

WI-169  
Woolford-Parrott House  
Quantico  
Private

c. 1850, c. 1900, c. 1940

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: WOOLFORD-PARROTT HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: WI-169

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition  
(1815-1870)
- 4) Resource Type(s):  
Single-family dwelling

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-169

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic MARGARET WOOLFORD HOUSE

and/or common WOOLFORD-PARROTT HOUSE

**2. Location**

street & number West side of Main Street  not for publication

city, town Quantico  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

**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 checked="" 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"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name David C. Merritt

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 1200

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 784

city, town Salisbury state MD 21803

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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 Margaret Woolford house, also known as the Woolford-Parrott house, stands on the west side of Main Street north of the intersection with Cherry Walk Road in Quantico, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay frame house faces east with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Dating to around 1850-60, this two-story, three-bay frame house was erected in three principal stages with the original house comprising the northern two bays of the front block. The two-story, two-bay frame house was enlarged to the south by a one-bay addition around 1900, and an early-to-mid twentieth century ell extends to the back. The main house is supported on a low brick foundation and the gable roofs are covered with asphalt shingles. The exterior is clad with vinyl siding.

The east (main) elevation is an uneven three-bay facade with a central entrance and flanking eight-over-eight sash windows. The front door and first floor windows are later replacements. Six-over-six sash windows light the second floor. The base to the roof is finished with a boxed cornice.

The north gable end of the house is dominated by a nine-course common bond exterior brick chimney that has corbelled shoulders at the second floor level. Rising on the south gable end is an exterior single-flue brick chimney with a corbelled base.

The interior was extensively reworked during the mid twentieth century. Little of the original woodwork survives aside from mid-nineteenth century Greek Revival mantels in the north downstairs room and upstairs north bedroom. The attic is unfinished and the old weatherboard wall that defines the original gable end to the house remains visible. Plain weatherboards are fastened with mature cut nails.

# 8. Significance

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Due to the remodeled nature of this house, it falls under Category C, which signifies a property where alterations should be considered carefully: a structure adjoining a property classified in the A or B categories and whose impact and potential modified impact as a contributor to the character of the district must be examined with considerable thought.



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MARGARET WOOLFORD HOUSE  
(WOOLFORD-PARROTT HOUSE)  
Quantico, Maryland  
Chain of title

1200/784                   W. Graham Wine  
                              Beverly S. Wine

to

11/20/1989                Daivd C. Merritt

AJS 1070/324             Gaston P. LeBois, Jr. et ux

to

6/30/1986                W. Graham Wine  
                              Beverly S. Wine

AJS 984/629             Richard B. Gebhard  
                              Rebecca L. Gebhard

to

1/27/1983                Gaston P. LeBois  
                              Nora Lea LeBois

AJS 882/349             Willard L. Pusey, Jr. and wife  
                              Karen M. Pusey

to

8/25/1977                Richard B. Gebhard

JWTS 676/173            HEFOBA, Inc.

to

9/3/1968                Willard L. Pusey

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676/171                      Willard L. Pusey, Jr.  
                                 Karin E. Maciejewicz

to

8/26/1968                    HEFOBA, Inc.

676/80                        Julien M. DuBuque  
                                 Cynthia M. DuBuque

to

8/26/1968                    Willard L. Pusey, Jr.  
                                 Karin E. Maciejewicz

JWTS 629/395                William W. Parrott, et al

to

5/9/1966                     Julien M. DuBuque  
                                 Cynthia M. DuBuque

JWTS 489/180                Kathleen P. Hastings

to

12/4/1959                    William R. Parrott  
                                 Lillie Woolford Parrott  
                                 10 acres

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Lillie Woolford Parrott  
William R. Parrott

to

12/4/1959

Kathleen P. Hastings

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A. Preston Woolford  
and others

