

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Brookeville Woolen Mill and house

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1901 Brighton Dam Road

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Brookeville

VICINITY OF

Eighth

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

CODE

024

COUNTY

Montgomery

CODE

031

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
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			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. Woody Young (Kathleen C.)
Mr. and Mrs. Archie K. (Julie A.) Shipe

STREET & NUMBER

1901 Brighton Dam Road

CITY, TOWN

Brookeville

VICINITY OF Olney

STATE

Maryland 20729

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
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<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

The Brookeville Woolen Mill and house are located one mile northeast of Brookeville, Montgomery County, Maryland, west of Brighton Dam Road and south of Hawlings River.

The old woolen mill is a small, stone structure built into the bank on its entrance (west) facade, leaving the basement level exposed on the east. It shows superior masonry with its rough-dressed quarry stone, hewn lintels and corner quoins. The steep, gable-facade roof was covered with rotted wood shingles until the present owner installed a temporary plywood covering. The interior framing members consisted of several cross-beams and joists, some hewn and some sawn. Most of these had collapsed, or were too far gone to salvage. A temporary stabilization has taken place recently. Small loft doors occur in the east and west gable ends, and there are doors below these on the main floor. A basement door, similar to those seen on other mills, appears in the NE corner. There are windows on the north and south sides of the building. The stonework has been changed around the main entrance facade, however, so that the present door and window combination may have appeared differently in the past.

Inside, there is a fireplace base built into the SE corner at the basement and main floor levels. The openings are for stoves, however. The chimney is a tall, brick stack. The walls are plastered on the interior. The mill was reportedly used as a dwelling during the mid-1900s, and has been abandoned and deteriorating since that time. Therefore, there are no remaining signs of machinery or mill equipment although some pieces may be lying below ground in the basement. However, the overgrown mill race is still visible. Upstream, thirty yards or so, is the stone foundation of a building that may have been associated with the mill operation. Also, south of the mill are the ruins of two stone workers' houses.

A few yards SW of the mill is a stone house. The one-and-a-half story structure is built into the bank, so that the basement adds another story on the main (east) facade. An open, two-story, galleried porch spanning the front is supported by stone piers and extensions of the end walls at the basement level.

Like the mill, the stone walls of the house exhibit superior rubble masonry work, and feature stone quoins at the corners, and stone lintels over the windows and doors. The central doors at the first floor and basement levels are flanked by six-over-six windows. There is a transom over the first floor entrance. There are pairs of small attic windows in each gable end, and the one large opening in the south wall is at the first floor level. All of the sash are now six-over-six, double-hung, although prior to remodelling, the first floor sash were nine-over-six and there were casement windows at the attic level.

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DESCRIPTION (continued)

The gable-roof forms a continuous slope over the porch on the front (east) of the house. The roofing shingles are cement-asbestos, although they have now weathered and resemble wooden ones somewhat. Large stone chimneys rise above the roof, flush with the end walls of the house. A molded, returned cornice appears at the rear of the house only. Attached to the rear (west) of the stone section is a narrow, one-and-one-half story frame wing of mid-19th century appearance. It has a central brick stove chimney, metal roof and German siding. There are pairs of half-sized (three-over-three) fixed windows tucked under the eaves on the north and south sides. Other windows here are six-over-six, double-hung.

Inside, the older (stone) section has a full-story basement, with a massive open fireplace that features an arched brick lintel. The old, sawn floor joists and flooring are visible above. The joists are chamfered along the edges. An interesting, X-shaped brace, pegged through several tenons, helps support the enclosed staircase in the NE corner. The windows, like those in the rest of the house, have wide-paneled jambs that flare to the inside.

Above, at the main (first floor) level, the space consists of a large parlor or living-room, and a small "sewing-type" room to the south. Both rooms have large fireplaces with mantels, installed by the present owners. (The mantels came from a 19th century house near Fells Point in Baltimore.) The window and door frames throughout have wide beaded moldings. Most of the doors have a "cross and bible" panel arrangement. The chair rails are new, but the molded baseboards are original. The best interior features occur in the livingroom or parlor. These consist of a narrow staircase (with a slender rail and turned newel-post), an enclosed stair hall to the basement and an exquisite, built-in closet in the NW corner with hand-carved, double doors consisting of three raised panels in each door.

