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Corunna
Table Rock
Private

early 1880's

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Corunna

and/or common Garrett C. Dixon

2. Location

street & number Wilson-Corunna Rd. 3 miles SW of Althouse Rd. not for publication

city, town Table Rock vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Garrett

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

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

name Garrett C. Dixon

street & number Route 3, Box 100 telephone no. 301-334-9015

city, town Oakland state and zip code Maryland 21550

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Garrett County Courthouse liber 160

street & number Third & Alder Streets folio 334

city, town Oakland state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title _____

date _____ federal state county local

pository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

Survey No. G-V-A-173

Condition

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

Check one

unaltered

altered

Check one

original site

moved

date of move _____

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

8. Significance

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 checked="" 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 Early 1880's **Builder/Architect** John M. Jarboe, Oakland, Maryland

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.

Summary Statement of Significance

"Corunna" is significant for its architecture and its association with William McCulloh Brown, State Senator from Garrett County between 1905 and 1909 who is responsible for the creation of the state's first Board of Forestry in 1906. In addition to his service in the State Senate, Brown was a member of the Board of Forestry for several years, where he pushed for the expansion of the park system in Garrett County, now a major source of tourist revenue in the state. A distinguished surveyor and engineer, Brown moved to Garrett County in the 1880's and lived at Corunna until 1918. His house is a significant example of the Shingle Style in Garrett County and was designed by the locally prominent architect John M. Jarboe of nearby Oakland, Maryland. Jarboe designed a number of houses for wealthy residents in and around Oakland during the late nineteenth century, as well as resort hotels and vacation homes.

History and Support

The tract of land known as Corunna was first acquired by James W. McCulloh, U.S. Comptroller of the Currency in the Tyler administration and grandfather of William McCulloh Brown (1854-1936). Brown, an engineering graduate from Yale, moved to Garrett County in 1882 and commissioned the locally prominent architect John Jarboe to design his house, known as "Corunna".

For several years Brown worked as a surveyor and engineer and in 1897 was appointed engineer on behalf of Maryland to survey the western boundary of the state for a suit against West Virginia. In 1905 Brown, a Republican, was elected to represent Garrett County in the State Senate where he served until 1909.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. 6V-A-173

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Table Rock Maryland, West Virginia

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Geoffrey B. Henry		
organization	Maryland Historical Trust	date	February 1984
street & number	21 State Circle	telephone	269-2438
city or town	Annapolis	state	Maryland 21401

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Significance 8.1

Brown's most significant accomplishment in the State Senate was his sponsorship of a bill to establish a State Board of Forestry, one of the first in the nation. In 1905 the brothers Robert and John W. Garrett had donated nearly 2000 acres of forest land in Garrett County to the state for use as parkland with the stipulation that the state establish a board to oversee this land as well as other future parks in Maryland. With the backing of the Garretts and undoubtedly influenced by the national conservation movement led by President Theodore Roosevelt, Senator Brown introduced a bill in 1906 to "establish a state Board of Forestry and to promote forest interests and arboriculture in the state". The bill, passed unanimously a few months later, authorized a series of comprehensive studies of the economic and environmental benefits of intelligent forest management, studies which served as models for similar agencies in other states.

In Garrett County, where more than sixty per cent of the land area is forested, the Board of Forestry exercised a strong influence in ameliorating the destructive effects of forest fires and commercial timbering. Three of the original four forest reserves established in 1906 were in Garrett County and the largest of these, Swallow Falls, now comprises more than 9000 acres.

Following his Senate term, William McCulloh Brown served on the Board of Forestry from 1912 until the reorganization of the Board in 1923. In 1918 Brown moved to Baltimore where he died in 1936.

Senator Brown's home at Corunna is one of the best examples of Shingle style architecture in the county. Salient features of the style include the decorative shingling on the second floor, the compact disposition of the main part of the building beneath an asymmetrical roof, and the paired sash windows. Corunna is altogether more rustic and less decorative in appearance than another significant example of Shingle style architecture, the Pennington Cottage in nearby Deer Park. Unlike the Pennington cottage however, Corunna was built as a year-round residence.

