

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-V-210
Indian Springs Wildlife
Management Area

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

DNR # IS-6

1 NAME USGS: Clear Spring Quail

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON Greenville House

2 LOCATION Indian Springs Wildlife Management Area

STREET & NUMBER Hearthstone Mountain Access Road, 6

CITY, TOWN Clear Spring vicinity VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE Maryland COUNTY Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: VACANT

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Maryland Department of Natural Resources Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER James State Office Building

CITY, TOWN Annapolis VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Md. 21401

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, LIBER #: 423
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Court House Folio #: 116

STREET & NUMBER West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN Hagerstown STATE Md.

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

#7 The Greenville Log House is located in a remote area on the northeast slope of a section of Bear Pond Mountain, off Hanging Rock Road, north of Clear Spring in Washington County, Maryland. The house is situated about one third of the way up the slope and faces east. It stands just west of the access road to Hearthstone Mountain and along a trail leading from Catholic Church Road past the Johns Hopkins University Geological Research Center.

The house is a two and one half story, two bay log dwelling resting on white washed stone foundations which are almost a full story in height at the front elevation. The walls are constructed of hand hewn logs with square corner notches. Some of the corners are secured with wire nails. The logs are quite weathered and were either never sided or have been left for a lengthy period without covering. The building is chinked with small scraps of wood and daubed with soft clay and lime mortar.

Most windows have been boarded shut and those remaining open retain no sashes. Plain flat architraves trim the openings.

The main entrance is located in the north bay of the east elevation. A rear entrance is located nearly opposite the front door. The door lintels are at a slightly higher level than the window heads. Neither door remains in place.

Extending across the front elevation is a one and a half story shed roofed porch supported by chamfered square posts on round wooden posts or pilings. A handrail remains in place along the front of the porch.

Corrugated sheet metal covers the roof. A small brick flue is located inside the south end wall. The gables of the house are sheathed with plain vertical boards.

The house is in deteriorated condition.

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
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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
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

#8 This log house would appear to date from the last quarter of the 19th century. Factors contributing to the assessment of the building's age include the type of corner notching and method of securing the corners with wire nails, the window and door trim and the small brick flue. The house is a typical vernacular structure of western Maryland. It is in poor condition and will continue to deteriorate if not stabilized.

The house's main architectural significance lies in its representation of an important vernacular form. At this time, it is not known who built the structure or why this remote mountainside site was chosen.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 *Paula Stoner, Architectural Historian*

ORGANIZATION *Preservation Assoc.*

DATE *3/19*

STREET & NUMBER *P.O. Box 202*

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN *Sharpsburg*

STATE *Md.*

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

ADDENDA

In 1984 the Department of Natural Resources contracted with Joe Getty to conduct a follow-up survey of selected historic properties on DNR lands. DNR funded the field survey and photography but did not prepare finished copy. The attached photocopy pages were forwarded to the Maryland Historical Trust to supplement existing files. All original material and photographs remain in the possession of the Department of Natural Resources under the supervision of Ross Kimmel (x3771).

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common GREENVILLE LOG HOUSE

2. Location

street & number west side of Heathstone Mountain Access Road,
1.7 miles north of Hanging Rock Road.

city, town Clear Spring vicinity of congress

state Maryland county Washington

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no

4. Owner of Property (give names and address)

name Maryland Department of Natural Resources

street & number Tawes State Office Building

city, town Annapolis state and MD

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Washington County Courthouse

street & number West Washington Street

city, town Hagerstown

6. Representation in Existing

title DNR Survey

date February 1979

depository for survey records Department of Natural Resources

city, town Annapolis

7. Description

Survey No. WA-V-~~270~~ 210

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date of move _____

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

Greenville Log House

The Greenville Log House is a late nineteenth century log structure located on a sloping site on Bear Pond Mountain. The building is two stories on a stone foundation. The sloping site provides a foundation entrance at the ground level on the main facade. The main facade (south facade) also contains a double-tier porch with a shed roof. The structure is constructed of hewn logs square notched at the corners. The interior plan is one room with a stairway at the east end and a stove-flue chimney at the west end. The logs are chinked with large wood chips which were then covered with mortar. While the structure is fairly stable today, the deterioration of the chinking has left the building open to greater deterioration in the near future.

The Greenville Log House is located in a remote area on the northeast slope of a section of Bear Pond Mountain. The house is on the west side of the Hearth Stone Mountain access road, approximately 1.7 miles north of Hanging Rock Road. It is in the Indian Springs Wildlife management area north of Clear Spring, Washington County, Maryland. The house is situated about one third of the way up the slope and faces east.

