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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines* for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900s). Type all entries.

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6. Function or Use		S-244	
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7. Description			
Architectural Classification (enter categories from instructions)	Materials (enter categories from instructions)		
	foundation	BRICK	
FEDERAL	walls	WEATHERBOARD	
GREEK REVIVAL			
	roof	ASPHALT	
	other	WOOD	

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

DESCRIPTION SUMMARY:

The Jeptha Hayman House is a two-story, five-bay weatherboard frame dwelling that stands on the east side of the Westover-Marion Road on a slight rise of ground southeast of Kingston, Somerset County, Maryland. The oldest portion of the twostory, five bay frame dwelling is dated by an inscribed brick to 1836. Supported on a low in-filled brick pier foundation, the center hall main block was built in two stages, beginning in 1836 with a two-story side hall/parlor dwelling. The northern two bays of the main block were added within the following few decades, c.1850, thereby providing for a dining room and at the same time making the house more convenient by joining the service wing. The kitchen is estimated to date to the 1830s as well. Attached to the back of the house is a two-story one-room plan addition, the first floor of which is reported to have been moved from a site along the road. A turn of the twentieth century Tuscan columned porch supported on a rusticated concrete block knee wall stretches across the front of the house. The interior finishes of the main block remain largely intact with well executed examples of late Federal and Greek Revival style woodwork. Fluted surrounds frame six panel doors, and period chair rail, mantels, plaster walls, and baseboards remain in several rooms. Although the roof was burned within the past thirty years, the roof structure was replaced in the same general shape with appropriate exterior finishes.

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Jeptha Hayman farm, also known as the Craft Hayman farm, is located on the east side of the old Westover-Marion Road, just south of St. Mark's Chapel. The two-story, five-bay center hall frame house faces west with the primary gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Dated by an inscribed brick to 1836, the two-story weatherboard frame dwelling is supported by a low in-filled brick pier foundation, and the house is sheathed with a uniform layer of plain weatherboards. Covering the house is a medium pitched asphalt shingle roof. Extending to the north end of the main block is a story-and-a-half one-room plan kitchen wing. Attached to the back of the house is a two-story, one-room plan rear wing, the first story of which is thought to have been moved from a site near the county road.

It appears from the uneven fenestration and the corresponding changes in period woodwork that the southern three bays of the main block, comprising a side hall/parlor dwelling, were erected first. The two-bay portion between the hall and the kitchen was probably a single-story colonnade, joining the main house and the service wing, which was later raised to a two-story height.

The west (main) elevation is an asymmetrical five-bay facade with a center entrance and two uneven bays to each side. A raised six-panel door, framed by a stepped molding, is topped by a four-light transom. Nine-over-one sash windows light the first floor, and six-over-one sash windows illuminate the second floor. The window trim that frames the southern bays follows the stepped backband while the northern bays are framed by plain surrounds. A tuscan columned hip roof porch, supported by a rusticated concrete block knee wall, shelters the first floor.

The south gable end is a plain weatherboard wall without window openings. A molded bargeboard finishes the flush gable end. Protruding through the roof is an interior end brick chimney finished with a corbelled cap. The date is inscribed in the east face of the stack.

The east (rear) facade of the house has four exposed bays, while the two-story one-room plan addition covers the northernmost bay. The window sash remain consistent with the front of the house. The rear door is a replacement but retains its original transom.

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The north gable end of the main house is largely covered by the single-story one-room plan kitchen. The three-bay by one-bay kitchen has a steeply pitched gable roof, and the base of the roof is finished with a modillion block cornice. On the west side a center four-panel door is flanked by six-over-one sash windows. Attached to the east side is an enclosed shed roof porch. An interior brick stack rises through the kitchen against the north gable end of the main block.

