

**ABSTRACT**

**WA-I-285**

**1860**

**The Herman Farm  
Hagerstown Vicinity  
private**

This mid 19th century farm complex consists of a two story, three bay brick house dated 1860 and a frame bank barn built in 1856. Since they are dated, the buildings provide excellent examples of period architecture in Washington County. As a farm group these structures also reflect the County's agricultural history.

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WA-I-285  
District 13  
Map 24  
Parcel 471  
MAGI # ~~2205~~ 19535  
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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
The Herman Farm

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
Showalter Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF Hagerstown

STATE  
Maryland

COUNTY  
Washington

**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	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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  
Fairchild Industries Inc., C/O Ronald Zielinski

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER  
Showalter Road

CITY, TOWN  
Hagerstown

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21740

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Court House

Liber #: 627  
Folio #: 53

STREET & NUMBER  
West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN  
Hagerstown

STATE  
Maryland 21740

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
Maryland Historical Trust Survey

DATE  
Summer 1967

\_\_\_ FEDERAL  STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN  
Annapolis

STATE  
Maryland 21402

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located on the north side of Showalter Road between I-81 and U.S. Route 11, just south of the Hagerstown Airport in Washington County, Maryland. The house and barn stand on an area of level ground and face south.

The house is a two story, three bay brick dwelling with a two story, two bay ell extending to the rear. The building rests on low fieldstone foundations and is dated, according to a former owner, June, 1860. It would appear that the entire structure was built at one time. The walls which have been painted white display Flemish bonding at the front elevation while common bonding is used at the side and rear elevations.

Windows have narrow frames which hold six over six pane sashes at both main stories and the attic. Pairs of paneled shutters flank the windows. The main entrance is located in the east bay of the south or front elevation. Flanking the door are sidelights above which is a broad, eight light transom.

The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and extends beyond the end walls of the house. Brick chimneys are located inside the gable walls.

The interior of the house features a large stair and entrance hall. Doors are trimmed with decorated corner blocks, and the parlor fireplace with a beveled central panel.

West of the house is a frame bank barn with high limestone foundations. It is dated 1856.

The buildings are in excellent condition and stand on a tract containing 25.22 acres.



**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Washington County Land Records.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 25.22 acres

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

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ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

May 1977

STREET &amp; NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

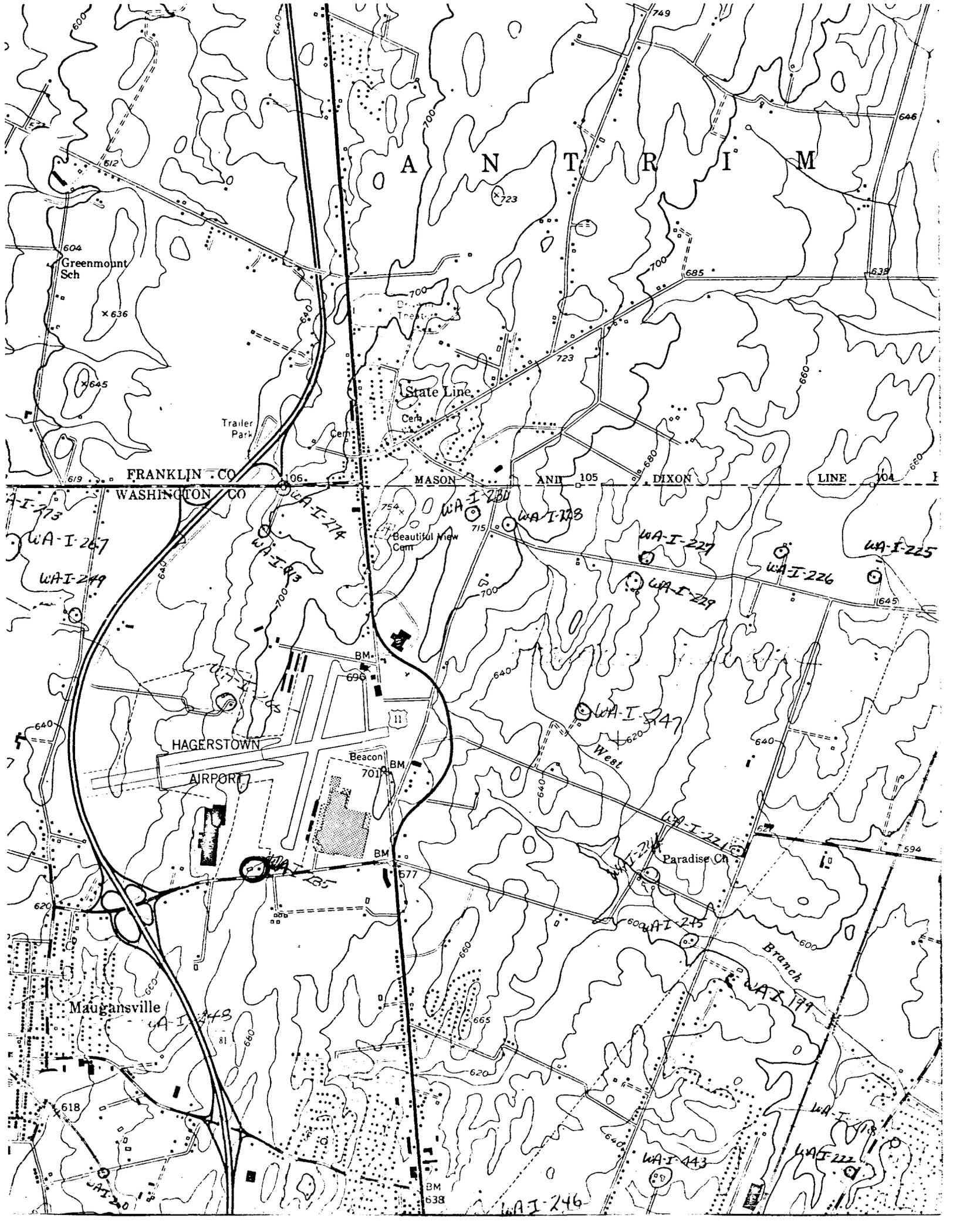
STATE

Maryland 21740

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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