The house is a two-story structure built into a slope with a ground level foundation on the east facade. It is a two-bay by one-bay structure with a one-room plan. The walls are constructed of hand hewn logs with square corner notches. Some of these logs are secured with wire nails which would indicate a late nineteenth century period of construction. While there are corner boards at the corners protecting the log ends, it does not appear that

siding was ever applied to the log structure. The spaces between the logs were filled with large wood chips and covered with a soft clay and lime mortar. A recent repair job covered the chinking with Portland Cement in some areas.

The main facade has a full ground level story with an entrance in the northernmost bay and a window in the southernmost bay. This entrance includes the bottom tier of a double-tiered porch. The foundation level is whitewashed. Also, there was no interior access between the ground floor and the first story. The first story has a entrance in the northernmost bay and a window in the southernmost bay. The second story has a window in both bays. The doors and windows have plain wood frames and wood sills. All of the doors and windows have been boarded up to prevent vandalism to the structure. The doors are batten tongue-and-groove board construction. The front porch is supported at the foundation level by round logs which support framing for the floor joists. The porch on the first story has squared posts. At the north end of the porch, a stone wall projects out from the foundation to support the first story and the porch. It appears that there were steps up to the porch on this side. The porch is covered with a shed roof covered in corrugated sheet metal. The main roof is also covered in corrugated sheet metal.

The north gable end has a single window on each story. The south gable end has a window on the first story and a square window in the gable. The gables at both ends are covered in vertical board siding.

The west facade has an entrance in the northermost bay and windows in the southernmost bay of the first story and the two bays of the second story. The door arrangement on the east and west facades thus creates a through-passage in the house. A small brick flue projects at the ridge of the roof at the south gable end.

The interior plan has one room on each story with a stairway running along the east gable wall and the stove flue chimney at the west gable wall. There is little ornamentation in the structure. The only retained ornamentation is the board frames of the windows which have a bead on the top edge of the frame in a framing of four-inch boards. The structure has a common rafter roof with the rafters projecting out past the plate forming the roof overhang. It also appears that the handrail on the front porch which has an unusual high position ^{and} ~~is~~ in the chamfered posts are original porch trim.

8. Significance

Survey No. WA - V - 284 710

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"/> 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
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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

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

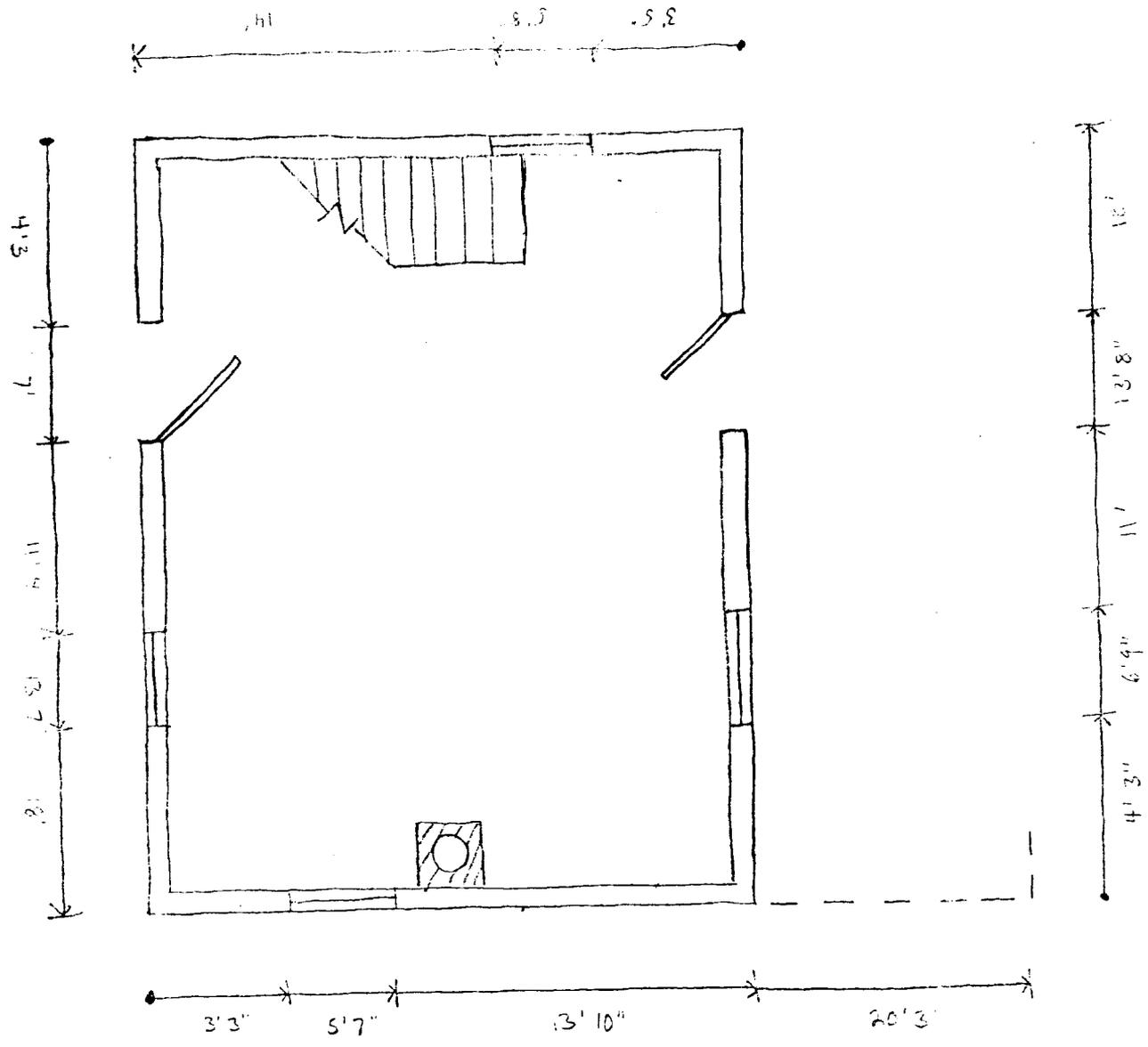
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Significance

