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Lewis Washington House
Lower Hill
Private

c. 1930

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: LEWIS WASHINGTON HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: S-467

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture
- 2) Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):
Industrial/Urban Dominance
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. S-467

Magi No.

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1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic LEWIS WASHINGTON HOUSE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 7644 Lower Hill Road not for publication

city, town Lower Hill vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

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 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 Shirley Washington Worthy
Diane Washington-White

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state MD 21853

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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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 type="checkbox"/> altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			<u>c. 1950</u>

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Lewis Washington house is located at 7644 Lower Hill Road in the historic black community of Lower Hill, Somerset County, Maryland. The single story frame bungalow faces northeast with the gable oriented on a northwest/southeast axis.

Estimated to date around 1930, this single-story frame house was moved to this location around 1950. Supported on a low concrete block foundation covered with sheet metal, the rectangular frame structure is sheathed with asbestos shingles. A single flue block chimney pierces the roofline.

The northeast (main) elevation is a three-bay facade with a center, partially glazed front door flanked by six-over-six sash windows. Finishing the base of the roof is a series of exposed rafter feet.

The northwest gable end is defined by six-over-six sash windows, while the southeast gable end is sheltered by an enclosed shed roofed porch. A side entrance, as well as adjacent six-over-six sash windows, are protected by the porch.

The west (rear) elevation is detailed in the same manner with a combination of six-over-six sash windows.

The interior is divided into four principal rooms, with plain board surrounds framing the window and door openings.

