

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Addendum

MIHP Number: WA-I-133
Property Name: Loose Farm
Property Address: Jefferson Boulevard (MD 64)
Hagerstown, MD

The "log house" at the Loose Farm was described as in ruins on page 50 of the September 26, 2007 report "Cultural Resource Investigations for the Proposed Hagerstown Light Business Park; Washington County, Maryland" prepared for JBD LLC by R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates. The report reads, "South of the main house, and adjacent to a bend in Antietam Creek, is the ruin of a frame house that had been described as a log house clad in clapboards by a Maryland Inventory of Historic Places from completed in 1975 (Dickey 1975). A concrete-block building was located northeast of the wood dwelling. The frame house and the concrete-block outbuilding are in a ruinous state, and are completely covered by vegetal growth."

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

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| 1. NAME | | | |
| COMMON: Loose Farm | | | |
| AND/OR HISTORIC: | | | |
| 2. LOCATION | | | |
| STREET AND NUMBER: (MD 64) south of Jefferson Boulevard, east bank of Antietam Creek | | | |
| CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown vicinity | | | |
| STATE Maryland | | COUNTY: Washington | |
| 3. CLASSIFICATION | | | |
| CATEGORY (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object | OWNERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered | STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural | <input type="checkbox"/> Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious | <u>residential</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum | <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific | <u>development</u> |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Comments |
| 4. OWNER OF PROPERTY | | | |
| OWNER'S NAME: ADCO, Inc. % J. Edward Shafer | | | |
| STREET AND NUMBER: P. O. Box 1444 | | | |
| CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown | | STATE: Maryland | |
| 5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION | | | |
| COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Washington County Court House | | | |
| STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street | | | |
| CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown | | STATE: Maryland | |
| Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 424/234 | | | |
| 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS | | | |
| TITLE OF SURVEY: | | | |
| DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local | | | |
| DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: | | | |
| STREET AND NUMBER: | | | |
| CITY OR TOWN: | | STATE: | |

| 7. DESCRIPTION | |
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| CONDITION | (Check One) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed |
| | (Check One) |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered < 50% <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site |
| DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE | |
| <p>This house is located a short distance south of Jefferson Boulevard on the east bank of the Antietam Creek about one mile east of Hagerstown. It is situated on a bluff above the creek and faces north.</p> <p>The structure is a two-story, four-bay dwelling presumably of log construction, sheathed with wooden siding. A one-story, two-bay el extends to the rear. The walls are set on low fieldstone foundations. The actual wall construction could not be observed because of the siding which appears to date from the late 19th century.</p> <p>The placement of openings with doors and windows grouped toward the ends of the front elevation suggests that the structure was a two-unit dwelling. Those windows which retain their sashes have six-over-six lights. No sashes could be observed on the first story windows which are larger than those at the second story level. Some first story windows retain pairs of two-panel shutters.</p> <p>The two entrances, located in the inner bays of the front elevation appear identical. Simply trimmed frames hold Victorian period four-panel doors.</p> <p>A one-story shed roof porch extends along the front elevation. It is supported by chamfered square posts with simplified Victorian brackets. Deep shed roofed porches continued as part of the main roof span extend along the east and west elevations of the rear el.</p> <p>The roof is covered with sheet metal which appears to be in good condition. It terminates with a plain barge set directly against the end walls. The eaves are finished with simple boxing. Small brick chimneys are located inside each gable end. A large exterior brick chimney with an elongated stack is located at the south end of the one-story section.</p> <p>Several small outbuildings are located nearby.</p> <p>The house is in deteriorated condition and is located on a tract containing 76.75 acres. A one-and-a-half story stone dwelling (WA-I-132) is also located on this property.</p> | |

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this house is its architecture. Probably constructed of log, the structure is representative of a major architectural group in Washington County and the Cumberland Valley. Log was used as a building material in Washington County from the earliest days of settlement to well into the 19th century. Many such buildings are still in use today disguised by various forms of siding or bricks.

