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Ginn House
Near Warwick
Private

C. 1860

Before the intrusion of U.S. Route 301, a number of other houses were located at Ginns Corner. In 1877 there were at least four properties that the Ginn Family owned at the crossroads. With the addition of 301 the properties were physically divided and a number of houses were undoubtedly destroyed. Emma V. Ginn Baker's Estate was settled in early 20th Century which included this house and a number of others. This traditional 2½ story five bay center hall frame house was tenanted out and operated by Parker Lusby.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

File 1-137

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Ginn House
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
East of US 301 at Ginns Corner
CITY, TOWN
Warrwick
STATE
Maryland

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
1
VICINITY OF
COUNTY
Cecil

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE | <input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> BOTH | <input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SITE | PUBLIC ACQUISITION | ACCESSIBLE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT | <input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED | <input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: |

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Sarah C/ Davis
c/o Josephine D. Voshell
STREET & NUMBER
Box 81

Telephone #:

CITY, TOWN
Wilmington
STATE, zip code
Delaware 21681

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
STREET & NUMBER
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Cecil County Courthouse
CITY, TOWN
Maryland Elkton

Liber #: NDS 29
Folio #: 720

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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| 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

GINN HOUSE

The Ginn house circa 1860 is a two ^{and} one-half ^{story} five bay center hall frame structure located just east of U.S. Route 301 and near Ginns Corner. The house faces Northwest with a main gable running on a Northeast/Southwest axis.

The two and one-half story main frame block has a two story three bay by one room kitchen L to the south. The entire house is covered with asbestos siding and rests on fieldstone footing. The only section with a full basement is the present living room in the rear section. The roof is of a medium pitch wood shingle gable roof.

The northwest (main) facade has a symmetrical placement of two-over-two sash with molded trim and two panel shutters on the first floor and louvered on the second. The central entrance is surrounded by three light sidelights with a panel below and a four light transom. The windows are framed by fluted pilasters and a molded cornice. The door is a 20th Century replacement with a glazed panel door. A dentiled cornice stretches across at eave level and two six-over-six sash dormers illuminate the attic. The sash are flanked by fluted pilasters and capped by a pediment with returns above the pilasters. A hipped roof single story porch stretches across three bays and has chambered square posts with scrolled corner brackets.

The northeast gable end is primarily plain except for two two-over-two attic lights that flank the interior end. Stretcher bond chimney stacks. The southwest end has a single two-over-two sash on each floor and two two-over-two attic lights that flank the stuccoed stack. Found along the ridge line are the cast iron lightening rods with some blue and other white porcelain balls.

The southeast side of the main block is primarily covered with the rear section. The elements that are exposed are the same as the rest of the house except for the lower second floor central light that illuminates the central stair. The cornice is plain.

The rear three bay section appears to have been built in two sections with the last bay added. The detailing is basically plain. Two-over-two sash illuminate the living room while six-over-six sash are found in the present kitchen. A stuccoed stack rises out of the south wall of the living room with a gothic cap. Shed porches extend across the first floor of both north and south sides of the wing. The north side porch has ^{decorative} stick corner brackets. The south porch is more recent.

The interior has remained untouched. The central hall stair has a moderately sized turned newel with a tapered central cone. There are two rectangular balusters on each tread that support an oval handrail. The stringer is decorated with a simple diagonal banding. The open stair rises to the second floor and is enclosed to the attic. The door surrounds are similarly banded with plain corner blocks. Four panel door with exterior box locks are found on each opening. The north parlor mantel has fluted pilasters that support projecting plain frieze blocks. The frieze is similarly plain. The thick mantel shelf has a two part bed molding. The mantel in the south parlor is similar and a four door closet with ogee inset molded panels is located on the east wall.

Another mantel is located in the second floor north bedroom and is more closely tied to the federal mantel format. The molded plinths support a decorated pilaster. The decoration is a inwardly stepped banding that is closed on both ends

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GINN HOUSE (Continued)

The end and central frieze blocks are plain. The molded shelf is supported by three part bed molding. The fireplace is flanked by beaded board door closet on the east side and a later two panel door closet on the west side. Detailing remains basically the same throughout the rest of the main block.

The kitchen wing is set two steps lower than the main block. The first floor has a large fireplace with plain mantel shelf and closet to the north. A basement stair is located in the southwest corner.

A few delapidated barn buildings remain to the southeast of the main house.

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 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 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

Before the intrusion of U.S. Route 301, a number of other houses were located near Ginns Corner. In 1877 there were at least four properties owned by the Ginn Family. This house appears to be a very substantial house from the mid-19th Century and possibly one of the main family dwellings. The house is a typical center hall plan with more elaborate detailing than most houses of its type. The house has seen little alteration and retains most of its 19th Century character.

