

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. AA-846

Magi No. 0208465404

DOE  yes  no

Demolished  
New house built 1996  
on site

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic VELMEADE I

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number Patuxent River Road  not for publication

city, town Davidsonville  vicinity of 4th congressional district

state Maryland county Anne Arundel County

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: ruin

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name John Haas

street & number 9336 Worrell Avenue telephone no.:

city, town Lanham state and zip code MD 20706

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Anne Arundel County Courthouse liber 0834

street & number South Street folio 470

city, town Annapolis state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The house is located approximately one quarter mile to the east of Patuxent River Road and approximately one-half mile north of Maryland Route 214. The house faces west and is situated on a small knoll.

The house is a decaying ruin. The roof is virtually gone, exposing the interior to the elements. Most of the weatherboard siding is still intact. However, the siding on the southwest corner is gone, exposing heavy timber construction with a diagonal brace.

The house is a two-story, three-bay, side passage floor plan. The west or front elevation has 9/6 windows on the first story and 6/6 windows on the second story with remnants of shutters. The entrance once had a gable roof porch. The outline of the gable remains.

On the north elevation of the house, two chimneys flank a door opening covered by a shed type structure. The west chimney was once partially enclosed by a story-and-one-half structure. A fireplace is at grade level, its opening supported by an iron lintel. There is a flue opening on each level. The one-half story level of the chimney still exhibits remains of plaster which had been applied to the brick. The chimney has asymmetrical shoulders. The ghost of the gable roof line terminates with a flair at the bottom and has been patched with weatherboard. The chimney to the east shoulders in at the second floor level. Both chimney tops have crumbled to below the roof line.

The east or rear facade of the house has three bays with 6/6 windows; the bay to the south is a door.

The south elevation has two bays with 9/6 windows.

The foundation is brick laid in random bond with notched sills.

All interior description is from observations made from the exterior. Due to the advanced state of decay and the request of the owner, the structure was not entered. Information was gathered through windows and other openings.

The stair rises against the south wall of the entrance hall. The landing turns to the left and reverses direction. The turned walnut newel post and part of the balustrade survive, but the handrail has collapsed. The doors and windows have simple mouldings.

In the parlor are exposed riven laths. The flooring is tongue-and-groove random-width pine. The doors are paneled 6/2 with box locks and white porcelain knobs.

There are paneled 6/2 paired doors between the double parlors. The mantel consists of board surrounds with simple columns (with subtle entasis) flanking the opening and large scrolled brackets flanking a convex frieze below a complex mold shelf with Greek Revival details.

# 8. Significance

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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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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**

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or  
Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  
Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The house known as Velmeade I is now in ruins and allows only limited analysis. The house was a two-and-one-half story, three bay dwelling with a side passage, double parlor plan. The original gable roof has collapsed, but the frame walls and paired brick chimneys survive up to the old eave line. Of particular interest is the outline of an original wing on the north gable end and the original chimney with iron lintel that once served the wing.



