



VIRGINIA
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

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SURVEY FORM

Historic name Prospect Hill	Common name
County/Town/City Prince William County	
Street address or route number 26--Little River Rd., Haymarket	
USGS Quad Arcola	Date or period Late 18th C.
Original owner John Hutchison (1768-1846)	Architect/builder/craftsmen
Original use Residence	
Present owner Mrs. William L. (Mildred)	Source of name
Present owner address Winston	Source of date Surveyor's estimate.
304 N. Highland St.	Stories 1½, 1
Present use Not in use	Foundation and wall const'n Sandstone foundation; walls:
Acreage 10 acres	frame constr. covered w. weatherboard & stucco.
	Roof type Gable, metal-covered

State condition of structure and environs House in deteriorating but still repairable condition.
 Surrounded on all sides by new high-income residences. Considered by some neighbors an attractive nuisance; others wish to see house re-stored and occupied.
 State potential threats to structure
 Note any archaeological interest Neglect, lack of maintenance

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.)

A frame constructed dwelling clad with weatherboard and in recent years covered with stucco. Logs are visible in the exposed wall on the kitchen end. Sandstone foundation, chimneys, and 1-story kitchen wing. Foundation has a crude water table c3 feet up from ground. Stonework consists of roughly shaped blocks laid both with and without mortar. A 3 foot high, 18 inches thick stone wall or foundation protrudes from apparent end wall of kitchen wing about 20 feet to the east, suggesting either that the house was longer than at present or that there were outbuildings that no longer exist. (May also be demolished end of kitchen.)

The visible windows, set in dormers at both front and rear (other windows all boarded up), are sash-type 4/4. Chimney closet windows: 2/4. Doors: 6 panels; no hardware except an oval brass lock plate on rear door. (Plate not original; source: owner.)

Initial "OH" carved in upper surface NW corner of front step of house.

Roof: raised-seam metal with traces of shingles visible underneath.

Small wooden shed and outhouse at back; but no outbuildings of note.

Cemetery (50 x 100 feet) adjoins property, containing about 35 stones of mainly members of Hutchison family.

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Interior inspected? No.

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

Prospect Hill was once a part of King Carter's Bull Run Tract of 41,660 acres patented in 1724. Sometime afterwards, the Prospect Hill estate came into ownership by the Hutchison Family. That family's holdings extended into Loudoun County to the north, and included the farm to the east known as "Egypt."

The house has at the entrance to its approach a moderately large family cemetery containing, among some 35 others, the graves of Judge John Hutchison (1768-184) and his wife Nancy. Judge Hutchison (the grandson of Andrew Hutchison, the immigrant ancestor of the family who was born in England in 1687), was the presiding judge of the county court. The John Hutchisons are said to have been known for their generous hospitality at the richly furnished Prospect Hill.

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Prospect Hill (76-22), cont.

Architectural description.

Additional notes, 15 Jan 1979. In a telephone interview with the owner, Mrs. Winston said that the house is constructed of logs, and that, according to a carpenter she hired to do some repairs in the early 1960s, Fred Hutchison, there is an interior log wall. There was a porch across the front of the house, and another porch off the kitchen end. There is a basement under the kitchen. Over the kitchen there was a loft, reached by a stair from the kitchen.

The main house, 1st floor, has two rooms and a central passage. There are three rooms on the 2d floor--the west room has a fireplace, the center room is unheated, and the east room may have had a fireplace but now has a stove flue.

The house has simple mouldings, stair rail, and mantels. Board and batten door on kitchen end said to be original. One pair of HL hinges still remain on back door of main house.

Dismanteled log structure on property was purchased in Damascus, Md., and transported here for reassembly.

Historical significance.

Ownership history, continued: Upon the present owner's grandfather's death (Westwood Hutchison--1849- 1933), the property, then a large working farm, was sold to Congressman Howard Smith and Congressman Robertson (?), the latter from Texas. A Mr. Norman bought the farm from the two U.S. Representatives and sold the house and 10 acres to Mr. Monroe, from whom Mrs. Winston's mother (Susan Hutchison?) bought the house and 10 acres in the early 1960s.

