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A small, one-and-one-half-story, brick structure with a gambrel roof, Mount Pleasant is about two-thirds its original length. The eastern section, east of the central hallway, was later removed; the present doorway would have originally been the center bay of a five-bay facade. The house is built of brick laid in Flemish bond with occasional glazed headers, and sits on a high, three-foot, common bond brick base.

The building has twin flush chimneys with two flues in each chimney on the southwest end. There is a four-over-four pent window between the chimneys, high in the loft. In 1967, there were three small windows of the same size as the pent window on the first floor of the southwest side of the house. The northern-most window was removed and replaced with a French door allowing access to a new patio. In a 1936 photograph from the southwest, belonging to the Historic American Buildings Survey, there is no stucco on the gambreled ends and the six windows are very prominent. Both these ends were stuccoed in 1945 to prevent the exterior walls from further deterioration.

A photograph by Henry Chandlee Forman of the same southwest view shows a Victorian one-story, four-columned porch that has since been removed. It has been replaced with a dual approach stair-case coming from the east and the west and meeting at a landing to be bordered by an iron rail. A similar new staircase is on the northern end of the same central hall. From the southern side, a clear view of the plastered entrance highlighted by an original fanlight can be obtained.

In addition to these doorways and staircases, the north and south elevations have two narrow nine-over-nine windows with splayed brick lintels and some early sashes. There are two dormers in each side of the English gambrel roof.

The house is undergoing extensive restoration.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mount Pleasant was patented in 1697 to Richard Marsham, whose wife Anne was the daughter of Leonard Calvert, Governor of Maryland. Their grandson, Marsham Waring, inherited the home from his grandfather in 1713. His son, Richard Marsham Waring, had four sons of whom only one, John, born in 1737, survived and left issue. He inherited Mount Pleasant and built on it the large brick house which is there today (1972). He died in 1813 and is buried at Mount Pleasant. His son, John, Jr., married Elizabeth Margaret Bowie, second daughter of Maryland Governor Robert Bowie. Henry, John Sr.'s younger son, inherited Mount Pleasant from his father. He served as a major in the 34th Regiment in the War of 1812. he was promoted to Lieutenant Commander and was commissioned Colonel of the Infantry, 34th Regiment, in 1817. He married Sarah Contee Harrison, daughter of John Harrison and Catherine Contee, in 1802. Catherine Contee's sister Jane had married John Hanson in 1747. Hanson was elected President of the Continental Congress in 1781, and in 1782, he became the first President of the United States under the Articles of Confederation.

Mount Pleasant is a representative example of the continuing gambrel-roof architecture in Maryland.



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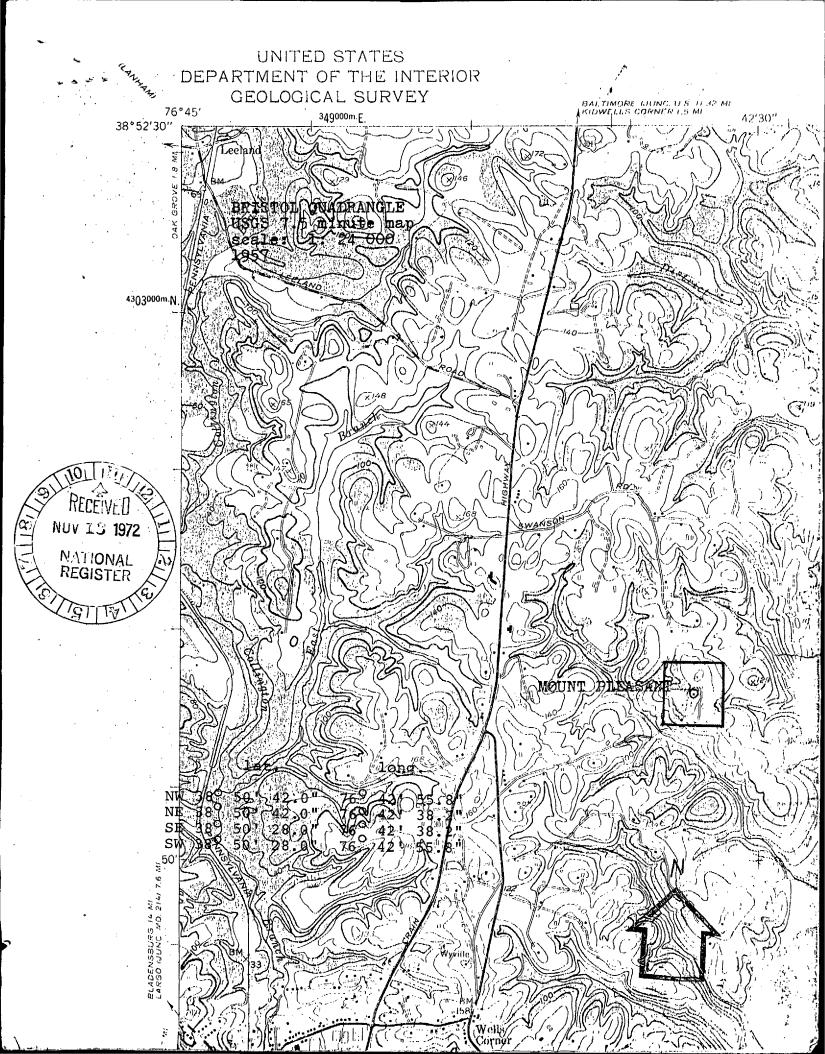
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