The Greenville Log House is a late nineteenth century log structure typical of middle to low-income housing in the mountainous regions of Washington County. The lack of ornamental features and even of exterior siding showed that this was a practical structure for a residence. It does contain features such as corner boards which were used to protect the open grained ends of the square notched logs. The gaps between the logs were filled with pieces of wood which then were covered with mortar.

Simplicity of the structure is also shown in its one-room plan. The sloping site provided for actually three functional levels with a stone foundation room being used mainly for storage purposes. The house provided compact living quarters at a low cost. There is evidence on the site for several other small out buildings.



FIRST STORY

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GREENVILLE LOG HOUSE

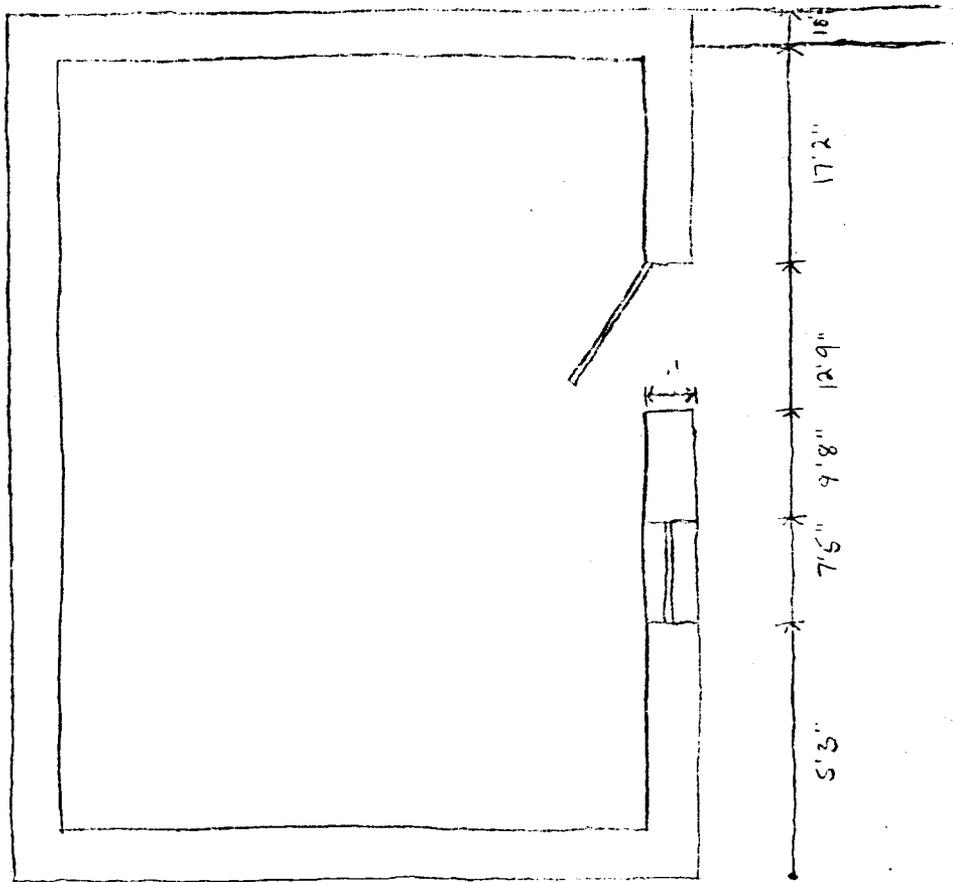
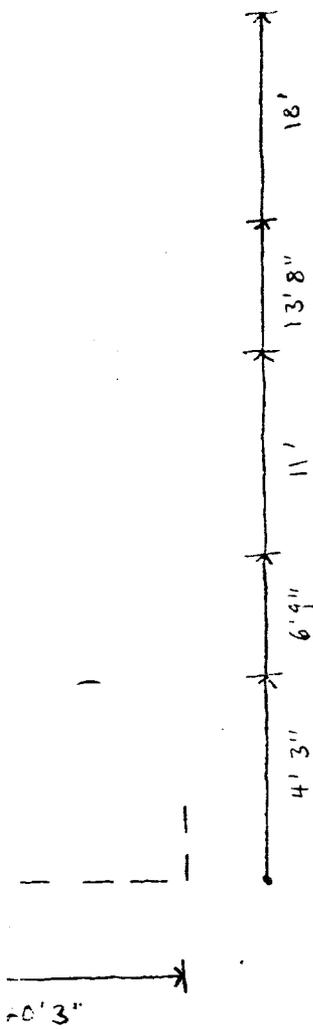
Hearthstone Mountain Access Road

1/84

J. Getty

scale 1/4" = 1 foot





GROUND FLOOR

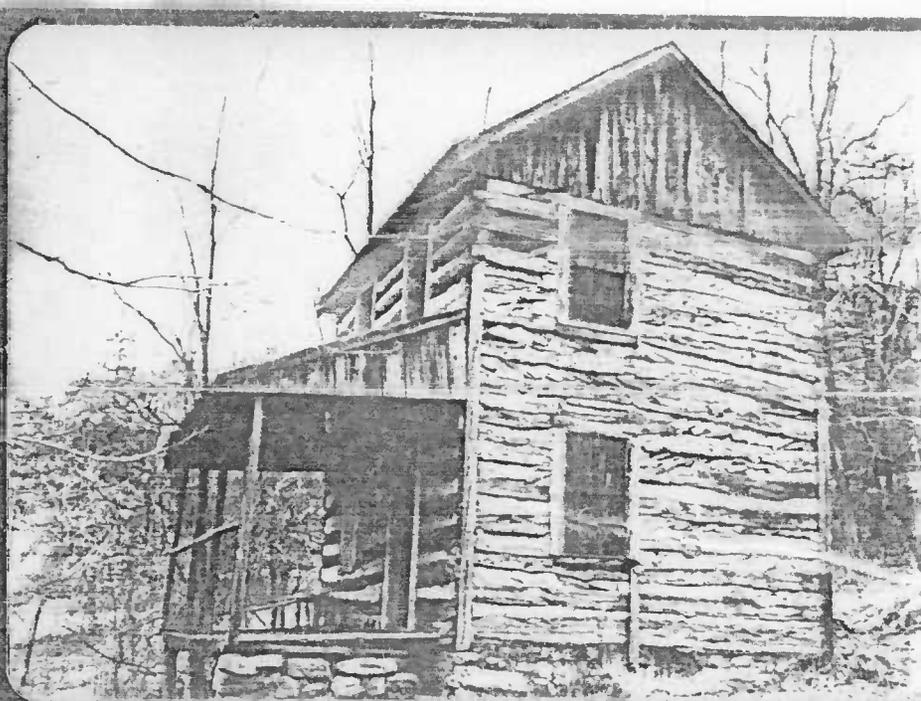
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WA-VI-210 - Greenville Log House

