

Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Survey No. CE-517

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Gaylen House Ruin

other

2. Location

street & number Fair Hill N.R.M.A. , off of dirt access road

not for publication

city, town Elkton

vicinity

county Cecil

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

name Maryland Department of Natural Resources

street & number 580 Taylor Avenue, Tawes State Office Building

telephone (410) 260-8186

city, town Annapolis

state and zip code Maryland, 21401

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.

tax map and parcel

city, town

liber and folio

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Individually Listed in the National Register/Maryland Register
- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- HSR or Research report at MHT
- Other:

6. Classification

Inventory Number: CE-517
Gaylen House Ruin
Cecil County, MD
C. Mazurek
July 1998
Section 7.1

The Gaylen House Ruin is located in Cecil County, within the Fair Hill N.R.M.A., and off of the dirt road that crosses the Management Area. It is to the west of the Big Elk Creek, to the east of Gallaher Road, to the south of Maryland route 273, and north of Brewster Road. The closest property to the structure is the Tyson House Ruin.

This Ruin is two and one-half stories tall, "I"-shaped, and two-bays long by one-bay wide. It has a fieldstone foundation with the upper stories covered with wood clapboard. The roof has a replacement covering of sheet metal and a central brick chimney. All the windows and doors have been removed, except for portions of the plain wood trim.

The Gaylen House is in poor condition.

8. Significance

Survey No. CE-517

Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
... 1600-1699	... agriculture	... economics	... health/medicine	... performing arts
... 1700-1799	... archeology	... education	... industry	... philosophy
... x1800-1899	... x architecture	... engineering	... invention	... politics/government
... 1900-1999	... art	... entertainment/ recreation	... landscape architecture	... religion
	... commerce	... ethnic heritage	... law	... science
	... communications	... x exploration/ settlement	... literature	... social history
	... community planning		... maritime history	... transportation
	... conservation		... military	... other:

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Evaluation for:

... National Register ... ~~M~~ Maryland Register ... X not evaluated

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

*See Attached

Inventory Number:
Gaylen House Ruin
Cecil County, MD
C. Mazurek
July 1998
Section 8.1

The Gaylen House Ruin appears to date from the late Nineteenth century, and is important as an example of frame architecture within the Fair Hill area.

Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Survey No. CE -517

Name

Continuation Sheet

Number 8 Page 2

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Eastern Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning.

