

ABSTRACT

WA-I-280

Mid 19th Century

Reiff-Horst Farm

Cearfoss-Hagerstown Vicinity

private

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WA-I-280
District 13
Map 23-24
Parcel 138

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Reiff-Horst Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

North of Maryland route 58, Cearfoss Pike

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF Cearfoss-Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

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

Daniel H. Horst

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 6

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 250

Folio #: 550

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

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 type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located on the north side of Maryland route 58, the Cearfoss Pke, west of Salem Road in Washington County. The house and barn are located on high gently sloping ground and face southeast.

The house is a two and one half story, three bay structure built of brick and resting on fieldstone foundations which become almost a full story in height at the front elevation. The brick walls have been painted red. Part of the front elevation is recessed beneath a double porch which is included under the main roof span. The bricks forming the front wall were laid in Flemish bond while other elevations display American or common bonding. A two story, two bay wing extends to the rear.

Windows have narrow frames which hold single pane double hung sashes. Wide wooden lintels are present above the windows and doors. Some windows retain hinge pins for shutters. A pair of two panel shutters remains in a foundation window.

Entrances are located near the south corner of the front elevation and in the recessed portion of the front wall running perpendicular to the main span. The double porch is supported by chamfered square posts between which runs a balustrade. A one story porch continues along the southwest elevation.

The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and extends beyond the end walls of the house. Brick chimneys are located inside the end walls. Just south of the house is a large frame bank barn resting on fieldstone foundations. Other farm buildings are located nearby.

The structures appear to be in good condition and stand on a tract containing 97.50 acres.

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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			
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<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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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In May of 1860, David and Nancy Reiff sold this farm to John Strite for \$5,820. (IN15/34). In 1892 Strite's widow sold it to George S. Keener for \$6,685. (99/493). It remained in the Keener family until 1942 when it was purchased by the family of the present owner. (209/195, 218/309). The farm is part of the land grant "Salem."

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 97.50 acres

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

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

April 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

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CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

