

ADDENDUM

CH-317
Cooksey Tenant House (demolished)
Charles County, MD
Olivers Shop
Cathy Hardy, March 2002

7. Description

A recent field check determined that the Cooksey Tenant House, which stood on the north side of Charles Street approximately ½ mile west of the intersection with Oliver Shop Road, has been demolished. This dwelling was originally a part of an extensive Cooksey family farm. For additional information see the MIHP form for Simpkin Coatback (CH-657).

10. Geographical Data

The structure stood on the present day "Amy and Elmer's Farm" which was subdivided in 1980.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The site is designated as Parcel 140 , Map 56 on the Charles County Property Tax Map.



CH- 317 Charles County, MD
Name: COOKSEY TENANT HS.
Location: DENTONVILLE
Quad: POPES CREEK

St. Marys
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CHAS-317
Cooksey Tenant House
Dentsville *Vicinity*
Private

1890-1910

This two story frame house consists of one room downstairs, another upstairs, with a kitchen attached to one gable end. It was built as a dwelling for itinerant laborers of both races. ☺

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

244-317
MARI #0908175604

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC THE COOKSEY TENANT HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

^{North}
~~South~~ side of Rt. 6, 0.5 mile west of Jct.

STREET & NUMBER
Rt. 6 and Rt. 232

CITY, TOWN Dentsville CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8

STATE Maryland VICINITY OF COUNTY Charles County

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" 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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" 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 Harold Cooksey Telephone #: 934-8729

STREET & NUMBER Rt. 6

CITY, TOWN Hughesville STATE, zip code 20637
VICINITY OF Dentsville Md.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Charles County Courthouse

Liber #: 117
Folio #: 419

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN La Plata STATE Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE NONE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This small, two story frame house faces south towards Rt. 6. The house is well-built, and, though not occupied, is well-maintained. It consists of a principal block of two stories which is two bays in length, and a one story kitchen, the eastern third of which has been added recently. To the rear length has been added a shed room which served as the kitchen. The overall dimensions of the principal block and gable end kitchen were 34'1" x 14'4".

The interior consisted of one room downstairs in the main block with a boxed stright flight of stairs ascending the west gable end wall. The walls were lathed and plastered throughout the house. The kitchen also consisted of one room as did the upstairs. Stoves heated the kitchen and sitting room downstairs as well as the upstairs chamber.

The shed porches along the facade of the main block and the kitchen have been added, according to the owner.

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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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		

Black History

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1890-1910

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Based upon the structural evidence and especially upon the oral testimony of the owner, Harold Cooksey, whose father owned this farm in earlier years, this house was probably built near the turn of the 20th century. Though its design resembles that of land small landowning farmers of that period (see houses at Beachville, Md. i.e., STMA - 283), this house was built as a tenant dwelling, according to Cooksey. Some of the workers were itinerant, such as lumbermen who cut timber on the Cooksey farm, while others were longer-term residents and worked as tenant farmers. According to Cooksey, both black and white families have lived in this house. It therefore represents a type of house occupied by the rural working class of both races.

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

George W. McDaniel, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Md. Commission on Afro-American History & Culture

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

20 Dean Street

TELEPHONE

269-2893

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis, Maryland

STATE

21401

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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

7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC-BATHYMETRIC)