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic

Known Design Source: None

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. *CE-517*

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property

Quadrangle name

Quadrangle scale

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

name/title *C. Mazurek, Historic Sites Surveyor*

organization *Maryland Department of Natural Resources*

date *9/28/98*

street & number *580 Taylor Avenue, Tawes State Office Building*

telephone *410 260-8192*

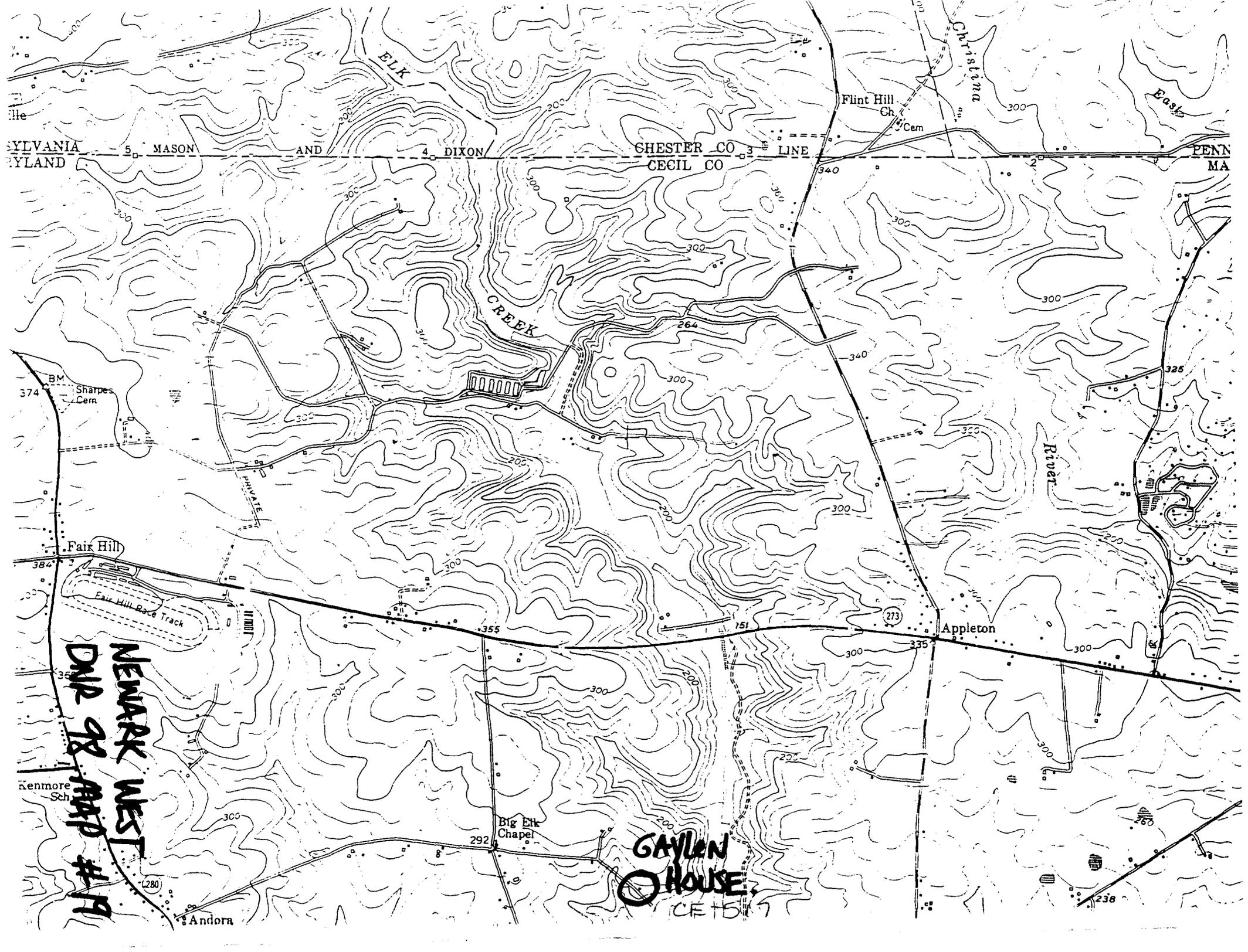
city or town *Annapolis*

state and zip code *Maryland 21401*

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.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2 023
410-514-7646



NEWARK WEST
DNR 98 MAP #19

GAYLEN
HOUSE

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Gaylen Farm House

CE 517

File #434

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1/4 mile west of Big Elk Creek between Creek and Chapel

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

 VICINITY OF Fair Hill Fourth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

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 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

 VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber # WAS 347

Folio # 415

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland 21911

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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

This was a farmhouse owned by the Galyen family in the late 1800's. It is a two-story frame structure three bays by two. The exterior is covered with clapboard and the building rests on a stone foundation. There is a gable roof with box cornice and cove molding. The window sash has been destroyed, but local resident says it was 6/6. The window frames have caps.

The house is surrounded by a stand of trees and is in bad repair.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

CE-517

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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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

Typical late 19th century farmhouse. Has a commanding view of the Big Elk Creek Valley and a magnificent Red Beech stands next to it.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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

George W. Lutz III, Field Historian

ORGANIZATION

Cecil Historical Trust, Inc.

