

S-280  
Coulbourn House  
Marion vicinity  
private

1915

The Coulbourn house is an impressive Colonial Revival dwelling that stands at the end of a long farm lane near Marion. The two-and-a-half story frame house was erected on a raised brick foundation with a symmetrical five-bay principal elevation. The center four-panel front door is framed by sidelights and a three-part transom. Covering the first floor is a Tuscan columned porch. A gambrel roofed barn, built in 1926, stands behind the house along with two other farm buildings that were moved from an adjacent farm complex.

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DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Coulbourn House

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number End of Farm Lane, West of Old Crisfield-Marion Road (MD 667) \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Hopewell  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	___ occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
___ building(s)	___ private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	___ private residence
___ site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	___ yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	___ not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

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

name Richard Willis

street & number Route 1 Box 375 telephone no.:

city, town Marion state and zip code Maryland 21838

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland 21853

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<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.

The Coulbourn house stands at the end of a long dirt farm lane off the Old Crisfield-Marion road near Hopewell, Somerset County, Maryland. The large two-story five-bay frame house faces east with the principal gable oriented on a north/south axis. The house is accompanied by a large gambrel roofed barn erected in 1926, a mortise and tenon frame corn crib, a mortise and tenon frame granary, a frame smokehouse, two small garages and a well house. Located a distance from the house is a delapidated frame kitchen wing that has been separated from a mid 19th century house.

The two-story five-bay center hall frame house was built on a raised stretcher bond brick foundation, and it is sheathed with narrow weatherboard siding. The steeply pitched roof was built with pedimented gable ends and covered with a layer of asphalt shingles. Interior end brick chimneys with corbelled caps rise from each gable end.

The east (main) elevation is symmetrically arranged with a center entrance and flanking six over one sash windows. The four-panel door is framed by a three-part transom and sidelights. The window sash are flanked by louvered shutters. Covering the first floor is a hip roofed front porch supported by Tuscan columns. The porch foundation is pierced by three-light windows. Five 6/1 sash windows light the second floor and are flanked by louvered shutters, while the attic is illuminated by three evenly spaced gabled dormers with 6/1 sash windows.

The side elevations are similar with paired or single 6/1 sash windows lighting each floor including the attic. An arched bulkhead entrance to the cellar is located on the south gable end.

The west (rear) elevation is detailed in the same manner, but the rear porch has been enclosed. The second floor is pierced by the same sash windows.

Located immediately southwest of the house is a small pyramidal roofed frame well house sheathed with weatherboards and covered with wood shingles. A board and batten door is located in the south side, while four-pane windows light the interior. Standing west of the house is a row of farm buildings including a dated 1926 gambrel roofed frame barn that rests on a poured concrete foundation. To the north of the barn is a single-pen mortise and tenon frame corn crib that is supported by concrete piers and is covered by a steeply pitched wood shingle roof. The sides of the crib are covered with vertical slats. A large door opening is centered on the east side, while smaller openings are found within the gable ends. The mortise and tenon braced frame granary consists of a center storage section with flanking wagon bays. Unlike the crib it rests on a brick pier foundation and is covered with a steeply pitched asphalt shingle roof. Each side is covered with plain weatherboards. A large door opening has been cut in the east wall for access into a workshop that has been fitted with an interior brick stove stack. A rudimentary stair rises on the rear wall to the second floor storage space. A common rafter roof is braced with lapped collar beams fastened with cut-nails. The two frame garages stand in the north

# 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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1915

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.

The Coulbourn house is an impressive Colonial Revival house that stands in a relatively isolated, private location surrounded by fields. Built in 1915, the generously proportioned center hall dwelling has remained essentially unchanged outside except for the enclosed rear porch. The gambrel roofed barn was built on this site but the other two farm buildings were moved from an adjacent farm complex. The kitchen wing is all that remains of the mid 19th century farm house.