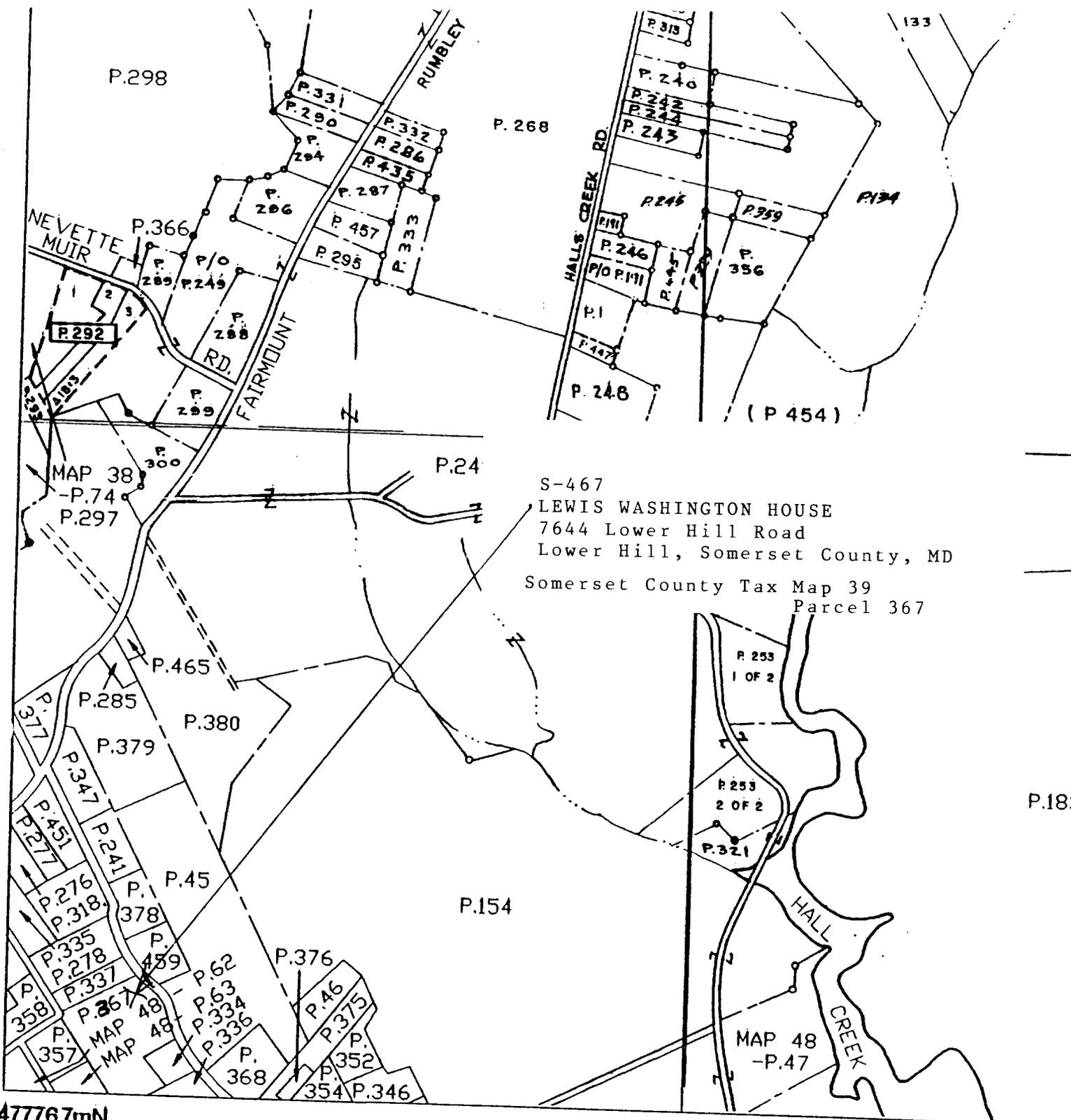
8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
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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	
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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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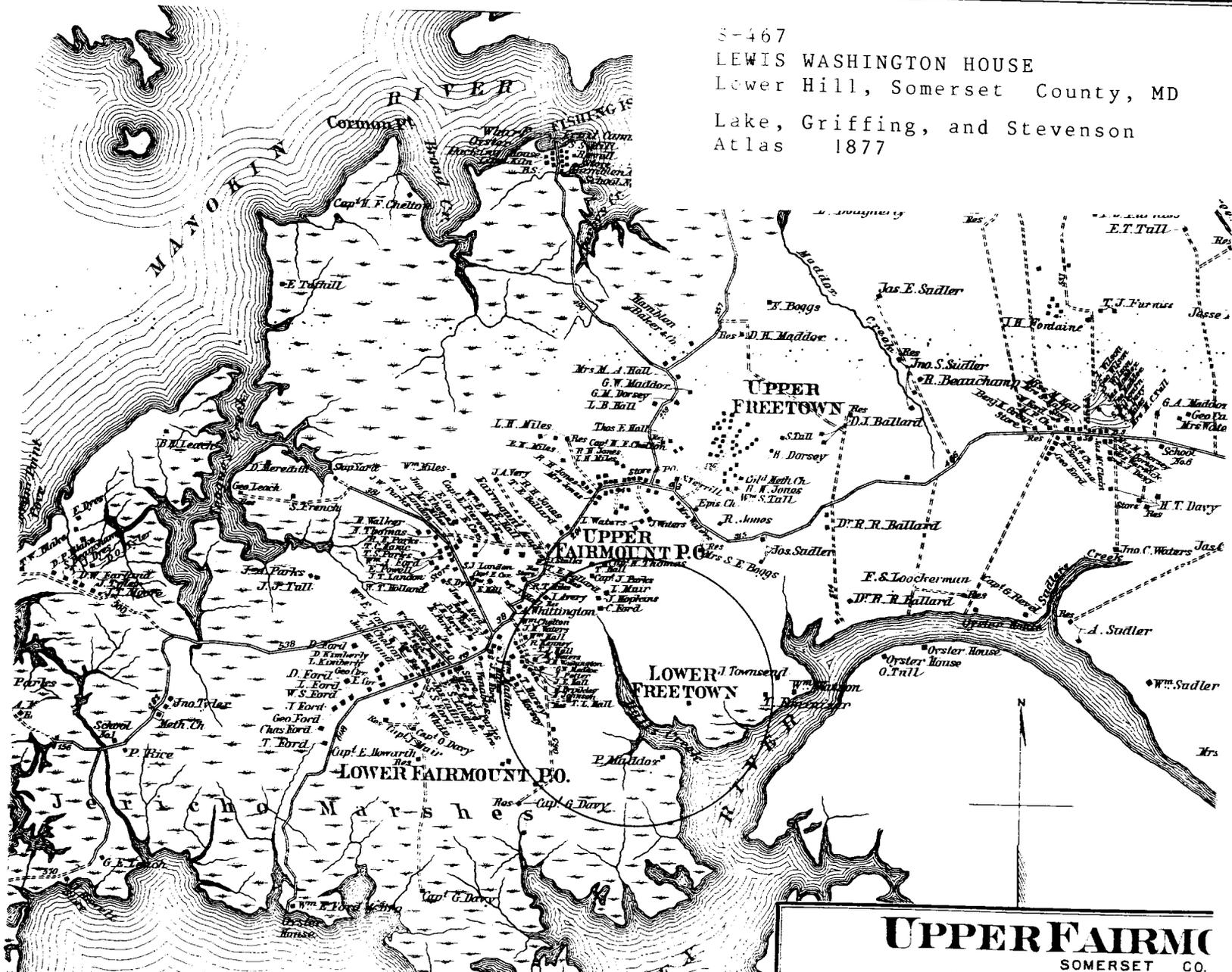
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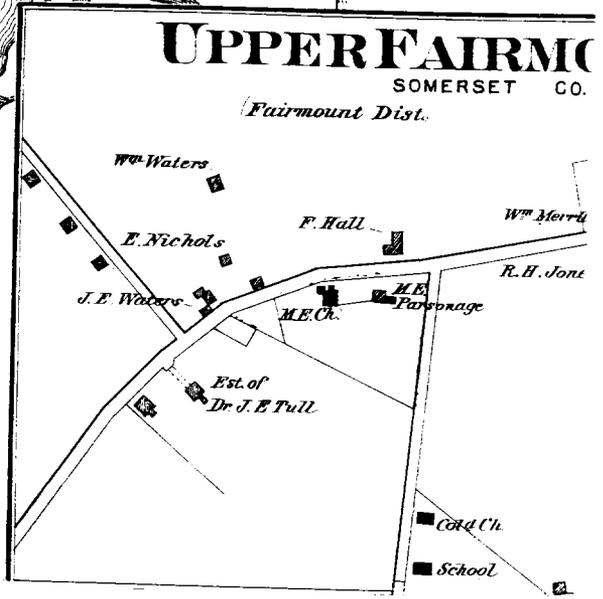


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