

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Rudolph Peterson Log House

2 LOCATION

NUMBER

Box 73, Holsinger Lane

CITY, TOWN

Ridgely

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Caroline

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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. Rudolph Peterson

Telephone #: 396-5223 (work)

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1, Box 70 (73)

CITY, TOWN

Ridgely

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Md. 21660

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Caroline County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Rudolph Peterson Log House is located approximately 100 yards up a dirt road north of its intersection with Holsinger Lane (Md. Rte. 480) outside Ridgely, Caroline County, Maryland.

The log house is 1 1/2 stories tall and is constructed of log. The building measures roughly 20' x 20'. The building now sits on a cinder block foundation (perhaps this was originally tree stumps, brick piers, or may have sat directly on the ground) behind a typical c. 1875 Victorian three bay, A-frame building.

The building is significant as it combines vernacular construction techniques found on the Eastern Shore. While it utilized saddle notching at one corner (and perhaps more; inspection was impossible, as later sheathing covered all other corners), the technique known as post-and-plank construction was also used to frame the doorway at the E facade. (This technique has been identified in approximately 15 houses in Queen Anne's County, and is known to exist in other houses in Kent and Charles Counties). Here, planks measure from 8-9 1/2" wide, are 5" deep, and are 20' long. The planks are mortised into the door posts, and are pegged through. Distance between pegs measures about 8". Also interesting is the fact that the posts sit into hollowed notches cut into the bottom plate.

The building has undergone extensive alteration. Windows have been cut into the E and N facades, and a 20th century cinder block chimney centrally placed on the N facade. A 20th century shed roofed wooden porch also has been constructed on the W facade. Rough cut lumber (installed as weatherboarding) and ceramic tile were added to the structure's N facade, and carefully cut lumber with ceramic tile added to the E and W facades.

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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 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 1850-1900

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Rudolph Peterson Log house is architecturally significant as another example of a log building combining the building characteristics of saddle notching and post-and-plank construction.

Mr. Rudolph Peterson, the building's owner, has recently stated in an oral interview (September 19, 1978), that the log building was moved onto the property prior to 1932. Using other examples of this construction on the Eastern Shore, this structure seems to have been built between 1850 and 1900. As most of the interior detail is missing, it is impossible to suggest a more specific date for its construction. More information may be available from another local informant, a Mr. Jesse Stanford, who lives two houses "up the road," or east, along Holsinger Lane.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

