

**CAPSULE SUMMARY**  
**BA-924**  
**2315 Meredith Road**  
**White Hall, Baltimore County**  
**Circa 1875**  
**Private**

This vernacular house is located near the historic village of West Liberty near White Hall in the seventh district of Baltimore County. The seventh district was one of the largest and most populated regions of the county in the latter part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, which had an area of 59.93 square miles and a population of 3,074 by 1870. This district was known for its dairy production and the breeding of cattle. In addition, the waterpower of the Gunpowder Falls and its tributaries supported numerous farms and mills throughout the district. Although an exact date of construction for the schoolhouse has not been determined, historic maps and architectural evidence support a circa 1875 date. According to the 1877 Hopkins Atlas, Mrs. M. Meredith occupied this residence. The 1915 Bromley Atlas denotes Mathews at this residence.

Situated on a slightly sloping grassy lot, this vernacular dwelling is surrounded by several mature trees and shrubs with a gravel driveway leading to the house. Standing on a solid parged stone foundation this two-and-a-half-story L-shaped wood frame house is reclad with vinyl siding and is capped with a cross-gable roof. Four bays wide and covering the first story on the façade is a shed roof porch supported with wood Tuscan columns. The porch rests on a concrete block foundation. The first story is pierced with two 6/9 double-hung wood sash windows, and the second features three 6/6 double-hung wood sash windows. The windows have square-edged aluminum surrounds. There are two single-leaf wood paneled with lights doors on the façade, one of which is a replacement and the other has twelve lights. The doors have transoms; one is a single-light and the second is covered. The original door has a molded wood surround. The roof features overhanging eaves, an aluminum soffit, and cornice returns. Rising above the asphalt shingle roof are two exterior end brick corbeled cap chimneys; one located in the rear ell. In the angle of the ell is a one-story shed roof wood frame addition. There are six historic outbuildings associated with this property; two dairy barns, smokehouse, shed, garage, and a chicken coop.

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## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other

## 2. Location

street and number 2315 Meredith Road \_\_ not for publication

city, town White Hall \_\_ vicinity

county Baltimore County

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

name Richard M. and Mary Doris Cornwell

street and number 19946 Old York Road telephone Not Available

city, town White Hall state MD zip code 21161

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 10972 folio 160

city, town Towson tax map 8 tax parcel 58 tax ID number 0720066325

## 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District  
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
 Recorded by HABS/HAER  
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count		
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	6	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	6	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				<b>Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory</b>	
				1	

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

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

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There are six historic outbuildings associated with this property. A circa 1920 smokehouse is one bay wide and one story high and is wood frame covered with board-and-batten siding. No foundation is visible, and the single-leaf door is of vertical boards. The asphalt shingle covered front-gable roof is steeply pitched and features exposed roof rafters.

A circa 1930 dairy bank-barn standing one-and-a-half stories high sits on a solid parged foundation and is clad with vertical boards. The façade has several open bays at the ground level and a two-leaf sliding vertical board door on the upper story. It is capped with a gambrel roof covered with corrugated sheet metal. A concrete-stave silo is attached to the barn.

To the southwest of the main house is a circa 1900 two-story wood frame barn, possibly a dairy barn suggested by the numerous windows on the front and side elevations. It stands on a concrete-block pier replacement foundation and is clad with vertical boards. The southeast elevation shows 8 6/6 double-hung wood sash windows and the side elevation shows 16 6/6 double-hung wood sash windows. The southeast elevation has a single-leaf door opening which is missing the door. The building is capped by a front gable roof with overhanging eaves and clad with corrugated sheet metal. The northeast elevation has a one-story shed roof addition with a large open bay.

A circa 1940s paneled concrete block garage is located to the rear of the house. The façade is pierced with a two-leaf vertical board sliding door. It is capped with a hipped roof clad with standing-seam metal.

Next to the garage is a one-story high one bay wide circa 1950 wood frame shed. The walls and front gable roof are clad with corrugated sheet metal. The one-leaf door on the front is missing.

Finally, furthest away from the main house to the rear is a circa 1920 chicken coop constructed of concrete blocks. It has a front gable roof covered both with asphalt shingles and corrugated sheet metal. It is pierced

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with two 6-light wood awning windows and a single-leaf vertical board door. The overhanging eaves of the roof feature exposed roof rafters.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**Specific dates** 1875 ca. **Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates** 1875 ca.

