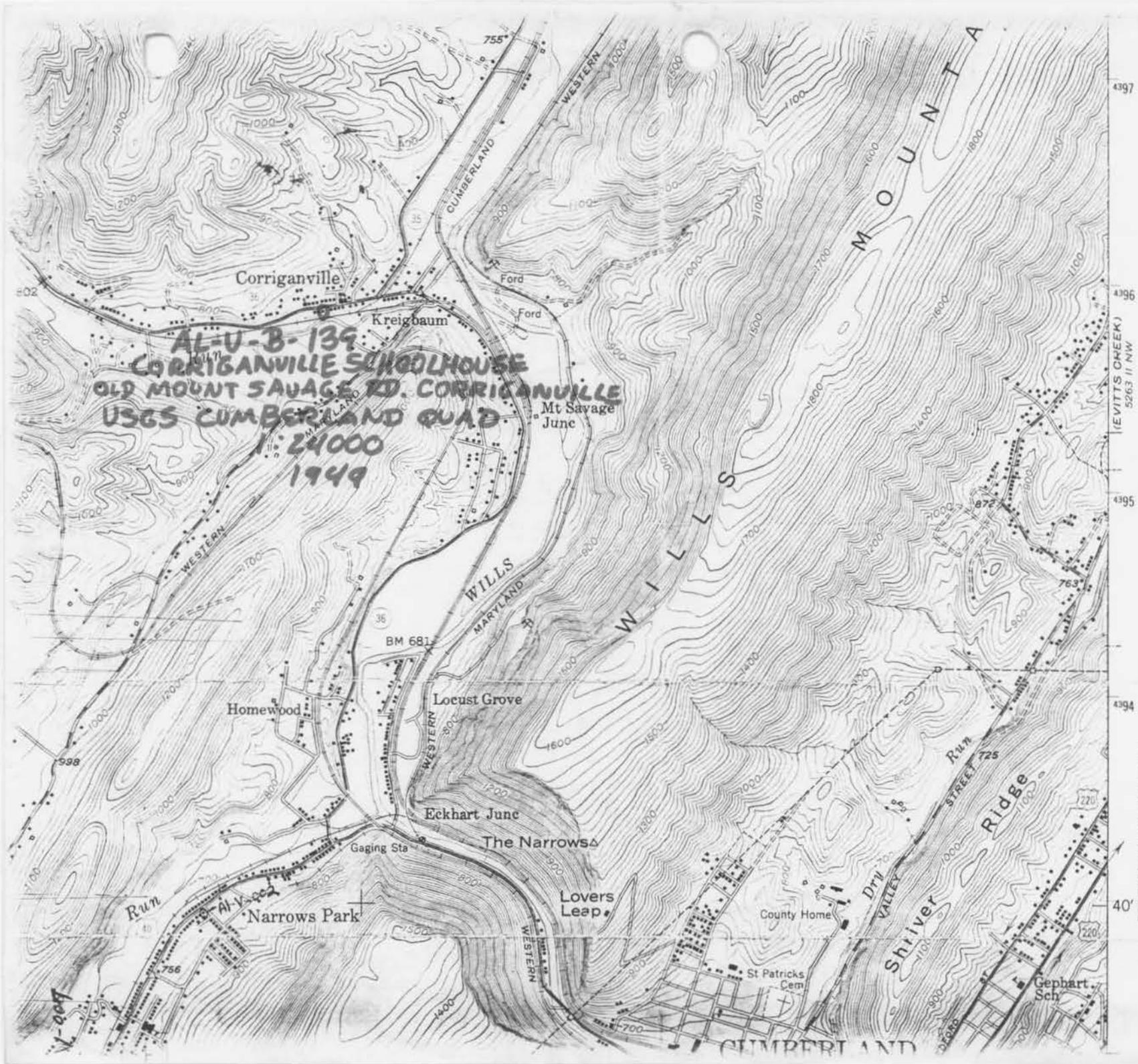
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CORRIGANVILLE SCHOOLHOUSE  
OLD MOUNT SAUSAGE RD. CORRIGANVILLE  
USGS CUMBERLAND QUAD  
1:24000  
1949

4397  
4396  
4395  
4394  
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BEDFORD VALLEY, PA. 1.3 MI.  
BEDFORD, PA. 2.9 MI.

(EVITTS CREEK)  
5263 II NW



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CORRIGANVILLE SCHOOLHOUSE  
OLD MOUNT SAVAGE RD, CORRIGANVILLE

DAVID A. DORSEY

6/26/79

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CORRIGANVILLE SCHOOLHOUSE  
OLD MOUNT SAVAGE RD, CORRIGANVILLE

DAVID A. DORSEY

6/26/79

NORTHWEST



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CORRIGANVILLE SCHOOL

FIGURE 179.