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The Willows is located on the west side of Maryland Route 66, south of Cavetown and north of the intersection of Route 66 and Interstate Route 70.

The Willows is a four bay long two story Federal brick farmhouse that is painted white. Its walls are laid in Flemish bond on the east facade and common on the others, and there are plain jack arches above the windows and no belt course or water table. The windows have 9/6 sash on the first floor and 6/6 sash on the second floor, all with louvered shutters. Above the paneled entrance door is a simple arched fanlight with plain trim having corner blocks. Across the entire facade is a one-story porch with flat roof supported by handsome champhered columns on paneled bases. The plain box cornice has no moldings. Both the main part and the five-bay wing appear contemporary.

The interior plan of the main block consists of four rooms. There are two rooms across the west facade. Behind these are two smaller rooms separated by a narrow stair hall. The latter hall or passage continues west through the wing to a narrow porch off the kitchen. Along the passage are: dining room, storage room and secondary stair, and finally the kitchen.

Surrounding the Willows are several early outbuildings. Immediately to the south is a one-story stone spring house. It has a door and a small, high window on the north facade, and a small door to the loft on the gable. West of the spring house is a log pig house. The narrow building is covered with a wide 'A' roof which overhangs on the north. To the south of the main house are three outbuildings; a brick necessary, a stone smoke house and the "old house". The smoke house is a low one story stuccoed building with chimneys enclosed within the gables. "Old house" is almost identical to the smoke house, being a simple one story stuccoed stone building. At one time the latter building was used Beside the aforementioned buildings for slave quarters. are two barns, one a simple wood framed structure with shed addition and the other, a large frame building on a one story stone foundation. All of the buildings are still used, though their functions are not as diverse as ariginally used.

A small stream runs in front of the east facilities main house. A stone one story blacksmith shop is located on the bank of the stream. Across Route 66 is a 1 1/2 story tenant house, which was formerly within the complete of the re-location of the present road.

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Few Maryland farms can boast of having a complete collection of farm buildings that delineate the progress and growth of a family since the 1790's. The Willows consists of such an important collection which remain largely untouched. All too often outbuildings that have outlived their usefulness are ignored and subsequently disappear. In contrast, the owners of The Willows have maintained the dependencies, leaving an architectural record of nineteenth century western Maryland.

At the end of the eighteenth century Ludwick Huyett came to Washington County from Pennsylvania. He followed a typical migration pattern of eighteenth century German immigrants who came to Philadelphia then moved west to central Pennsylvania and then migrated south following the valleys in the Applachian Mountains. In the mid-1770's Huyett bought two tracts of land followed in 1798 with the purchase of Whiskey Alley, the property on which the farm complex stands.

During Ludwick Huyett's maturity the Willows was a rather simple farm. A small log structure "the old house" served as the dwelling for Huyett, his wife and six children. In addition Huyett had a log pig house and a log barn (which no longer exists).

As Huyett's three sons reached maturity, they began their own farms. The oldest son John Huyett returned to Pennsylvania while the second son Jacob Huyett began his farm elsewhere in Washington County. The third son Daniel Huyett, remained on his father's land. His success is indicated by the early nineteenth century additions to the Willows, this time in brick and stone instead of log. These include the main block of the brick house, barn and necessary and the stone smoke house, spring house, and blacksmith shop. Building on his father's accomplishments

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#### THE WILLOWS

## # 8. Significance - Continued

Daniel Huyett augmented the prosperous farm complex that he shared with his own son Daniel Gaither Huyett. In 1860 when he married, Daniel Gaither Huyett constructed the wing on the main house. The frame barn, or wagon shed also dates from this period. The absence of other farm buildings indicates that his interests were directed towards non-agricultural pursuits. In fact, he centered much of his attention on a lime kiln of which, unfortunately, no remains are extant.

The legacy of the first three Huyetts sustained the next generation in their operation of the farm. Their descendants have preserved their physical heritage which illustrates the evolution of one family in an agricultural environment.

John T. Schlebecker, the Curator of Agriculture and Mining at the Smithsonian, wrote an article in the 1970 Year Book of the Department of Agriculture (House Document #91-254, p. 229-236) which emphasized the need to preserve the agricultural heritage of the United States. His article "Living Historic Farms Tell It Like It Was" advocates special attention to typical farms, like The Willows. In fact the barn illustrated on page 230 of the publication is a circa 1920's photograph of the brick barn at The Willows.



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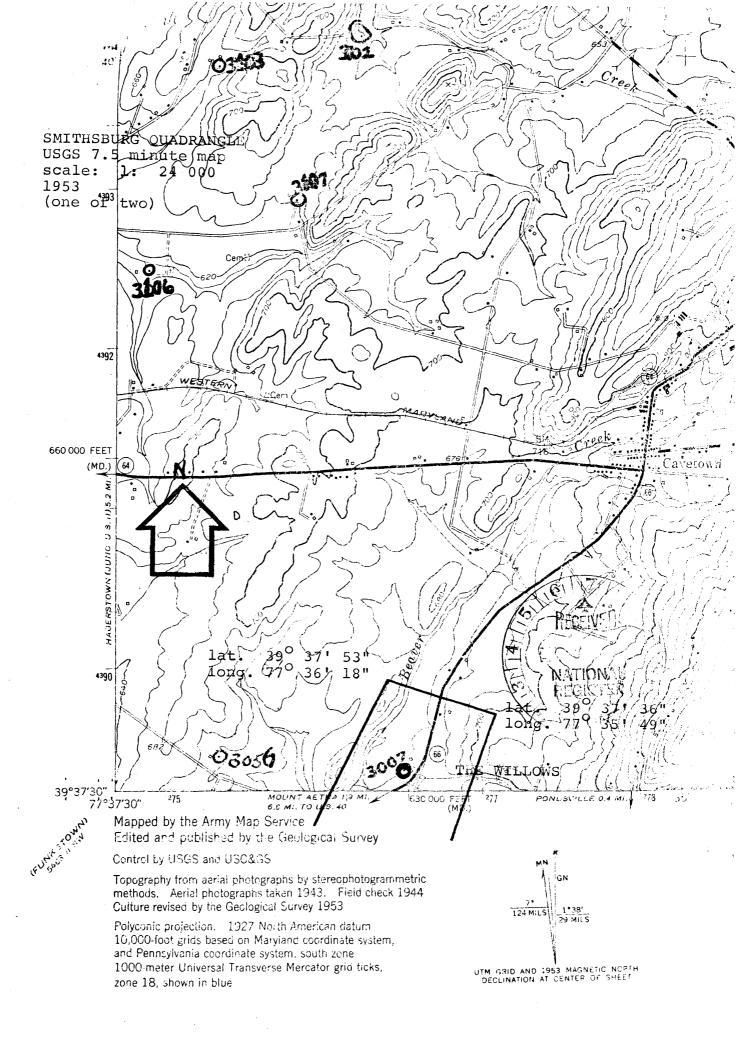
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