

VanBuskirk Frame House
AL-VI-B-162

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Van Buskirk Frame House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

Sixth

CITY, TOWN

Woodland

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegheny

3 CLASSIFICATION

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

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Vincent A. Diggs

Telephone #: 463-2132

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1 Box 318

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

VICINITY OF

Maryland 21532 zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegheny County Courthouse

Liber #: 453

Folio #: 648

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

Maryland 21502

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|
| | 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"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS | | <input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Van Buskirk Frame house is located on the southern side of Main Street in the village of Woodland.

The "T" shaped house is two stories tall and three bays wide. Wall construction is frame with shiplap siding. It rests on a low stone foundation of random rubble with a plain water table. The gable flank roof is covered with tar paper. Eaves consist of a boxed cornice, soffit, frieze, and returns. A central gable with returns is on the northeastern flank of the building. Two brick chimneys located on the interior are original. A shed roofed frame addition with german siding rests on cinder blocks and is located in the southern corner of the building.

All doors and windows are pedimented. The main entrance in the center of the northeastern facade has a three panel, one light door. A second story entrance directly above the main entrance has a six panel door with one frosted glass light. Windows are two over two light sashes with fluted jambs and wooden lugsills. A porch on the northeastern facade has been removed. A shed roofed porch is on the southwestern facade.

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 **1897** BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Van Buskirk Frame House is located on Main Street, in Woodland. Woodland was laid out by the Consolidation Coal Company in 1897 to provide housing for miners working the nearby mine of Ocean No. 7. (1) The village was originally laid out to have six lots, this house being on lot five.(2) By 1898 the company had built forty two houses in the village.(3)

In 1904 the Consolidation Coal Company rented the house for five years to David Smith. (4) The house became privately owned in 1929 when Consolidation sold it to Alice May Van Buskirk.(5)

The house is "T" shaped, two stories tall and three bays wide. Wall construction is frame with shiplap siding. The roof is gable flank with a central gable on the northeastern flank. All doors and windows are pedimented. The main entrance in the center of the northeastern facade has a three panel, one light door. A second story entrance directly above the main entrance formerly opened onto a porch or balcony, which has been removed.

- (1) Katherine A. Harvey, Best Dressed Miners; Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910 (Ithaca: Cornell University Press) p. 79
- (2) Allegany County Deeds, Liber 82, Folio 472
- (3) Katherine Harvey, P. 79
- (4) Allegany County Deeds Liber 94, Folio 413
- (5) Allegany County Deeds, Liber 162, Folio 530

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harvey, Katherine A. Best Dressed Miners: Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910 Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1969
 Allegany County Land Records

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 75' x 120'

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

Allegany County Historic Sites

DATE

March 24, 1980

STREET & NUMBER

3 Pershing Street

TELEPHONE

777-5944

CITY OR TOWN

Cumberland

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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 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH

Van Buskirk Frame House
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Allegany County Deed: Liber 453, Folio 648
Grantee: Vincent A. Diggs and Mella M. Diggs
Grantor: Leona Gladys Grove (formerly Buskirk
Notes: Lot #5 .321 a at Woodland E.D. 18

Date: May 19, 1972

Allegany County Wills #8259
Grantee: Leona Grove (Daughter
Grantor: Alice May Van Buskirk, deceased

Date: 1965

Allegany County Deed: Liber 162, Folio 530
Grantee: Alice May Van Buskirk
Grantor: Consolidation Coal Co.
Notes: on road commonly known as Main Street

Date: October 2, 1929
Consideration: \$225

Allegany County Deed: Liber 94, Folio 413
Grantee: David Smith
Grantor: Consolidation Coal Co.
Notes: Lot #5 in Town of Woodland in which dwelling now
stands a lease for 5 years.

Date: February 5, 1904

Allegany County Deed: Liber 82, Folio 472
Plat: 6 lots on plat, 1 to 6 September 10, 1897

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REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Diggs House

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Woodland

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: 40° NE

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NAME OF OWNER: Map 35 p. 228 block 5

ADDRESS: Vincent A Diggs 453/648 SD 18 Rt 1 Box 318 Postburg 21532
75'x120' 463 2132

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: *3 corner of L german siding *1 dent's main

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular) block-smaller rubble
shiplap siding

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 Rubble

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

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

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: center NE 3 panels / light. 2nd floor 3 sq 3 v net
HARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN panels - frosted glass
light w/ deer.
Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal Boards