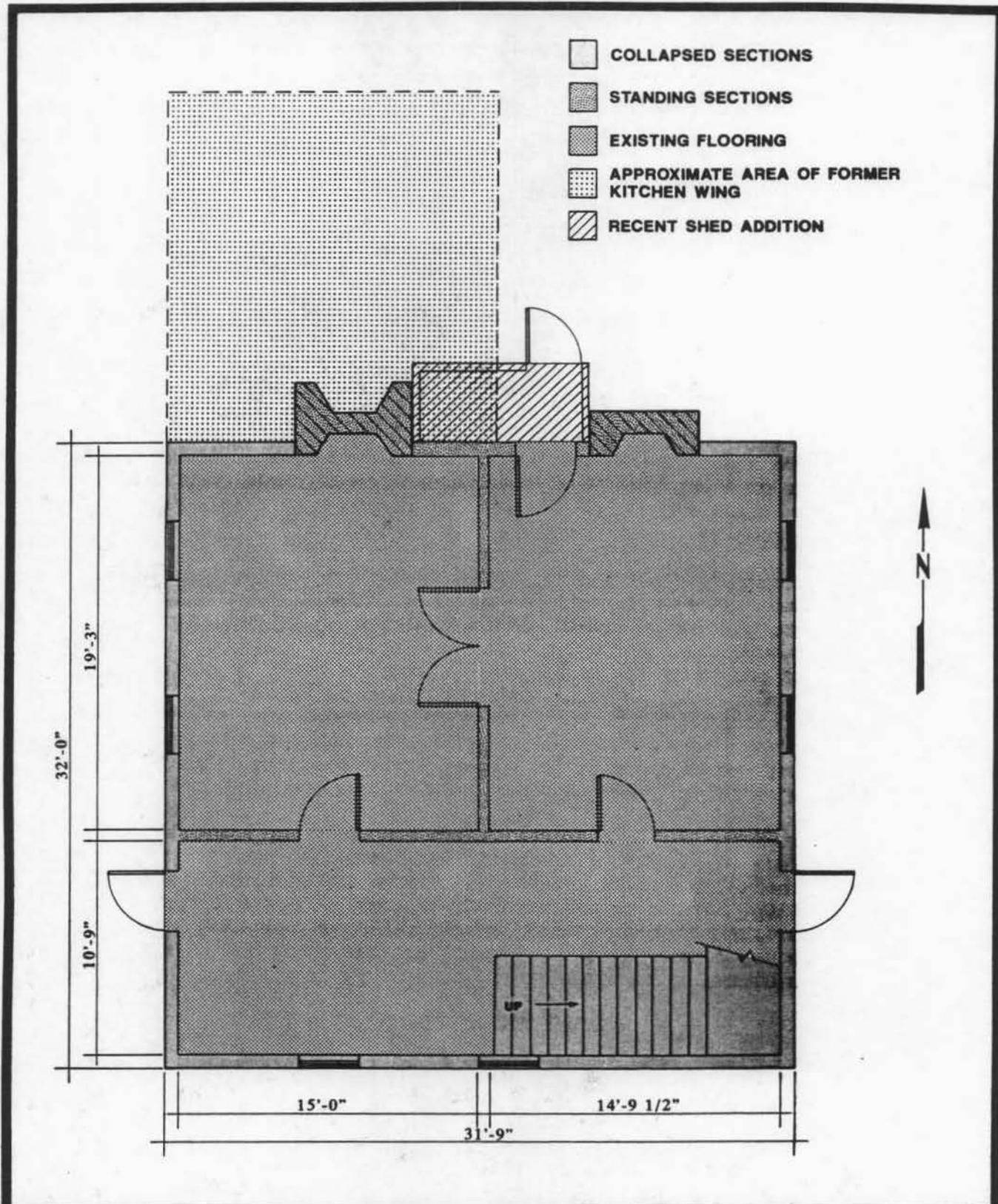
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The remaining doors on the second floor have six panels with box locks and white porcelain knobs. All other doors have raised panels.

