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Glade Valley Milling Company

1890-1957

Woodsboro, Maryland

Private

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Developmental Period:
Industrial/Urban Dominance (A.D. 1870-1930)
Modern Period (A.D. 1930-present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
Economic (Commercial and Industrial)

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function and Use:
Buildings/Village/Industry/Processing/Extraction/
Manufacturing Facility/Mill

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Glade Valley Milling Co.

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 100 Creagerstown Road not for publication

city, town Woodsboro vicinity of 6th congressional district

state Maryland county Frederick

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Orren F. Steff

street & number P.O. Box 104 telephone no.:

city, town Woodsboro state and zip code Maryland 21798

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio

city, town Frederick state Maryland 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

repository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. F-8-65

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 of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

Contributing Resource Count: 2

Description Summary:

The Glade Valley Milling Company is a 4 story frame mill building with a pressed metal mansard roof with dormers and corrugated metal siding located on the south side of Creagerstown Road (Maryland Route 550) just west of the railroad tracks in Woodsboro, Maryland. The mill has two story brick power house immediately to the south which housed first steam and later electric generators, and a one story frame office addition on the north elevation. The mill's principal elevation faces north.

Additional Description:

The mill has a shed addition on the west elevation from the second story level. The shed extends across the entire west side, housing the drive-through for wagons and trucks. The south elevation has five bays of 9 over 9 windows on the third and fourth stories. Double loading doors on the east elevation give direct access to a rail siding directly adjacent to the mill. The office projection has pressed metal siding and a hipped roof with stamped metal covering identical to that on the mill's mansard roof. The office is entered from the south by a wood staircase. An interior brick chimney rises from the north side of the roof. Each elevation of the office has 2 over 2 windows with wide plain trim and peaked lintels. The dormers in the mansard have gabled roofs.

According to F.M. Smith's Woodsboro Remembers, p. 29, the mill was enlarged in the early 20th century raising its original 2 1/2 stories to 4. The corrugated steel siding was put on to cover the obvious exterior changes. Further research should be done to verify and document apparent differences caused by the enlargement.

Interior: The foundation is concrete and the basement has concrete piers in a grid of 3 rows by 4 rows. These correspond with wood vertical posts in the upper floors. The first story is largely an open space, with the principal work area centered on the west side near the drive-through. Situated near the 3 sets of double doors opening on the drive-through are two Fairbanks scales. The inner walls of the mill are diagonal flush boards with exposed studs. The upper three levels of the mill contain several different types of milling machines, most patented by the Allis-Chalmers Company of Milwaukee. Also observed was a separator built by the S. Howes Co., Eureka Works, Silver Creek, N.Y. Most of the Allis-Chalmers machines had patents dating from 1898.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1890-1957 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Significance Summary:
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Historic Context:
The mill was evaluated in the context of the town of Woodsboro, as survey information on other mills of its type and time period in Frederick County is incomplete. The mill is the only identified mill structure remaining in the town of Woodsboro. The architectural context is largely incomplete; however, a mansard roofed mill is known to have existed near the town of Jefferson until the mid-1930's. Mansards were common in commercial architecture in the United States in the last quarter of the 19th century and are known to exist on mills in other counties of Maryland. Additional survey in Frederick County will determine the Glade Valley Mill's architectural context.

Additional History:
Begun in Troutville by Daniel P. Saylor, the mill company was brought to Woodsboro by Anderson Etzler. The Glade Valley Milling Company took over the mill about 1904 and enlarged the original 2 1/2 story building to its present size. The corrugated steel covering was an attempt to make the exterior appear uniform. The small brick building to the south housed the original steam engine which was converted to electric power in the early 20th century. The original mill engineer's house is the building at 102 Creagerstown Road immediately west of the mill.

At the Glade Valley Mill's business peak, the mill employed its own cooper to make barrels on the premises for flour and meal. Steiner's Grist Mill (demolished) near Jefferson also had an in-house cooper. (Ballentine, J.M. Jr. Jefferson 1774-1974, p. 77).

