



VIRGINIA HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

File no. 76-103
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SURVEY FORM

Historic name W.R. Gossom House County/Town/City Prince William County Street address or route number 2408 Ingram Drive, Haymarket 22069 USGS Quad Middleburg 7.5 Original owner T. R. Galleher Original use Residence Present owner Mrs. Elizabeth Wells Present owner address 2408 Ingram Drive Haymarket, VA 22069 Present use Residence Acreage 635 acres	Common name Date or period 1910-1915 Architect/builder/craftsmen Source of name Source of date Surveyor's estimate. Stories 2,1 Foundation and wall const'n Stone & concrete foundation; Baloon-frame wall construction. Roof type Gable covered with asphalt shingles.
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State condition of structure and environs **Very good condition -- newly renovated/restored & well-maintained.**

State potential threats to structure **None**
 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.)

Exterior: This is a large 2-story, L-shaped Victorian frame house that has been recently rehabilitated and covered with yellow aluminum siding. Side entry & side hall. Concrete and stone foundation. Two large interior brick chimneys replace former stove flues. Windows: 2/2.

Interior: House was completely gutted and remodeled 1971-1977. Much original woodwork remains, including doors, trim and windows. New front door. Mantels in l.r. & d.r. are replacements and not of same period as house, but are made up of earlier 19th century elements. Mantel in kitchen is new. New chair rail installed in d.r. Stairs front & back are original, as are floors on 2d floor. Kitchen wing sits on a 12' x 14' stone basement about 6 feet high. Large concrete trough on floor and several pipes projecting from walls suggest this may have been a springhouse or dairy.

Outbuildings: Two weathered frame structures located on the northern edge of this property are **W.R. Gossom's Store/Gristmill & Hickory Grove Post Office (76-87)** and **W.R. Gossom's Gristmill and Cheese Factory (76-104)**. Both buildings are described separately.

Interior inspected? **Yes**

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

W.R. Gossom operated a general store at **Hickory Grove** c. 1925-1940. The post office at **Hickory Grove**, probably incorporated within the store, was established in 1875 and closed in 1911. After that time, **W.R. Gossom** distributed the mail from his store. Milling and dairying operations were also conducted at this crossroads.

The house is said to have been mostly a mail-order house. The kitchen wing is either an older structure later joined to the main house, or it is of the same period as the main house but constructed upon an older foundation. The house was probably built by **T. R. Galleher**.

The **Gossoms** are a family of merchants: **W.R.'s** father, **W.T. Gossom**, operated a general store and gristmill (q.v.) west of **Hickory Grove** on **Mountain Road**. **G.A. Gossom** operated the store and post office at **Waterfall**; and **W.R.'s** son **James** operates a store in **Haymarket**.

