



VIRGINIA
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

File no. 76-198
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SURVEY FORM

Historic name Furr House	Common name Miller's House at Beverley Mill
County/Town/City Prince William County	
Street address or route number Vic. S.R. 600 & Rt. 55 near Thoroughfare, Va.	
USGS Quad Thoroughfare Gap	Date or period 1890s +
Original owner William Jordan (?)	Architect/builder/craftsmen
Original use Residence	
Present owner Mrs. Morton W. Smith	Source of name Previous owner
Present owner address Middleburg, Va.	Source of date Architectural evidence, published article.
	Stories 2 stories, 1½ stories.
Present use Not in use.	Foundation and wall const'n Stone foundation, frame walls
Acreage c10 acres with mill.	Roof type Asphalt shingle-covered gable roof.

State condition of structure and environs House has been vandalized, grounds untended.

State potential threats to structure Continued deterioration, arson.
Note any archaeological interest

Should be investigated for possible register potential? yes ___ no ___

Architectural description (Note significant features of plan, structural system and interior and exterior decoration, taking care to point out aspects not visible or clear from photographs. Explain nature and period of all alterations and additions. List any outbuildings and their approximate ages, cemeteries, etc.)

House has had several additions, but notably a 1½-story wing on the west end which contains a large, well-built stone chimney. This stonework resembles that of the Broad Run Post Office, which was built in the late 1930s by W.E. Herrill as a retail outlet for the mill.

Interior inspected?

Historical significance (Chain of title; individuals, families, events, etc., associated with the property.)

Probably built to replace Meadowland, the large stone house of the Chapmans, (who originated the mill in the 1740s) which was destroyed by fire in the 1880s. This house was standing well before 1910, according to local residents, and was built either by William Jordan or Mr. Wolverton, both of whom owned the mill complex for a short time at the turn of the century. It was the home of Charles Craig Furr, Jr., who bought the mill in 1903 and operated it until 1946 when Walter Chrysler bought the mill and the Furr House. Mrs. Kerr, the former Audrey Furr, daughter of C.C. Furr and bookkeeper at the mill, lived in the house until 1946. In about 1949 Chrysler sold the mill and the Furr House to Mr. & Mrs Jack West, who used the house as an antique shop. Present owner acquired the property in 1975, (?) intending to restore the mill, but plans for this house are unknown.

• Sources and bibliography

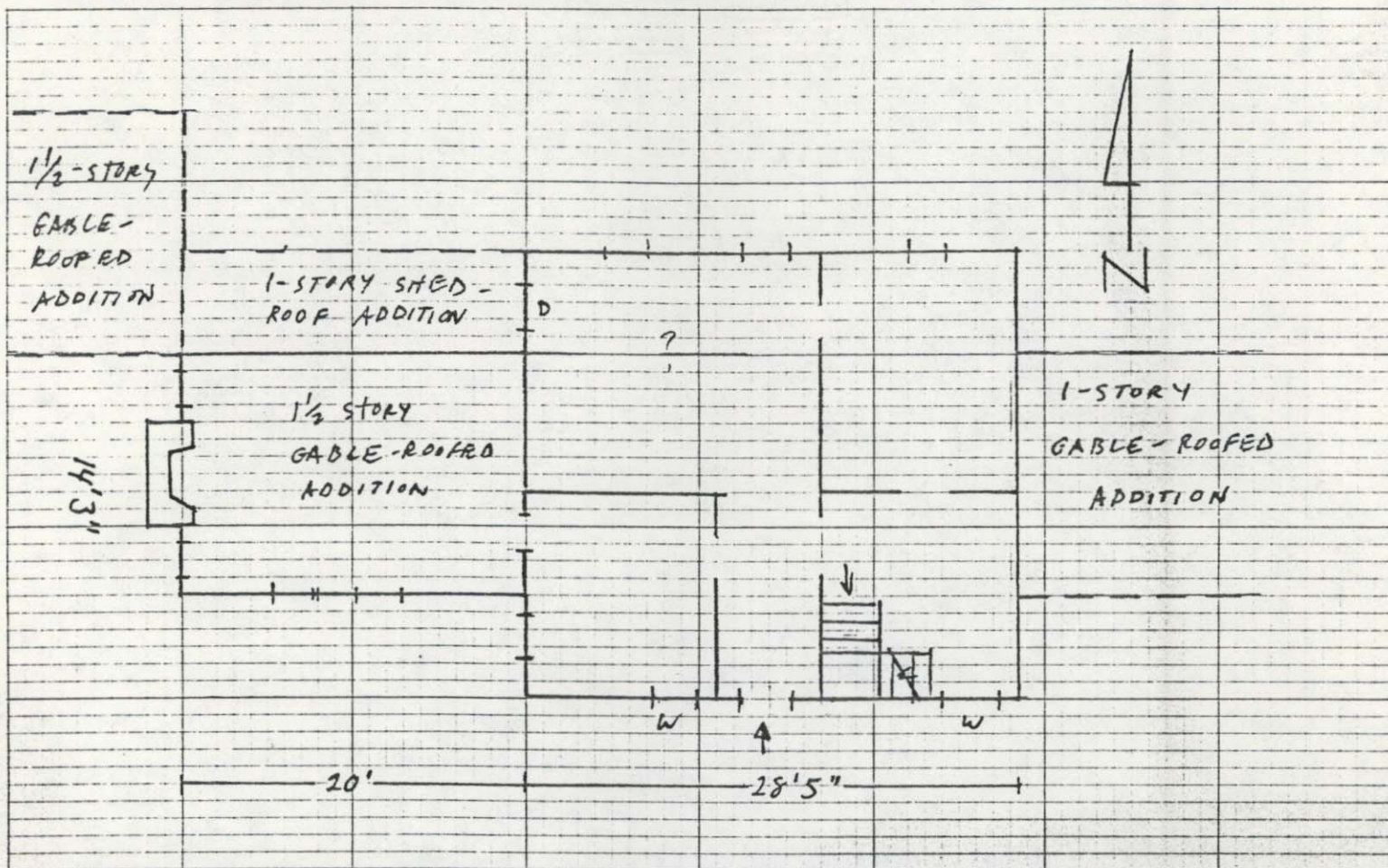
Published sources (Books, articles, etc., with bibliographic data.)

H.H. Douglas, "Beverley Mill," in Echoes of History, July 1971.

Primary sources (Manuscript documentary or graphic materials; give location.)

Names and addresses of persons interviewed

Plan (Indicate locations of rooms, doorways, windows, alterations, etc.)



Site plan (Locate and identify outbuildings, dependencies and significant topographical features.)

SEE BEVERLEY MILL FOR SITE PLAN (76-2).

Name, address and title of recorder Frances Jones, Architectural Historian - Surveyor, W.P.M.

Date JUL 27 1979.

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FURN HOUSE
Miller's House at
Beverly Mill 76-198

BROAD RUN
Post Office 76-199

Chapman 76-11
(Ruins) 30-

Meadowlands
(Ruins) 20-96
76-197

Beverly Mill
76-2

Stone Mill
30-47

