

AL-Vi-E-221  
Twenty-First Lane Schoolhouse  
Twenty-First Lane, McCoolle  
Mid 1870's

The public school system of Allegany County was organized in 1865, but it was not until the 1870's that adequate schoolhouses were built. The Twenty-First Schoolhouse also known as the Dayton Schoolhouse, was built in the mid 1870's on the lane leading to the twenty-first bridge on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The tall one story frame building with gable roof has a simple utilitarian design. The windows are tall and large, providing ample light to the classroom.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Twenty-First Lane Schoolhouse

AND/OR COMMON Dayton Schoolhouse

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Twenty-First Lane Sixth

CITY, TOWN McCoole X VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

STATE Maryland COUNTY Allegheny

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" 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	<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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: <u>Unknown</u>

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Bernard A. Palmer Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET & NUMBER Route 3 Box 10A

CITY, TOWN Rawlings \_\_\_\_\_ VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ STATE, zip code Maryland 21557

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Allegheny County Courthouse

Liber #: 504  
Folio #: 392

STREET & NUMBER 30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN Cumberland STATE Maryland 21502

**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 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

The Twenty-first Lane Schoolhouse is located on the southwestern side of the Twenty-first Lane near McCoolle.

The building consists of a tall one story, two bays wide rectangular frame structure with clapboard siding. It rests on a high stone foundation of random rubble with some random ashlar stone on the northeast. The gable front roof is covered with tar paper. Eaves consist of a cornice, frieze, and bedmould. One bracket is located in the peak of the northeastern gable end. One corbeled brick chimney located in the center of the building is original.

A gabled vestibule, offset on the northeast, has been removed. An interior door, the main entrance, has original hardware, one light, and three panels. Windows are tall, pegged two over two lights with wooden lugsills.

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 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 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

The public school system of Allegany County was established in 1865, but it was not until the 1870's that adequate schoolhouses were erected. (1) " In comparison with other sections of the state, Allegany County was generous in its public support of education."(2) Concerned private citizens also provided support with contributions and fund raising activities that made more comfortable schoolhouses possible. (3) "By 1881, every community had at least one public school." (4)

The Twenty-first Lane Schoolhouse, also known as the Dayton Schoolhouse, was built in the mid 1870's after the property was purchased in 1874. (5) The tall one story frame building with a gabled roof has a simple utilitarian design. The windows are tall and large, providing ample light to the classroom. Although a gabled vestibule has been removed the schoolhouse remains a reminder of the progress of education in Allegany County.

- (1) Katherine A. Harvey, Best Dressed Miners: Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region 1835-1910 (Ithaca: Cornell University Press) p. 109-110
- (2) Harry I. Stegmaier, Jr. et al., Allegany County-A History (Parsons W Va.: McClain Printing Co. ) p. 263
- (3) Ibid
- (4) Ibid
- (5) Unpublished document "School Properties" Allegany County Board of Education, Cumberland, Md. p. 33

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Unpublished document, "School Properties" Allegany County Board of Education, Cumt d.  
Stegmaier, Harry Jr. et al. Allegany County- A History, Parsons, W Va.: McClain  
Printing Company, 1976  
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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .73 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE	David A. Dorsey, Historic Sites Coordinator	
ORGANIZATION	Allegany County Historic Sites	DATE June 14, 1979
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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

INVENTORY NO: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: AL-VI-E-221

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

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NAME OF PROPERTY: 21st LAWE Schoolhouse ~~public~~

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 21st Bridge Rd.

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: 90° NE **V I F** 11/8 88682

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

ADDRESS: MAP 80 p 123 Bernard A. Palmer

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Rt 3 Box 10A Rawlings MD 509/392 JBA ED 31  
21557

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: vestibule removed

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 rubble - large stone uncoursed ashlar on NE

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

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

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: offset 3 panel TALL

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

simple overhang

one bracket in gable  
on NE FACADE  
peak

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, ~~fascia~~, suffit, 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( )  
TAR PAPER