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

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

10/2/78

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle, Shaw House

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis,

STATE

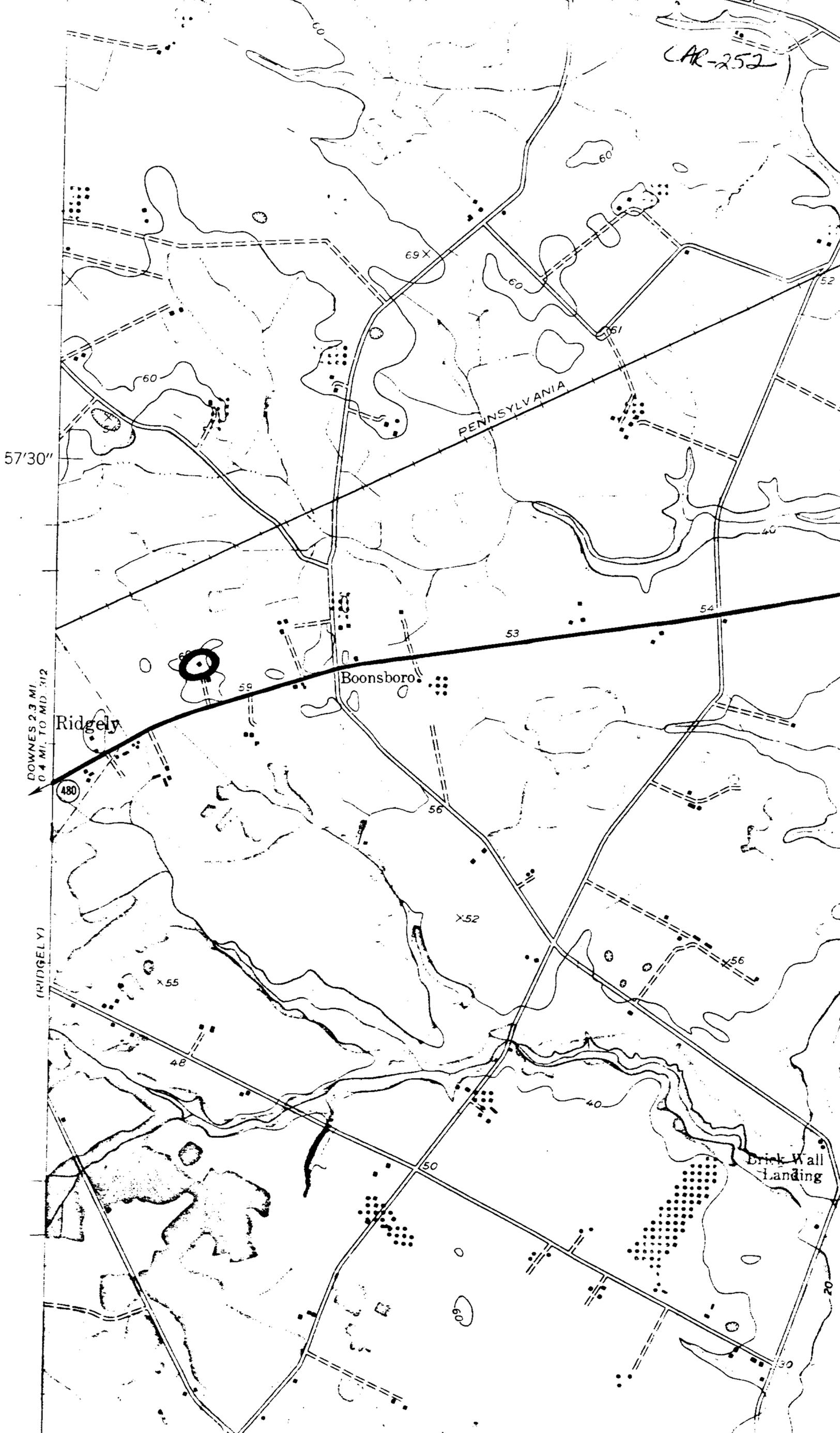
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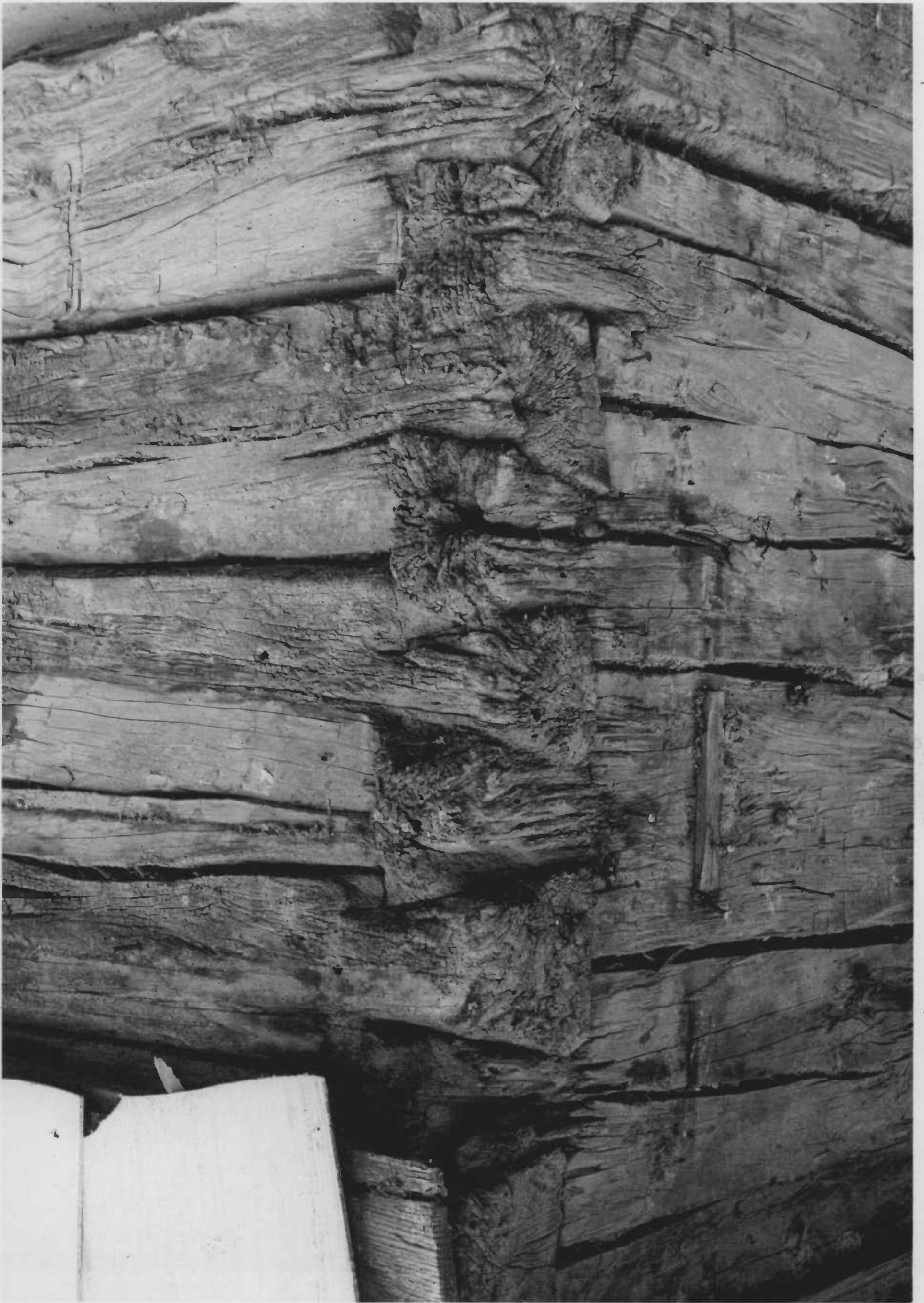
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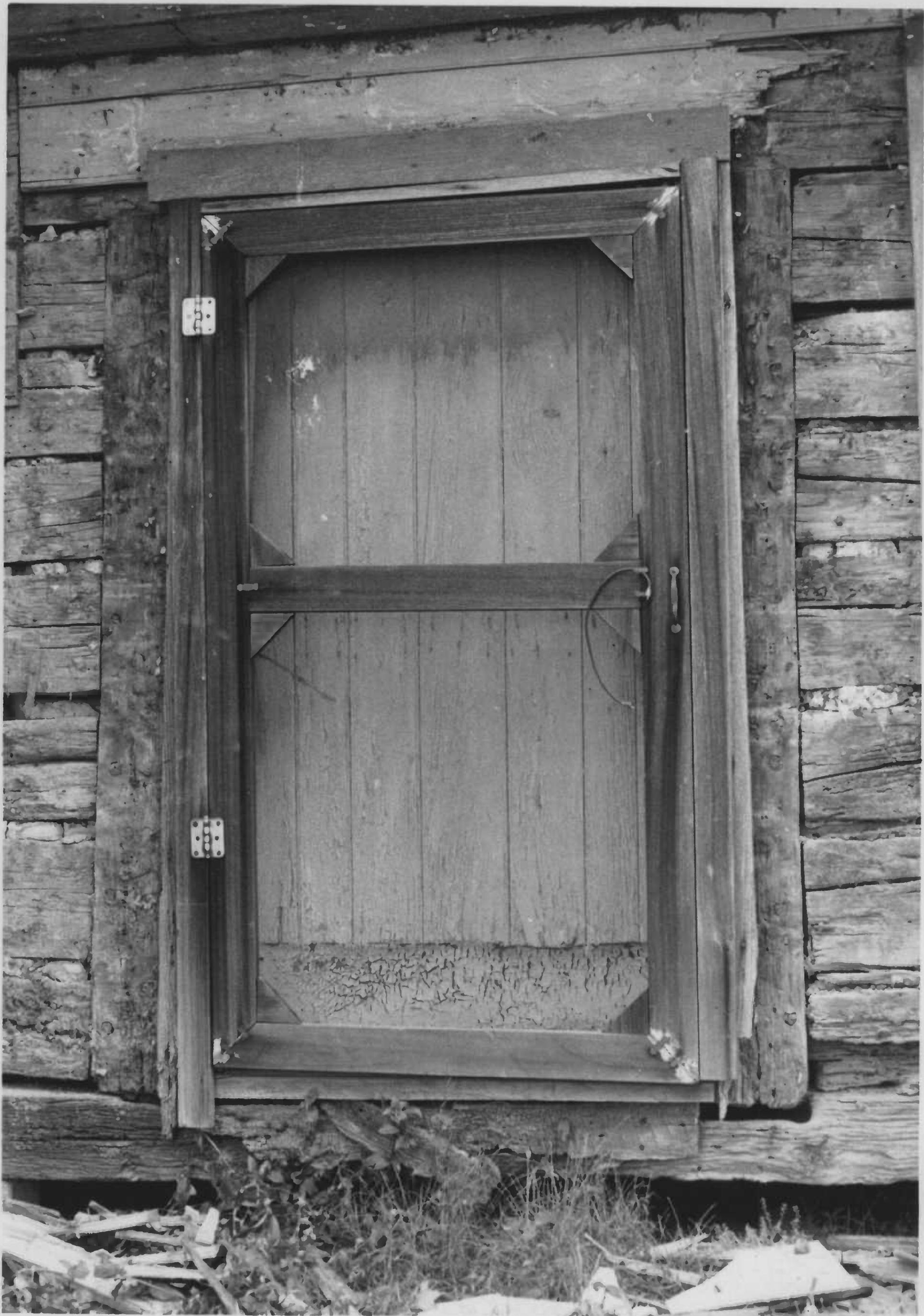
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