



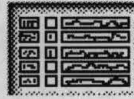
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<b>TITLE</b>	Ranch house : survey report, 1937 Oct. 22 / research made by Susan Rogers Morton. 4 leaves.
<b>NOTE</b>	Map location number: PW304
<b>NOTE</b>	Class: Home
<b>NOTE</b>	Building date: Unknown
<b>NOTE</b>	Building plan: Double log house
<b>NOTE</b>	Number of stories: 1.5
<b>NOTE</b>	Building material: Log
<b>NOTE</b>	Location: Private road off Rt. 621.
<b>NOTE</b>	Primary owners: George Carter, W.R. Hynton
<b>NOTE</b>	The house consists of two log cabins joined by a covered span. It is in poor condition.
<b>NOTE</b>	Includes description of the house and site.
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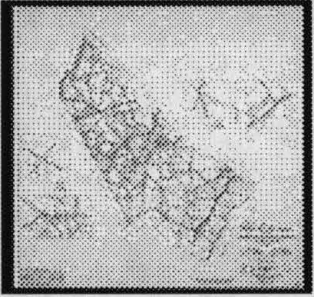
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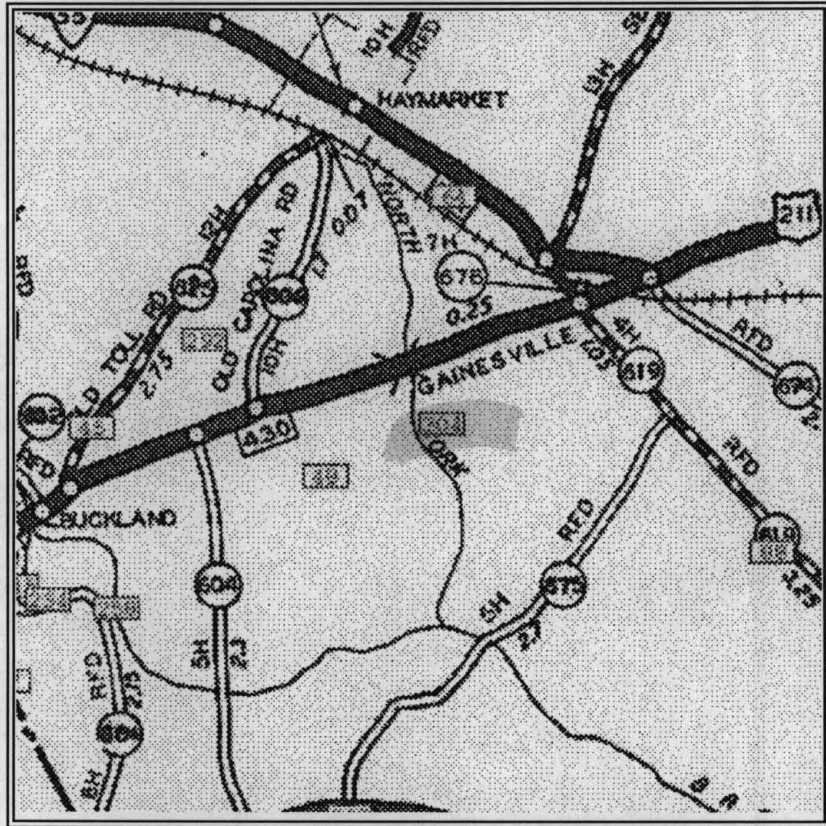
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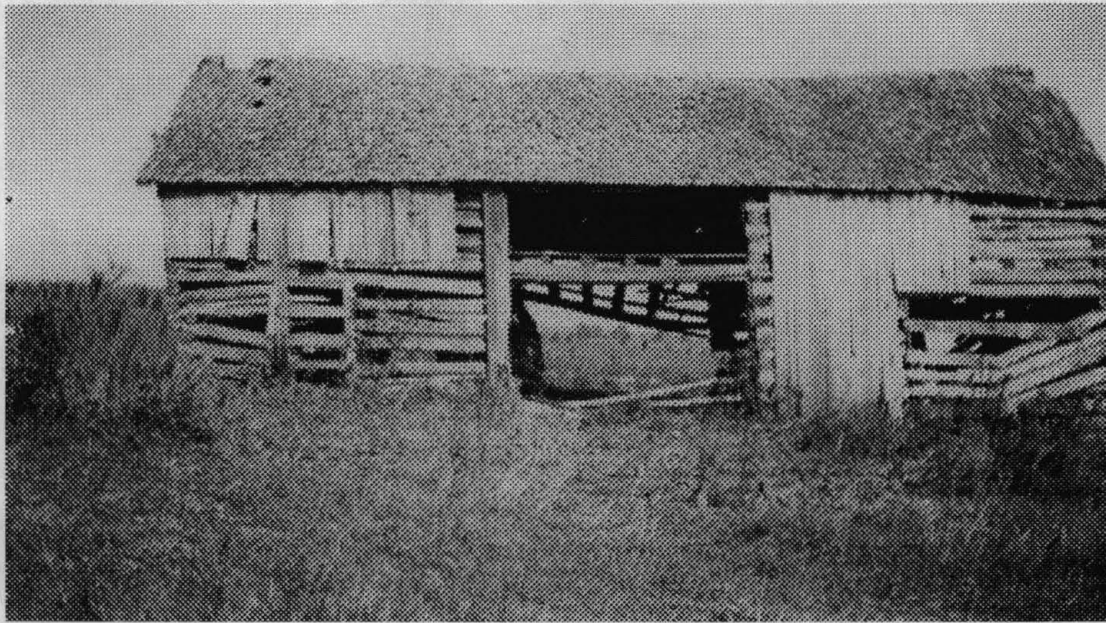
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HISTORICAL INVENTORY

