

SMITH LOG HOUSE

AL-VI-B-046  
Church Hill, Midland  
ca. 1856

The Smith Log House was constructed ca. 1856 as a Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railroad Company House. During that time the railroad was completing its third section, that of Borden Yard in Frostburg to the Town of Lonaconing. Company houses of this type (two story log structures) were fairly common among the railroad and coal businesses of the George's Creek area. The house has since been sheathed by weatherboarding and enlarged by a one story shed-roofed addition.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Smith Log House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Church Hill

CITY, TOWN

Midland

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

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 type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

George Smith

Telephone #: 463-6126

STREET & NUMBER

Church Hill

CITY, TOWN

Midland

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 466

Folio #: 517

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

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Smith Log House is located on Church Hill in Midland. It consists of a two story, three bay wide rectangular log structure that has since been re-covered with weatherboarding. The northwest side of the house now includes a one story shed-roofed addition sheathed by vertical boards and plain battens. A low stone foundation underlies the entire structure. Double hung wooden sash frames with two over two lights are found on the main block while both six over six and one over one lights are found on the rear addition. Two entrance-ways are found, one southeast and the other northeast, and both have their original vertical paneled doors. One bay shed roofed hoods cover both doors. A replaced soffit and frieze run the perimeter of the asphalt-covered gabled roof. There are two original corbeled brick chimneys located within the structure, and they have central and inside end locations.

The Smith Log House presently stands in fair condition and is structurally sound. The rear frame addition coupled with the weather-board siding have altered the original appearance of this two story log house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY



# MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .55 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

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

12/6/76

STREET & 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. A1-VI-B-046

DATE: 11/30/76

466/517  
.55 acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: SMITH Log House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: CHURCH HILL, MIDLAND

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: 150°

NAME OF OWNER: GEORGE SMITH 463-6126

ADDRESS: CHURCH HILL, MIDLAND

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: REAR PORCH w/ V

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

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,  
Architrave

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

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed( ) hip( ) gable( ) SIDE 1 BAY SHED ROOF

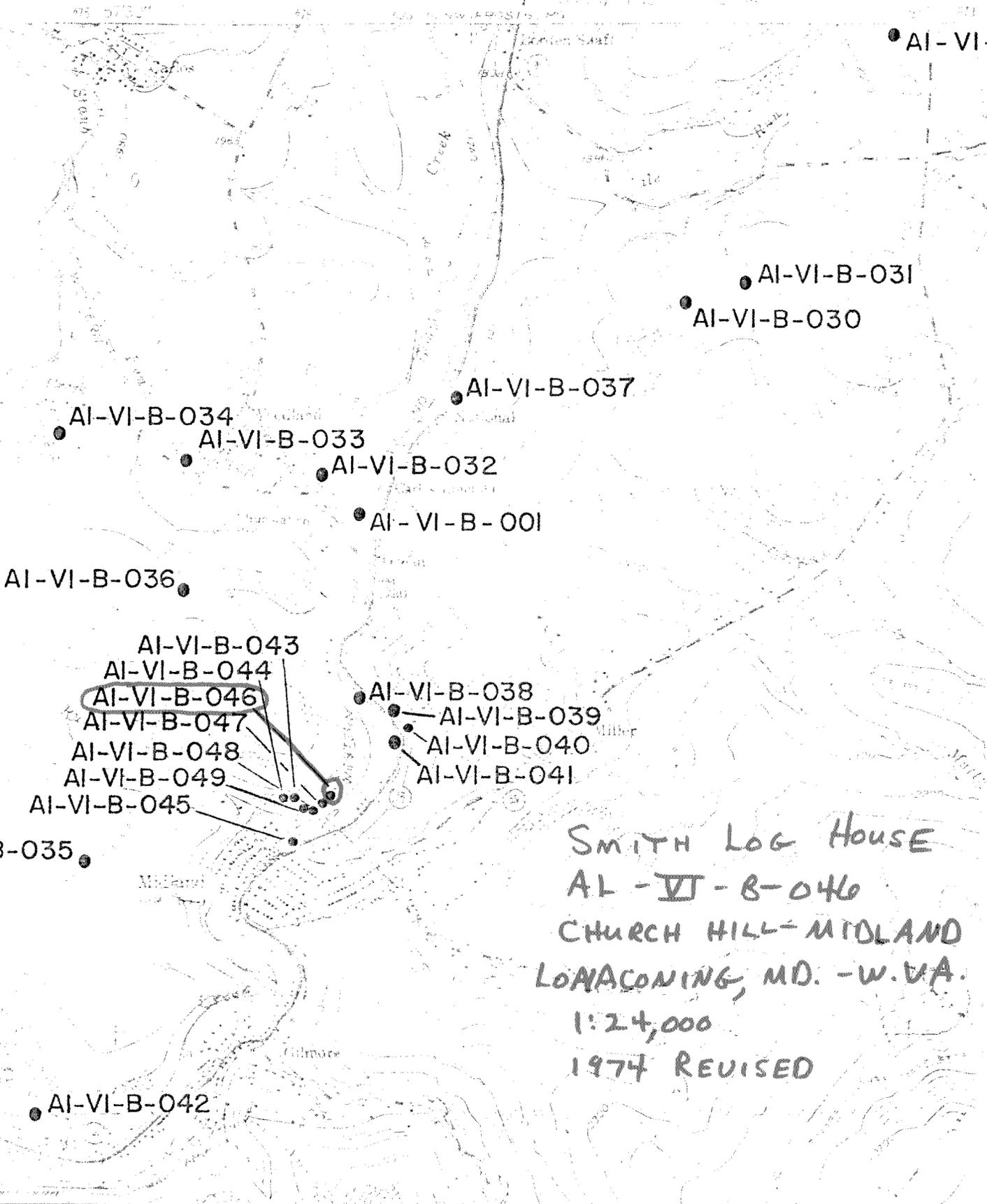
CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK() STONE( ) COMBINED( ) original( ) replaced( )  
LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end() Outside end( ) Central() Interior( )

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

COMMENTS:  
Use - Private Residence  
Significance - Co of Railroad House  
Date Constructed - ca. 1856  
Condition - Fair

# SECTION VI QUADRANGLE B

STATE OF MARYLAND  
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



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John Nelson

11/30/76

West

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