This property was purchased in 1877 by Joseph B. Loose, a wealthy landowner of Washington County. Members of the Loose and Lane families held the property until 1965.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Williams, Thomas J. C., History of Washington County, Md., Hagerstown: Mail Publishing Co., 1906.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY | | | | O R | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|---------|---------|--------|---|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|
| CORNER | LATITUDE | | | | LONGITUDE | | | LATITUDE | | | LONGITUDE | | |
| | Degrees | Minutes | Seconds | | Degrees | Minutes | Seconds | Degrees | Minutes | Seconds | Degrees | Minutes | Seconds |
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 77.63 acres

Acreage Justification:

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historical Sites Survey DATE: January, 1975

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House Annex

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland

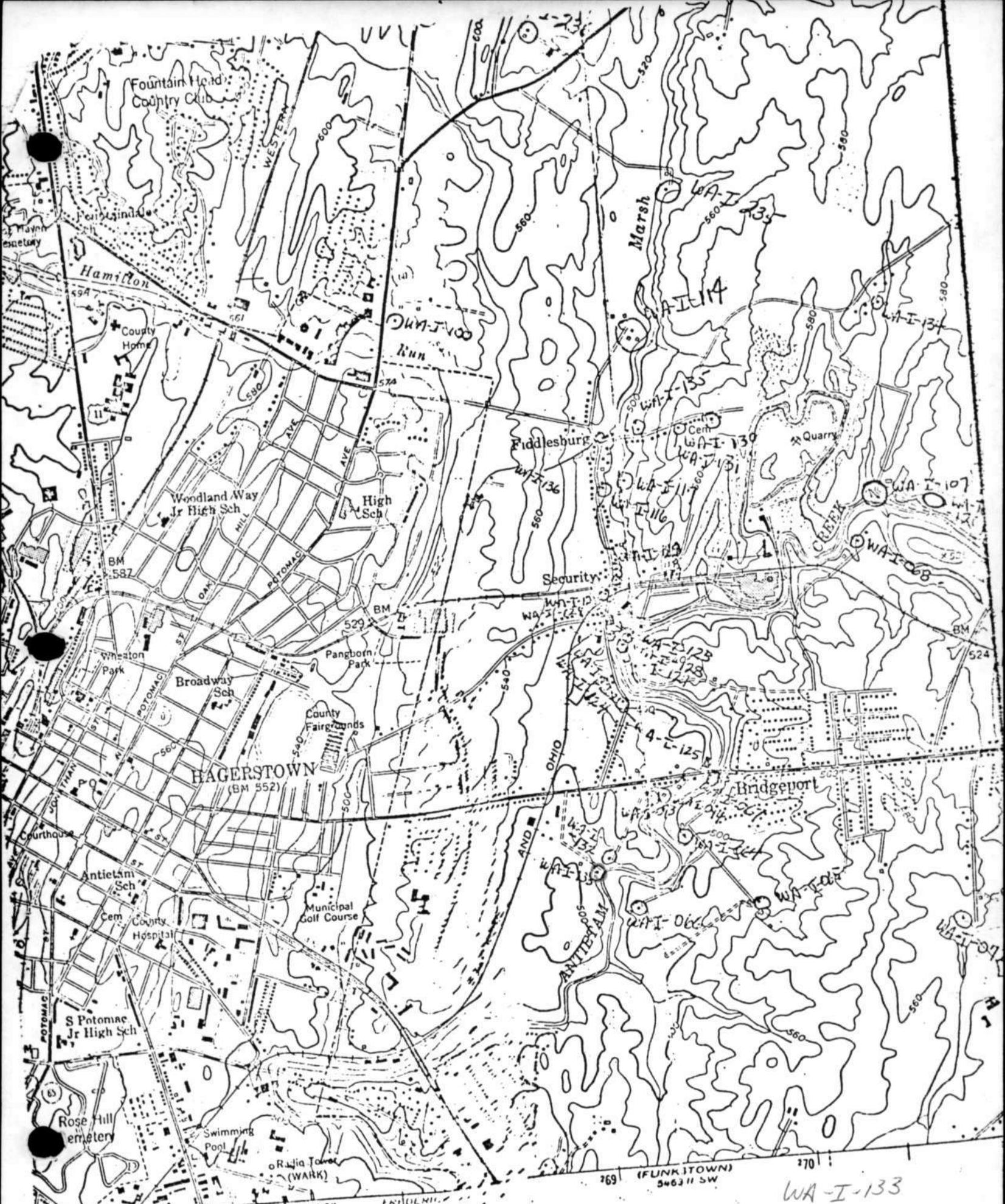
12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature _____

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Hagerstown quadrangle

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SCALE 1:24 000



FUNKTOWN 1:17
FREDERICK 24 MI.

42'30" BALTIMORE



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S.E.

February, 1974

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