The mill remained in service until the late 1950's.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-8-65

Ballentine, J.N., Jr. ed., Jefferson 1774-1974, Jefferson Ruritan Club, 1974
Smith, Frances Meehan, Woodsboro Remembers (privately published), 1976, p. 29

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name Woodsboro

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Map 950 Parcel 876, the size of the lot to which the owner holds title

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Frederick County Planning & Zoning date March 1991

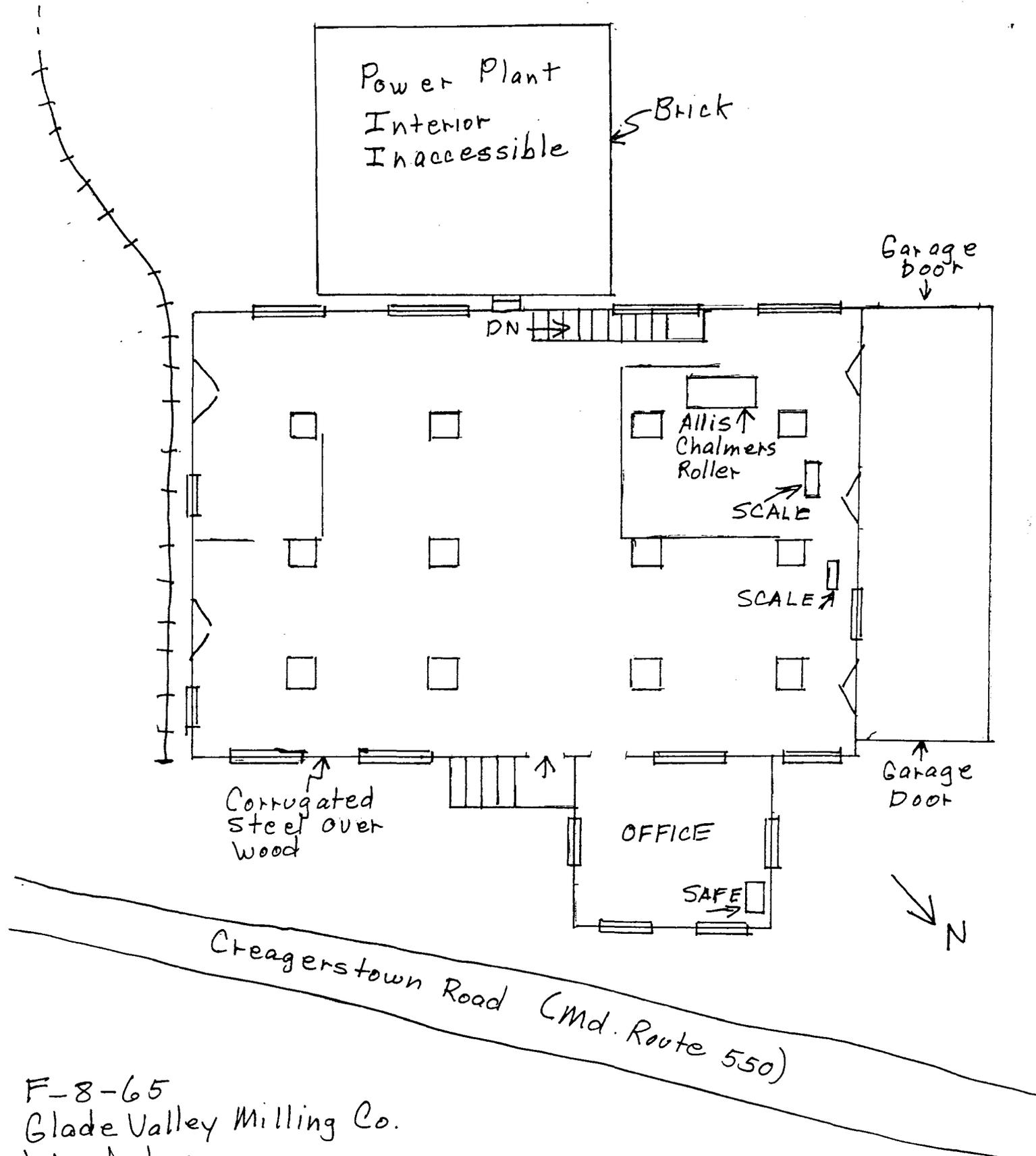
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city or town Frederick state Maryland 21701