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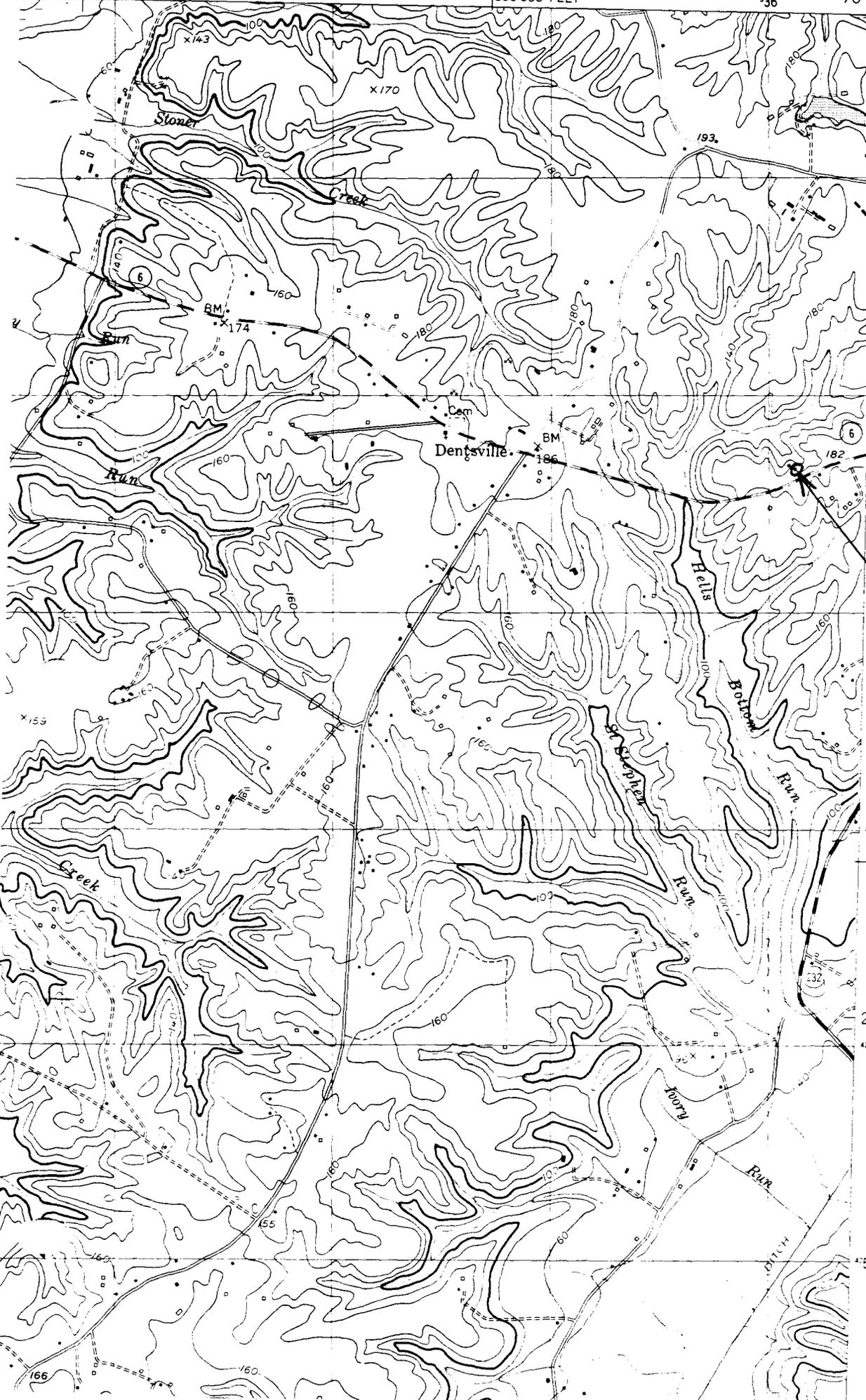
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1830 000 FEET

36

76°52'30"
38°30'

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240 000
FEET

461

6

DUBOIS 3.1 MI
CHARLOTTE HALL 6.1 MI

CH-317
Cooksey Tenant House
Popes Creek Quad,
1953, PR 1974

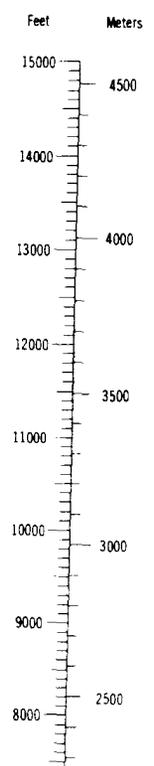
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27'30"

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457

CONVERSION
SCALES





CH 317
Cooksey Tenant House
Dentsville, Md.
Northeast elevation
GWM
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CH 317
Cooksey Tenant House
Dentsville, Md.
Facade, South view

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