304

COUNTY: Prince William

CLASS: Home

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--- "RANCH HOUSE" ---

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Research made by  
Susan Rogers Morton,  
Haymarket, Virginia.

October 22, 1937

## 1. SUBJECT:

"Ranch House".

## 2. LOCATION:

To the west of private road leading from Route #621.  
3 $\frac{1}{4}$  miles Route #211.

## 3. DATE:

Unknown.

## 4. OWNERS:

Originally a grant from the Proprietors of the Northern Neck to George Carter, the 29th of June, 1731, of two thousand forty-one acres, being part of a larger grant containing one thousand, six hundred and sixty acres granted to Land Carter, George Carter, Robert Burwell, Mann Page and Carter. There seems to be no way of finding when the division of the land was made, but for many years it belonged to the "Mour View" tract, which land adjoins, and is now owned by Mr. R. Hynton.

## 5. DESCRIPTION:

At present this old house is nestling in the midst of a large field, with no trees near by, but there must have been trees surrounding it in the past as the stumps in the space around the house will testify. It is located about four hundred feet from the road, and has not been used as a dwelling for many years.

The interesting thing about it is the form in which it was built, being a double cabin with a covered span between them that a large team could pass through. There is one chimney and there seems to have been no way of heating the cabin except by a fire in the north.

It is in such a ruinous condition that it is difficult to describe it. The logs are all mortised, and were formerly daubed with stone and brick, mud chinked. There is one room in each cabin, and a loft reached by a ladder, the same in both parts of the house. There was once a large stone place, and wide hearth, but it is torn apart, and the chimney is partly fallen. There are the rotting remains of several outbuildings, and the yard is dotted with clumps of matrimony vine and rose bushes.

## 6. HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

No one seems to know the history of this house, but it is locally known as "Ranch House", although there is no explanation.

tion of the name. Some thirty years ago it was habitable and a family lived there for some time. but it is almost beyond repair at the present time. There was some fighting here in 1861, and there was said have been at least one soldier shot while hiding by some of these buildings.

7. ART:

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8. SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Informants: Mr. H. E. Polen, Sudley, Virginia,  
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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING CALLED FOR IN  
5-A. of BULLETIN 3400

Name of Building "RANCH HOUSE".

EXTERIOR

- 1. Building Plan Double log house. Cellar ( )
- 2. No. of stories: ( 1 1/2 ) Attic classed as 1/2 story.
- 3. Material: Brick ( ) Frame ( ) Stone ( ) Log ( )
- 4. If brick, state what bond: Flemish ( ) English ( ) Common ( ) Other
- 5. Kind of roof: Hip ( ) Gabled ( X ) Gambrel ( ) Lean-to ( ) Deck ( )
- 6. If church, describe or draw sketch of roof on reverse side.
- 7. Roof Material: Slate ( ) Shingle ( X ) Metal ( ) Tile ( )
- 8. Chimneys: Number ( 1 ) Brick ( ) Stone ( X ) Location South end.
- 9. Weatherboarding: None Beaded ( ) Plain ( )
- 10. Cornices: Plain or Elaborate None Material
- 11. Windows: Number ( 8 ) Size and number of panes Entire frames gone
- 12. Shutters: Describe: None
- 13. Dormers: Number, and Shape of roof None
- 14. Porch: None
- 15. Type of Entrance: Three outer doors.
- 16. Columns: Doric ( ) Ionic ( ) Corinthian ( ) Square ( )

INTERIOR

- 17. No. of Rooms: ( 4 ) Large ( X ) Small ( ) Approximate ceiling height
- 18. Stairway: Open String ( ) Closed String ( ) Describe: Ladder to
- 19. Cellar: Describe None
- 20. Doors: Style and type of wood All gone
- 21. Walls: Panolled, papered or painted Once whitewashed.
- 22. Interior Cornices None.