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

Paul B. Touarj Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

10/16/79

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

398-7568

CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

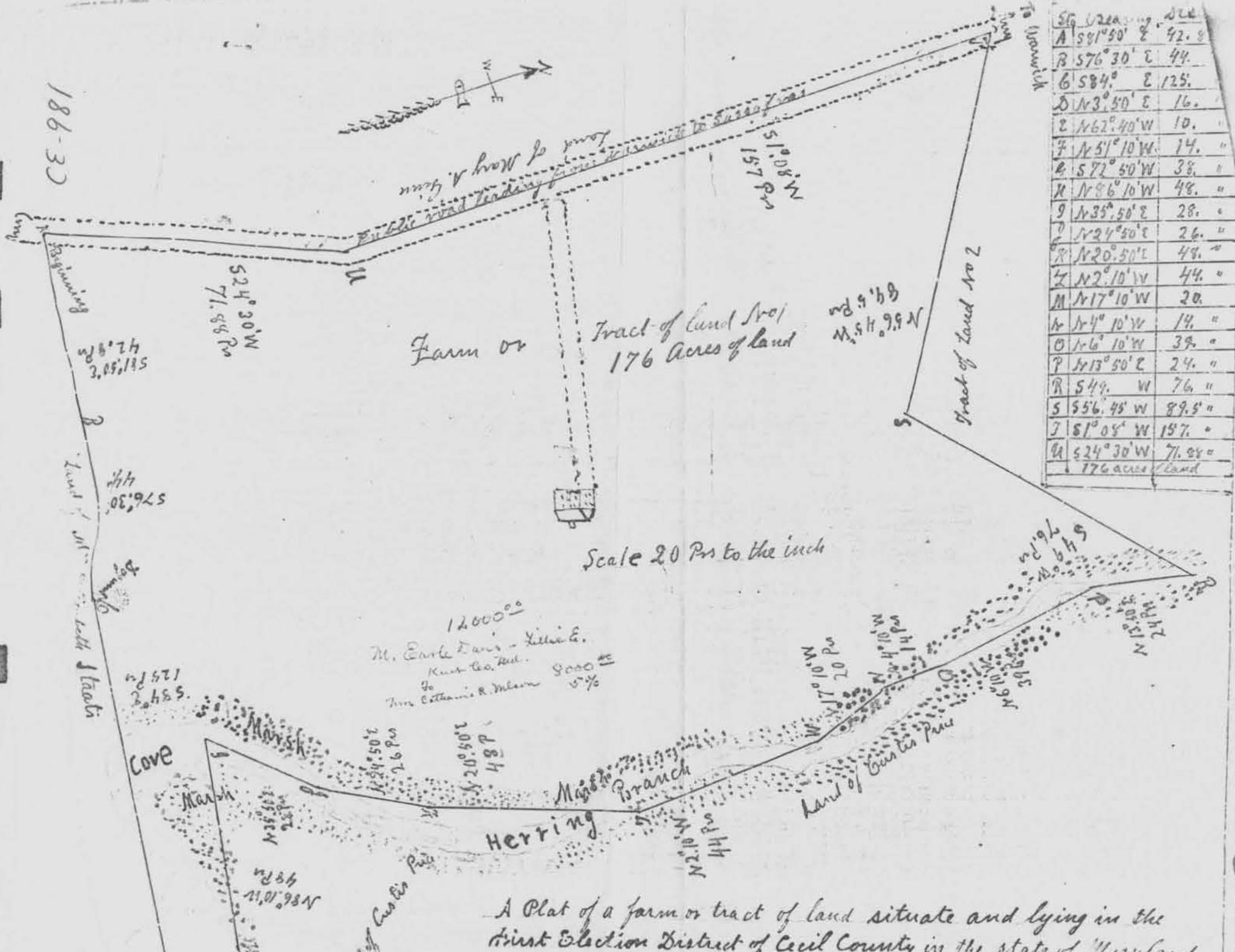
Maryland 21921

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

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| Stake | Bearing | Distance |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|
| A | S 81° 50' E | 92.8 |
| B | S 76° 30' E | 44. |
| C | S 84° E | 125. |
| D | N 3° 50' E | 16. |
| E | N 62° 40' W | 10. |
| F | N 51° 10' W | 14. |
| G | S 72° 50' W | 38. |
| H | N 86° 10' W | 48. |
| I | N 35° 50' E | 28. |
| J | N 24° 50' E | 26. |
| K | N 20° 50' E | 44. |
| L | N 2° 10' W | 44. |
| M | N 17° 10' W | 20. |
| N | N 4° 10' W | 14. |
| O | N 6° 10' W | 39. |
| P | N 13° 50' E | 24. |
| Q | S 49° W | 76. |
| R | S 56° 48' W | 89.5" |
| S | S 1° 05' W | 157. |
| T | S 24° 30' W | 71.24" |
| Total | | 176 acres of land |

Scale 20 Pns to the inch

12000⁰⁰
 Mr. Earle Davis - Lillie E.
 Kust Co. Ind.
 To Mrs. Catherine R. Melara 8000⁰⁰
 5%

A Plat of a farm or tract of land situate and lying in the
 First Election District of Cecil County in the state of Maryland

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CECILTON, MP.

