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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME Edgewood
HISTORIC
AND/OR COMMON
John Boyd House

2 LOCATION
STREET & NUMBER
CITY, TOWN
Bunker Hill
STATE
West Virginia
VICINITY OF
COUNTY
Berkeley
CODE
54
CODE
003
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY
NAME
Mr. Wilkie W. Hunt
STREET & NUMBER
541 Courtfield Avenue
CITY, TOWN
Winchester
VICINITY OF
STATE
Virginia 22601

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
COURTHOUSE, Berkeley County
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
STREET & NUMBER
CITY, TOWN
Martinsburg, W. Va. 25401
STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
TITLE
G-13, Berkeley County Historical Society & Berkeley County Historical Landmarks
Commission Survey
DATE
1973-78
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
Berkeley County Courthouse
CITY, TOWN
Martinsburg, W. Va. 25401
STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Edgewood is an elegant five bay brick house with gable roof built in the Greek Revival period. The front is constructed in Flemish bond and has six over six double sash windows with brick flat arches. A semi-elliptical transom is over the pannelled entrance door with sidelights. The one story, one bay entrance porch was moved here from a house of the same age that was being demolished in Winchester, Virginia.

There is an ell on the house that was built as the kitchen on the ground floor and a bedroom with closet flanking the chimney on the second floor. The ell has been extended by the addition of a two story, two room section. This was constructed in the Victorian period and, at the same time, three large Victorian peaked dormers and a three bay porch were added to the front. The present owner has removed the dormers and porch and restored its period appearance.

The interior of the house contains many notable features. On the ground floor, there are four nearly identical mantles all of which have a pannelled frieze with corner blocks on small round columns. There were four fireplaces on the second floor but these have all been closed and the mantles removed. All the trim on the ground floor is symmetrically molded with corner blocks and paneled jambs. Several fine built-in cupboards and closets are in the house, one of which was probably taken from another room and moved to its present position as it covers a now filled-in window. The stairs reaches the attic level in four flights with decorative brackets on the step ends.

Five years ago a brick garage was added at the west end of the house.

A small log cabin rectangular in plan with a simple gabled roof exists west of the house. Logs are notched and lapped at the corners, cheeked and covered with wide vertical boards of random width. The roof is currently covered with corrugated sheet metal. The time of its construction is unknown.

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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input checked="" 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	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<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

1839

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

General Elisha Boyd

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Edgewood is significant for its architecture and Civil War history. Built in 1839 by General Elisha Boyd for his son John. An old letter which has come down through the Boyd family, which was written by Gen. Elisha Boyd's younger daughter to her married sister in 1839, discusses the completion of the house and that they will soon be moving in. The letter states the house has 4 rooms plus kitchen and pantry on the first floor. About 20 years later a room 10' long was added to the kitchen.

Edgewood was the manor house to a 1,400 acre plantation that General Boyd amassed on Mill Creek. Brick for the house was made at his own brick plant which he had located on Mill Creek. Edgewood also is significant as a historic site. Near the present house stood the log cabin (so tradition says) of Revolutionary War Major Andrew Waggoner who rode with General George Washington. Waggoner's daughter married Gen. Boyd after Waggoner's death. Boyd bought the interest in Waggoner's plantation and acquired other land to form the plantation.

During the Civil War, (in 1863) General Pettigrew was shot at Falling Waters. He was taken by wagon to Edgewood and died in the upstairs bedroom. A large monument to General Pettigrew was erected along U. S. 11 at the lane entrance to Edgewood.

Another important incident that took place at Edgewood during the Civil War: John Boyd, Jr., who was with the South, had come home for a visit. One of the colored slaves who did not like him told the Union troops he was there. The soldiers came to the house in search of John Boyd, Jr. There was a trap door in the front parlor room which still remains today. He was not hiding there but in a big closet upstairs. He was captured and taken to Winchester, Va.; tried and ordered to be hung. Through the efforts of Mrs. Dandridge, daughter of President Zacharia Taylor, John Boyd's life was saved within minutes of his scheduled execution.

A further significant fact: During the Civil War General Stonewall Jackson camped on the lawn. It is valuable both as a historic Civil War camp site and for Civil War artifacts. Reports have been made that there was a tunnel in the backyard running from the house to the barn. This has not been located. It could be a valuable archeology site.

The house went out of the Boyd family after the Civil War. The next owner kept the house in repair though it went through a couple of negligent owners. The house has handsomely restored in the past few years by its present owner.

A small log slave cabin west of the house is included. The small log slave cabin is included in the nomination

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Just at the south edge of the village of Bunker Hill. Turn west off U. S. Route 11
at Pettigrew Monument onto private drive.