

G-V-A-022
Ralph L. Wolfe House
Red House
Private

late 19th century

The Ralph L. Wolfe house is a two story, gable-roofed, building of vertical plank construction. Its basic configuration is an ell-plan, the rear wing being a later addition as indicated by a break in its whitewashed stone foundation. Shed-roofed porches shelter both the facade and rear elevations. German siding sheathes its exterior walls. A frame, shed-roofed privy and a small, frame, shed-roofed outbuilding are also on the site.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY ML

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Ralph L. Wolfe House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Gnegy Church Rd. - S side, 1 mile E of U.S. Rt. 219

CITY, TOWN

Redhouse

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

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

Ralph L. Wolfe

Telephone #: (301) 334-3729

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 262

Folio #: 178

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

B-V-F-082

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ralph L. Wolfe House is located on the west side of a dirt lane that extends south from Gnegy Church-Red Oak Road approximately one mile east of U.S. Route 219. The rear of the house faces the dirt lane; the facade points west.

The house is a two story, gable-roofed building of vertical plank construction. Its basic configuration is an ell-plan, the rear ell being a later addition as indicated by a break in the foundation. Its three bay facade has an asymmetrical arrangement: two bays of evenly spaced windows with a door on the extreme north end. A shed-roofed porch extends the full length of the facade supported by five chamfered posts.

The main block rests on a foundation of whitewashed, roughly squared, flat stones. German siding and cornerboards cover the exterior walls. The windows on the entire house, including the rear wing, have been replaced with one over one sash units. This operation caused the removal of the original window surrounds: The window placement has not changed, however. A semi-circular window pierces the south gable. Corrugated metal covers the roof which has its rafter ends exposed. A brick chimney is positioned at the mid-point of the ridgeline.

The rear wing rests on a foundation of slightly larger stones than the main block does and it has diagonal rather than vertical planking under the German siding. An interior brick chimney is located on the northeast endwall as well as a basement opening at the foundation. Window and roof details are similar to the main block.

A shed-roofed porch with chamfered posts extends along the rear of the house and the south side of the wing.

A shed-roofed privy and small shed-roofed outbuilding are situated just south of the house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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 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 **LATE 19TH C.**

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is an example of a common western Maryland type. Houses of this general configuration, a rectangular main block and rear kitchen wing, were constructed in Garrett County from the late nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries.

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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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

March 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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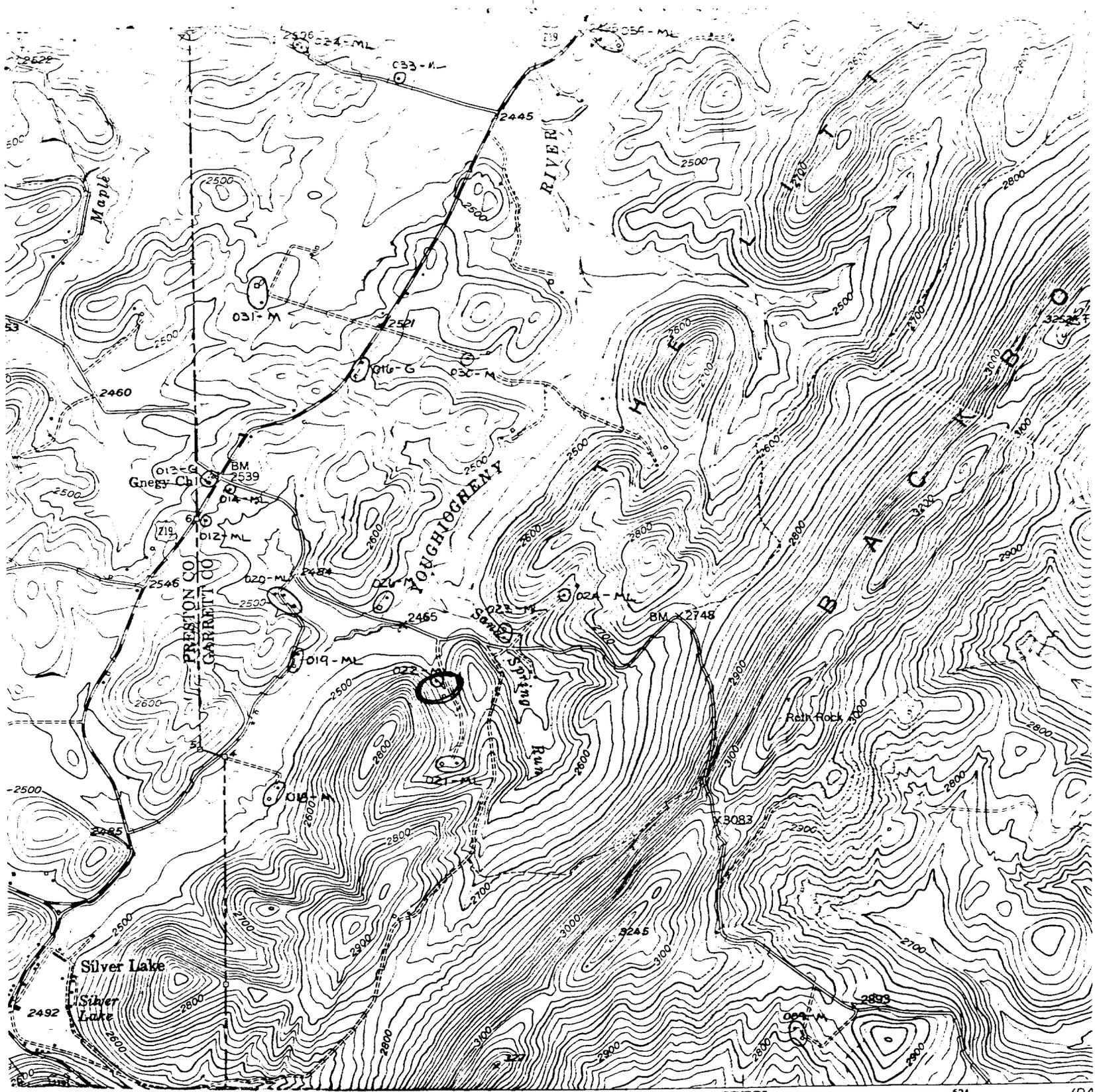


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 Scale - 1:24,000
 1948; photorevised 1974

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 Gnegy Church Rd. S
 side, 1 mile E of
 US Rt. 219



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Garrett County, MD

Donna Ware 8-20-80

Facade; southwest elevation



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northwest elevation