Form 10-300

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries – complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON:
Dutch Hollow Wine Cellars

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Dutch Hollow Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Dunbar

STATE:
West Virginia

3. CLASSIFICATION

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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural ☑ Government ☐ Park ☐ Transportation ☐ Comments ☐
Commercial ☐ Industrial ☑ Private Residence ☑ Other (Specify) ☐
Educational ☐ Military ☐ Religious ☐ ☐
Entertainment ☐ Museum ☐ Scientific ☐ ☐

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
Heirs of Robert A. Given

STREET AND NUMBER:
c/o Charles B. Given 1212 Madison Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Charleston

STATE:
W. Va.

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Kanawha County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
400 Virginia Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Charleston

STATE:
West Virginia

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:
375 acres

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

CODE:

See Instructions
No description or photograph has been discovered to describe the original condition of the wine cellars. Since they functioned but three years, it must be assumed that they were never altered and looked substantially as they do today, except for some crumbling of the arched entrances.

The three separate but contiguous vaults with barrel roofs are virtually alike. Measurement of the middle vault yielded the following inside dimensions:

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The surroundings of the cellars are strictly rural and unspoiled except for a power line in the background. The hillside against which the cellars are placed is partly wooded. A stream flows near the entrance, but may have changed its course in recent years.
The Dutch Hollow Wine Cellars, fronted by triplet brick arches which excite the curiosity of passersby, are the last known remnants of a once thriving industry in West Virginia. In 1876 the resources of the State included wine manufacture because the summer suns were long and warm enough and the state well located within the thermometric zone in which grapes mature. The largest crop came from Ohio County, which had approximately 700 acres of grapes from a state-wide total of around 900 acres. In 1874 the Ohio County crop was valued at $100,000, with shipments to Pittsburgh, New York, Boston, and Omaha. By 1904, the industry was almost non-existent as only one "vinous liquor establishment" was listed in the entire state.

In Kanawha County, Tom Friend reportedly built the Dutch Hollow Wine Cellars, circa 1860. The "big, blue" grapes were picked, pressed, set in the sun to ferment and aged in the cool cellars. After proper aging, the wine was hauled by oxcart to Charleston and then to Cincinnati by steamboat. The variety of grapes grown at Dutch Hollow is not known, but elsewhere in the county, Catawba vineyards proved unreliable and were replaced with Concorads and Seedlings.

With the signing of the Lee surrender at Appomattox, labor was costly and the wine business was no longer profitable. It was then the winery was abandoned according to the descendants of a family who came to Dutch Hollow in 1861 to help operate the winery.

Another reason for the end of the industry is given by Maury and Fontaine: "The vineyards existing in Kanawha, in 1870, were principally Catawbas, but proved so unreliable that the owners have since uprooted them, and are now planting Concord and Seedling, and so little is done in grapes in that county, now that the Charleston market is supplied from the neighboring states of Virginia and Ohio."

Thus Fate decreed that an industry which showed some promise for West Virginia and was adaptable to her terrain should come to an untimely end.
9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES


10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Michael J. Powers
ORGANIZATION: West Virginia Antiquities Commission
DATE: July 17, 1970

STREET AND NUMBER: 39 Old Mountainlair, West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va.
CITY OR TOWN: Morgantown
STATE: West Virginia
CODE: 17

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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 [x]

Name
Title: Acting for State Liaison Off.
Date

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date
United States Department of the Interior
Geological Survey

Note: Calculations originated from the stream and road intersection on the Geol. Survey map. The corners were then calculated from the Assessor's map, which should be consulted for exact boundaries.