Sources and bibliography

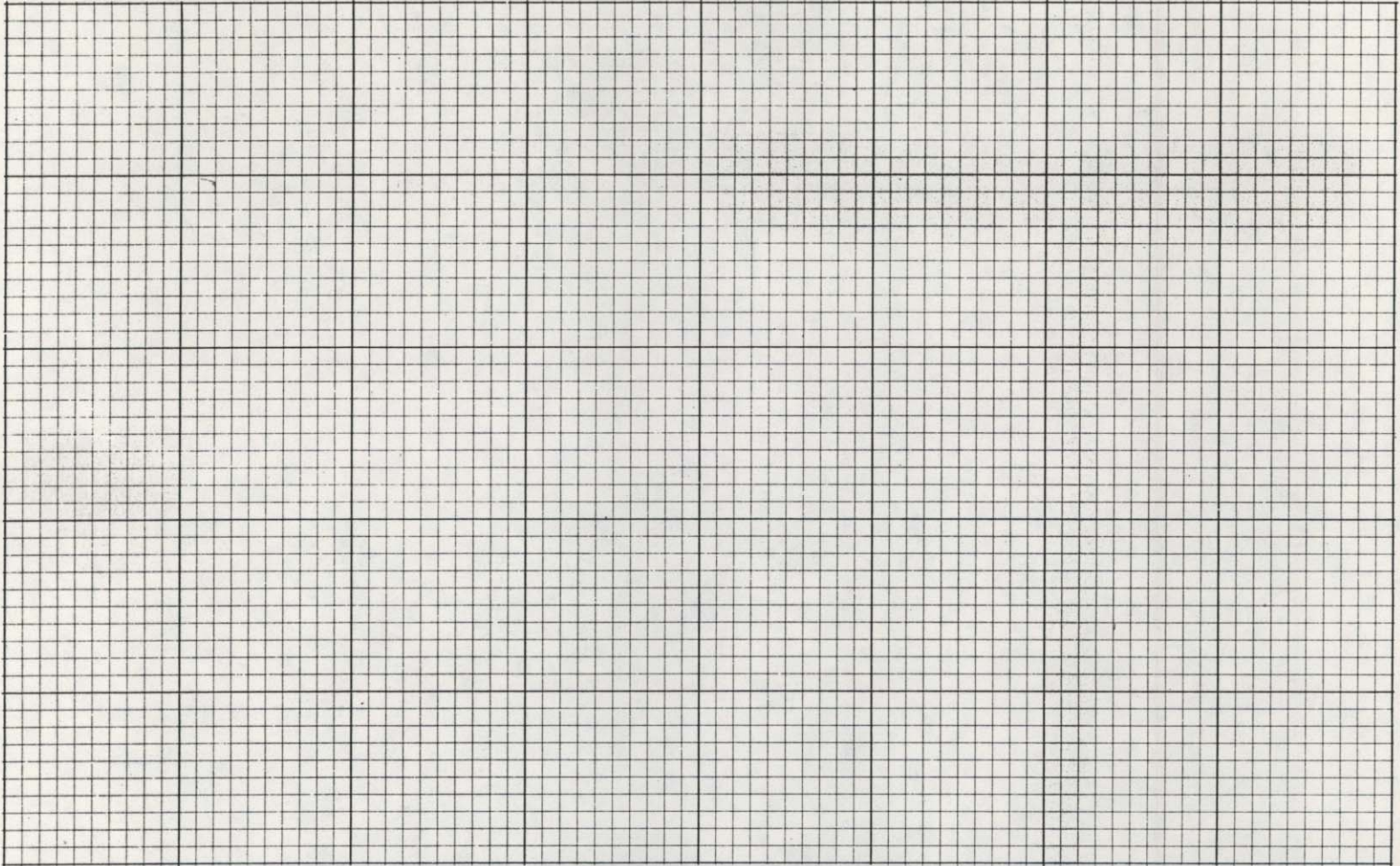
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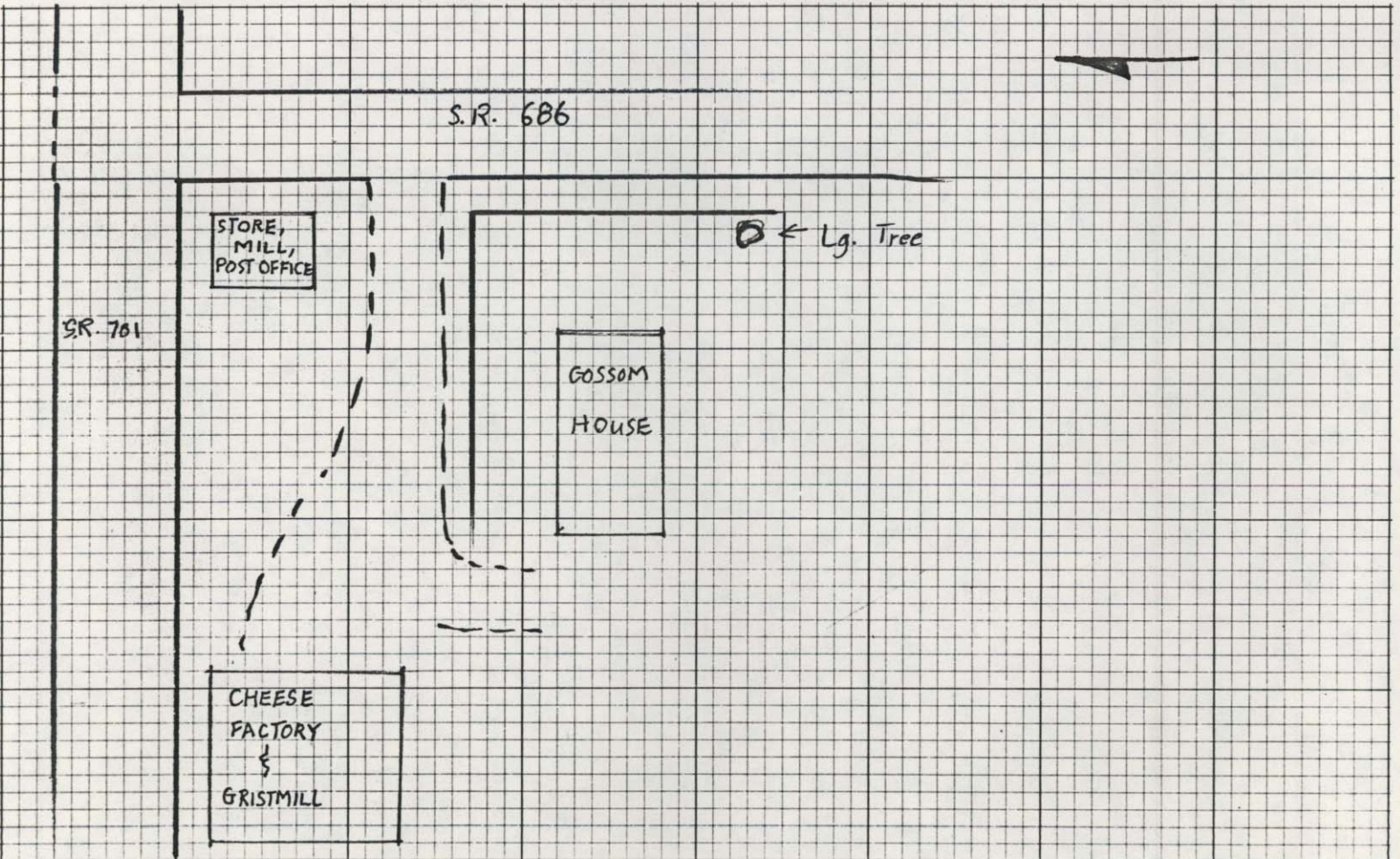
Names and addresses of persons interviewed Mrs. Elizabeth Wells
2408 Ingram Dr., Haymarket, Va. 22069