DATE

May 20, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

R.D. 2

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Rising Sun

STATE

Maryland 21911

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

PENNSYLVANIA
MARYLAND

5. MASON

AND

4. DIXON

CHESTER CO. 3RD LINE
CECIL CO

DAIRY McCLEARY HOUSE
CE-771

BUNTING HOUSE
CE

DNR-33 SCHOOL HOUSE
CE-758

DNR-1417 BARN, FEED MILL

DNR-28 McMASTER HOUSE
CE-362

DNR-13 HAY LOFT
CE-300-C

DNR-04 FINLEY BARN
CE-301-A

DNR-12 SMOKE HOUSE
CE-300-15

DNR-47 BARN
CE-364-A

DNR-03 CAGE TAKERS
HOUSE

DNR-10 BEERS HOUSE
CE-300-

DNR-45 HOUSE
CE-364

DNR-02 FINLEY HSE
CE-301

DNR-11 BEERS BARN
CE-300-A

DNR-50
NEW COVERED BRIDGE

DNR-03, 93, TRACK STRUCTURES
CE-552

DNR-01 COVERED
BRIDGE CE-238

DNR-103 CLUB
CE-75

DNR-77 HOUSE CE-544

DNR-90-02 TRACK
STRUCTURES CE-552

DNR 51 HOUSE

DNR 53 STABLES

DNR 56 STONE HOUSE CE-363

DNR 64 STONE STABLES CE-366

SCOTT MILL DAM

TYSON HOUSE
RUINS CE-527

GAYLEN HOUSE
RUINS CE-517

HOUSE RUINS

COVERED BRIDGE
SITE CE-516

SCOTT MILL RUI
CE

NEWARK
WEST
QUAD. CE-517

5863 III NW
(BAY VIEW)
LITTLE
ELK
ANT HILL 1.5 MI.

Providence

Kenmore
Sch

Andora

Big Elk
Chapel

Grannies

Cows



CE-517

GAYLEN FARMHOUSE

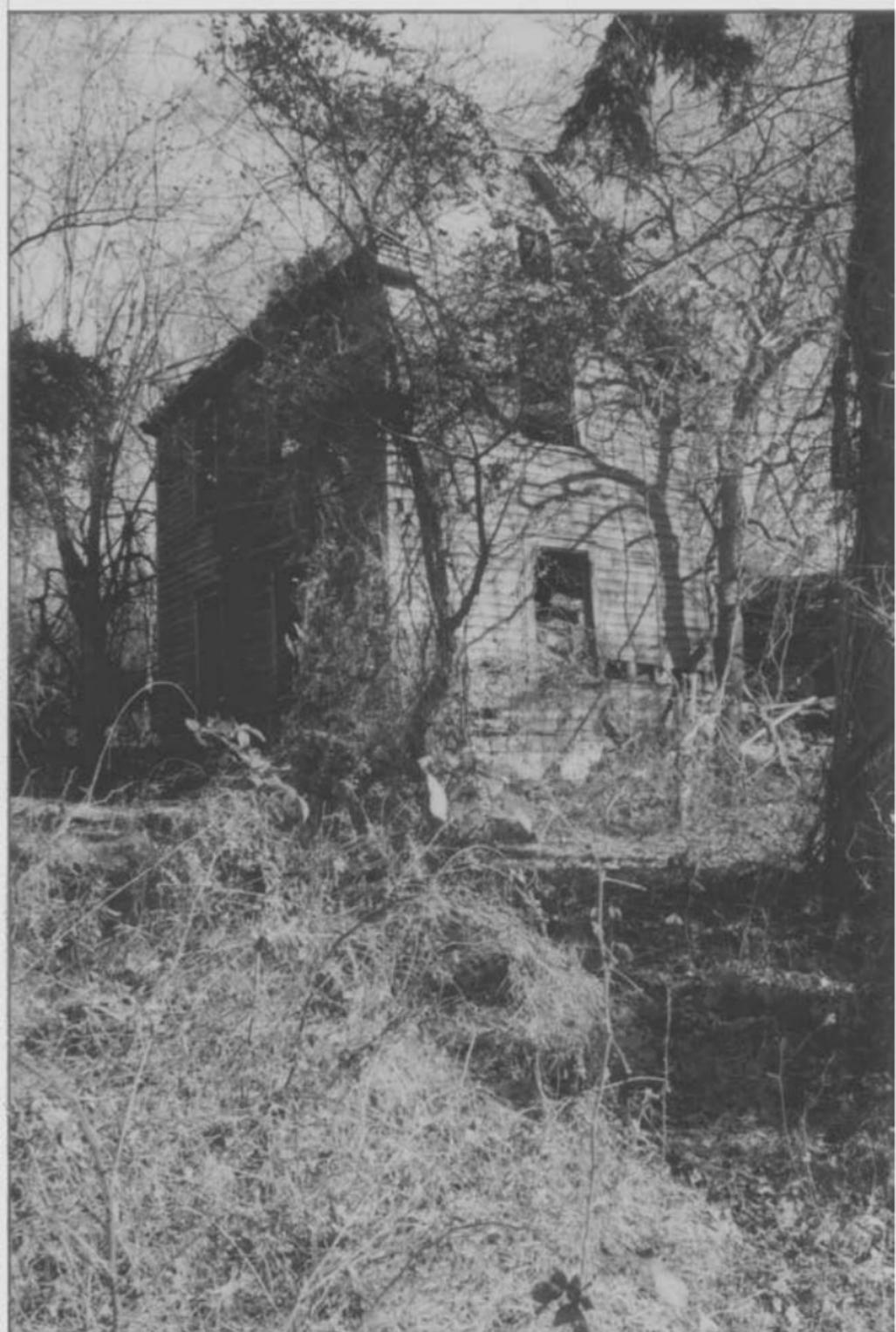
John Hnedak 1980





CE-517





CE-517

HOUSE RUINS, GAYLEN HOUSE, FAIR HILL N.R.M.A.

CECIL COUNTY, MD

C. MAZUREK

12/97

DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

S.W. ELEVATION



CE-517

HOUSE RUINS, GAYLEN HOUSE, FAIR HILL N.R.M.A.

CECIL COUNTY, MD

C. MAZUREK

12/97

DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

WEST ELEVATION

<No. 2> 63 185 0561 N N N N 14 2

19