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Edick Farm
Chesterville
c.1830

Edick Farm is a name given to this farm in 1946 when it was purchase by the late Edmund and Muriel Cook.¹ The farm was composed of parts of two early tracts: one being Vianna, the other being Doumford.

Around 1830, Hezekiah Masten owned the farm and built the existing house. Masten's house appears to have been the three bay, two story brick section with 1 1/2 story brick wing. At the time of construction there would have been a kitchen in an adjoining wing. As now laid out, the house has a living room and stairhall in the two story section, a dining room in the brick wing and kitchen in the frame wing—the plan which is most common in Kent. Its form, however, is not common in relation to the plan. Salutation Farm is the house that most resembles Edick Farm, and it is about 40 years earlier in origin.

The interior is well finished, with unusual incised corner block trim. The mantel shelf has a scotia molding so typical of this period. The stair rises in three flights to the second floor. The newels are simply turned, a little larger than earlier newels, but not as large as the Antebellum woodwork of the following decades. A round handrail of cherry rises over the newels and beneath are three rectangular balusters per step.

The house was modernized in the mid 20th Century, but its basic historic character remains intact.

Hezekiah Masten was a trustee of the M. E. Church and gave a one

acre parcel on the Millington Road in Chesterville in 1841:

“That they shall erect and build or cause to be erected or built thereon, a house or place of Worship for the use of the members of the M. E. Church”²

When Masten’s estate was settled, the farm was purchased by John G. Miers who also owned Bordley’s Gift. Miers’ heirs sold the farm in 1940.³

1. Land Records, Lib. RAS 41, fol. 214.
2. Land Records, Lib. JNG 8, fol. 9.
3. Land Records, Lib. RAS 23, fol. 348.

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Edick Farm
Kennedyville
Private

Early 19th Century

Edick Farm house, a side hall building of brick, survives from the early 19th century to serve as an example of the simplicity and gracefulness of the period. The main stair and mantles are decorated, but the plan and form are functional and traditional.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Edick Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Chesterville-Galena Road (MD 290)

CITY, TOWN

Kennedyville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Kent

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Richard Cook (Mr. & Mrs.)

Telephone #: (301) 928-3290

STREET & NUMBER

RD 1, Box 177

CITY, TOWN

Kennedyville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21643

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Kent County Courthouse

Liber #: EHP 40

Folio #: 835

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Maryland 21620

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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

Edick Farm House is situated north of the small village of Chesterville. The main house of a working farm, it stands surrounded by open fields and modern farm buildings.

The three bay, two story house and side wing were probably built in the second quarter of the 19th century. The building is of the gable roofed, side-hall form commonly built from the 18th to the 20th centuries, but wooden trim and brick-work details would place the date at the end of the Federal period.

The main house is one room deep. There is a chimney with plain cap enclosed in the east gable. The entrance and stair hall occupies the west bay, next to the one and one-half story brick wing. Windows are evenly spaced, 6/6 sash being used on both floors. On the rear facade, a window is situated on the stair landing. Beneath it is a door without transom. Window trim consists of a single 1" bead. Louvered shutters placed at each window are painted green. There are no dormers, the attic being lit only by two small attic windows each gable.

Exterior woodwork is quite simple but uses the same flat curved molding in both bed mold of cornice and as edging on the two vertical panels of the front door and on the architrave trim of the door. "Corner blocks" on door panels are shaped thus: 

The brick is laid in 1-5 English bond on all facades of main house and of wing and there is a very low beveled water table around the entire building. Brick is fine with narrow mortar joints; walls are now painted white.

The side wing, originally two bays long, was lengthened with a three bay frame addition. Probably at that time, the present gable dormers with their 6/6 sash and widely overhanging eaves were added.

The interior of the house is as simple as the exterior and uses the same motifs in moldings and trim. A mantle in the present living room has a rectangular opening and grooved frieze; pilasters are flat with grooved detailing. The mantle shelf is enriched with shallow curved moldings. Other fireplaces are similar.

On the first floor windows and doors are trimmed with wide flat moldings and have an apron beneath the sill; upstairs window and door frames are shaped into two flat fillets and have a covetto backband molding. Doors throughout the house, including under the stair landing, have two vertical panels.

The stair is of the dogleg type and has three plain balusters per step and an open string. Newel and handrail, are both rounded and slightly bulbous. The stair spandrel is enriched with a series of recessed vertical panels.

An old mantle remains in one room of the wing, but most other woodwork there is recent. The building is occupied and well maintained.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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

Edick Farm House survives from the early 19th century to serve as an example of the simplicity and conservatism of the farm houses of that period. It has a main stair and mantles to which some decoration has been added, but it is basically a simple, functional house. The building is nearly intact.

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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

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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.