Sources and bibliography

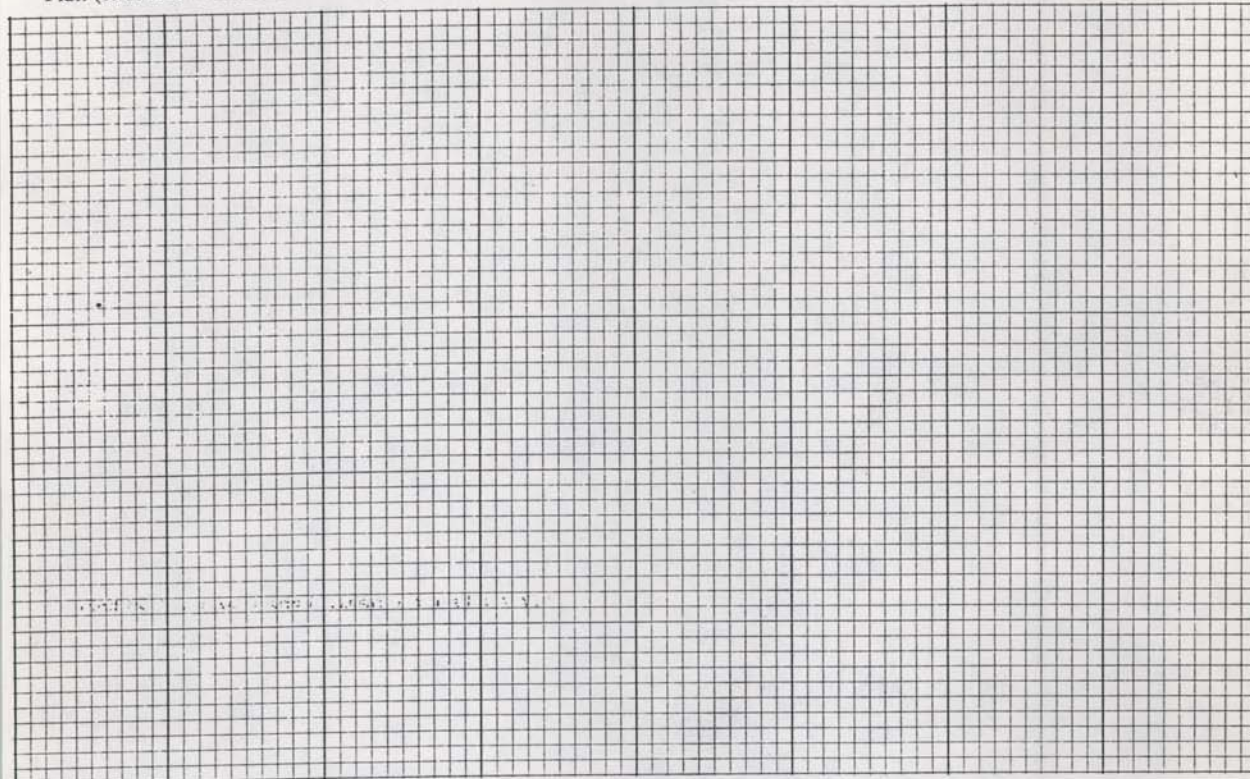
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Primary sources (Manuscript documentary or graphic materials; give location.)

