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Joseph Bowser House
Accident
Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON
Joseph Bowser House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Off Pud Miller Road, E side, approximately 1.2 mile E of US Rt. 219S

CITY, TOWN
Accident

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6th

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		X NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Charles E. Bowser

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

__ VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 149
Folio #: 199

STREET & NUMBER
Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN
Oakland

STATE
Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
None

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	X UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Joseph Bowser House is located east of Pud Miller Road, about 1.2 miles east of US Route 219S. The house is placed on a hillside, with a view of farmlands to the west.

The house is a two-story, gable-roofed dwelling with a three-bay, center-door facade. The facade points west. One-story, shed-roofed porches cover both the facade and the rear (E) elevation. The ground rises from west to east, creating a full basement story on the facade.

The house rests on a coursed stone foundation and the walls are covered with aluminum siding over asphalt siding over weatherboarding. The windows are two over two sash and all surrounds have been obscured. The facade door has a transom. The roof is covered with corrugated metal.

The house has two brick stove chimneys. One is placed to the south of center at the ridgeline, and the other is an exterior chimney, on the north elevation. The facade porch has a cinderblock foundation, five chamfered posts and a jigsawn balustrade. The south end of the porch on the east elevation has been enclosed to form a pantry. The remainder of the porch has chamfered posts.

The interior plan consists of a central enclosed staircase with the living room on the north and the dining room to the south. Behind the dining room and staircase is the kitchen, which also extends across part of the back of the livingroom. Behind the livingroom is also a small bedroom. The pantry has been converted into a bathroom. The kitchen displays a narrow chair rail with vertical beaded board wainscoting below. Most first floor rooms retain bullseye cornerblocks and symmetrical mouldings around doors and windows.

Northeast of the house is a small gable-roofed springhouse, built of cut, coursed stone. The entrance is on the north gable end. The cover of the spring, facing the springhouse entrance, is also built of stone.

North of the house is a snake fence. Parts of it are said by the owner to be quite old. SW of the house is a frame bank barn. West of the house is a modern chickenhouse.

This property is said by the owner to have two old house sites on it, one east of the house and one north of the house.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1880 BUILDER/ARCHITECT unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is an example of a common western Maryland type. Houses of this general configuration, a rectangular main block measuring three bays across the facade, were constructed in Garrett County from the late ninteenth through the early twentieth centuries.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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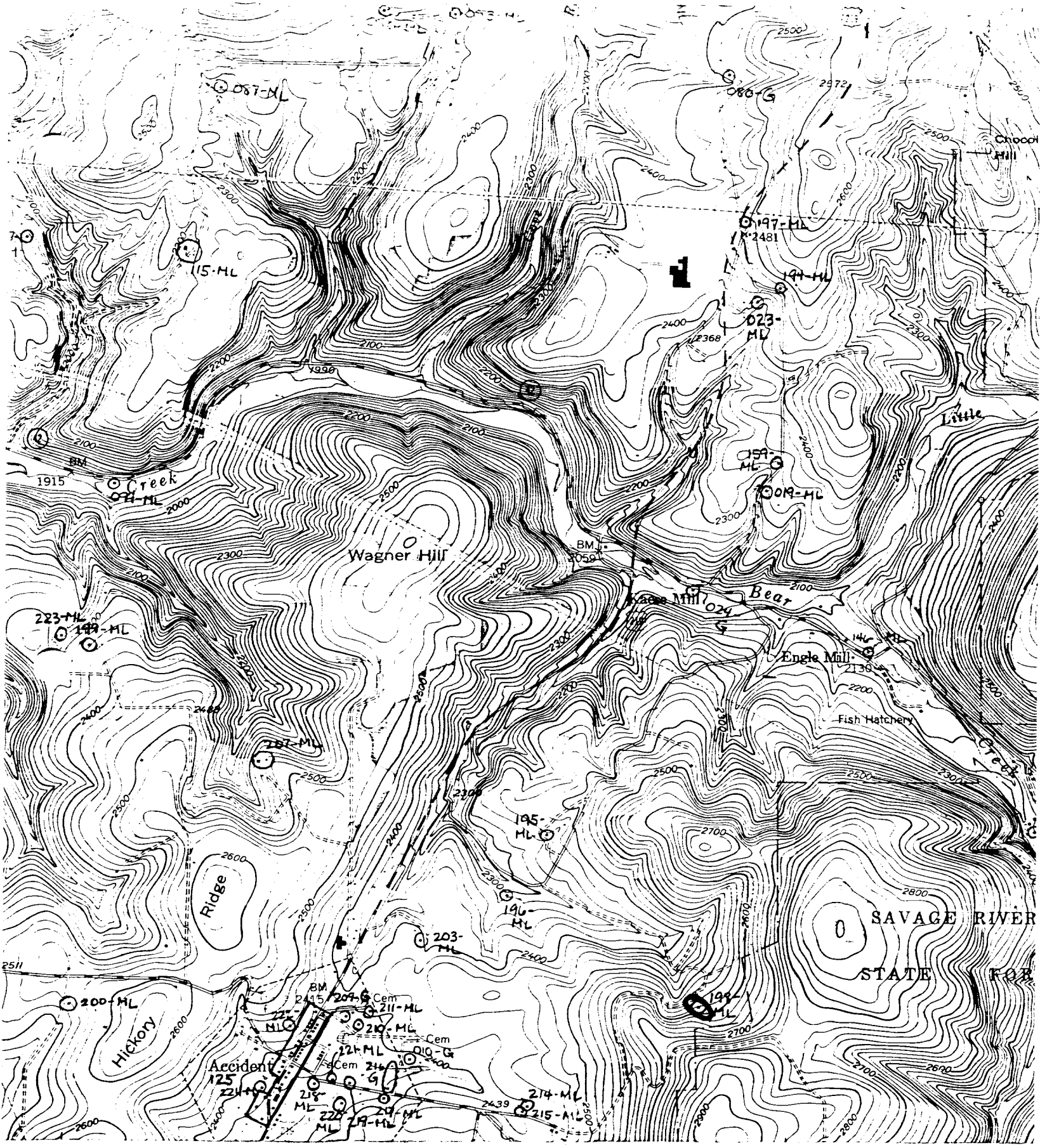

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USGS 7.5 Minute Series
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Garrett Co., MD
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E & N elevations

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Facade: W & S elevations