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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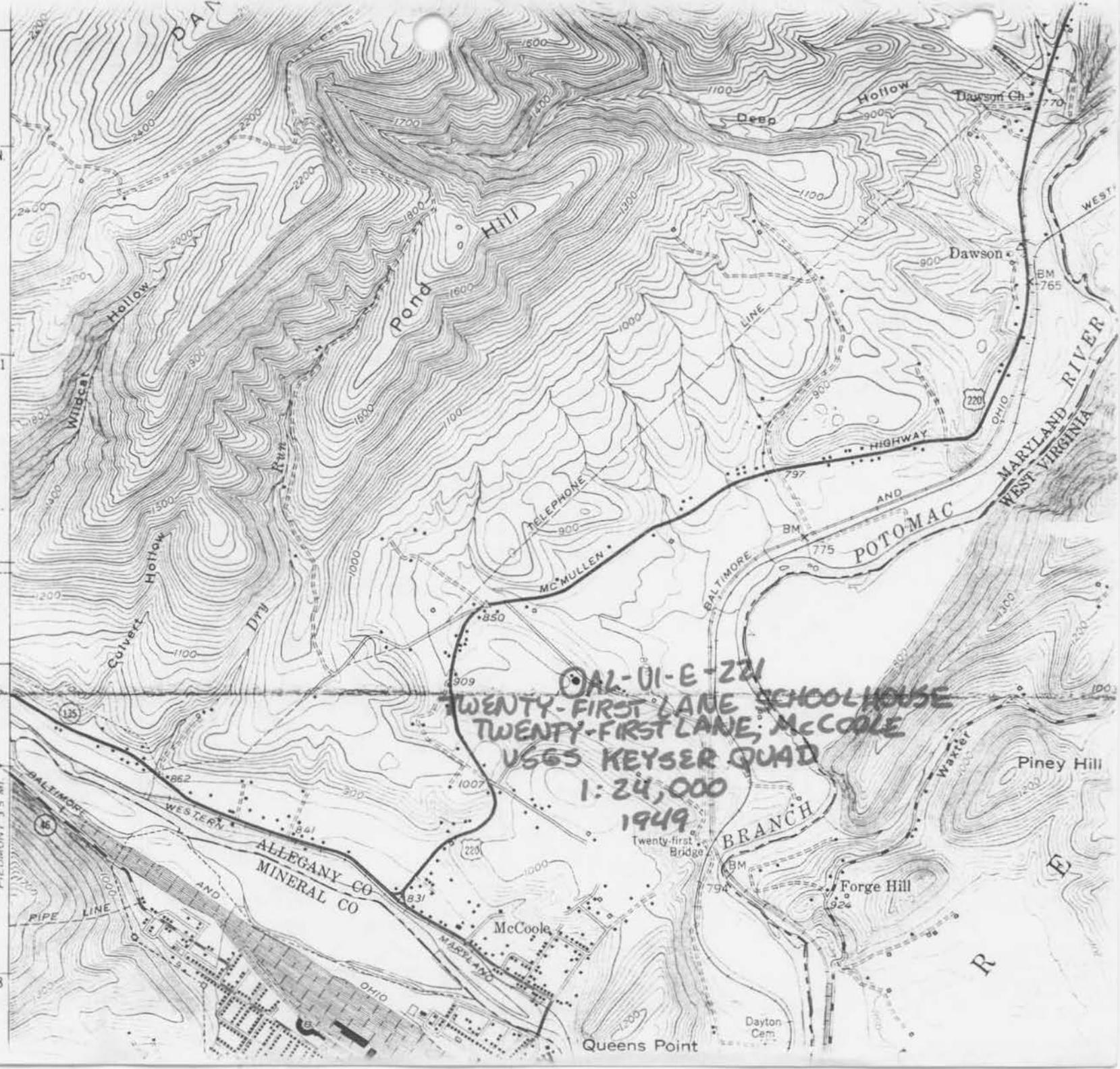
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WESTL:NNPORT 3.5 MI.

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FROSTBURG, MD. 21 MI.  
PIEDMONT 3.5 MI.

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 TWENTY-FIRST LANE SCHOOLHOUSE  
 TWENTY-FIRST LANE, MCCOOLE  
 USGS KEYSER QUAD  
 1:24,000  
 1949

BRANCH

ALLEGANY CO  
MINERAL CO

McCoole

Queens Point

Dayton Cem

Forge Hill

Piney Hill

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E

MARYLAND RIVER  
WEST VIRGINIA

POTOMAC

BALTIMORE

TELEPHONE

McMULLEN

HIGHWAY

Dawson

Hollow

Deep

Pond Hill

Run

Hollow

Widcat

Coyvert

Hollow

Dry

BALTIMORE

PIPE LINE

WESTERN

AND

OHIO

WEST

OHIO

AND

POTOMAC



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TWENTY-FIRST LANE  
SCHOOLHOUSE  
TWENTY-FIRST LANE  
MCCOOLE

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South