

G-II-C-238

ca. 1900

James Bowser Farm  
Private  
Bitteringer vic.

The James Bowser farmhouse is a brick house. It is a two story, three bay by two bay structure with a gable roof.

This house was built c. 1900 by James Bowser. The barn's northwest corner is dated 1900.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

James Bowser Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Route 495 approx. 1/4 mile N of Dung Hill Road.

CITY, TOWN

Bittinger

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

**PRESENT USE**

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Delmer R. & Roy J. Yoder

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Box 75

CITY, TOWN

Bittinger

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21522

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

Garrett County Courthouse

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**

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

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This brick house is located in a hilly, semi-wooded area off Rt. 495, approximately 1/4 mile north of Dunghill Road. The house faces west. It is a two-story, three bay by two bay structure with a gable roof. A single story shed addition is located at the rear, east, elevation with a porch supported by turned posts with jigsaw trim at the south end. A porch, supported by metal posts and balustrades extends across the facade. The front central entrance has a transom and a wooden door with a top glass panel. The house can also be entered from the south elevation of the rear addition at the porch.

The house has an interior brick chimney at each gable end. Two over two sash windows light the house. The windows have carved wooden window heads with arched brick headers above. Two, single pane windows are located at each gable end. The cellar is entered from the rear elevation. The roof of this brick house is covered with alternating diamond-shaped and rectangular asphalt shingles.

South of the farmhouse, a frame bank barn stands on a stone and concrete block foundation.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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		

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SPECIFIC DATES      ca. 1900      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is an example of a common Western Maryland type. Houses of this general configuration, a rectangular main block, were constructed in Garrett County from the late 19th through the 20th centuries.

This house, however, constructed of brick is more elaborate than most. This house was built c. 1900 by James Bowser. The barn's northwest corner is dated 1900.

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**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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Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

October 1981

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

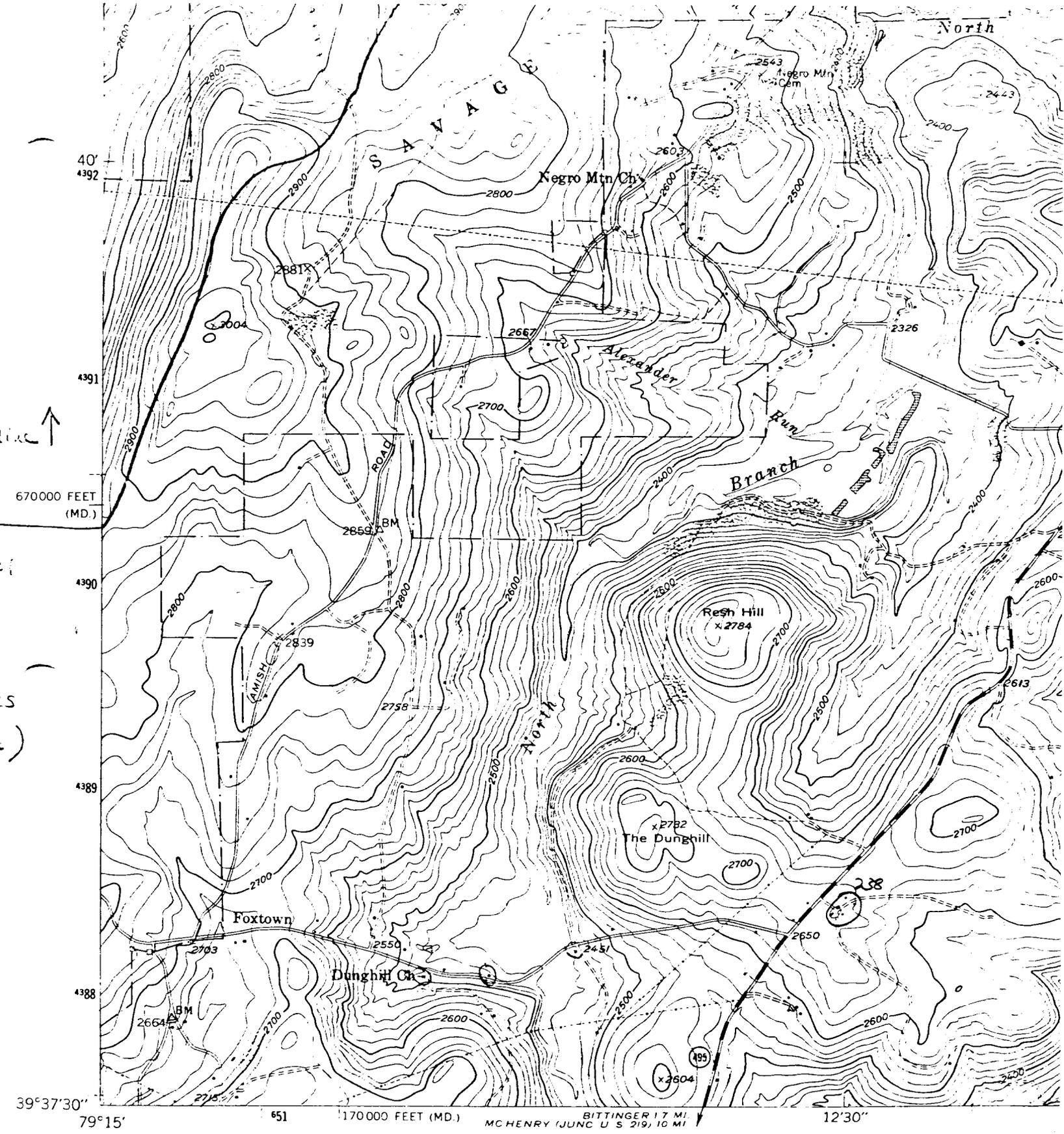
STATE

Maryland 21401

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 USGS 7.5 minute series  
 Scale - 1:24,000  
 1947; photorevised 1974

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G-11-C-238

James Bowser Farm  
Garrett County, MD  
M. Stinson 1981  
S & E elevation



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James Bowser Farm  
Garrett County, MD

M. Stinson 1981

W elevation