The architect of Corunna, John Jarboe, is one of the few late nineteenth century builders in the county about whose practice much is known. Jarboe designed a number of houses and hotels in and around the resort communities of Oakland and Deer Park during the height of their prosperity. In keeping with the standards set by the railroad hotels and expensive summer residences in the area, Jarboe worked mainly in the Queen Anne and Shingle styles, often with several eclectic decorative features as well. Some of his more important works in addition to Corunna are his own house at 503 Alder Street in Oakland, notable for its use of stained glass and half-timbering, Monte Vista and Cornish Manor outside of Oakland and the Mountain Lake Park Hotel, a large and rambling frame structure razed in 1969. With the exception of his house in Oakland, Corunna remains the best preserved and least altered of these buildings.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Corunna

AND/OR COMMON

Garrett C. Dixon House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Wilson-Corona Road - southeast side, .3 mile southwest of Althouse Road

CITY, TOWN

Table Rock

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett

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

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Garrett C. Dixon

Telephone #: (301)334-9015

STREET & NUMBER

Route 3, Box 100

CITY, TOWN

Oakland,

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21550

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 160

Folio #: 344

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input 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

The 2½ story, gable front dwelling is a frame building on a stone foundation. Its steeply pitched roofline extends to the first floor level on the east side of the gable, but then blends into a cross gable on the west side. The combination of its asymmetrical design, steeply pitched gable roof with long slopes, its groupings of multi-light windows, and the large expanses of angular wall surfaces all lend it an informal, geometrical effect similar to the Shingle Style. On this building, however, the majority of its wall surfaces are sheathed with weatherboard. Only the western 2/3 of the second floor is shingled, creating a strong division and textural contrast between it and the other two levels. The original paint colors, muted tones of red, blue, yellow, and green, were also used to contrast its varied materials and architectural elements.

Placed off center, the facade doorway (N elevation) is sheltered by a one bay entrance porch with simple stickwork adorning its gable. Paired and single 6/6 and 2/2 sash windows appear to be randomly placed on this elevation, as well.

The rear (S) elevation offers an assortment of door and window types. The western third of this wall has three bays of French doors with two-light transoms, on both its first and second floor levels. The two-tiered porch that originally provided exterior access to this expanse of doors, and the deck that adjoined it on the first floor, have both been removed. A single, paneled door and a pair of French doors provide the entrances for the center section of this wall. A window arrangement similar to that on the facade fills the remaining wall space.

The prominent feature of the west endwall is a massive exterior chimney constructed of a combination of stone and brick. It is an irregularly shaped, multi-shouldered stack with its bottom half formed of rock-faced, random-coursed ashlar, and its top half formed of red brick laid in stretcher bond. A 6/6 sash window and a grouping of three four-pane casements light the first floor of this wall. 6/6 sash pierce the overhanging upper levels.

The east endwall is sheltered by a one-story, partially enclosed, shed-roofed porch.

Although mostly faded, the exterior color scheme was originally quite brilliant. Its weatherboard siding was a deep brick-red color, the window sash and wall shingles were mustard yellow, the window surrounds were blue-grey, and the wooden watertable and belt courses were pea green.

Access to the interior of the house was limited, therefore, only a vague discussion of it will follow.

The ground level floor plan is an irregular arrangement of large and small rooms with a two-flight stair case located in the hall at the center of the facade (north) wall. One large room occupies the western fourth of the house, while several smaller rooms fill the remaining area. A walk-in fireplace with a heavy wood beam for a mantel is located on the west wall of the large room; a small fireplace with an oak surround is located in a den at the east end of the house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 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 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 early 1880s

BUILDER/ARCHITECT J.M. Jarboe, Oakland, MD

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Corunna is architecturally significant as a good example of a Shingle Style/ Queen Anne "cottage," and is historically significant as the home of William McCulloh Brown, a Maryland State Senator and land surveyor.

