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Bushwood Manor Tenant House
Bushwood
St. Mary's County, Md.

c. 1908

This two story, two bay balloon frame house was built in 1908 for a black tenant family on Bushwood Manor. A comparison of the construction, size, design, room arrangement, and decorative features of this house and of the earlier slave house reveal the changes and the continuities in housing conditions among landless black families from the antebellum 19th century to the turn of the 20th.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC BUSHWOOD MANOR TENANT HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

(Maddox Road) West side of Rt. 238, 9.25 mile north of Jct. of Bushwood Rd. and Rt. 238.

CITY, TOWN

Bushwood

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

7

STATE

Md.

COUNTY

St. Mary's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. Joseph C. Ellis

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Telephone #: 301 769-2444

STREET & NUMBER

Bushwood Manor

CITY, TOWN

Bushwood

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Md.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

St. Mary's County Courthouse

Liber #: 159

Folio #: 353

P. 130

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street and Courthouse Drive

CITY, TOWN

Leonardtwn

STATE

Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Historic Sites Survey, STMA-110 (Main house)

DATE

— FEDERAL STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis,

STATE

Md.

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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

This two story house faces south. It is located on the west side of a farm road on Bushwood Manor that is rarely used now. Fields were once cultivated nearby. The site is located about 200 yards northeast of the main house, and about 300 yards N.E. of the slave duplex. The gable end of the main block serves as the facade and consists of two bays, a side door and a window located at the mid-point between the door and east corner. A two room (kitchen and storage room) addition was attached to the western side of the main block. A shed porch supported by posts extends across the front of both sections and is now falling down.

The structure is balloon frame and is supported above the ground (without basement) by brick pilings and log posts. The members are attached with wire nails throughout, and sheathed by unpainted 1" x 6" weatherboards. The doors are plain, store-bought panel doors in plain frames. The windows contain double hung sashes with 6 x 6 lights. The windows upstairs are similar, and much larger than those in the earlier slave house on Bushwood Manor.

The A roof is oriented in a N-S direction, is covered with tar-paper, and is supported by balloon frame trusses. The eaves are boxed with milled boards without decorative features.

Inside, the two downstairs rooms were first, the sitting room, with the parents' bedroom in the rear. The boxed quarter-turn stair case with landing led up to the two rooms corresponding in placement to those below. The most decorative feature in the house was the pressed tin used to clad the walls and ceiling downstairs. It was painted green, and at one time would have been quite colorful, but it is now rusting badly. A brick stove flue ascends the west wall. Into it openings were cut for pipes from the kitchen and from the sitting room indicating the use of stoves in each. There is no evidence of a fireplace. The upstairs was unheated.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Black History
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	C. 1908	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

According to Joseph Ellis, the owner and descendant of the 19th century owners of the property, this house was built in 1908 as a tenant house for black families who worked the land. The structural evidence supports his date.

The design of this house, and the materials and the methods of construction, provide an informative comparison to those of the earlier slave duplex on the farm. Like the earlier house, the design is straightforward, and the materials low-cost. But the design of this house is for a single family, and all the materials mass-produced. There were also more rooms to serve specialized functions.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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ROCK POINT QUAD

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

George W. McDaniel, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Md. Commission on Afro-American History & Culture