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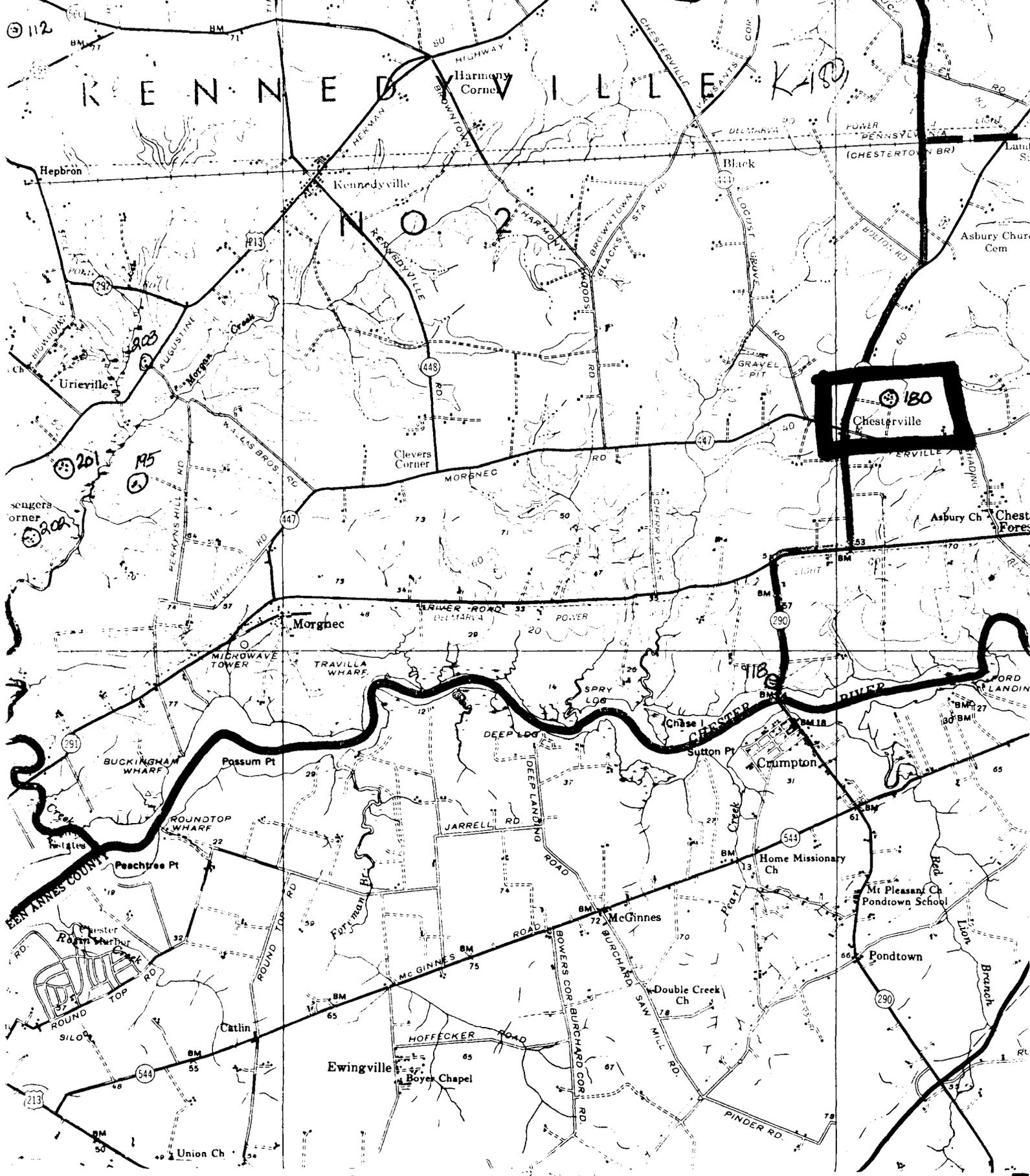
1. STATE <u>Maryland</u> COUNTY <u>Kent</u> TOWN <u>Chesterville</u> VICINITY STREET NO. <u>Rt. 290, 1/4 mile north of town</u>		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <u>K-180</u>	
ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE <u>dwelling</u> PRESENT OWNER <u>E.R. Cook</u> PRESENT USE <u>dwelling</u> WALL CONSTRUCTION <u>brick</u> NO. OF STORIES <u>two</u>		2. NAME <u>Edick farm</u> DATE OR PERIOD <u>C. 1800 - 1830</u> STYLE <u>Federal</u> ARCHITECT BUILDER	
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION		OPEN TO PUBLIC <u>NO</u>	
<p>The <u>Edick farm</u> house was built during the Federal period and consists of a three bay long, two story brick portion and a 1 1/2 story portion, partially brick, partially frame. White stucco covers most of the dwelling. All windows have 6/6 sash and louvered shutters. The main entrance is located on the westernmost bay of the two story portion. Above the entrance on the north facade are two windows located at the stair-landing level. Chimneys are located in the east gable at the middle of the wing as well as its west gable. The dormers on the wing are slightly large for the small structure. On the north side of the wing a modern utility porch has been constructed.</p> <p>The dwelling is located in the middle of an operating dairy farm. There is a small outbuilding next to a windmill pump, slightly southwest of the house .</p>			
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered <u>NO</u> Interior Exterior <u>good</u>			
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)		7. PHOTOGRAPH	
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER <u>Michael Bourne</u> DATE OF RECORD <u>Sept. 12, 1968</u>	

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE



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Front. East

C. Engstrom

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Edick Farm - MHT. K 180

Und. # 290
main stairs

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