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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maryland
COUNTY: Washington
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ENTRY DATE FEB 24 1975

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
The Maples

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
part of Huyett's Meadows

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Route 66

CITY OR TOWN:  
Smithsburg

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:  
Sixth

STATE Maryland	CODE 24	COUNTY: Washington	CODE 043
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**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
Margaret N. Jacques

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Route 2

CITY OR TOWN:  
Smithsburg

STATE:  
Maryland

CODE:  
24

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
Washington County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:  
West Washington Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Hagerstown

STATE:  
Maryland

CODE:  
24

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

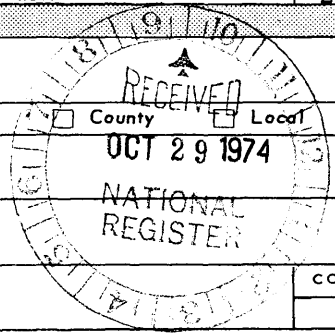
TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  
 Federal  
 State  
 County  
 Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
STATE:  
CODE:



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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent     Good     Fair     Deteriorated     Ruins     Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered     Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved     Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Maples is located along the west side of Maryland Route 66, just north of its junction with the Chewsville Road, about three miles south of Smithsburg in Washington County. It is situated just west of a small stream, the Beaver Creek and faces east.

The house is a two-story, six-bay stone and log dwelling trimmed in black and white. The walls of the south section, three bays in length, are constructed of coursed local limestone while the northern portion of the structure is of log covered with stucco and wooden siding. Decorative stone work over the first story windows consists of flat arches at the facade and several uniformly squared blocks over openings at the rear of the house.

Windows are located in the front and rear walls of the log section but are not present in the gable end except at the attic level where two six-over-six light windows are present. The more formally designed stone section has symmetrically placed openings in all exterior walls. All major windows contain twelve-over-eight light sashes. A full size window is present at the attic level of the stone section. Window framing is essentially plain, with a minimum of decorative molding. The first story windows of the facade are flanked by louvered shutters.

The main entrance is located in the third bay from the south end of the stone section. It consists of an arched opening flanked by oval reeded columnettes of the Doric order, supporting a pediment with a dentil cornice. Small cast iron lions are set into blocks above the capitals of the columns. The jambs are sheathed with decorative molded panels. Above the door is a semi-circular fan light with ray and scalloped muntins. Secondary entrances in the front and rear walls of the log section have similar but less elaborate fans. Other exterior doors include two openings in the north gable end of the house. They are plain, topped with an architrave.

The log section of the house has two double porches which are included under the main roof span. They are enclosed by the north end of the stone section and by a frame extension of the north gable end of the log portion which has been covered with wooden siding and stucco. At the facade, the porch is supported by round tapered doric columns. The columns at the second story level are narrower than those below them to provide a vertical visual emphasis. A plain balustrade encloses the second floor porch. The porch on the west side of the house has been completely enclosed.

Other exterior woodwork includes a rather elaborate neoclassical cornice with dentils matching the entrance frontpiece. It extends along the entire length of the house, front and rear. The eaves at the gables are finished with a tapered barge board set against the end walls. Tapering of the board, like the columns, would have been done to enhance the visual effect.

The roof is covered with slate. Broad brick chimneys rise from inside each gable end.

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**3. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian |  16th Century |  18th Century |  20th Century  
 15th Century |  17th Century |  19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

Stone Section Prob. 1790-1810 DJF

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering  | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____                                    |
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Maples is significant for its architecture. Although no date of construction has been established, the presence of a log wall between the two sections of the house indicates that the log portion was built first with the stone end being attached at a later date. Apparently the log section received considerable alterations when the stone portion was added. A detailed examination of the interior of the house should be conducted before a close estimate of its age is made. It is possible, however, that the stone section was erected between 1790 and 1810.

With two periods of building represented, the Maples illustrates the trend from informality of vernacular architecture to formality or Georgia inspired building, which was prevalent in the late eighteenth and nineteenth centuries in Washington County. The earlier log house was probably built to answer a need for shelter rather than to conform to a particular design or style. The stone section, however, reflects a conscious aesthetic striving on the part of the builder to produce a specific stylistic effect. The symmetry and concern for visual harmony displayed in the stone section would have contrasted sharply with the original appearance of the log portion. It is readily apparent that much effort was taken to transform the log house so that it would be visually compatible with the new stone structure.

The Maples stands on a tract of land called "Huyett's Meadows" which was granted to Ludwick Huyett, who was born in 1739. The property remained in the Huyett family for well over a hundred years, being sold in 1912.

The house is important from the standpoint of fine architectural detail which is displayed in its construction and which has been retained with minimal alterations. Also significant are the numerous outbuildings which remain intact and reflect many aspects of early nineteenth century life in western Maryland. Further, it should be noted that the property has great scenic value. These architectural, historical and scenic factors are persuasive indicators that the Maples is worthy of consideration for the National Register.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Washington County Land Records, Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Maryland.

William Merrick Parker. "The Willows," manuscript on the Huyett family, circa 1970, Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Maryland.