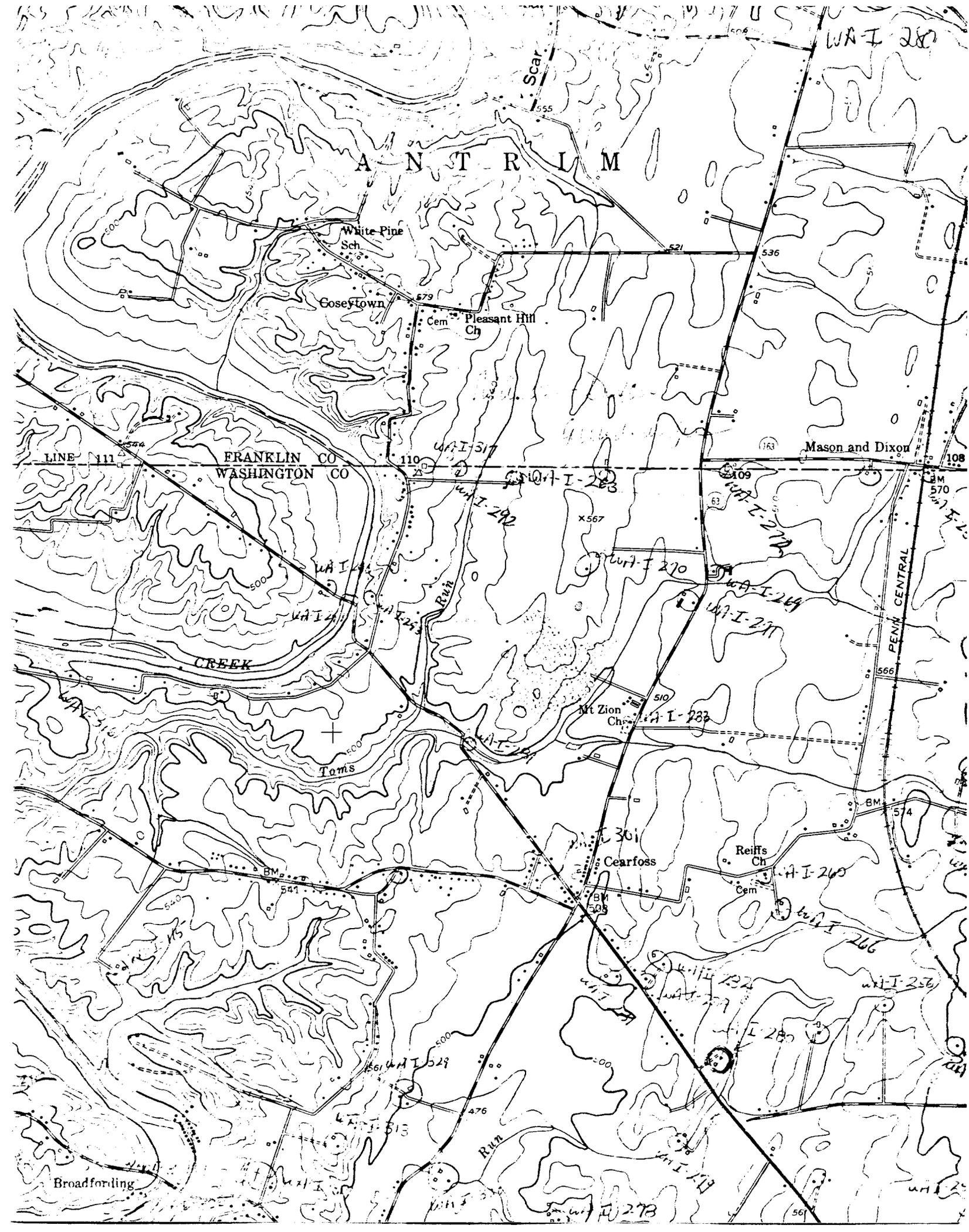
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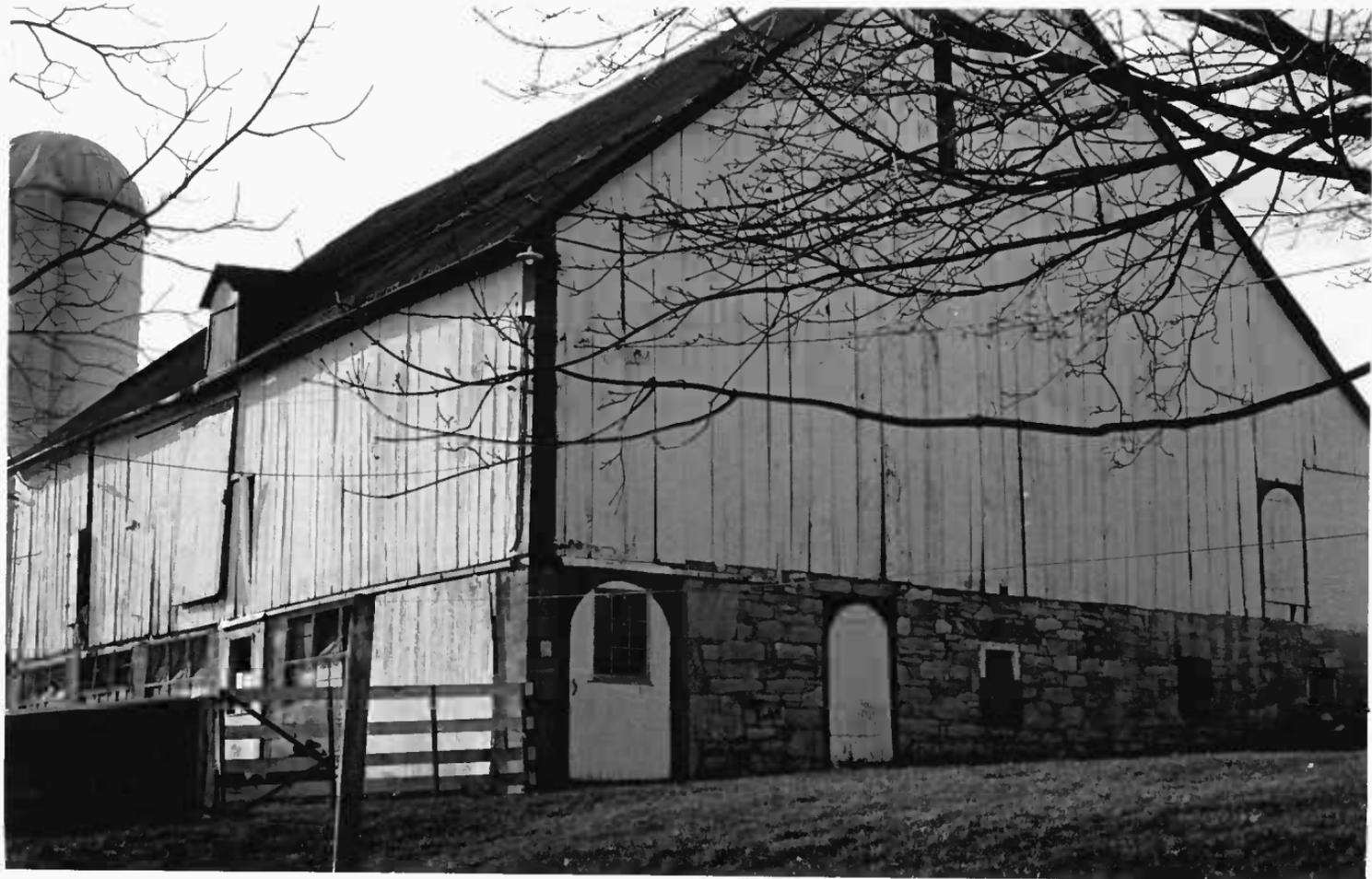
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