The interior of the house survives with major portions of its original finishes intact. The center hall contains an open string stair with a square newel post, a ball finial, and three narrow balusters to each tread. The stringer is decorated with an S-curve bracket. Below the stringer the area is finished with flat panels. The hall is trimmed with period chair rail and baseboard moldings. A flat six-panel door framed by a fluted surround opens into the south room or parlor.

Fixed on the projecting chimney breast is an original Greek Revival mantel. Half-round columns rise to the carved end blocks framing the divided frieze. The center frieze tablet is a plain panel with edge moldings, while the end blocks carry stylized I-shaped decorations. The mantel shell is a plain board. Trimming the perimeter of the room are original baseboard and chair rail moldings. In addition, fluted surrounds frame the window and door openings.

The room north of the hall, used as a dining room, is entered through a four-panel door which is not framed by a fluted surround. The mantel in the dining room is a plain mid nineteenth century form consisting of plain pilasters, a curving frieze panel, and a thick shelf. This room is not fitted with chair rail. A reused raised four-panel door is fixed in the southeast corner of the room and opens into the back end of the hall under the stair.

The second floor is finished in a less elaborate manner with many of the original features in place. The south bedroom is entered through a six-panel door framed by a fluted surround, and the door retains a Carpenter Company box lock with brass knobs. The windows are finished with fluted surrounds, however, the original mantel has been removed since the firebox has been blocked.

The north bedroom is a plainly finished room trimmed with reused doors and late trim, which is suggestive of its later date.

The unfinished attic has been rebuilt due to a fire that burned the roof of the house within the last thirty years.



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The kitchen has been reworked to serve modern needs. A beaded board door opens into the rear shed roof where another beaded board pantry door survives with a fluted surround. Due to the conversion of the pantry space to a bathroom, the pantry door now opens into a small storage space.

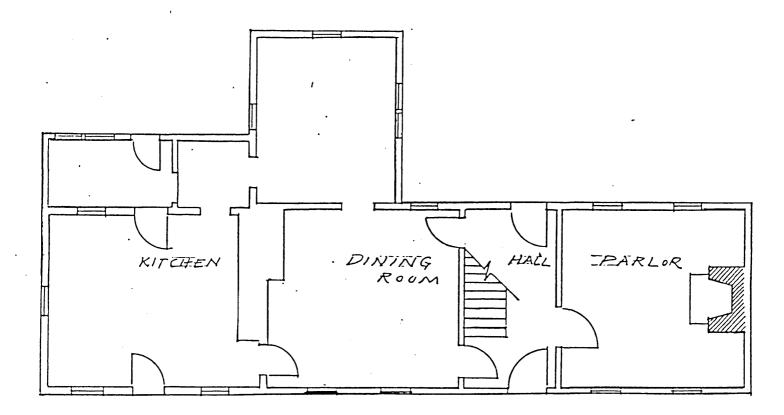
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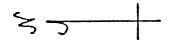
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8. Statement of Significance	4	S-244
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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY:

The Jeptha Hayman house is architecturally significant in Somerset County as a representation of a vernacular farmhouse that improved a moderate sized farm during the second quarter of the nineteenth century. The house is also a rare example of a dated mid nineteenth century farmhouse. It also displays a locally important building pattern. The initial two-story side hall/parlor was enlarged around 1850 by a two-story, one-roomplan addition that joined the main house to the kitchen, and at the same time provided for a dining room. Although other examples of this building pattern remain in Somerset County, the Hayman house is the best preserved. This pattern of architectural change is an important sign of the early nineteenth century when pervasive domestic improvements and new social demands were altering the entrenched character of the eighteenth century lifestyle of yeoman and mid-level farmers of the lower Eastern Shore. Originally encompassing 129 acres, the Jeptha Hayman farm fell into the large middle range of Somerset County agricultural estates for the period.