J.M. Jarboe of Oakland was the builder/contractor. Jarboe has been credited with construction of most of the high style architecture in Garrett County, particularly in the resort communities of Oakland, Mountain Lake Park, Deer Park and Loch Lynn.

William McCulloh Brown was instrumental in establishing the state's first Board of Forestry in 1906.² Today 19% of Garrett County is state owned-forest park-land.

In 1882, Brown inherited the Corunna tract from his mother³ and the following year he settled there permanently. During the eighteen years before he became a senator, he worked as a land surveyor in Garrett County and also cleared his land to raise sheep and cattle. In 1905, Brown, a Yale University engineering graduate was elected to the Maryland State Senate representing Garrett County. Later in his life, he served on the Maryland-West Virginia Boundary Commission. He sold Corunna in 1918 and moved to Baltimore where he died in 1936.⁴

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

¹Thekla Fundenberg Weeks, Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Centennial History 1849 - 1949. (Oakland Centennial Commission, Inc., 1949), p. 22, photograph.

²Stephen Schlosnagle. Garrett County, A History of Maryland's Tableland. (Parsons, West Virginia: McClain Printing Company, 1979), p. 338.

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

Valerie Cesna, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

September 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

(301)269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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#7 Description Continuation

Oak woodwork provides an accent to the plaster walls. The window surrounds are plain board with a bead on their inner edges, and the baseboards have a narrow, simple molding on their upper edge. Several of the rooms have picture rails placed about one foot below the ceiling.

A one story, gable-roofed, frame washhouse on stone footings is located approximately ten feet east of the house. It is a simple rectangular building with weatherboard siding. The bell that was fixed to its facade gable is now mounted on a post in front of the washhouse.

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#9 Major Bibliographical References Continuation

³Garrett County Land Records, Garrett County Courthouse, liber 5, folio 714.

⁴The Glades Star. "Hon. W. M'Culloh Brown", June 30, 1943, pp. 81-2.

mine and the Three Forks Mine at Vindex were opened in 1908. The Wolf Den Coal Company mine is at Shallmar. Other mines up the valley are operated by the Davis Coal and Coke Company.

The State Bureau of Mines reported for 1947 total production of Coal in this county 1,145,861 tons, and number of persons employed in the industry 1,022.

FORESTRY AND LUMBERING

A traveler in 1797 over the Braddock Road wrote:

These mountains in Western Maryland have an abundance of good chestnut rail timber, a great deal of white oak land, with grand old white oak trees on the same, and white and spruce pines in abundance. The Alleghany, as well as the surrounding mountains, are ruined by the practice of setting fire to them. The destruction of the vast Alleghany forests done by fire is not to be described by a pen. If these forests had never been fired, they would have been a dark, intensive, timbered country of incalculable value, and the outlook would never have assumed the horrid aspect that now prevails over the region.



WHITE OAK FOREST AT HERRINGTON

But for more than a century forest fires raged unchecked and destructive lumbering depleted the virgin forests of our county. Finally in 1906 Senator W. McCullough Brown introduced, and the General Assembly passed, an act providing for a State Forestry Department. This action was in response to an offer of the Garrett family to give 1,917 acres of land southwest of Oakland to be administered as part of a state

forest. F. W. Besley was appointed State Forester in June, 1906, and continued to head the department until his retirement in 1942.



W. McCULLOH BROWN

Sixty three percent of the county is forest land, including 70,705 acres of State Forests in three areas—the Savage River, Potomac and Swallow Falls Forests. Our seven CCC camps, during the depression years of the 1930's, did good work in improving the State Forests.

The original forest trees have been cut for farms and lumber, but second and third growth timber provide material for an important lumbering industry.

