

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Union Grove Campground

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

East side of Mason Road, South of Rocky Gap Road

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

AL-11-C-095

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Religious revival meetings have been held on this site since the nineteenth century.

(26A.) Union Grove Camp Ground

This was one of several meeting grounds for religious activities in the 1800's and is still in existence today. Religious life played an important part in the development of Colonial America and certainly in Allegany County. This was one of the most popular camp grounds and was the site of many evangelical services and retreats.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

AL-III-C-045

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Peter E. Kurtze, MHT/SHA Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

April 1980

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle - Shaw House

TELEPHONE

269-2433

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Addendum to AL-III-C-045 Union Grove Campground

This addendum to the Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form, completed in 1980, is based on correspondence with Jack Smouse in October 1990.

Section 4 Notable Features, Historical Significance and Description

The camp had remained busy since the 1830s reaching its heyday by 1873.

1. STATE **Maryland**
 COUNTY **Allegany**
 TOWN **Cumberland** VICINITY
 STREET NO.
 ORIGINAL OWNER **Peter Smouse**
 ORIGINAL USE **Farm land**
 PRESENT OWNER **Union Grove Camp Ground**
 PRESENT USE **Assn. Religious Activities &**
 WALL CONSTRUCTION **Picnic grounds**
 NO. OF STORIES

2. NAME **Union Grove Camp Ground**
 DATE OR PERIOD **1873**
 STYLE
 ARCHITECT
 BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC

This ground consisting of eight and one-half acres was deeded in 1873 for the sum of \$500.00 to the Union Grove Camp Meeting Association. It is to be used for religious and family activities. Camp meetings were held many years before the Association was organized. Between 1873 and 1900, the Camp Ground was busy with religious activities. In fact, tents were pitched at the Camp Ground in which people lived during the summer. A two story building was erected on the Camp Ground, owned by the Association, that sold groceries, served meals, and even had a few extra beds to let for the night. All concessions were owned by the Association. It was a popular camp ground for evangelical services and retreats. It is still owned by the Union Grove Camp Ground Association. A large pavilion with a raised platform and seats constructed of wood is used for the religious services and family picnics still held at the Camp Grounds.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior

The Camp Ground is located about 5 miles from Cumberland on the Mason Road.

6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
 INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.
Interviews with Smouse family
Allegany County Court Records
Research of Helen Straw Hinkle 1963

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER
Mrs. William E. Hinkle (Helen Straw)
Box 228 Hinkle Road, Route 2
Cumberland, Maryland 21502
Member of Maryland Historical Society
 DATE OF RECORD **August 1970**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

1. STATE **Maryland**
 COUNTY **Allegany**
 TOWN _____ VICINITY _____
 STREET NO. _____
 ORIGINAL OWNER _____
 ORIGINAL USE _____
 PRESENT OWNER _____
 PRESENT USE _____
 WALL CONSTRUCTION _____
 NO. OF STORIES _____

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
 INVENTORY **MAG-#0106115507**

2. NAME **Union Grove Camp Ground**
 DATE OR PERIOD _____
 STYLE _____
 ARCHITECT _____
 BUILDER _____

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

OPEN TO PUBLIC

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior

Source: Historic Landmarks in Allegany County; a staff report by the Allegany County Planning & Zoning Commission, Cumberland, Maryland, Jan. 1965



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

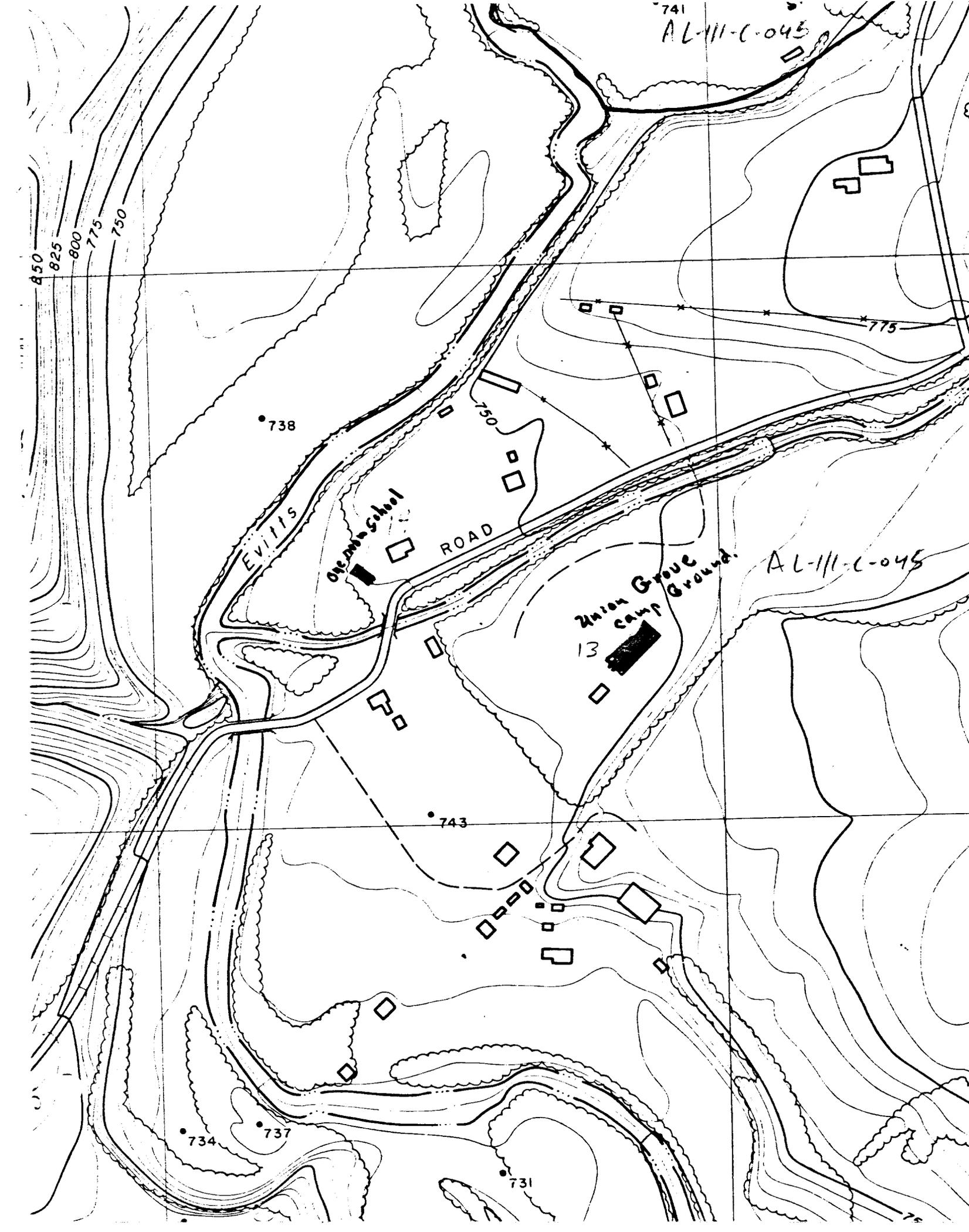
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
 INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