top - east & north facades

center - east & south facades

bottom - west & south facades

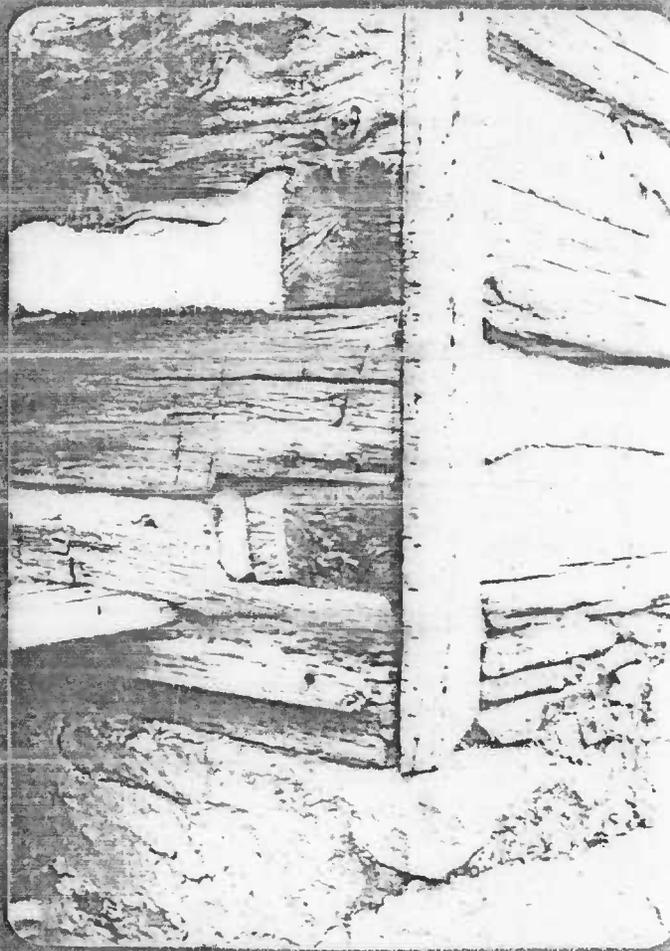
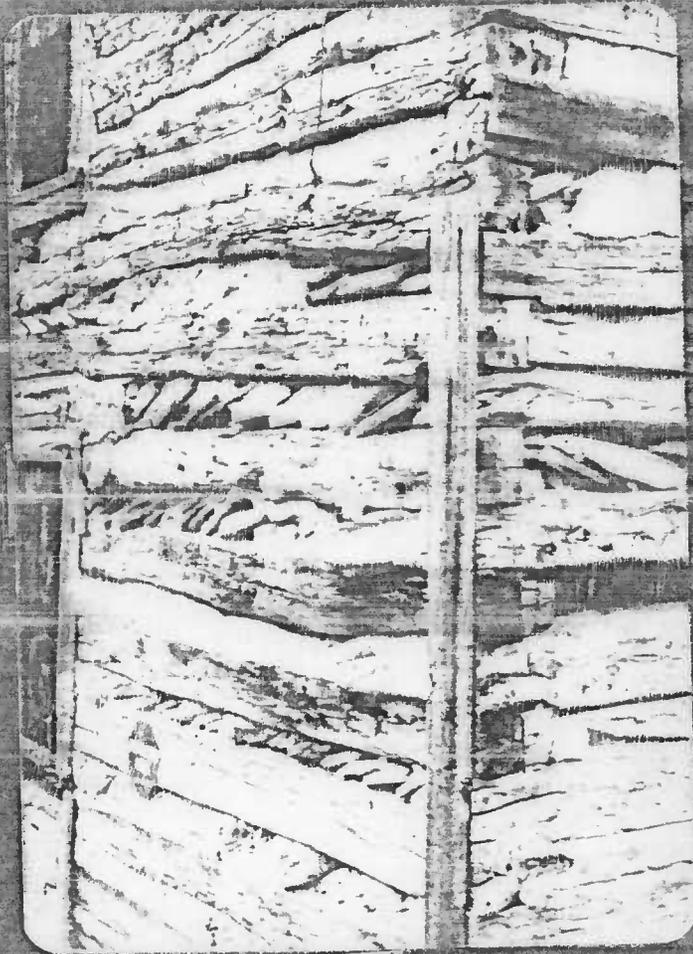