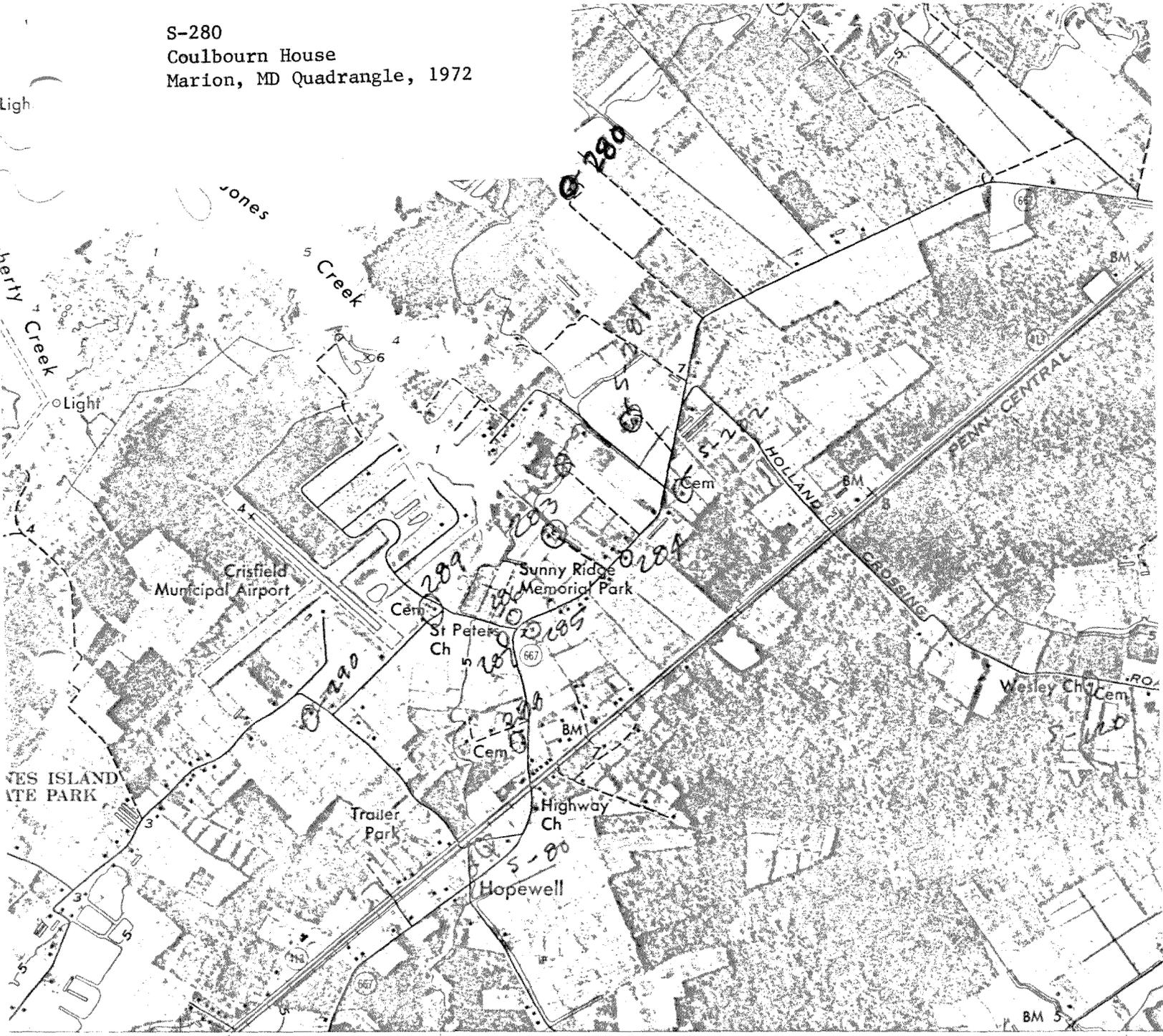
Description (cont.)

part of the yard and the frame smokehouse stands between them.

The old delapidated kitchen wing stands south of the house. The two-story three-bay by one room frame structure rests on a minimal brick pier foundation and is covered by a wood shingle roof. The weatherboards are intact on three sides, while one side was left open after the kitchen was moved. The gable end is flush, and the boxed cornice is trimmed with a bed molding. A centrally located side door is flanked by broken-out windows. Inside, the first floor room survives with its Greek Revival style mantel with fluted surrounds, a plain frieze, and a thick shelf. Undecorated door surrounds with plain corner blocks frame interior six-panel doors. The interior stair rises against the former partition that separated the kitchen from the front block. Remnants of sawn lath remain partially covered with plaster.

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 Coulbourn House  
 Marion, MD Quadrangle, 1972

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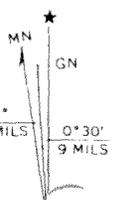
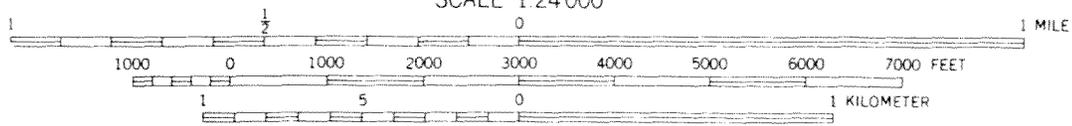
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Hopewell

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 DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER  
 THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET

MARYLAND  
 QUADRANGLE

D 1972 MAGNETIC NORTH  
 N AT CENTER OF SHEET

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Farm Outbuildings

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