Jim Gossom
Haymarket, Va.

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



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



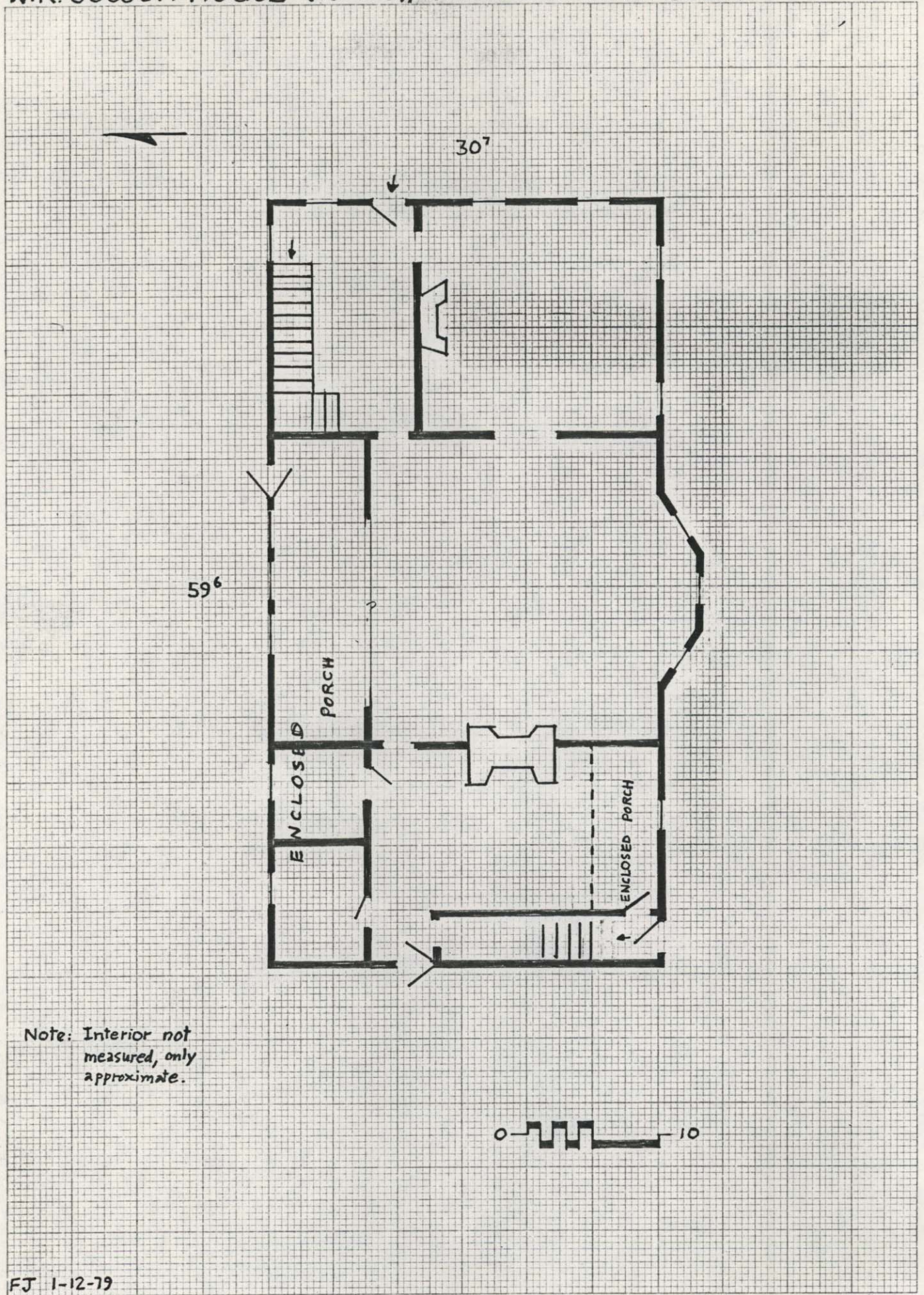
Name, address and title of recorder

Frances Jones, Architectural Historian/Surveyor, NVPDC

Date

October 1978

W.R. GOSSOM HOUSE (76-103), PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY



Note: Interior not measured, only approximate.

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