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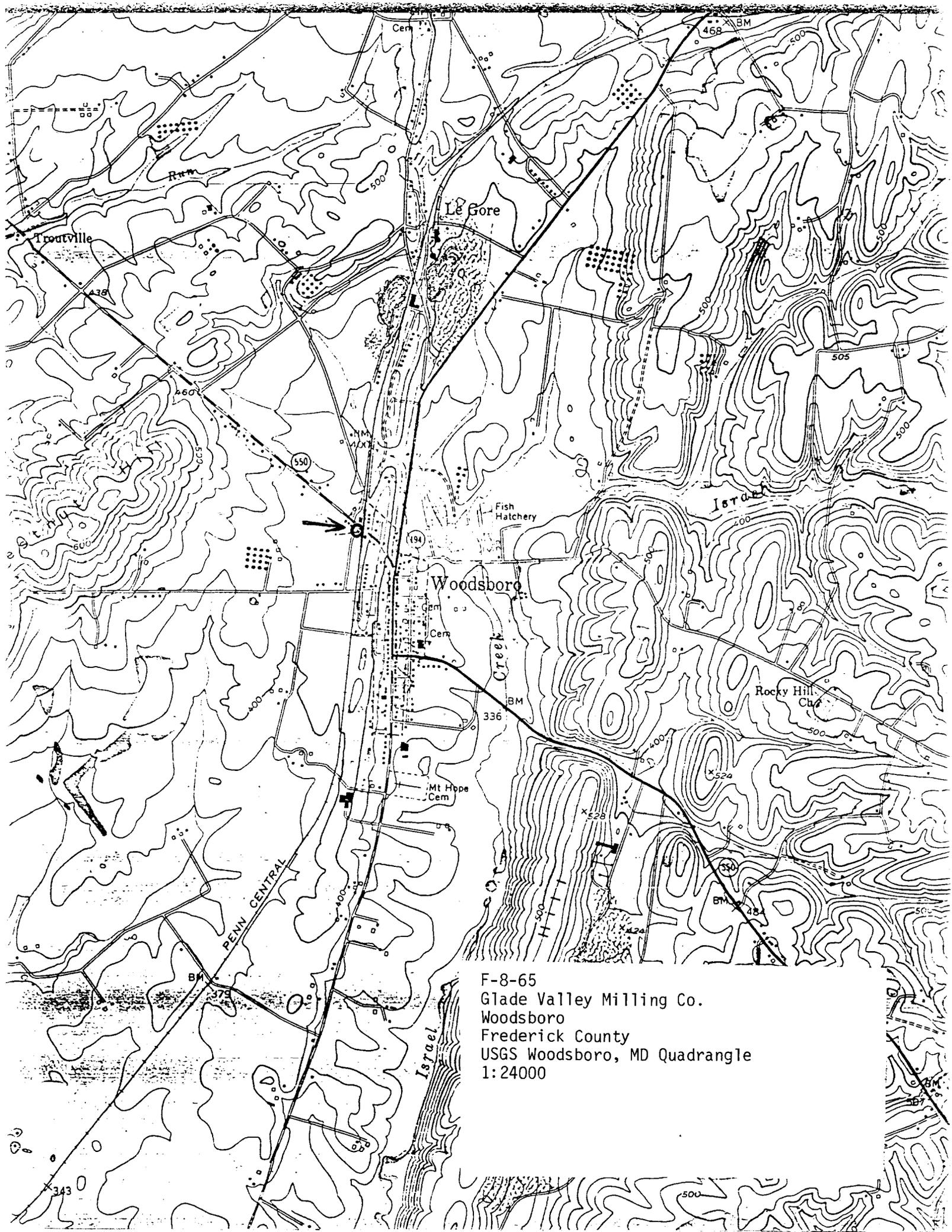
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USGS Woodsboro, MD Quadrangle
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South elevation

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A black and white photograph of a large, dark-colored industrial building with a gambrel roof. The building features several dormer windows on the roof and a smaller structure with a chimney on the ground floor. A sign on the side of the building reads "GLADE VALLEY MILL". A utility pole with power lines is in the foreground, and a pickup truck is parked near the building. The scene is set on a street with a sidewalk.