Upstairs, there are several small bedrooms with low, plastered ceilings. Like the downstairs, the frame wing is entered one-step-down through the west wall. The downstairs frame section continues to house the kitchen.

It should be noted that the house resembles several other stone miller's cottages in the Mid-Atlantic region, although it is one-of-a-kind for Montgomery County. Loudoun County, Virginia and Harford County, Maryland contain such structures. The Southeastern Pennsylvania Quaker influence in Brookeville, and these other two areas, may provide a basis for comparison. The Adelphi Miller's Cottage, in nearby Prince George's County, is another example.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
—PREHISTORIC	—ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	—COMMUNITY PLANNING	—LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	—RELIGION
—1400-1499	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	—CONSERVATION	—LAW	—SCIENCE
—1500-1599	—AGRICULTURE	—ECONOMICS	—LITERATURE	—SCULPTURE
—1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	—EDUCATION	—MILITARY	—SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	—ART	—ENGINEERING	—MUSIC	—THEATER
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—1900-	—COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	—POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	—OTHER (SPECIFY)
		—INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	House - By 1783	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
	Mill - by 1816	

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house, mill and natural setting at the site of the Brookeville Woolen Mill comprise one of the most significant historical complexes in Montgomery County. The Hawlings River (a tributary to the Patuxent) Valley was one of the first areas to be settled, and indications are the house may have been built by the Riggs family, who later became well-known bankers and merchants in Washington and Baltimore. Architecturally the house is unique to Montgomery County in its overall design, and for selected interior features. In addition its style may be compared to similar dwellings in areas such as Loudoun County, Virginia, and Harford County, Maryland.

The discovery of the woolen mill here was one of the highlights of the Montgomery County Historic Sites Inventory. A number of small woolen factories and fulling mills were built during the embargo period of the War of 1812, but almost none have survived to this day. In fact Martha and Murray Zimiles, in their book, Early American Mills, report that none of these small fulling mills remain. Officials at the Smithsonian Institution were also unaware of any such structures in the Maryland-Virginia area. So, despite the fact that the mill is empty of equipment, it is still an extremely important structure because of the rarity of its survival. Had it not been stabilized recently, it, too, would have certainly disappeared. The present owner is agreeable to restoring the mill and opening it to the public view if funding can be obtained. The site is immediately adjacent to public conservation land (Hawlings River Park), although it retains its highly secluded setting.

Below is a brief history of the Brookeville Woolen Mill:

1720s - Lands here patented to Tidewater speculators; tracts included "Bordley's Choice" and "Gitting's Ha-Ha" (Scharf, History of Western Maryland, Vol. I, p. 650).

mid-1700s - Lands purchased and settled by Riggs and Holland families moving west from Anne Arundel County (Farquhar, Old Homes & History of Montgomery Co., pp. 247, 253, Tax Assessments and Rent Rolls, Etc., Maryland Hall of Records).

Note: The name "Hawling's River" is thought to be a corruption of "Holland's River," since the Hollands were among the first to settle here and several old records do refer to it as "Holland's River."

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1760s - Residents in the Hawlings River area successfully petitioned for the establishment of their own (Anglican) Chapel of Ease. (Located near the present St. Luke's at Brighton-formerly Crowtown.) Riggs and Hollands were among the petitioners (Scharf, p. 745).

1783 - Tax Assessment mentions several "stone dwelling houses" on the "Bordley's Choice" tracts belonging to the Riggs brothers-John, Samuel and Thomas. It is quite likely that the house standing here today was one of these. It is similar in style and construction to other Piedmont stone houses of the 1750-1800 period. It is especially similar to the old Duvall house, that stood on Rock Creek, near Kensington, at the site of Newport Mills (circa 1774). (1783 Tax Assessment, Maryland Hall of Records; circa 1913 glass plate negative #0825 in "Rambler" collection, Columbia Historical Society.)

circa 1800 - Brookeville, Maryland established nearby as a rural commercial center by Quaker Richard Thomas. David Newlin operated a mill (reportedly a flax-seed mill) in the west end of the village, and apparently so as not to compete with Thomas, who owned a grist mill in the east end of town. (Annals of Sandy Spring, 1884-1885, p. 35; Montgomery County Deeds, Liber I, folio 336.)

early 1800s - Sometime during this period Newlin built a woolen factory on the Hawlings, about a mile NE of Brookeville. An ad in the Georgetown (D.C.) Messenger (June 15, 1816) gave rates for manufacturing cloth, blankets, etc., from fleece. Grain and other crops were accepted as payment. The establishment was called the "Brookeville Woolen Factory" and was operated by David Newlin and Co. (Scharf, p. 781; and newspapers, Library of Congress.)