to

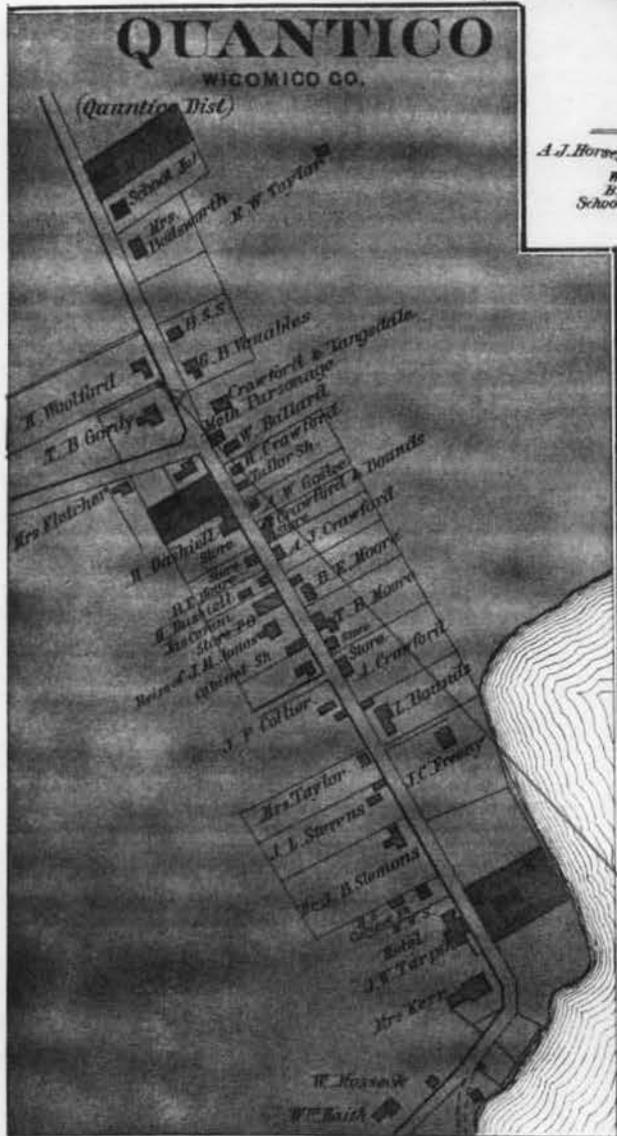
9/15/1941

Lillie Woolford Parrott

Being same property conveyed in Items No.  
1 and 2

Item No. 1 LW 10/151, 6/23/1866, two acres  
James E. Bounds to Margaret  
L. Woolford

Item No. 2 Eight acres adjoining lot of  
Margaret L. Woolford, conveyed  
to Allison H. Woolford by H. N.  
Crawford, trustee , 10/15/1870  
TF, Jr. 3/200



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1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson  
 Atlas

ARDELA SPRINGS

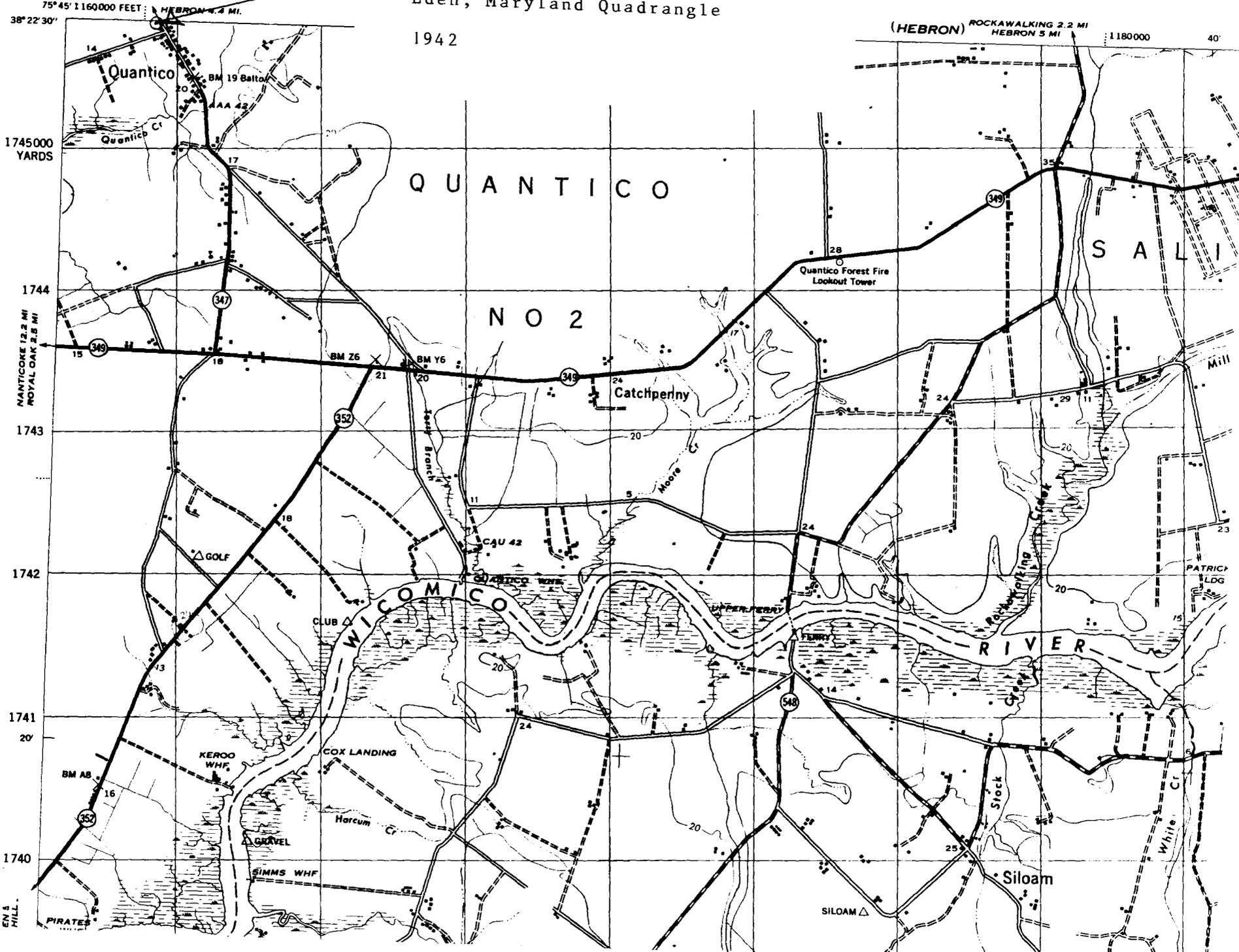
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WOOLFORD-PARROTT HOUSE  
Eden, Maryland Quadrangle

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OF ENGINEERS, U. S. ARMY

1942





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Chesapeake Bay

Quantico, Virginia County, NE

EAST 100 ft

9/93, PANS Toward 100 ft

Net found 100 ft