

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM

WA-II-097

for the

District 16

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON: The Shank Farm				
AND/OR HISTORIC: part of "The Resurvey on Stull's Forest"				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Cool Hollow Road and U.S. 40 near Wagner's Crossroads				
CITY OR TOWN: Route 9, Hagerstown				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure		<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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress 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"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Robert M. Shank				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 9				
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. #): 281/351				
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

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<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
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located near the southeast corner of the intersection of Cool Hollow Road and U.S. Route 40 in Washington County. It is situated on sloping ground above the Beaver Creek and faces northeast.

The structure is a two-story, four-bay brick dwelling with white trim. A two-story, four-bay fieldstone section extends to the rear.

The walls of the brick section are set on high stone foundations which are partially covered with a rough coating of stucco. The bricks of all elevations are laid in common bond with five courses of stretchers between header rows.

Windows in the brick section appear to have been placed with some concern for uniformity. They have narrow framing under wide wooden lintels holding six-over-six light double-hung sashes. Pairs of four-light openings illuminate the attic. One window with wide framing is present in the foundation of the front elevation.

What appears to have been the original main entrance to the brick section is located in the second bay from the east corner of the house. The doorway is treated similarly to the windows and has a four-light transom. Foundations remain of a one-bay entrance porch. A similar entrance is located in the northwest gable side of the house. It is covered with a one-story, one-bay hipped roof entrance porch.

The roof of both sections of the house is covered with sheet metal. The eaves are treated simply with plain boxing under which is a band of molding. The barge boards are set against the house walls. On the stone section, the barge is tapered and finished with a beaded edge.

Brick chimneys rise from inside each gable end.

The stone section of the house is constructed of roughly coursed local limestone. Openings at the first story level have wide framing members with pegged joining. Their inner edges are finished with a bead. Second story windows have narrower framing and do not appear to employ pegged joining. All entrance ways in the stone structure are very plain in design with only one of the three doors having a transom.

Just south of the house is a small stone outbuilding with very low walls. Also present is a large stone end barn. The house is in fair to good condition and stands on a tract containing 219.57 acres.

S E E I N S T R U C T I O N S

DEED RECORDS

Liber 281, Folio 351, April 28, 1954
Grantor: Mary L. Martin
Grantees: Robert M. and Mildred R. Shank
Parcel #2, 176 acres.

Will Liber M, Folio 566, Will of Anna M. Martin probated. The property was devised to Mary L. Martin, Julia E. Martin and Eliza Irene Martin

Liber 105, Folio 258, June 22, 1896
Grantor: Joseph H. Newcomer et al, heirs of Michael Newcomer
Grantee: Albert B. Martin
\$17,630.44, 196-1/4 acres.

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> 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	(stone section possibly late 18th century)

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<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/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this house is its architecture. Built in two sections, it represents different periods of construction. Both parts of the structure are examples of an important architectural group of Washington County and the Cumberland Valley.

Although built separately, both sections employ the four-bay, off-center front door plan. Dwellings with this door and window arrangement are present in great numbers in the Cumberland Valley with most examples dating from the first half of the 19th century.

The stone el, which appears to be the earlier of the two sections is one of several stone dwellings along the Beaver Creek which date from the late 18th and early 19th centuries. A number of these structures are associated with the Newcomer family who came to the Beaver Creek are from Lancaster County, Pa. during the last half of the 18th century. They operated several grain mills along the Beaver Creek, including the "Doub's Mill" (WA-II-090) located a short distance northeast of this house.

DEED RECORDS

Liber ZZ, Folio 647, April 14, 1842

Grantor: Peter Newcomer

Grantee: Michael Newcomer

196-1/4 acres. The property is described as being part of the land which Peter Newcomer elected to take at the appraisement made under the directions of the last will and testament of his father, Henry Newcomer, dated May 6, 1795.

Will Liber A, Folio 328

Will of Henry Newcomer, made May 6, 1795, probated August 1, 1795.

Liber H, Folio 529, February 15, 1794

Grantor: John Ingram

Grantee: Henry Newcomer

± 20, 370 acres.