1826 - Jehu Price listed as owner of a woolen mill located on 12 and 3/4 acres (Montgomery County Tax Assessment).

1832 - Jehu Price, probably in financial trouble, gives deed-of-trust on property to Amos Farquhar of "Fair Hill," Olney (Montgomery County Deeds, BS5/279, Aug. 24, 1832).

1832 - Notices appear in the Maryland Journal and True American (published in Rockville) advertising the stone house and woolen factory on 12 3/4 acres at "Holland's River" (Aug. 28, 1832-copy at Library of Congress).

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (continued)

1833 - On June 19, 1833, an ad appears in the same paper notifying customers that Thomas Fawcett and Shadrach Gill have rented the "Oakland Woolen Factory" near Brookeville.

1838 - The woolen factory is shown on Albert's "Canal Map" (Copies at Library of Congress and Rockville Library).

1850s - Factory and mill-race are shown on a detailed plat of area lands. (original in collection of Mrs. Nash of Brookeville; copy in Park Historian's office, M-NCPPEC, Rockville).

1865 - Appears as "Woolen Factory" on Martenet & Bounds' Map.

1879 - Shown as "Old Mill" in Hopkins' Atlas.

circa 1900 - Operated by the Townsend family, who owned a farm on New Hampshire Avenue near Sunshine. Mrs. D. C. Hottel, an elderly woman who lives nearby, recalls that her husband brought wool to the mill from Virginia when he was a young boy. The ruins of two stone workers' houses can still be seen south of the mill. (Phone conversation with Mrs. Hottel, October 1974).

1920s - Various heirs to property (Clarks, Hollands, etc.) attempt to settle claims in court and have property sold; deeds mention several right-of-ways and easements for watering stock, etc. See:

- Deeds 1868 Liber EBP #5, folio 315 (54 1/4 acres)
- 1879 Liber EBP #21, folio 143 (77 acres)
- 1921 Liber 320, folio 394 (both parcels)
- Also Liber 228, folio 462
- " 340 " 44

1929 to 1950s - Both parcels (54 1/4 acres and 77 acres) bought by the Louis Perna and Sons stone company of Washington, D.C. Two quarries were operated west of the house. The Pernas were told the house was over 150 years old at the time of purchase. The mill was turned into a residence for the quarry manager. A bridge was built across the river for trucks to use. Joseph Perna was a conservationist and sportsman, and sometimes used the farm as a weekend retreat. (Montgomery County Deeds, Liber 492, Folio 396; phone conversation with Joseph Perna, Jr., Oct. 1974),

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (continued)

Recent years - About the late 1950s or early 1960s, the farm was stocked with pheasants and run as a shooting preserve by a Nicholas Stephens or Stephenson. The house was occupied by tenants and the abandoned mill building was left unattended. Joseph Perna, Sr. died in December of 1973, and the old family company (founded in 1892) was dissolved. The property was recently sold to Mr. and Mrs. Ken Shipe, who have plans to restore it as they did the adjacent "Prospect Hill" in the 1970s.

Note: This house has been incorrectly called the "Cooley House" on a number of historical surveys. A Dr. Cooley did own some property nearby, but he never owned this place.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

County Public Library, Rockville, Md. - newspapers, maps; Farquhar's Old Homes & History of Montgomery County, Md. (1961); Scharf's History of Western Maryland, Vol. I, 1882, (1968 reprint).
 Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. - newspapers, maps.
 Maryland Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md. - land patents, rent rolls, tax assessments.
 Montgomery County Courthouse, Rockville, Md. - deeds, equity cases, etc.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

- ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approximately 14 acres
 - UTM REFERENCES

A	1,8	3 2,3 3,0,0	4,3 4,0 5,8,0	B	1,8	3 2,3 2,4,0	4,3 4,0 4,0,0
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission August, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