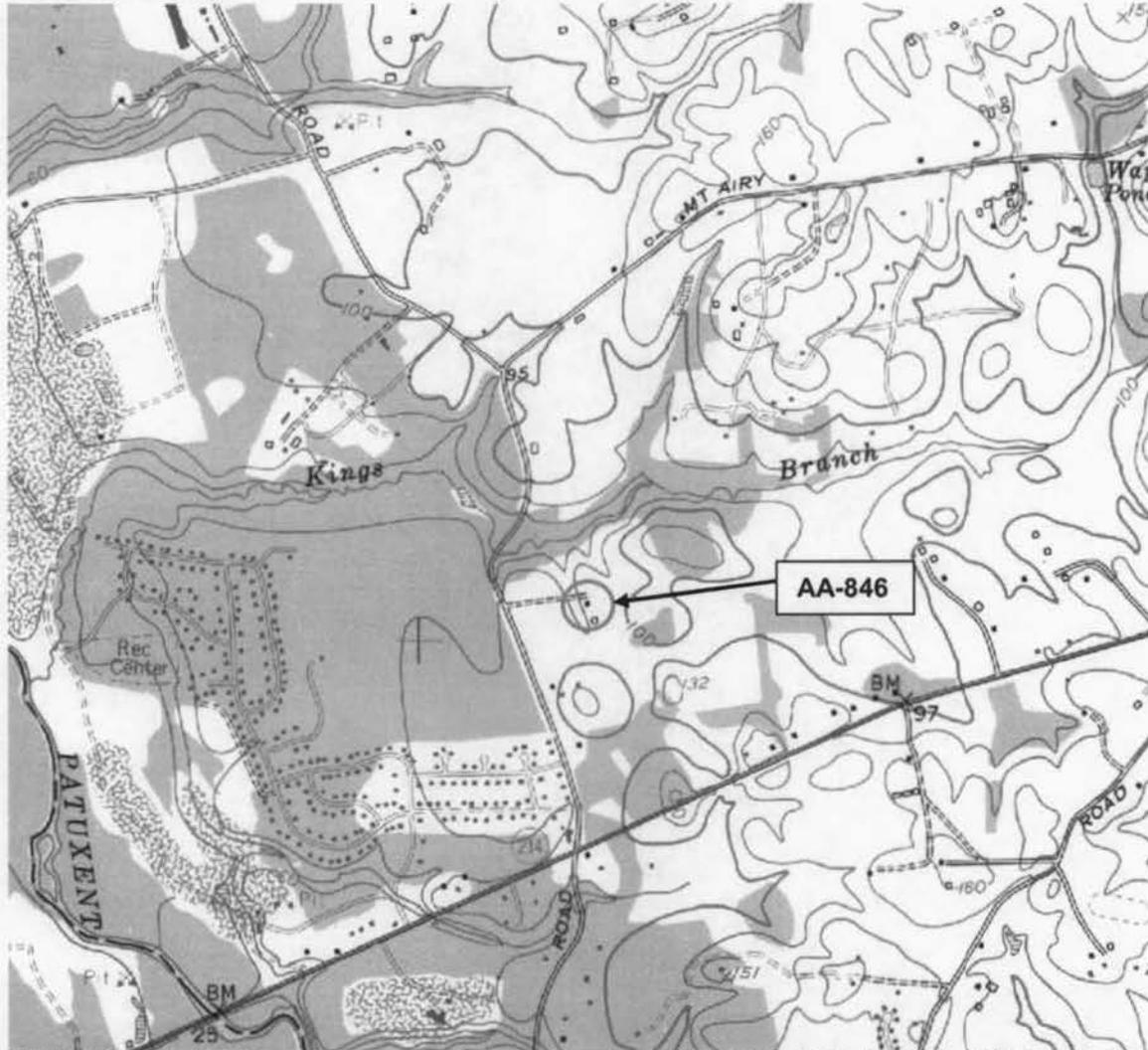
The second floor has collapsed. There is no cellar.

Remains of several outbuildings are scattered to the south and west of the house. Dense undergrowth did not allow for measurement or detailed description. What may have been a barn is to the southwest and a carriage house or garage may have been to the south. According to the present owners, two wells to the east have been filled in with dirt, rubble and concrete. These were not observed.



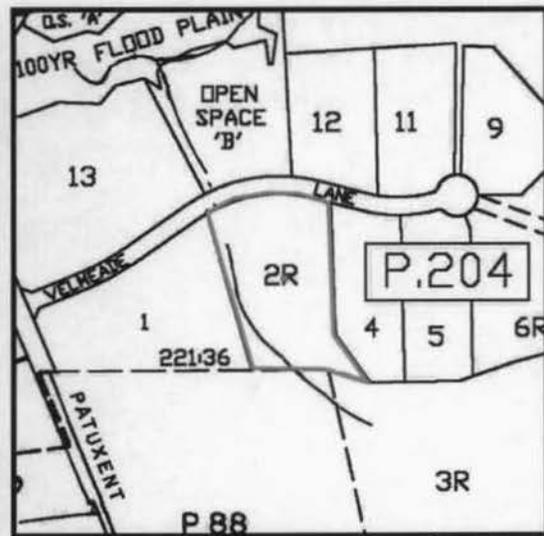


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 Velmeade I, site  
 (demolished c. 1996)  
 Bowie Quadrangle



1992-1993 Aerial Photo

Tax Map 58, p 204, Lot 2R (2004 parcels)