Liber F, Folio 261, May 20, 1789

Grantor: Jacob Stover

Grantee: Henry Newcomer

± 300, part of Stull's Forest, 100 acres.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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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	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 219.57 acres

Acreage Justification:

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

STATE:	COUNTY:

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historic Sites Survey DATE: July, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House Annex

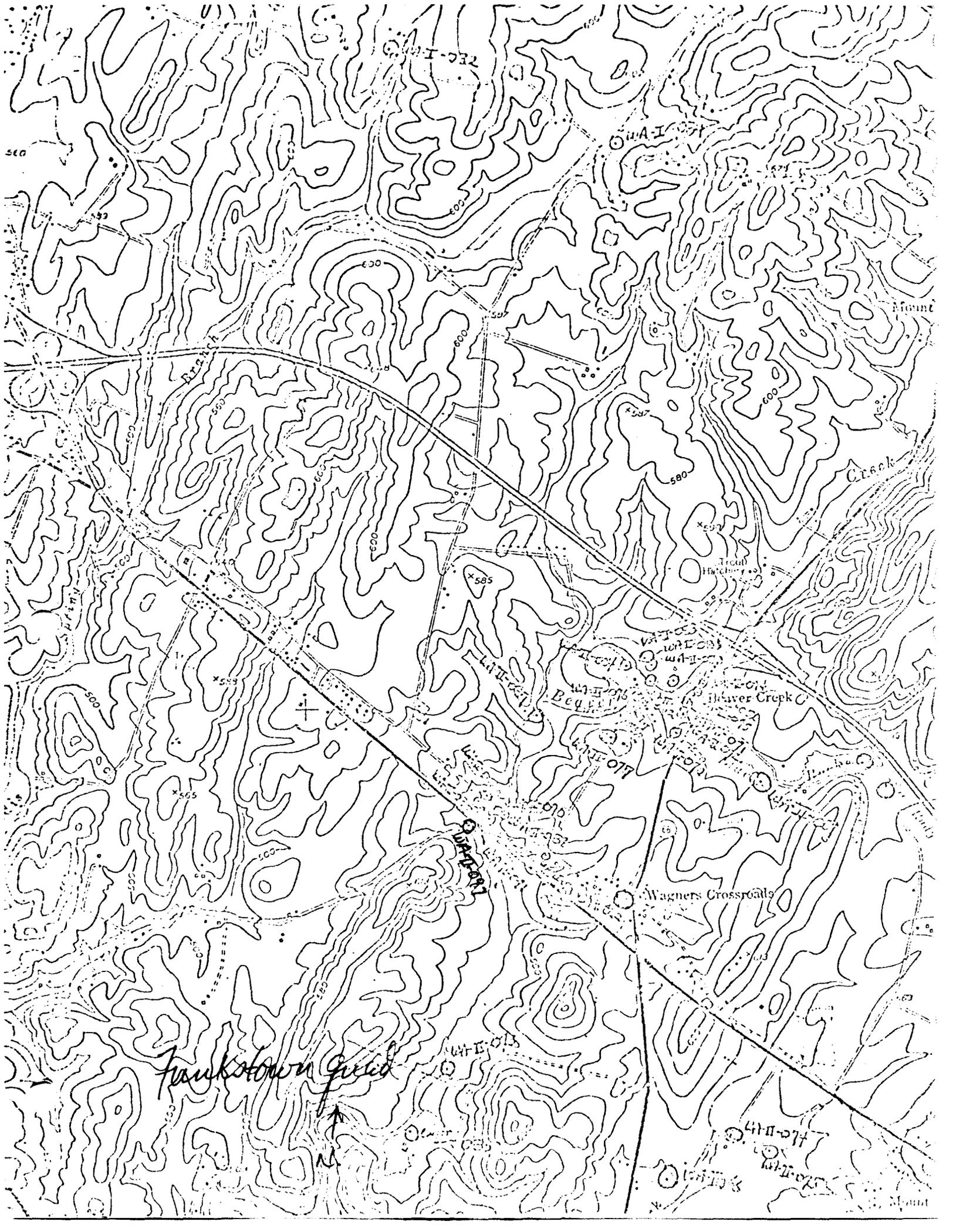
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland

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

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



Frankston Field

Wagner's Crossroads

Beaver Creek

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Crack

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REC-I-071

REC-I-070

REC-I-069

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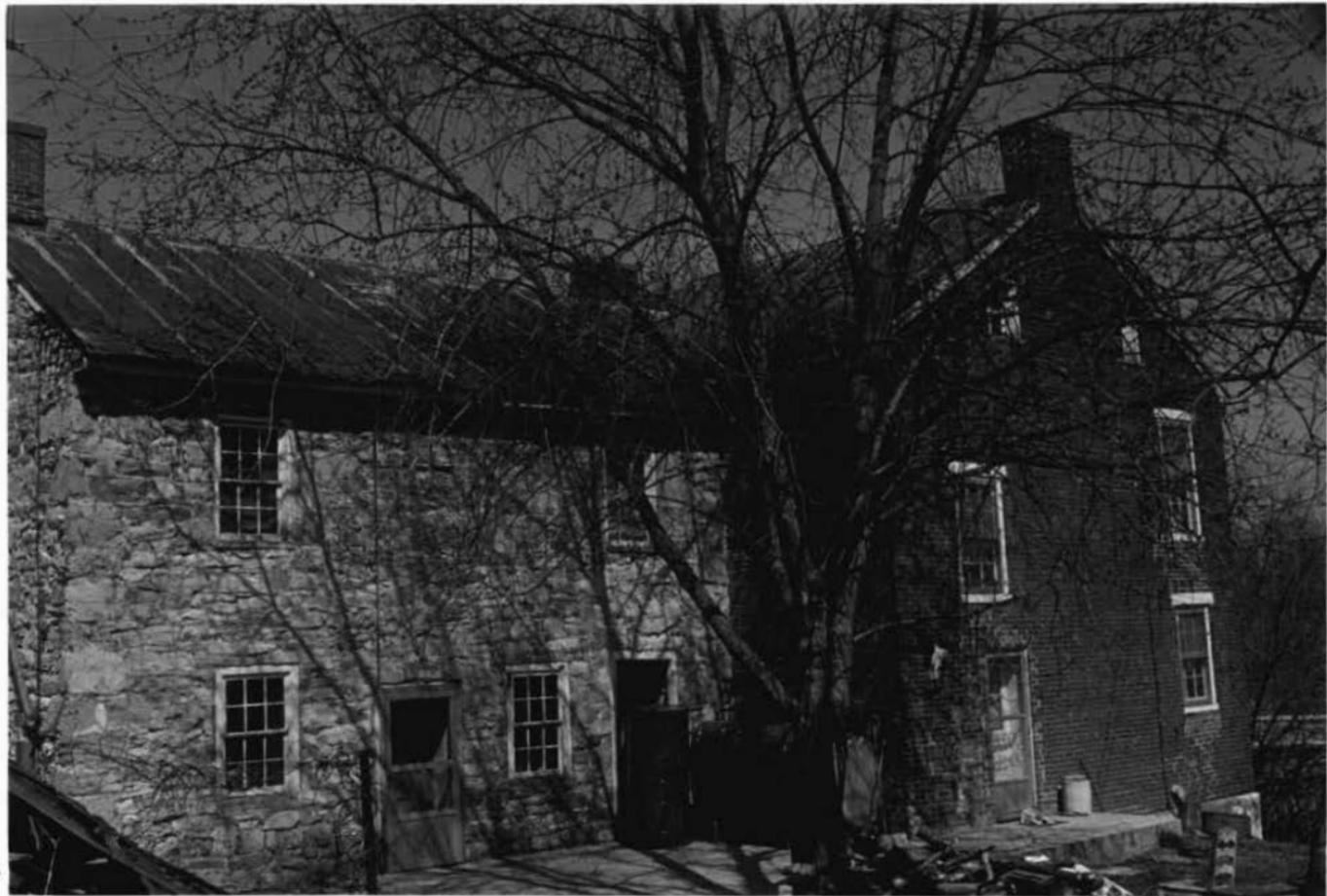
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