6700 Needwood Road

(301) 948-1769

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Rockville,

Maryland

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

John Pearce 1/30/78

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

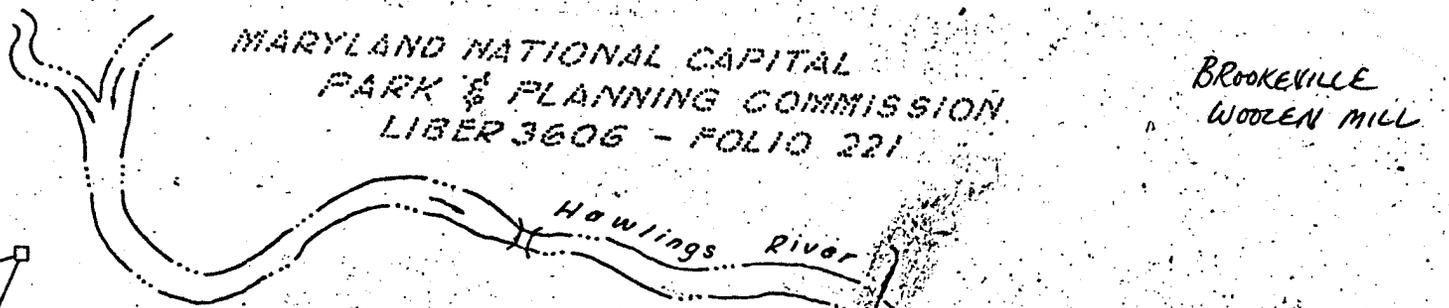
ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL
PARK & PLANNING COMMISSION
LIBER 3606 - FOLIO 221

BROOKVILLE
WOODEN MILL



Hawkins River

CONG. MON.

S 86° 29' 46" E - 1144.01'

CONG. MON.

S 60° 03' 52" E - 560.18'

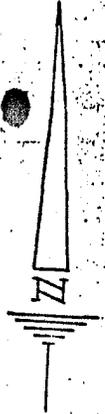
CONG. MON.

S 75° 01' 05" E - 421.58'

RESIDUE OF LIBER 492 - FOLIO 395
36.1827 ACRES

- Shed
- Barn
- Shed
- Shed
- Stone Oven
- Shed
- Old Mill (stone)
- 254' Stone House With Wood Addition
- Spring House

Spring House



STONE FOUND

MISSION
FOLIO 172

N 05° 10' 20" E - 217.76'

N 21° 34' 36" E - 557.96'

STONE FOUND

N 86° 03' 02" W - 1552.83'

STONE FOUND

IRON PIPE SET

N 71° 56' 25" W - 653.56'

Existing 9" Dirt Road

IRON PIPE 10 1/2"

To Brookville

N/F



Sandy Spring Quad.

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ACHS SUMMARY FORM

1. Name Brookeville Woolen Mill and House
2. Planning Area/Site Number 23/65
(Brookeville Hist. Dist.)
3. MNCPPC Atlas Reference Page 11, Map 9, Grid I-15
4. Address 1901 Brighton Dam Road, Brookville, Maryland.
5. Classification Summary
 Category Building
 Ownership Private (M/M Archie K. Shipe)
 Public Acquisition Non-contemplated
 Status Occupied (pending renovation)
 Accessible Yes, Restricted
 Present use Residential and Agricultural
 Previous Survey Recording _____ Federal x State x County x Local _____
 National Register 1978 _____ M-NCPHC Historic Sites Survey
6. Date House - late 1700's; Mill - early 1800's
8. Apparent Condition
 a. House - good condition; pending responsible renovation
 b. altered
 c. original site
9. Description
 House - on the west it appears to be a one and one-half story house but because it is built into the river bank on the east side the basement is open and exposed. A two-story porch runs across the width of the east side of the house. The main body of the house is of stone construction but to the west side there is a narrow one and one-half story frame wing of later construction.
 Mill - The mill is also built into the river bank and stands a story and one-half on the east side with the basement exposed. Construction is again of stone. (Details may be found on attached National Register Nomination form).
10. Significance
 The combination of stone house and mill appears to be the only example in Montgomery County of mill environment common to the Mid-Atlantic region. The style of construction appears to be akin to that found in Pennsylvania and may have been constructed by relocated Quakers who populated the Brookeville area. The rubble masonry work shows superior workmanship as do other construction features enumerated in the National Register Nomination form attached hereto.
11. Date researched August, 1977 Researcher: Michael Dwyer
12. Compiler Jody S. Kline 13. Date Compiled May, 1978 14. Designation _____
Approval _____
15. Acreage 20 acres