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 37 Acres

Acreage of historical setting Unknown

Quadrangle name Norrisville

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

This house constructed circa 1875, is located at 2315 Meredith Road in White Hall in the Seventh District of Baltimore County. It has been historically associated with tax map 8, parcel 58 since its construction.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

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name/title	R. Weidlich and K. Baynard, Architectural Historians		
organization	EHT Traceries, Incorporated	date	March 19, 2002
street & number	1121 5th Street NW	telephone	202.393.1199
city or town	Washington	state	DC

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The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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DHCD/DHCP  
100 Community Place  
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
410-514-7600

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YORK, PA. 20 MI.  
1.7 MI. TO INTERSTATE 83

4395

5663 II NW  
(NEW FREEDOM)

4393

4392

40'

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**Norrisville USGS Quad Map**  
**Baltimore County**

Gorsuch Mills

Deer

ANDERSON

799

WEST LIBERTY

West Liberty

MEREDITH

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Fine Gray  
Memorial Ch  
Cem

Almony

Shane

TELEPHONE

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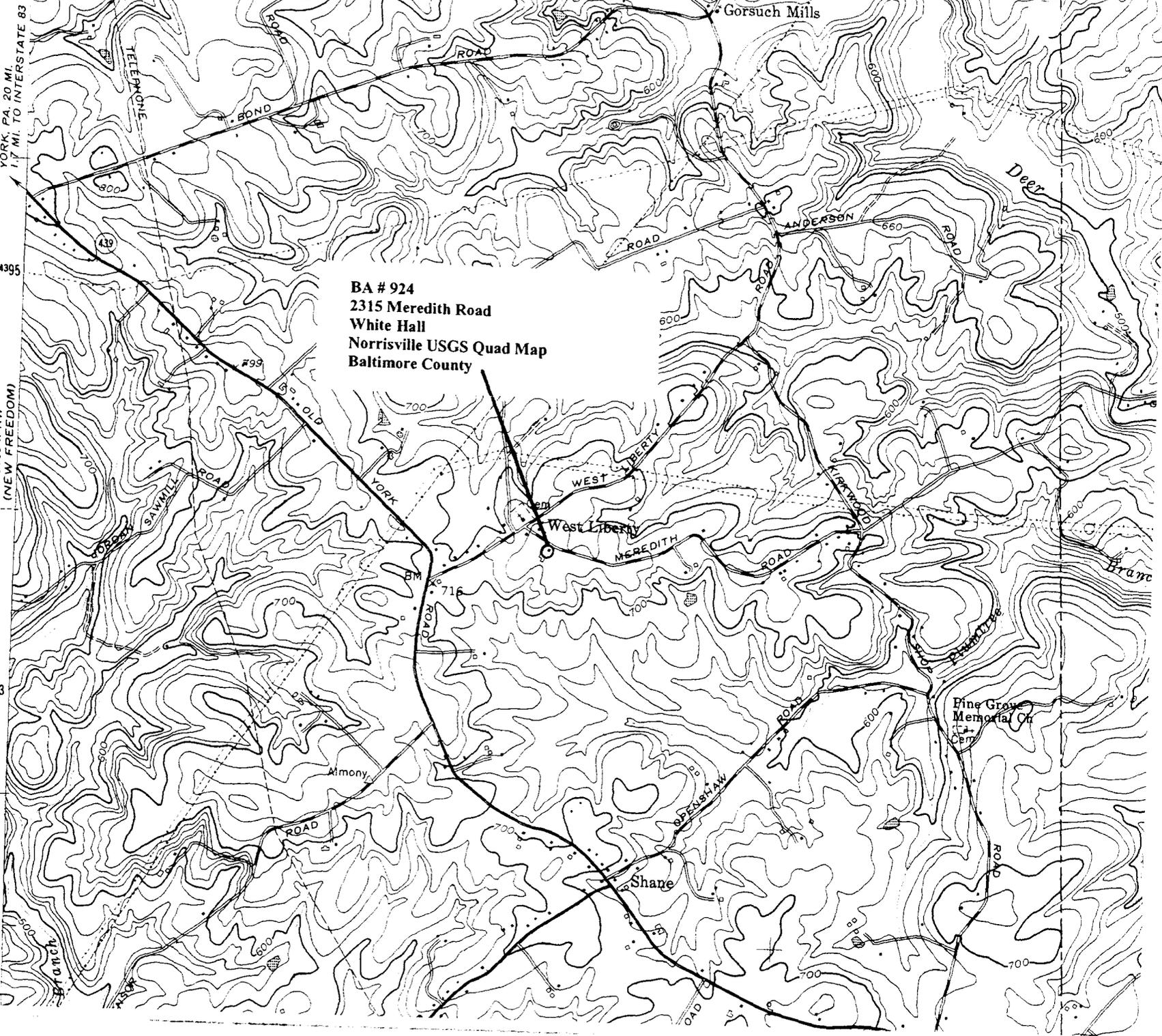
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House, 2315 MEREDITH ROAD

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MAIN HOUSE, NORTHWEST ELEVATION

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MAIN HOUSE, SOUTH CORNER

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GARAGE AND SHED, VIEW LOOKING NORTHEAST

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BANK BARN, EAST ELEVATION

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BARN AND BANK BARN, EAST CORNER

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HOUSE, 2315 MEREDITH ROAD

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SMOKEHOUSE AND CHICKEN COOP, VIEW LOOKING SOUTHWEST

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