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Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates: 17.362490.4241040.
USGS Quadrangle: Burnaugh, West Virginia/ Kentucky

Significance: The wash house is a minor structure associated with the residential site at 3240 Cyrus Road, which was established between 1892 and 1901. The property is considered to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places in terms of its associations with community history. The wash house was built around 1968 or 1969, and is an example of spare functional design of a traditional building type in a modern material.

Description: The wash house is a cement block one-room building painted white. The building is 177 inches long and 157 inches wide. Its gabled-roof is oriented 120°, and has a pitch of 25°. Its floor is a poured concrete pad. Its one window is placed centrally in the northwest wall, and has 2-pane sliding aluminum sash. Its one door is centrally placed in the southeast wall. Above the door is a projecting shed porch roof that extends out above a concrete pad laid flush before the threshold. The building is electrified, is lighted, and has its own hot-water heater. The building has several uses. Its space includes a cement-block shower stall, a washer and dryer, and household storage. A television aerial is sited along its southwest wall.

History: Eustace "Buck" Chadwick (b. 1922), the lot owner, built the wash-house in 1968-69.

Sources: Eustace A. "Buck" Chadwick
Interview by Douglas L. Bailey, 1-2 PM, August 10, 1992

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