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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HISTORIC

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AND/OR COMMON

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4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Archie K. & Julie A. Shipe

Telephone #: 924-3749

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VICINITY OF Olney,

STATE, zip code
Maryland, 20729**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Courthouse, Rockville, Md.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

1793 Tax Assessor's Records-Montgomery Co. 1st Dis^t

CITY, TOWN

1812, Nov 5, Liber Q, Folio 179 recorded Dec. 9,

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS1812 (Mtg. land Record^s)

TITLE

DATE

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Historically, the subject property was one of the earliest settlements in the county (Montg) and one of the very old stone Rigg's houses remains there today in a good state of repair. The building was cited by the Maryland Historical ~~SOCIETY~~ Trust as one of the best in the county. More important perhaps is the existence of a small stone "fulling" mill perched on the banks of the Hawling's River a short distance from the house. The only date of origin is from the 1793 Montgomery County Tax Assessor's Records of the First District. "John Price- Resurvey on Leekes Lot with Fulling Mill and wool factory- 12 3/4 acres- Amt. \$191.25 "

The house itself is in good condition and is in the process of being restored. It is a three story stone house with a frame addition of later date to the rear.

The stone portion of the house faces east. The entrance is a plank door, flanked by two windows, six over six sash. Access to this is gained through a galleried two-story porch which was added in later years. The second floor porch entrance is a transomed entrance with a two panelled door with one light, flanked with two six over six windows. The third floor has two bedrooms with two six over six windows on the south and north sides.

The frame addition to the rear houses the kitchen on the first floor and two bedrooms above it. It is of partial log construction.

Each part of the house has a gable roof. There are two large chimneys on each side of the stone portion of the house.

The Fulling Mill itself is of two story stone construction with a brick chimney. There are two entrances, one on the first level and the other in the rear. There is a window on each side and a large transomed type in the front. Unfortunately the two main beams and most of the joists are rotten, and will have to be replaced immediately in order to avoid any further damage. The entire building is in a bad state of repair and "crys" for complete restoration.

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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SPECIFIC DATES 1750-1783

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Riggs Family

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I have taken the liberty at this point to include some very important notes which Mr. Mike Dwyer, of the Maryland Park and Planning Commission, was kind enough to furnish me.

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 36

The subject property is located a mile NE of Brookeville on Brighton Dam Rd. It lies at the end of a Park granted Right of Way approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long. The east portion of the property borders the Hawlings River and it is on the north side of Brighton Dam Road.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Archie K. Shipe, Jr.

Feb. 4, 1977

ORGANIZATION

Owner

DATE
924-3749

STREET & NUMBER 1811 Brighton Dam Rd., (Box 66)

TELEPHONE
Md.

CITY OR TOWN Brookeville

STATE

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Codey House (incorrectly named "Cooley House" in earlier surveys)
AND/OR HISTORIC: Riggs House & Brookeville Woolen Mill

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Brookeville-Brighton Road
CITY OR TOWN: Brookeville
STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Montgomery

3. CLASSIFICATION

Table with 4 columns: CATEGORY (Check One), OWNERSHIP, STATUS, ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. Includes checkboxes for District, Building, Site, Structure, Object, Public, Private, Both, In Process, Being Considered, Occupied, Unoccupied, Preservation work in progress, Restricted, Unrestricted, No.

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Joseph Perna
STREET AND NUMBER: 6520 Lone Oak Court
CITY OR TOWN: Bethesda STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Sites in the Bi-County Region
DATE OF SURVEY: 1969
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: M-NCPPC
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Aveune
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	<div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian
- 15th Century
- 16th Century
- 17th Century
- 18th Century
- 19th Century
- 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: MNCPPC DATE: 4 Nov 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

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1850's - Factory and mill-race are shown on a detailed plat of area lands. (Original in collection of Mrs. Nash of Brookeville; copy in my office.)

1865 - Appears as "Woolen Factory" on Martenet & Bonds' Map.

1879 - Shown as "Old Mill" on Hopkins' Atlas.

ca. 1900 - Operated by the Townsend family, who owned a farm on New Hampshire Ave. near Sunshine. Mrs. D.C. Hottel, an elderly woman who lives nearby, recalls that her husband brought wool to the mill from Virginia when he was a young boy. The ruins of two stone workers' houses can still be seen south of the mill. (Phone conversation with Mrs. Hottel, Oct. 1974.)

