

c. 1890

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The Branches  
4020 Stewart Road  
Stevenson  
Maryland  
private

In its simplicity the Branches closely relates to the American Colonial style, the inspiration for its design in the early twentieth century. The Tenant House, probably a few years older, is a traditional house of utter simplicity, totally without pretensions, wherein lies the success of its design.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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**1 NAME**

HISTORIC THE BRANCHES  
 AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 4020 Stewart Road Second  
 CITY, TOWN Stevenson VICINITY OF Baltimore  
 STATE Maryland COUNTY

**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 type="checkbox"/> NO                  | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:                          |

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Mr. and Mrs. George T. Harrison Telephone #: 486-3646  
 STREET & NUMBER 4020 Stewart Road  
 CITY, TOWN Stevenson VICINITY OF Maryland STATE, zip code 21153

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, Registry of Deeds, ETC. Baltimore County Courts Bldg. Liber #: 4558  
 Baltimore County Land Records Folio #: 225  
 STREET & NUMBER 401 Bosley Avenue  
 CITY, TOWN Towson STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
 DATE  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
 CITY, TOWN STATE  
 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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| <b>CONDITION</b>                              |                                       | <b>CHECK ONE</b>                            | <b>CHECK ONE</b>                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED          | <input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOOD                 | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS        | <input checked="" 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 BRANCHES** is an early twentieth century Colonial-revival frame house, two storeys in height, its central block three bays in length. With its principal and entrance facade to the north a two-storey wing two long bays in length extends to the east, a shorter two-storey glazed sun porch balances it to the west and a two-storey wing three bays in length extends to the south. A one-storey shed-roofed porch shelters the north facade of the central block. Exterior walls are covered with painted wood shingles. Typical first storey windows are 6/6 or 8/8 and glazed double doors in the east wing open to a stone north terrace which extends from the porch. Typical second storey windows are pairs of narrow sash and all windows have louvred blinds.

Much of the interior has been altered in plan and detail but the original simplicity has been maintained. A wide entrance hall, parallel to the north facade, occupies the central and easterly bays; the open staircase is along its south wall and a fireplace is diagonally across its northeast corner, its mantel with Tuscan columns supporting a frieze with end and center blocks having beaded oval panels. The dining room to the west was originally two smaller rooms and the drawing room is in the east wing. The plain beaded trim has corner blocks with applied rosettes.

The **TENANT HOUSE** is a two-storey frame house, three bays in length, its principal facade to the north, with a two-storey, one-bay rear wing. One-storey shed-roofed porches shelter the south facade and the southwest reentrant corner. Single-flue chimneys rise from the middle of the main body and internally at the south gable. Two rooms are within the main body, an enclosed stair between them, and the kitchen is in the rear wing. Interior details are plain and the single-flue chimneys once served stoves in each room.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Baltimore County Land Records, County Courts Bldg., Towson, Md.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

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

James T. Wollon, Jr., A.I.A./Renata Harrison, Research Historian

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Valleys Planning Council

3-28-80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

212 Washington Avenue

Maryland

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Towson

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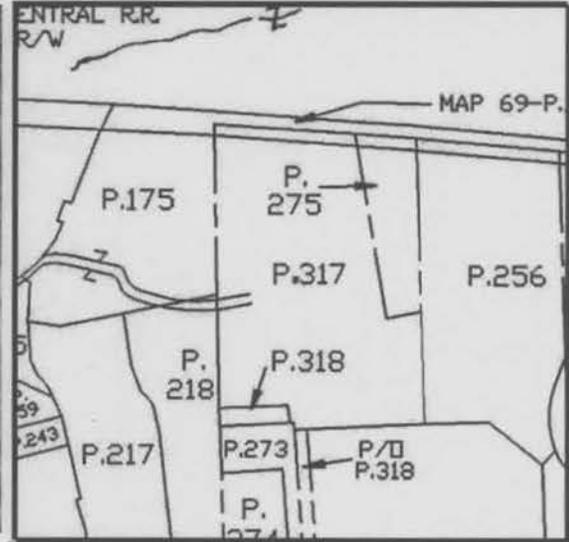
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4020 Stewart Road  
Cockeysville Quadrangle



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