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

20 Dean Street

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CITY OR TOWN

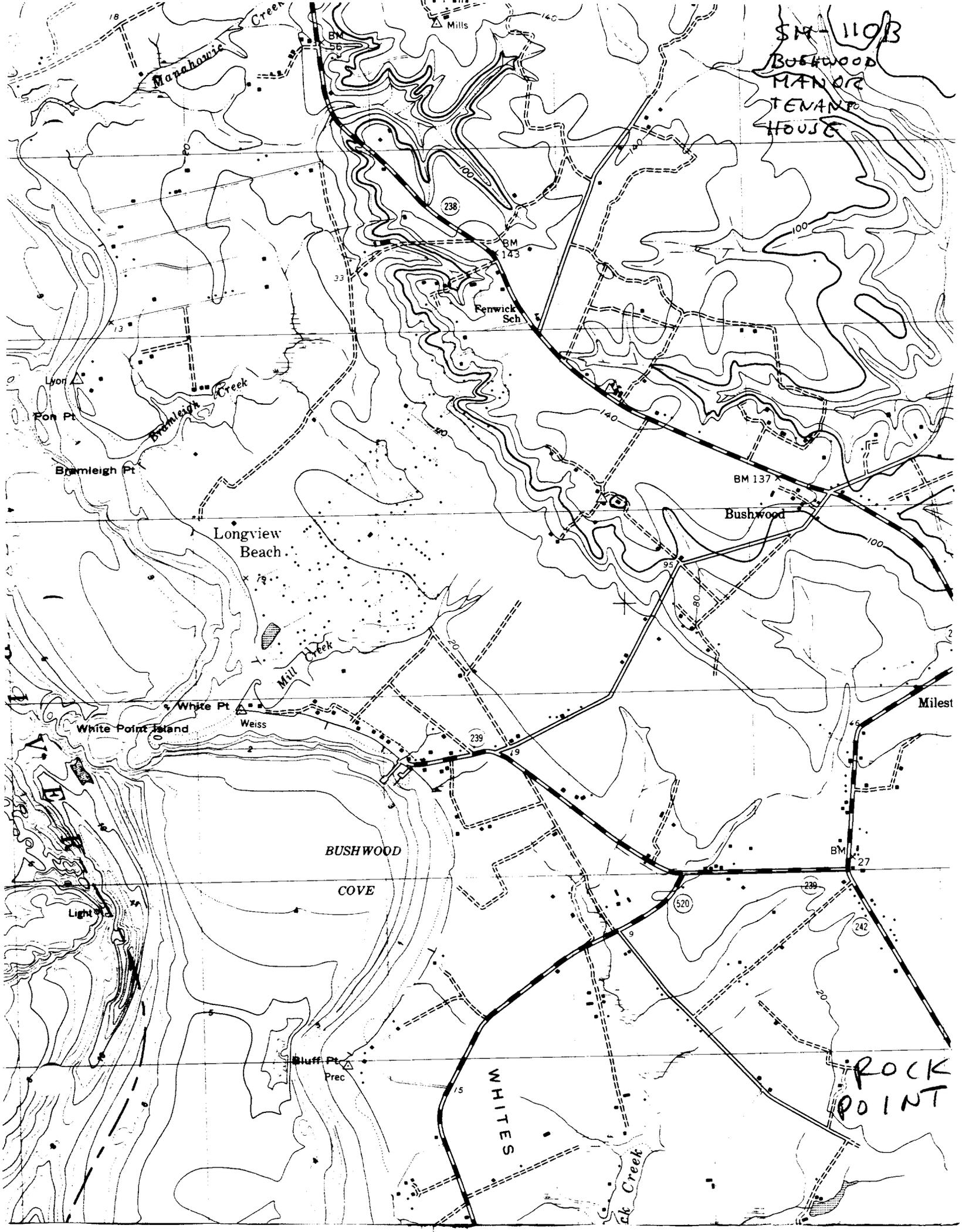
Annapolis, Md.

STATE

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.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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BUSHWOOD
MANOR
TENANT
HOUSE

ROCK
POINT

BUSHWOOD
COVE

WHITES

Manahouse
Creek

Bramleigh
Creek

Mill
Creek

Oak
Creek

Longview
Beach

White Point
Island

Bushwood

Bluff Pt
Prec

White Pt

Weiss

239

520

238

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BM
143

BM 137

BM
27

Milest

Lyon

Pon Pt

Bramleigh Pt

Light

Mills

Renwick
Sch



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Bushwood Manor Tenant House
STMA 110 B