1920's - Various heirs to property (Clarks, Hollands, Etc.) attempt to settle claims in court and have property sold; deeds mention several right-of-ways and easements for watering stock, etc.

See: Deeds 1868 Liber EBP #5, Folio 315 (54½ acres)
 1879 Liber EBP #21, Folio 143 (77 acres)
 1921 Liber 320, Folio 394 (both parcels)
 Also Libers 228, folios 462
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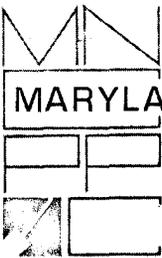
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May 31, 1977

Ms. Pamela James
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Dear Pamela,

Here are the 13 copies of the Inventory Form for the Brookeville Woolen Mill nomination. As far as the photographs go, there are copies of black & whites and slides on file at the Trust (in the Historic Sites Inventory.) We were unable to obtain the interior shots of the house, but some may be forthcoming from Mr. Shipe. Hope this will be sufficient. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Dwyer

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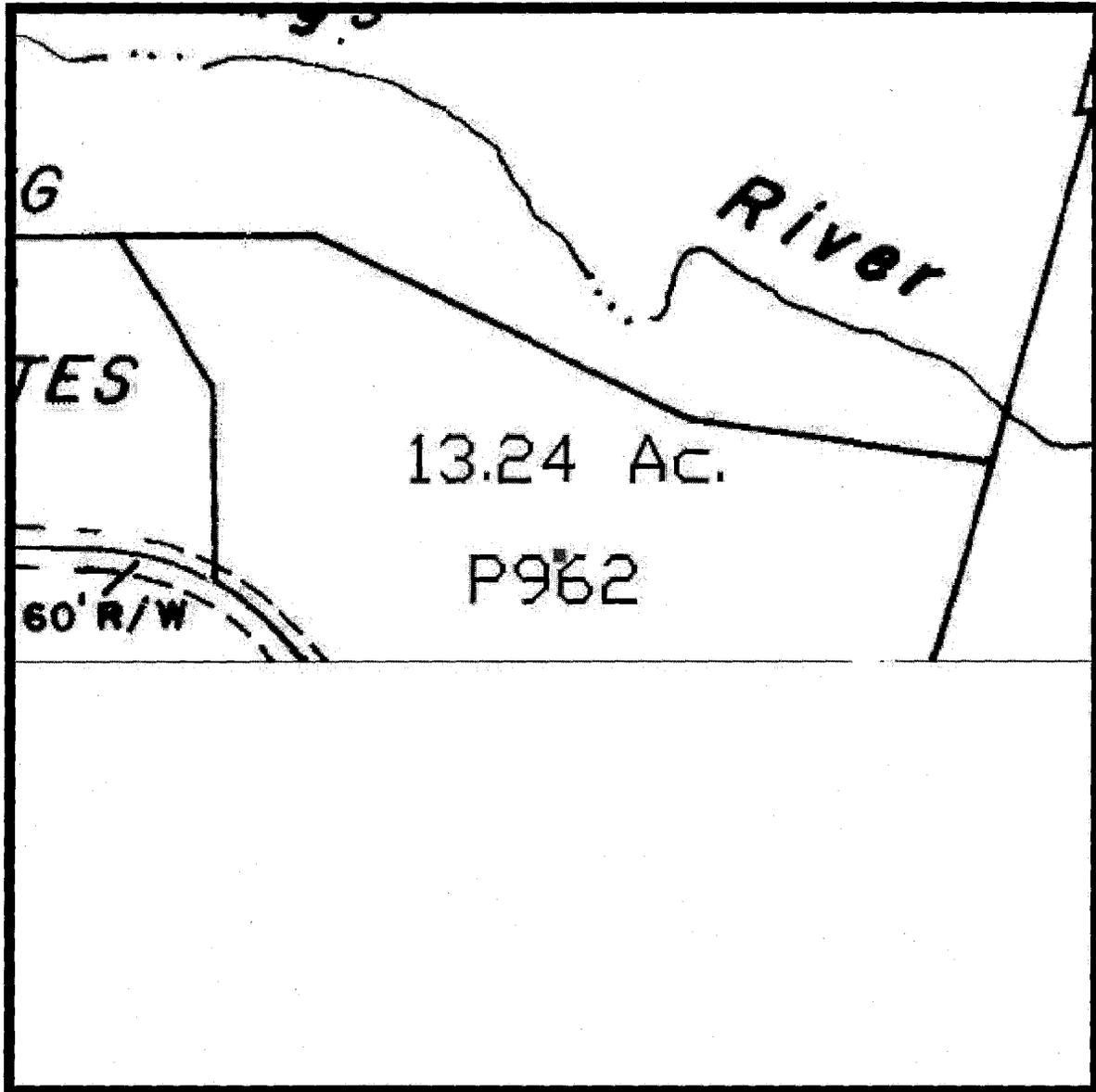
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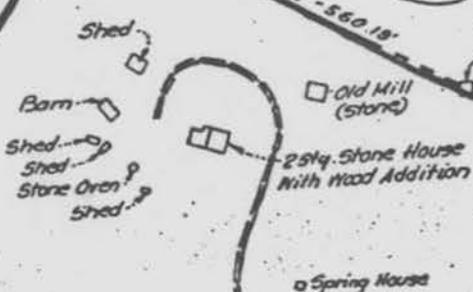
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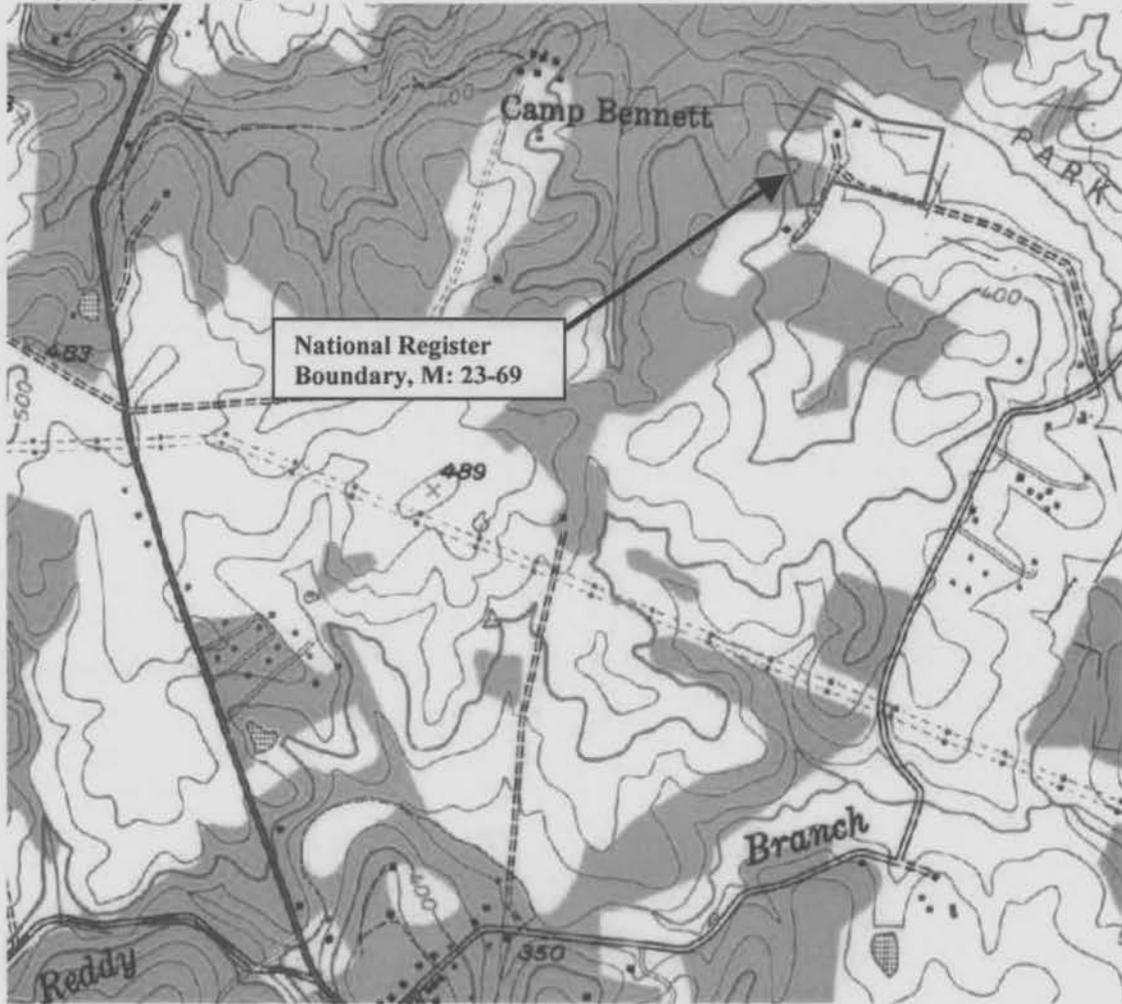
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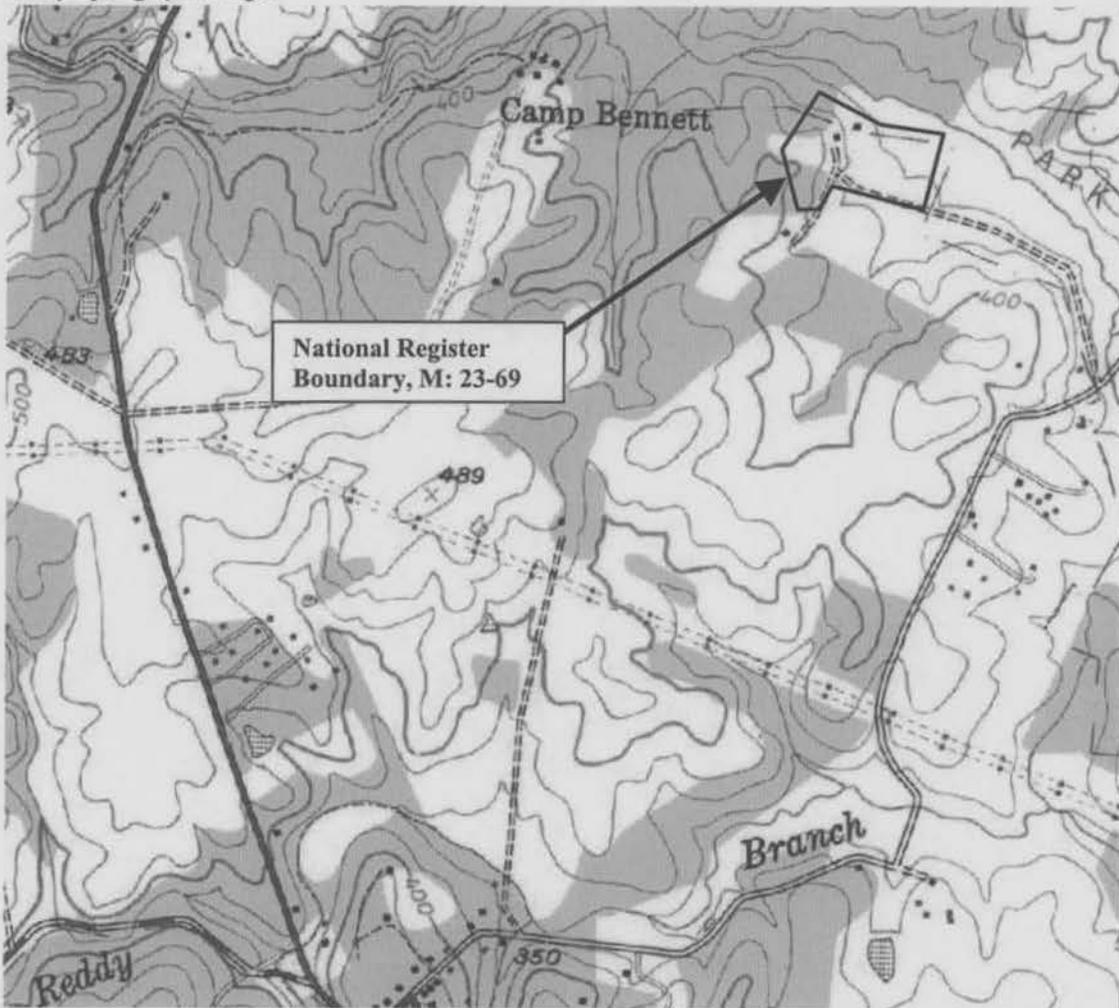


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