9. Major Bibliog	raphical References	S-244
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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Eastern Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):
Architecture/Landscape Architecture/Community Planning
Agriculture

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Village

Known Design Source: None

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

The Somerset County land records are not clear when Jeptha Hayman acquired this Marumsco Creek property, known as part of "Mitchell's Lott" and part of "Sword." The house may have been built in anticipation of Jeptha's marriage to his first wife, Mahala Fooks, on January 30, 1838, however Hayman family tradition has held that the land came through his second wife's family. Mahala Hayman died, for Jeptha is listed in the Somerset County records as the husband to Sally W. Benson, married on January 27, 1847. During the mid to late nineteenth century Jeptha Hayman assembled a respectable estate in the vicinity of St. Mark's Chapel along Marumsco Creek. In the 1850 U.S. Census for Somerset County Jeptha Hayman, 34, is designated as a merchant with his second wife Sally W., 21, and two young children, Sarah and John. Twenty years later in 1870, Jeptha, listed this time as a farmer, was assessed with an estate valued at \$11,500. However, by 1876 Jeptha Hayman was dead, and the Somerset County court appointed a commission to evaluate and sell his farmland. His widow, Sally Benson Hayman, retained rights to a widow's dower which included a portion of the dwelling house. The ruling of the court commission stated,

The Commissioners have also allotted to Sally W. Hayman her share and proportion of the Houses on said real estate...and they are as follows: the north room of the dwelling and shed room back and adjoining it, also the cook room and pantry on the lower floor, the bedroom over the cook room and the bedroom south and adjoining it; for the out houses, the six stalls on the north end of the stable and the loft over the six stalls, the granary with a cellar under it, and cornhouse, west and near it the small carriage house near the hen house, also the hen house, and the meat house, as her full share and proportion of the said estate and also equal privilege of lawn and yard.

In 1916, the 129-1/2 acres passed from William Algie and Maggie Hayman to Edmund W. Gleason Hayman. Thirty-two years later the previous grantee sold the farm to William Craft Hayman. The property remains in Hayman family hands to this day.

The other examples of this building pattern in Somerset County are the Watkins house (S-677) near Hudson's Corner, and the Bowland farm (S-188) near Kingston.

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FOOTNOTES:

- 1. Somerset County Land Records, HCL 1/298, April 29, 1884; Somerset County Courthouse.
- 2. Somerset County Marriage Records, Jeptha Hayman married Mahala Fooks, January 30, 1838; Clerk of Somerset County Court, Somerset County Courthouse.
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- 4. 1850 U.S. Census for Somerset County, Maryland, Jeptha Hayman; Somerset County Library, Princess Anne, Maryland.
- 5. 1870 U.S. Census for Somerset County, Maryland, Jeptha Hayman; Somerset County Library, Princess Anne, Maryland.
- 6. Somerset County Judicial Records, LW 3/9-30, October 18, 1876; Somerset County Clerk of Court, Somerset County Courthouse.
- 7. Somerset County Land Records, 74/254, April 29, 1916; Somerset County Clerk of Court, Somerset County Courthouse.
- 8. Somerset County Land Records, 142/588, June 1, 1948; Somerset County Clerk of Court, Somerset County Courthouse.

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BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Beginning at a point on the north edge of the lane that intersects the old Westover-Marion Road which is also the location of a culvert (Marked A on the accompanying tax map, 1" = 600') and running with the eastern edge of the road bed by and with the property of Drew and Sharon Upton in a southeasterly direction for approximately 108' to a point (B) near a telephone pole at the edge of the mowed section of lawn, thence due east for approximately 420' to a point behind the house and at the edge of the yard (C), thence in a northerly direction for a distance of 108' to a point (D) on the northeast side of the house, thence in a westerly direction for approximately 430' to the point on the north side of the entrance land marked (A), the place of beginning containing 45,360 square feet or 1.04 acres more or less.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION:

The 1.04 acres joining the house in nomination encompass most of the landscaped area around the dwelling. Included in this acre is the entrance lane and several mature shade trees. The surrounding land is primarily tilled and does not contain resources relating to the architectural significance of this property.

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