Bushwood, Md.
WEST facade
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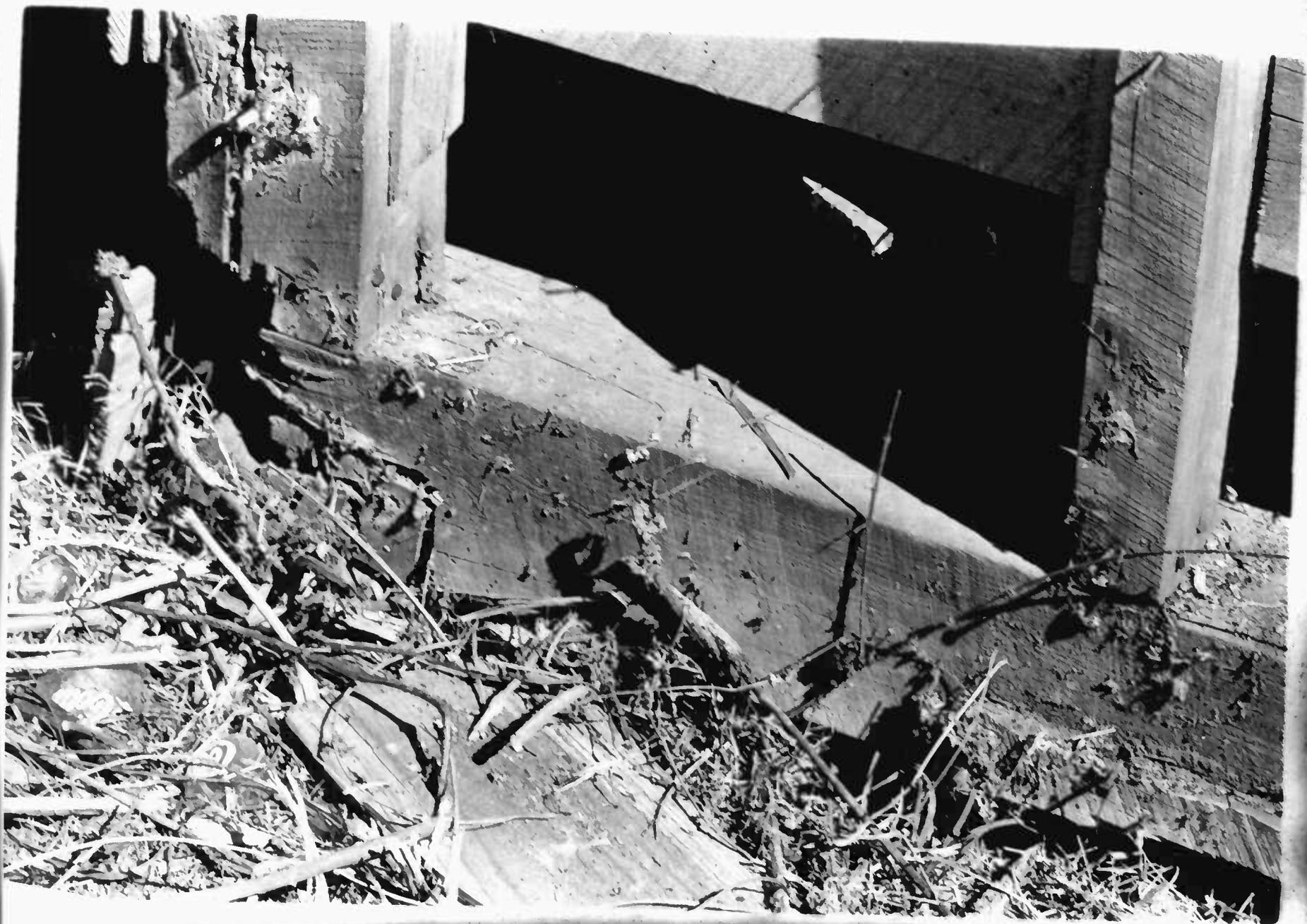


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Bushwood Manor Tenant House
STMA 110 B

Bushwood, Md.

East facade
GWM  3/77



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Bushwood Manor Tenant House
STMA 110B

Bushwood, Md.

Framing members: Balloon frame
GWM - 3/77