7. PHOTOGRAPH

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER

DATE OF RECORD

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE



741
AL-111-C-045

850
825
800
775
750

• 738

EVITTS

Evitts School

ROAD

750

* 775

Union Grove
Camp Ground.

AL-111-C-045

13

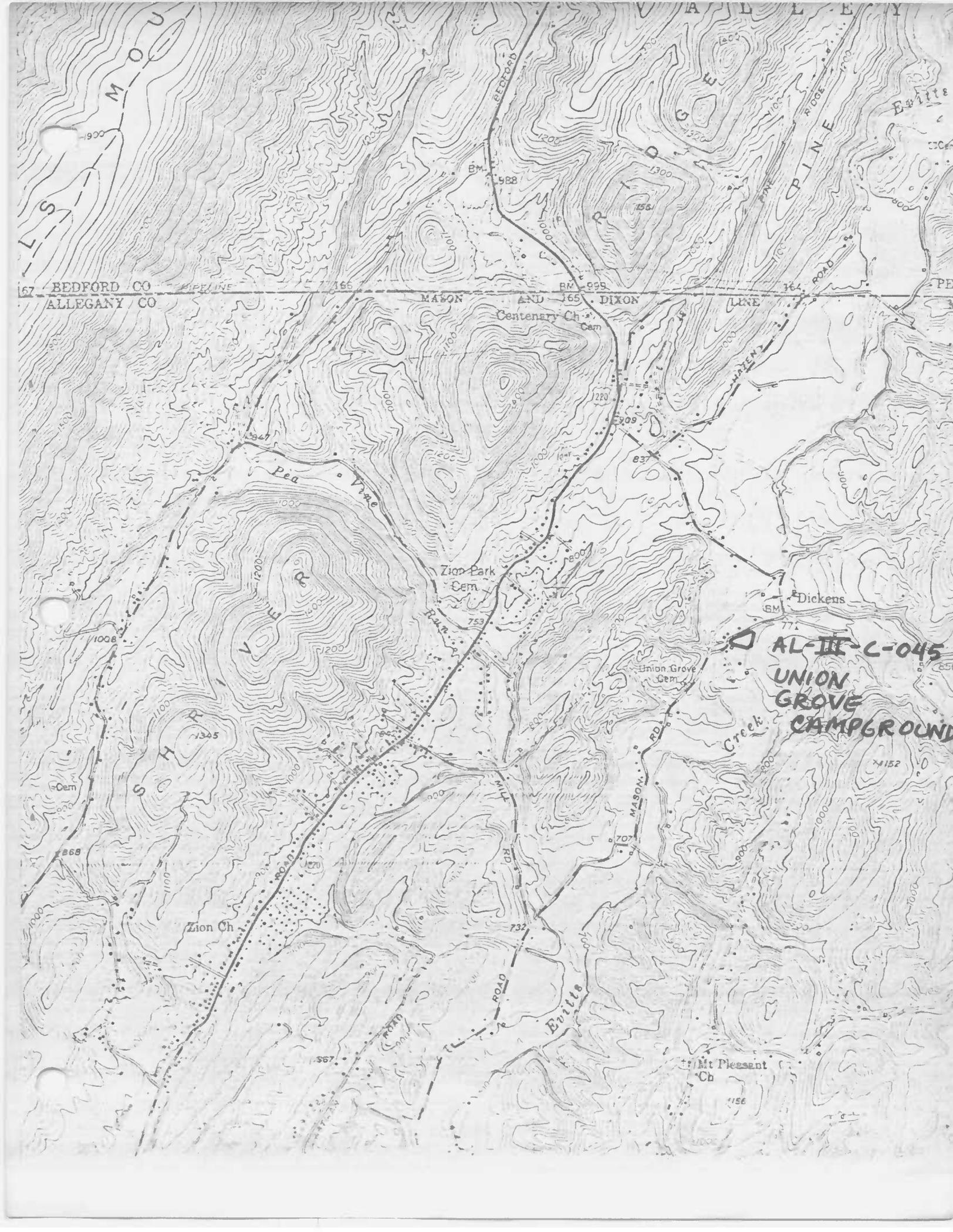
• 743

• 734

• 737

• 731

75





UNION GROVE
• CAMP • GROUNDS

Taken by Helen Straw Hinkle

AL-III-C-045