WA-2-210 Greenville Log House

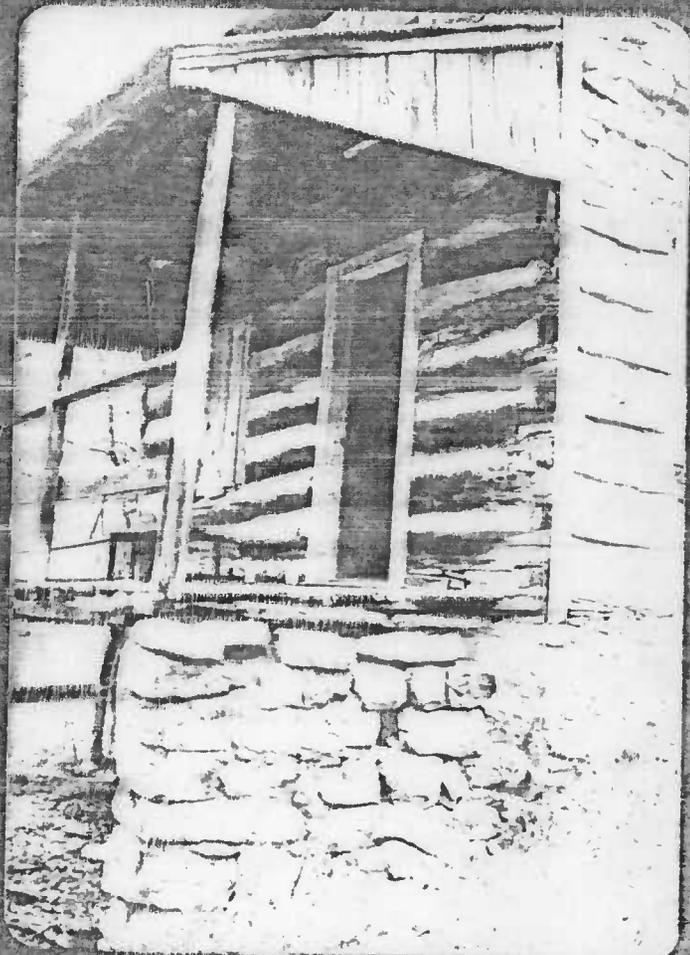
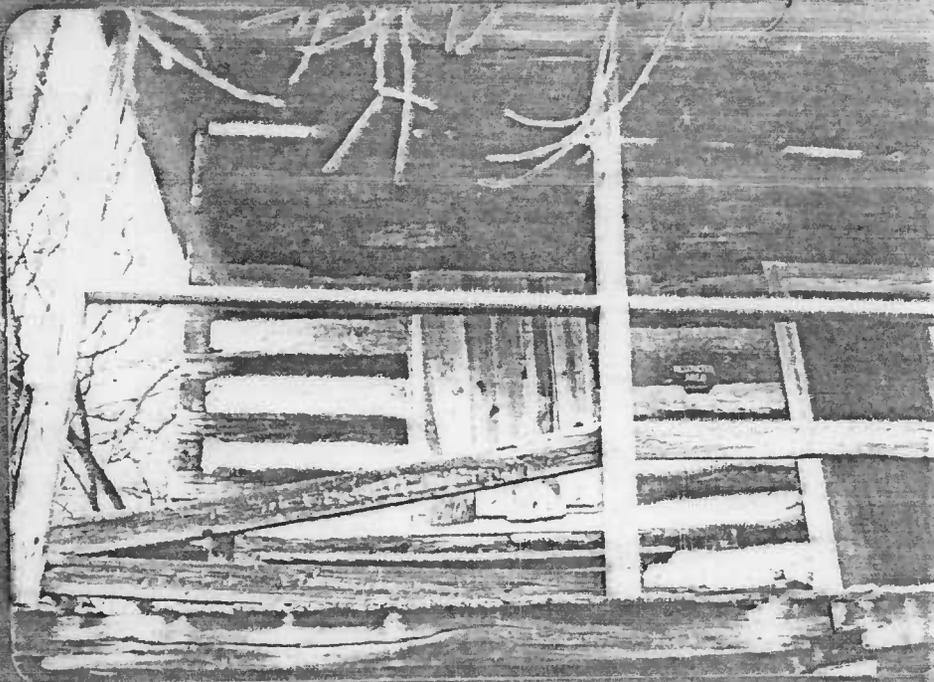
top - north & west facades

bot. left - log chinking

bot. right - log notching



WA-V-210 Greeno. He Log House
PORCH DETAILS
top - east side
bot. left - north side
bot. right - roof



WA-V-210 Greeno. He Log House

Top - East Facade - Foundation level

Center - North gable

Bottom - Window detail, North facade

