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Greek Revival House  
Harmony  
Private

Circa 1850's

West of Harmony in an open stretch of farmland stands a unique Greek Revival dwelling designed with the temple form. It is the only such surviving Greek Revival building remaining on the Eastern Shore. There is a similar dwelling in Delaware, north of Seaford. Although the building has been clad with aluminum and the interior sheathed with sheet paneling, the building is still a unique structure resembling the type dwelling erected in Ohio and Michigan by prosperous mid-19th Century landowners and town dwellers.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Greek Revival House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Gilpin Point Road, .8 of a mile north of Harmony

CITY, TOWN

Harmony

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Caroline

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

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Webster A. Todd, Jr.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Rt. 2, Box 166

CITY, TOWN

Preston

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21655

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Caroline County Courthouse

Liber #: 167

Folio #: 592

STREET & NUMBER

Market Street

CITY, TOWN

Denton

STATE

Maryland 21629

**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 checked="" 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 Greek Revival House is located on Gilpins Point Road, approximately eighth-tenths of a mile north of Harmony. Built in the mid nineteenth century, it is the only domestic structure in Caroline County that in its original state adheres closely to the then popular Greek Revival style.

The main section of the house is frame, two stories, three bays long and two rooms deep. It has a side entrance plan and the doorway has sidelights and a molded entablature. The other first story bays have 6/6 sash windows and the second story bays have 3/3 windows. The main facade (west) is dominated by a temple type portico of a triangular pediment with central fanlight supported by four square pillars with molded capitals. Two wide brick chimneys are located interior of the north wall. On the south is a one story wing three bays wide and two rooms deep. The west facade has a central doorway flanked by 6/6 sash windows. The porch over this section once had a leanto roof but has recently been changed to the pitch of the 'A' roof. The entire house is covered with aluminum siding.

The interior of the main section has an entrance hall along the parlor, and behind it is a stair hall along the first floor bedroom. The staircase has period trim including an octagonal newel post. The addition has a living room with a corner fireplace, a kitchen, and a porch. The first floor has high ceilings and the ceiling is low on the second floor. Much of the interior has been redone in modern sheet paneling, but some of the early trim remains.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY



**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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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

Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant, &amp; Joe Getty

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

April, 1977

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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Creek Revised Home

CAR-48



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