RECREATION

Due to its wonderful climate and splendid scenery this mountain tableland is an ideal resort in summer and autumn for the people residing east and west.

The era of great summer resort hotels, catering to the wealthy, ended here with the closing of the Deer Park and Oakland hotels. But the old "glades country" as a resort for common people began in 1925 with the building of the Deep Creek dam and lake. Cottages, cabins, modest homes and camps now dot the shores of Deep Creek Lake. The state Forests provide trails, forest roads, and camp sites. Herrington Manor, on a small lake, has stone cottages for rent. New Germany includes winter sports in its attractions. The Pleasant Valley Center is oper-

who owned large tracts of land there. Early settlers were Patrick Hamill, Henry Ingman, James Fitzwater, the Sharpless and Beckman families, and Abraham Wilson at Wilson's station.

Altamont was a village of some importance during the early years of the B. and O. Railroad.



DEER PARK HOTEL, 1887

Deer Park, on the "Deer Park" survey of 1774, owes much of its former importance to Henry G. Davis, who resided there during the summer months, and built a tramway from the railroad to his saw mills on Deep Creek. The lumber cars were pulled by mules. Davis was also an extensive operator in the lumber business in the North Branch valley. Patrick J. Garrett was superintendent of buildings and grounds of the Deer Park and Oakland Hotel properties for many years.

Mt. Lake Park was founded in 1881 by the Mt. Lake Park Association on an 800 acre tract, part of "Western Canal Convention," purchased by J. C. Anderson for the association. The town was laid out by H. C. Faul, a noted engineer, assisted by Henry Artus, J. Lee Phillips and James A. Enlow. In the spring of 1882 the Tabernacle and Assembly Hall, and the store of Davis and Townshend were built. In May, J. M. Jarboe began the erection of the Mt. Lake Hotel.

The town was organized under a special charter as a religious center and cultural community. Chautauqua sessions provided noted speakers and artists. Finally the association property was sold, and the town now operates under the usual mayor and council.

Loch Lynn, named for Captain David Lynn, who owned "Lynn Pasture" nearby, was promoted by J. C. Alderson, on the south side of the railroad opposite Mt. Lake Park.

Hutton, first known as "Hutton Switch,"

was the site of a large tannery, destroyed by fire and not rebuilt.

Crellin was an important lumber center of the Preston Lumber Company, which operated a narrow gauge railroad up the Youghiogheny valley. It later became a coal mining town, the mines operated by the Stanley Mining Company, of which the late Charles Ream was president.

Gortner, at "Swan's Meadow," originally the property of Gen. John Swan, was a post office from 1898, with Peter Gortner as first postmaster, until small post offices were closed with the advent of rural mail delivery. Gortner has a successful Community church, organized fifty years ago.

Kitzmiller took its name from Ebenezer Kitzmiller, who married Emily, daughter of Thomas Wilson III, and operated the Wilson grist mill and saw mill. Thomas Wilson II, in 1796 bought Military Lot 300, site of Kitzmiller, from Frederick Bray, who had patented it in 1795, Wilson settled his son, Thomas III, there prior to 1798.

Other early settlers in the neighborhood were Philip Bray, at the wolf dens; Reason Harvey, John and Michael Paugh, Joseph Davis, Richard Tasker. Kitzmiller is the center of the chief mining district of Garrett County.

Shallmar, West and East Vindex are nearby mining towns.

Ryan's Glade, District No. 8, occupies the southern part of Garrett County.

Kempton, a coal mining town, is near the Fairfax Stone. Its postoffice is in West Virginia.



BROWN HOME AT CORUNNA

Ryan's Glade proper, first called Warner's Glade, was an early settlement on McCullough's Path. George Dixon patented "Flowery Vale," 400 acres, in 1777, and sold it to Normand Bruce in 1795, whose son, Upton, operated the Bruce plantation until he in turn sold it to Israel Thompson, the cattle man, in 1849. James Chisholm, Sr.,

Wheeler, Thekla Fundenberg. Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland.
Centennial History 1849-1949. Oakland Centennial
Commission, Inc., 1949.