Quasi CHURCH

NECK

Gravel Pit

~~OCE~~
Gins Corner

OCE-981

Sassafras

River

CECIL CO
KENT CO

428 50' 429 (MILLINGTON) 5862 IV SE 47'30" 432

SCALE 1:24000

1 MILE





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GINN HOUSE

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NORTHWEST ELEVATION

NEAR

WARWICK, MD.

7/79

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Ginn House

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

NEAR

WARWICK, MD.

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GINN HOUSE
DOWNTOWN CENTRAL STAIR
NEAR
WARWICK, MD.

7/79 PBT



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GINN HOUSE

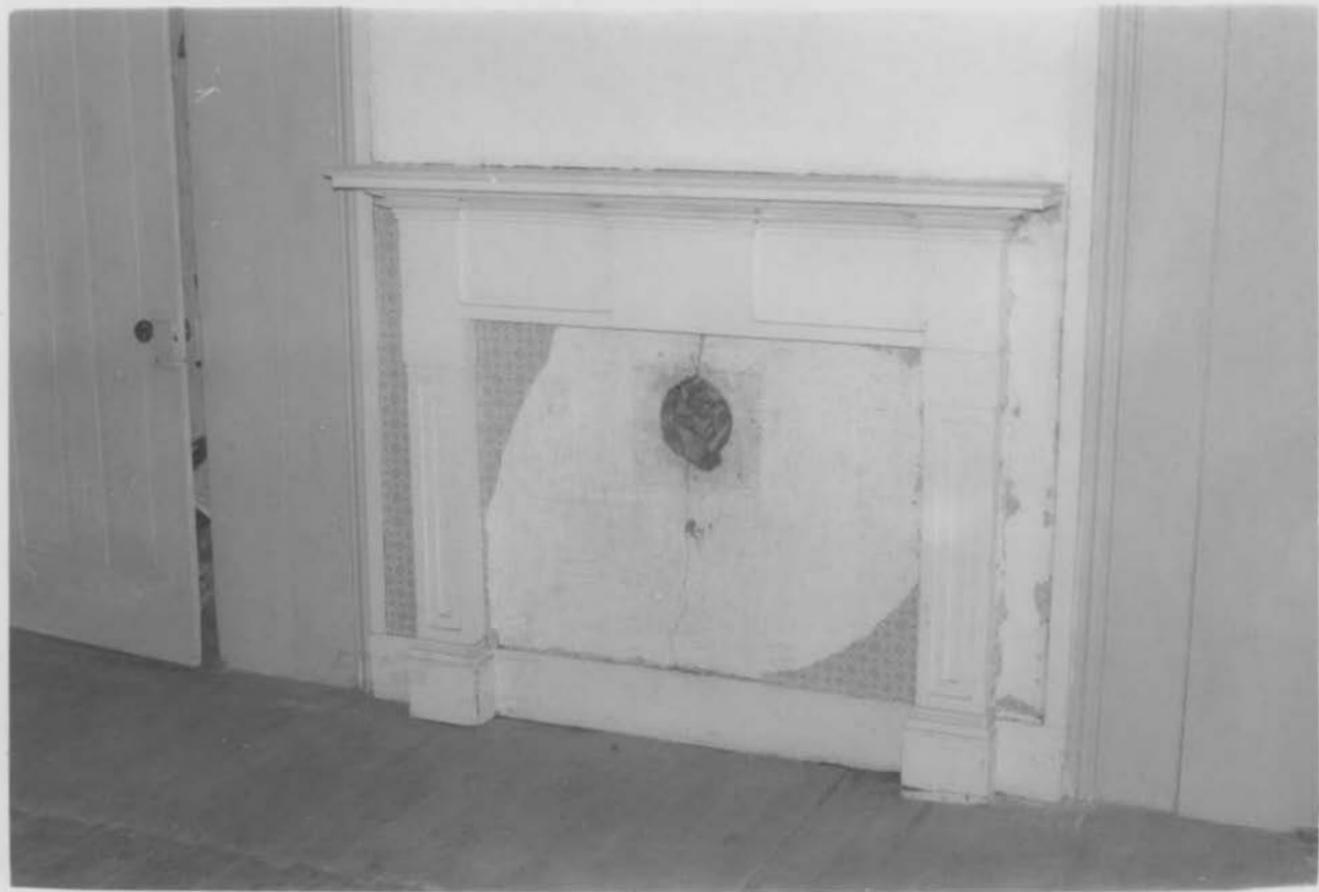
SOUTHWEST ELEVATION

NEAR

WARWICK, MD.

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GINN HOUSE
NORTHEAST BEDROOM
NEAR
WARWICK, M.P.

7/79 PIST



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GINN HOUSE

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NORTHEAST PARLOR
NEAR WARWICK, MD.

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