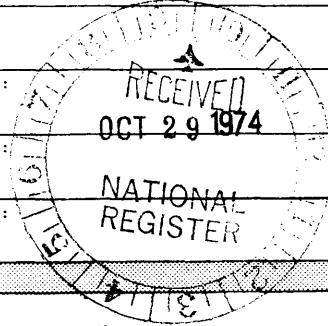
**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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NE	39 ° 37 '56 "	77 ° 36 '47 "				
SE	39 ° 37 '31 "	77 ° 36 '14 "				
SW	39 ° 37 '19 "	77 ° 36 '39 "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 126.1 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historic Sites Survey DATE: December, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER: Court House Annex

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**      **NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name Arthur C. Townsend  
Arthur C. Townsend

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date October 24, 1974

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Arthur C. Townsend  
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 2/24/75

ATTEST: George F. Emery  
Keeper of The National Register

Date Feb. 20, 1975

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The interior woodwork is consistent through both sections of the house and appears to date from the period of construction of the stone section.

The main stair is rounded and rises open to the attic. A delicate handrail is supported by square balusters with reeded ends. The ends of the risers have decorative brackets. Paneling below the stair shows reeded vertical members. Baseboard shows decorative marbeling while chair rail in the main hall shows a band of reeding under cove molding.

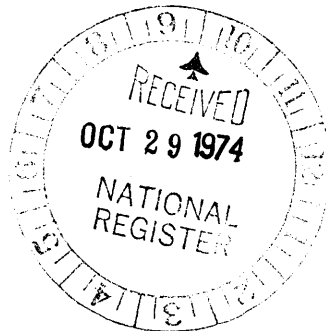
The main parlor, the southeast room has a fireplace, a rather elaborate mantel with double colonettes with reeding and a frieze with a central tablet framed with decorative reeding. Fluted trim is present on the chair rail and along cupboards adjacent to the fireplace.

Most doors display brass box locks. All rooms have similar woodwork which receives simpler treatment in other areas. About 90% of the woodwork remains apparently contemporary with the stone section.

Also on the property is a stone schoolhouse, dating from the first half of the nineteenth century known as the Huyett school.

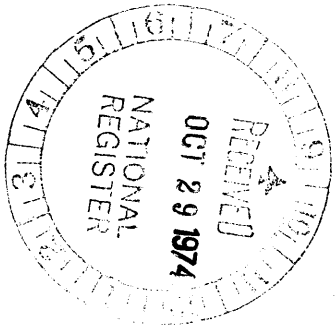
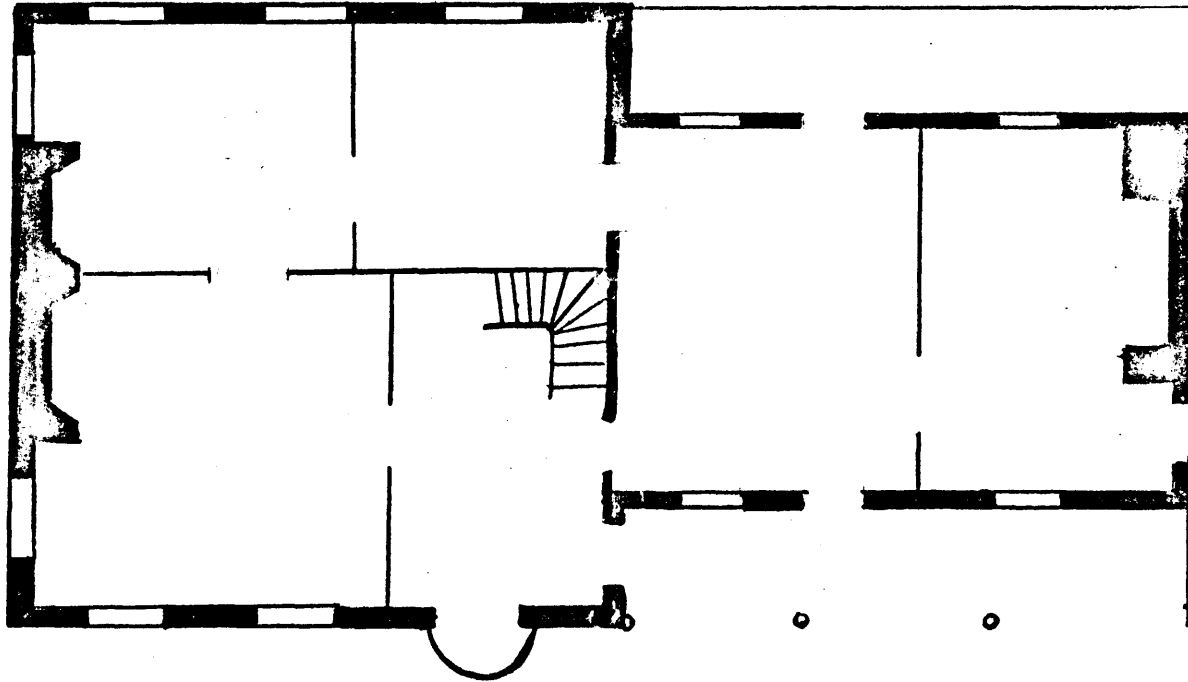
In addition to the main dwelling, numerous outbuildings are present, all in good condition. Among these structures are a brick bake house with an oven, a drying house, a smoke house with a pivotal post for hanging meats and a one-story stone dwelling said to have been slaves' quarters.

There is no substantiated date indicating the year that the house was built. The property contains 126.1 acres and is used for agriculture. The buildings are well preserved and maintained, and there is no immediate danger of great alteration or destruction.



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APPROXIMATE FLOOR PLAN



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