The history of Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, is a story of growth and development. From its early days as a small settlement, it has become a thriving community. The town's location on the banks of the Potomac River has provided it with a strategic advantage. Over the years, it has attracted settlers from various parts of the country, who have brought with them their skills and talents. This has led to the establishment of various industries and businesses, which have further contributed to the town's prosperity. The Oakland Centennial Commission has been established to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the town's founding. This commission will be responsible for organizing a series of events and activities that will celebrate the town's rich history and heritage. The commission's goal is to ensure that the memory of Oakland's early days is preserved and passed on to future generations.



The photograph above depicts a scenic view of Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland. In the foreground, a calm river or stream flows through the town, reflecting the surrounding landscape. The banks are lined with lush vegetation and trees, creating a picturesque setting. In the background, the hills rise gently, dotted with more trees and possibly some buildings. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and serene, capturing the natural beauty of the town's location. This image serves as a visual reminder of the town's early days and its connection to the Potomac River.



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CHAIN OF TITLE

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Garrett County Land Records:

May 27, 1950 160/344	Grantee: Garrett C. Dixon and Lyla O. Dixon Grantor: W. Dwight Stover, Trustee Acreage: 288 Comments: "Corunna Farm"
May 27, 1950 160/343	Grantee: W. Dwight Stover, Trustee Grantor: Garrett C. Dixon and Lyla O. Dixon Comments: "...for the purpose of reconveying the hereinafter described property to the said Garrett C. Dixon and Lyla O. Dixon..."
July 6, 1918 74/264	Grantee: Payton A. Dixon and Garrett C. Dixon Grantor: W. McCulloh Brown Acreage: 280, more or less Consideration: \$8,500.00 Comments: "Corunna Farm" (metes and bounds given)
July 12, 1881 5/714	Grantee: William McCulloh Brown Grantor: William J. Brown, Annie L. Brown, Russell Sturgis, Jr., and Margaret Sturgis Acreage: 222 3/10 Comments: "Corrunna"... "...same as patented from the State of Maryland to David Stewart and George Templeman dated May 10, 1841."
April 27, 1881	Grantee: Annie L. Brown , wife of William J. Brown, and Margaret Sturgis, wife of Russell Sturgis Grantor: William C. Pennington and Emily H. Pennington Consideration: \$200.00 Comments: "All that tract of land lying near Clarks Upper Ford of the North Branch of the Potomac River, known as "Corunna" patented May 10, 1841: Also all that tract of land called "Bridgeport" patented July 2, 1839, known as Military Lot No. 1337: Also all that part of a tract of land called "Megara", patented May 10, 1841, known as Military Lot No. 452: Also all those three parts of a tract called "Mecklenburg", patented April 20, 1840, known as Military Lots Nos. 133, 134, and 152 (the Estate and interest in the aforesaid lots and parcels of land intended to be hereby conveyed, being an undivided moiety required by the said William C. Pennington by deed from the President and Directory of the Georgetown College, dated June 2, 1871 and duly recorded among the Land Records of Allegany County Maryland in which county said lands then lay) And also the whole of that portion of a tract called "Thessalid", patented December 28, 1839, known as Military Lot No. 298, the

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Maryland Historical Trust

February 21, 1984

Mr. C. Garrett Dixon
Route 3, Box 100
Oakland, Maryland 21550

Dear Mr. Dixon:

A recently completed survey of historic buildings carried out by the Maryland Historical Trust in Garrett county lists your home, "Corunna" as a building significant to the history of the county. Therefore, I am writing to you to suggest nomination of your house to the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register, established by Congress in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, is the Federal Governments' official list of buildings which are of historic and architectural significance. Because of its association with State Senator William McCulloh Brown we believe "Corunna" merits such designation.