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North elevation

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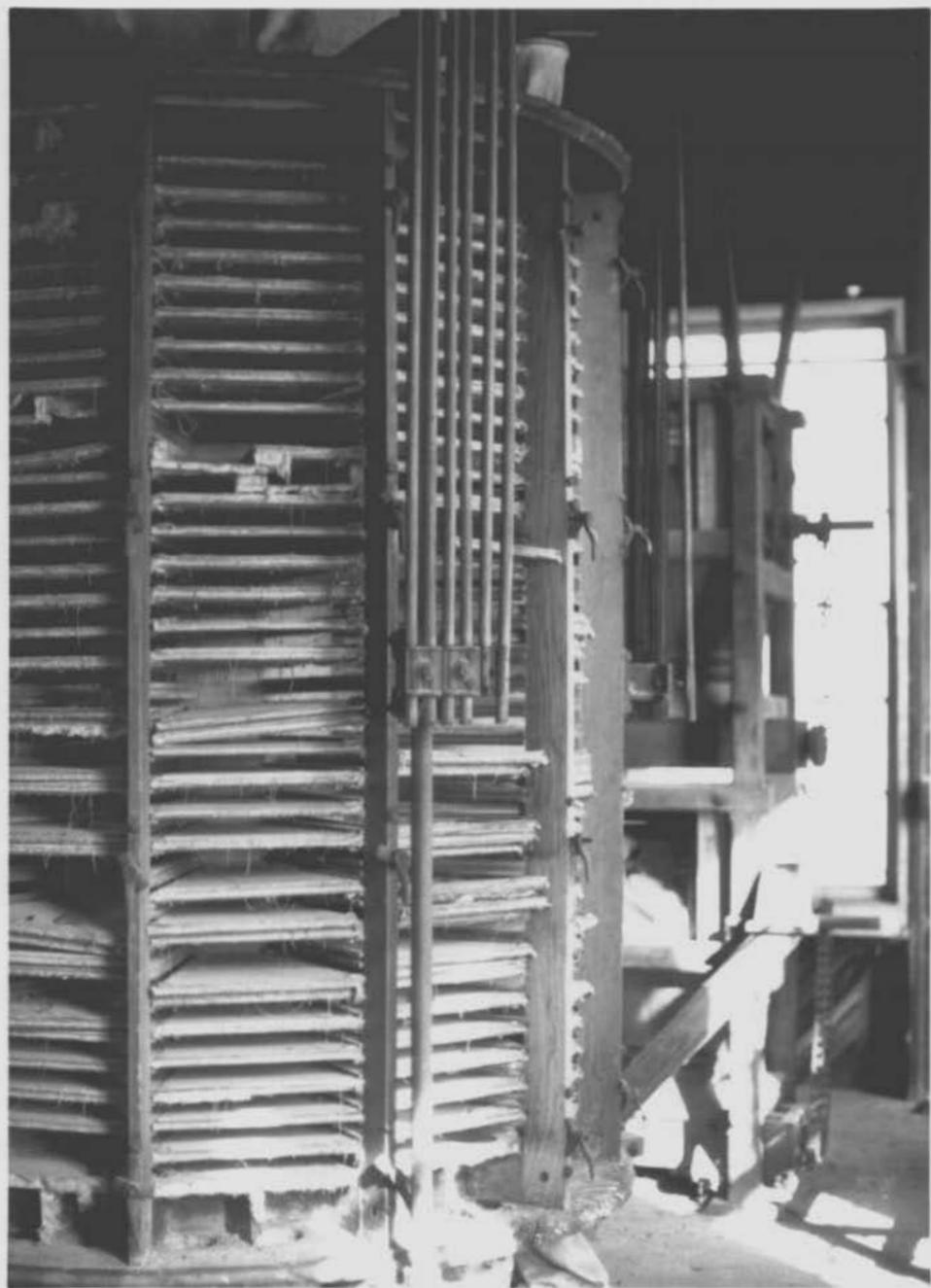
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Interior view of upper floor with
mill machinery

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