Box

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) returns
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; central gable - w/ return
original() replaced()

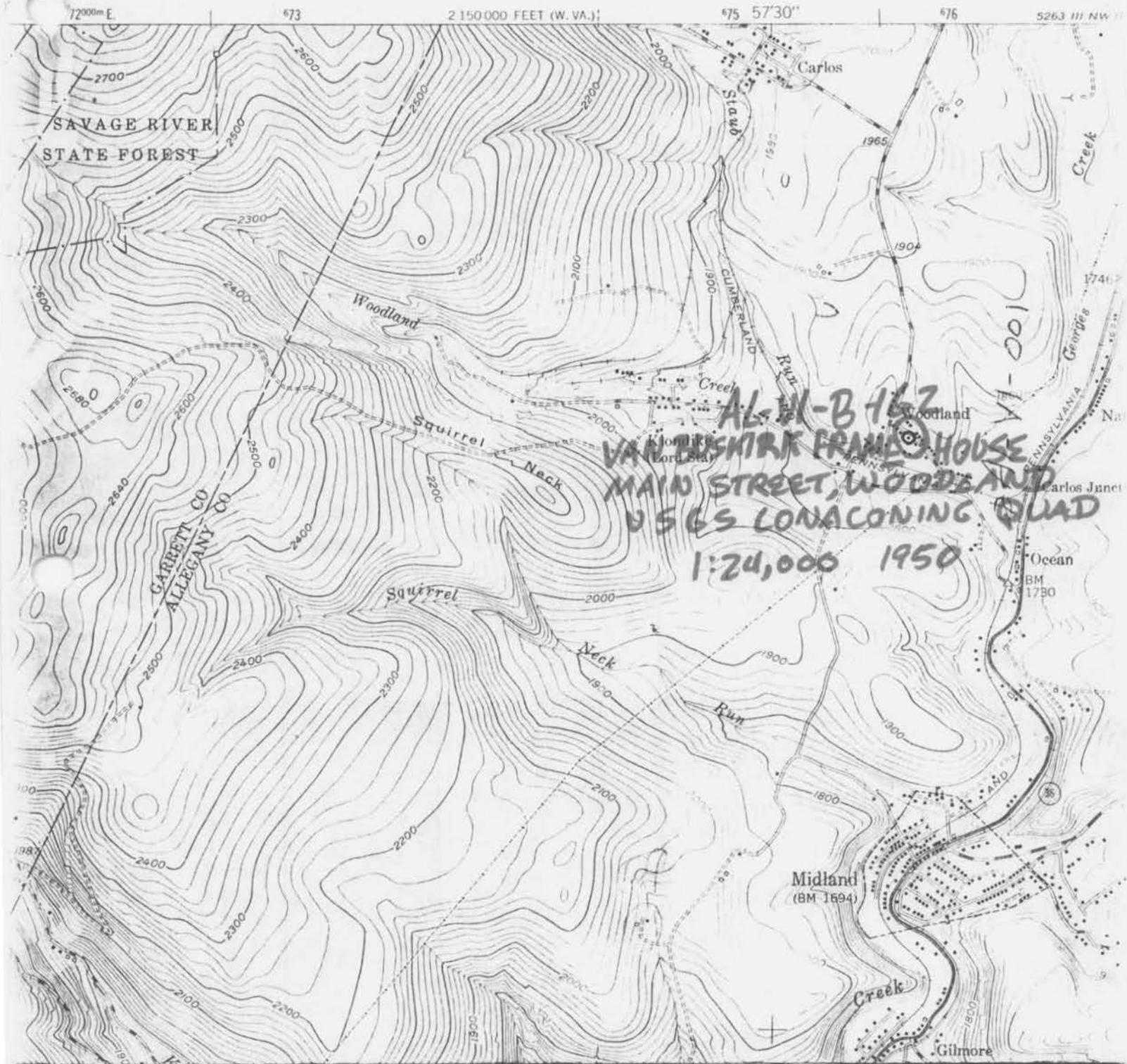
PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable() did have 2 tiered porchs.

CHIMNEYS: Number: 2 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: _____





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VAN BUSKIRK FRAME HOUSE

MAIN STREET, WOODLAND

DAVID A. DORSET

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-- SOUTH



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VAN BUSKIRK FRAME HOUSE

MAIN STREET, WOODLAND

DAVID A. DORSEY

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NORTH