Listing in the National Register of Historic Places can offer several distinct benefits to property owners. Besides the prestige of local and national recognition, Register listing entitles the owner to apply for Federal and state grants for renovation, as well as take advantage of preservation incentives in the tax codes. It also provides a measure of protection from harm by Federal development projects. It is an honorary designation and implies no obligations or restrictions on the part of the property owner.

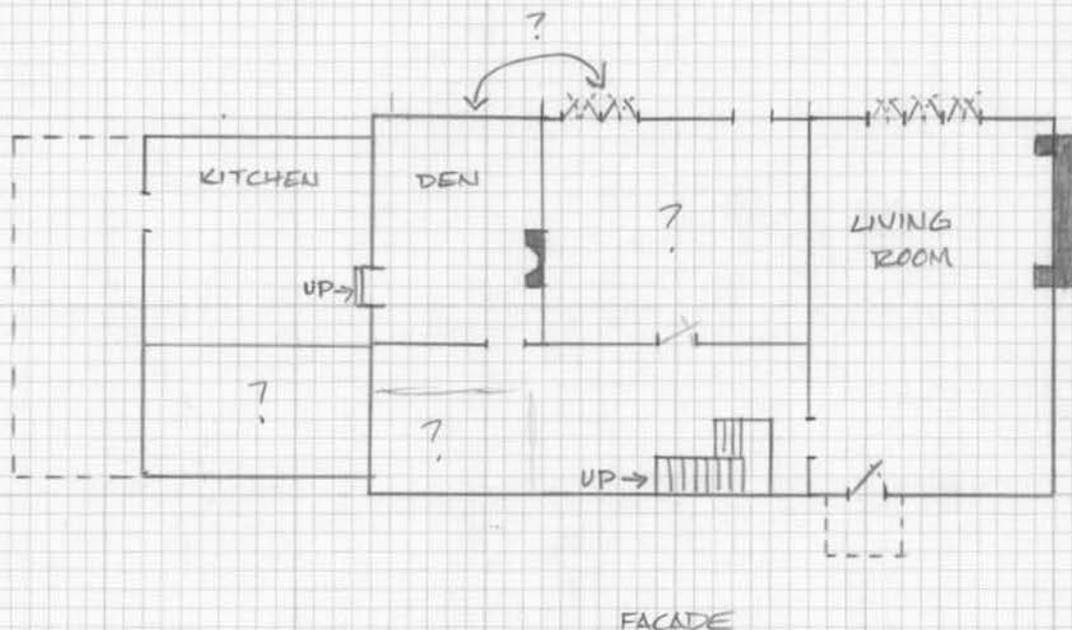
Enclosed is some general information on the National Register which you may find of interest. I, and other members of the staff of the Maryland Historical Trust would be pleased to answer, by telephone or in person, any questions or comments you may have regarding the nomination process. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey B. Henry
Historic Sites Surveyor

GBH/mbh

G-V-A-173
CORONNA



SKETCH PLAN

DEN - OAK FIREPLACE SURROUND,
PICTURE RAILS ON WALLS

LIVING ROOM - WALK-IN FIREPLACE W/A
HEAVY WOOD BEAM FOR
MANTEL, PICTURE RAILS
ON WALLS

ACCESS TO INTERIOR WAS
LIMITED, THIS IS ONLY A
GENERAL PLAN.