**PLATE II-8: Site AA846 Facing East**



**PLATE II-9: Site AA846 Facing North Northeast**



**PLATE II-6: Site AA846 Facing Southwest**



**PLATE II-7: Site AA846 Facing Northeast**



**PLATE II-5: Corn Crib, Site AA846**



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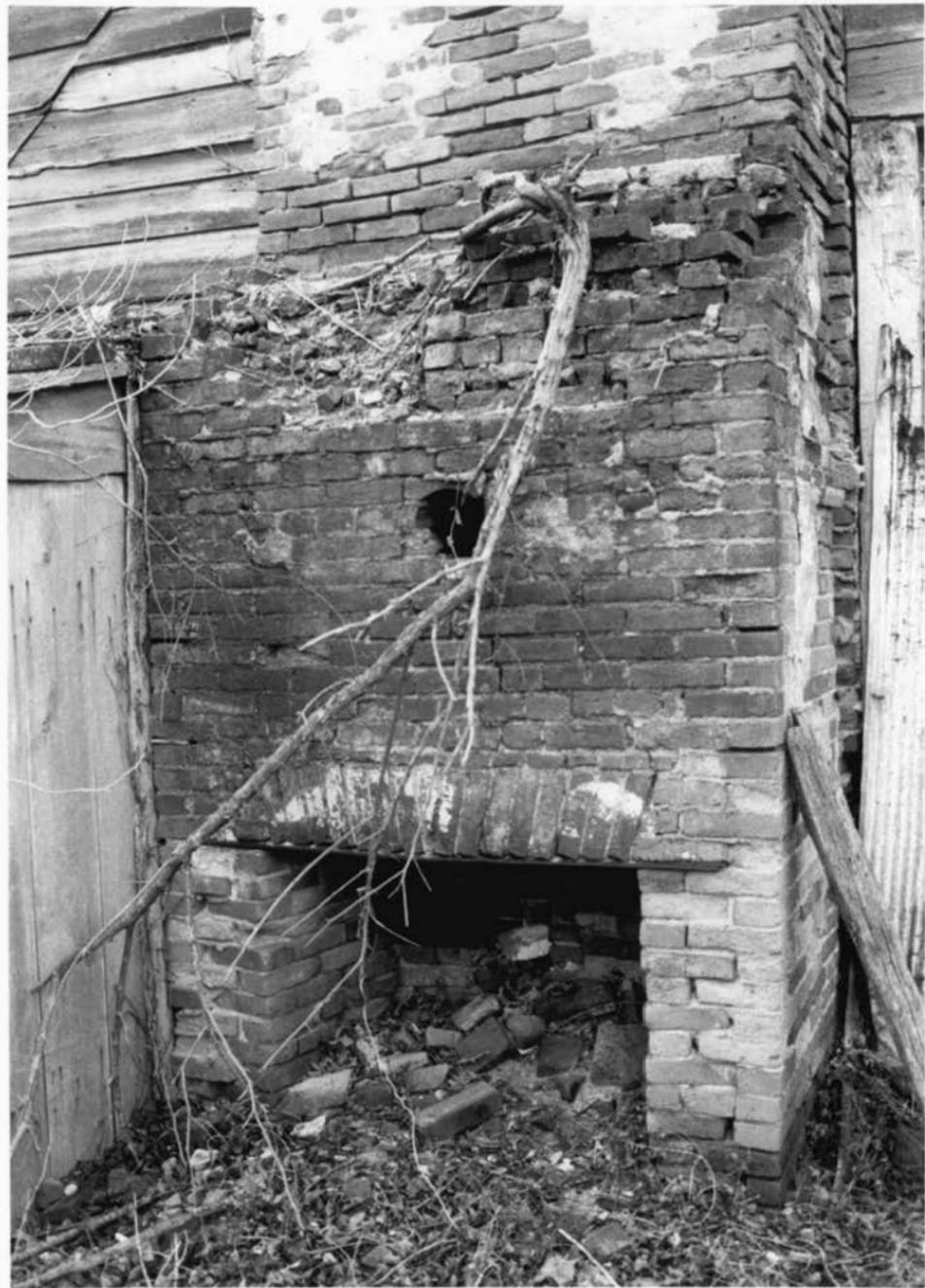
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