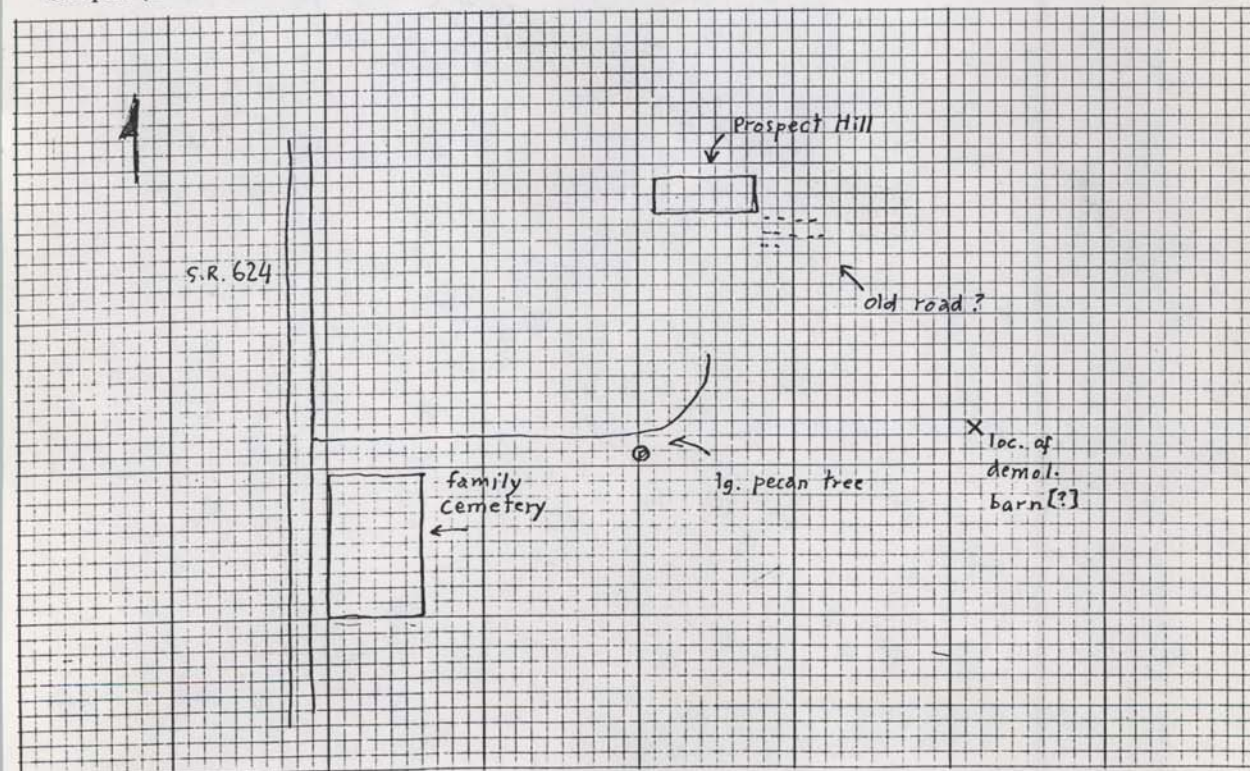
HABS I; Mrs. Winston has earlier photographs of the house.

Names and addresses of persons interviewed Mrs. William L. (Mildred) Winston (owner)

Plan (Indicate locations of rooms, doorways, windows, alterations, etc.) Plan appears on separate sheet.



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



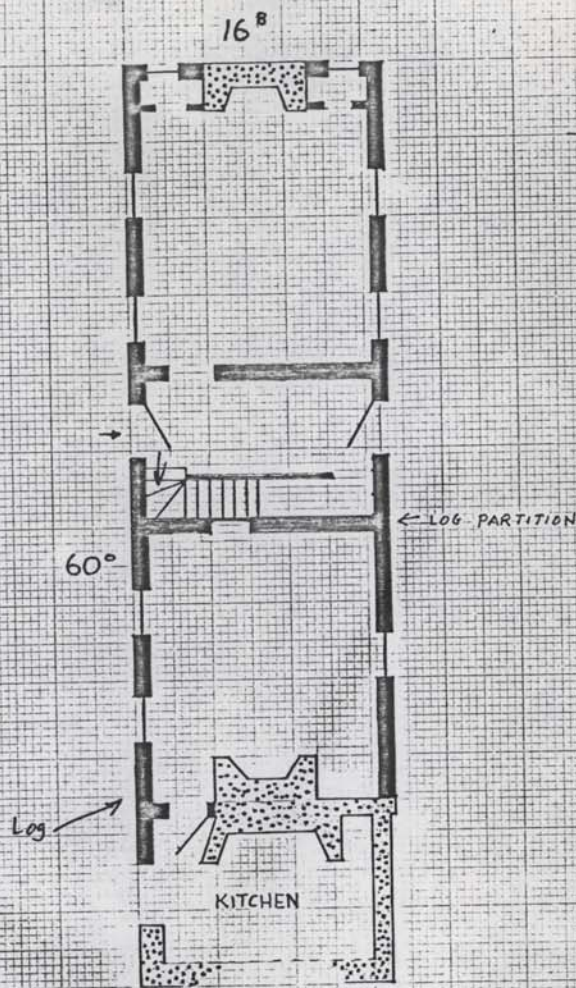
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PROSPECT HILL (76-22), PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY



Note: Interior not drawn to scale.

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