? - INDICATE AREAS NOT
VIEWED

V. CESNA
2/10/82

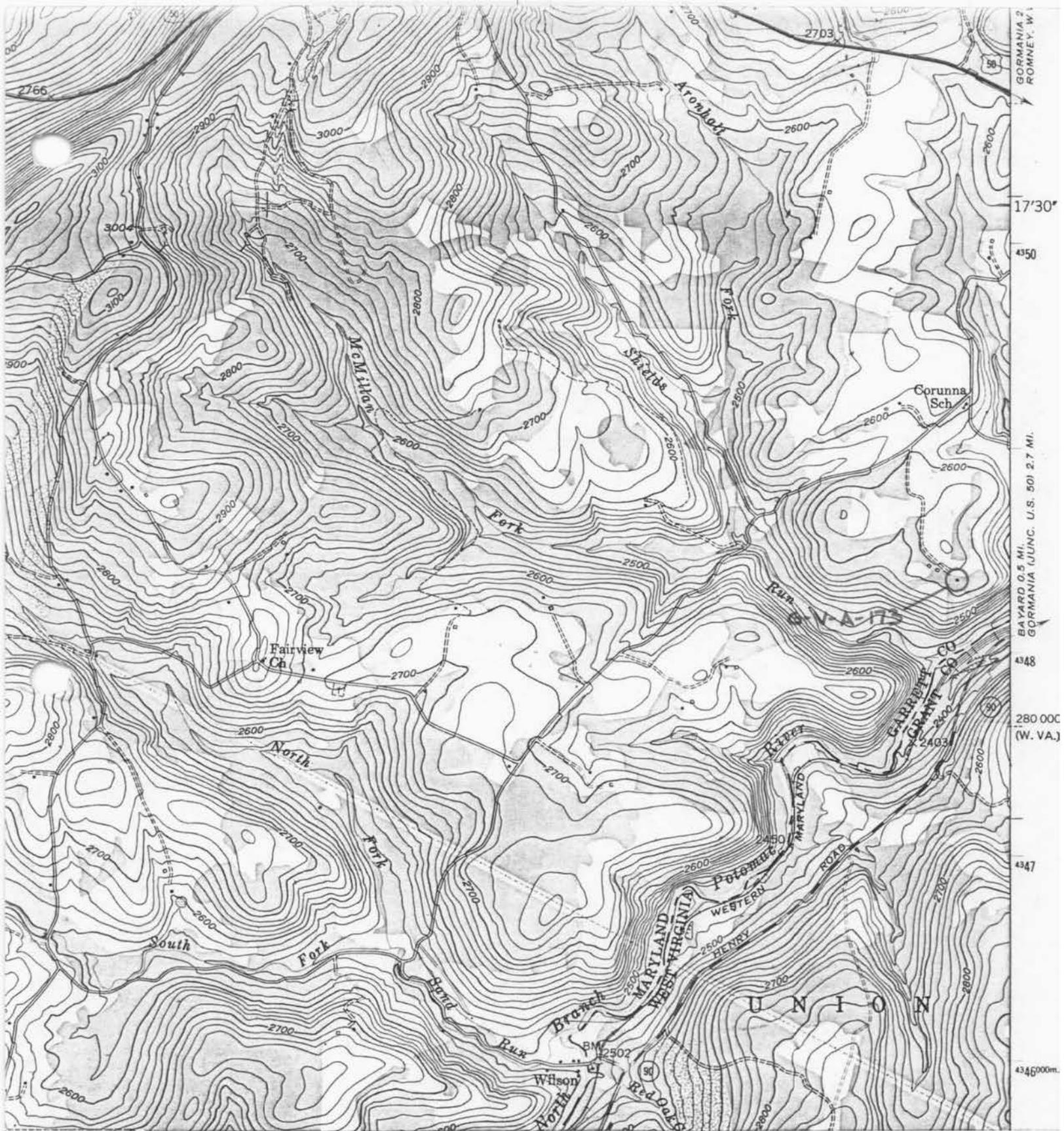


Table Rock, MD;WV
 7.5 Minute Series
 Scale 1:24,000
 1948; photorevised 1974

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 Corunna
 Wilson-Corona Rd.-SE side,
 .3 mile SW of Althouse Road



Garrett Co. - 173

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Corunna

Garrett Co., MD

Valerie Cesna 9/14/81

Facade: N elev.



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Corunna

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Rear: S elev.



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W elev.