

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes no

Property Name: Frederick Fowble Farm Inventory Number: BA - 1167
Address: 15403 Hanover Raod (MD 30) Historic district: yes no
City: Upperco Zip Code: 21155 County: Baltimore County
USGS Quadrangle(s): Hampstead
Property Owner: Gregory and Jacqueline Barnes Tax Account ID Number: 0407001180
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 160 Tax Map Number: 31
Project: MD 30 at MD 91 BA616A21 Agency: SHA
Agency Prepared By: State Highway Administration
Preparer's Name: Fred Shoken Date Prepared: 05/13/2009
Documentation is presented in: MIHP Form No. BA-1167
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes no Listed: yes no
Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The Frederick Fowble Farm is located on a 5.35 acre site on the east side of Hanover Pike (MD 30) north of the intersection with Old Hanover Road. The property includes a 2 1/2 story tall, five bay wide stone house fronting on Hanover Pike at the northwest corner of the land parcel, a few outbuildings near the house, a bank barn approximately 100 feet south of the house, and farm fields along the southern and eastern half of the land parcel extending back to the rail road tracks binding the property on the east.

The stone house features an ashlar facade set into a Flemish bond pattern, a central entrance with a broken pediment surround, six lite transom and sidelights, six over six windows with decorative louvered shutters, a hipped shingle roof with two dormer windows and brick chimneys projecting above the roof line at the center of the house. A six foot high wood fence screens the front of the house from Hanover Pike. The other elevations are constructed of rubble stone. On the rear, there is a two story ell with a gable roof perpendicular to the hipped roof and a frame addition with a second floor porch facing south.

The bank barn features a rubble stone lower level, beaded edge and center vertical boards on the upper level and standing seam gable metal roof. The north side is banked into a hill with a wagon door hung on rollers fronting an asphalt drive that extends to Hanover Pike between the bank barn and stone house. A second wagon door on rollers is located on a shed roof wing along the

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MHT Comments:	
<u>Jim Stalman</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>8/10/09</u> Date
<u>Blumentz</u> Reviewer, National Register Program	<u>8/10/09</u> Date

west elevation. The west gable end of the barn above this wing has a central one over one window set into a pedimented surround. The lower level of the barn features Dutch doors, large opening to the shed wing and a pair of doors on the upper level.

The outbuildings near the stone house include a one story, one bay, square frame building, a frame poultry house and a third outbuilding with a siding similar to the barn. The area around the house, barn and outbuildings are landscape with many trees. The only other trees on the land parcel are along the perimeter especially screening the property from the railroad tracks.

Although the Frederick Fowble Farm has been identified as an inn, old maps and research indicates that the Blue Bell Tavern which is no longer extant was located across the road on the west side of Hanover Pike. This property appears to date from c. 1859 and was the farm property of Frederick Fowble who also owned the Blue Bell Tavern across the road.

The stone house is architecturally significant for its unusual stone work set into a Flemish bond pattern with long stones similar to brick stretchers, alternating with smaller stones akin to brick headers. A few other examples of this type of construction can be found in the vicinity, most notably the John Payne Farm (CARR-919) at 3810 Hoffman Mill Road at Hampstead in Carroll County. It is possible that this unique stonework is the specialty of an unknown builder/mason who worked in this vicinity for a short time period in the mid-nineteenth century. The property which includes the stone house, bank barn, outbuilding and field retains its integrity as a small farmstead with few alterations. Although the tall fence built directly in front of the house changes the relationship of the property to Hanover Pike, an old turnpike route, it blocks out traffic noise from trucks and other vehicles that frequent this location. The fence is not necessarily a permanent feature of the property.

The Fowble family emigrated from Germany to what is now Carroll County in the vicinity of Manchester and Hampstead in the middle of the eighteenth century. Melchor, a descendent of Peter Fowble, the patriarch of this family, moved to the vicinity of what is now Fowblesburg prior to 1800. There have been many generations of the Fowble family owning property in this area. The Fowble Farm property remained in the Fowble family from 1859 to 1968.

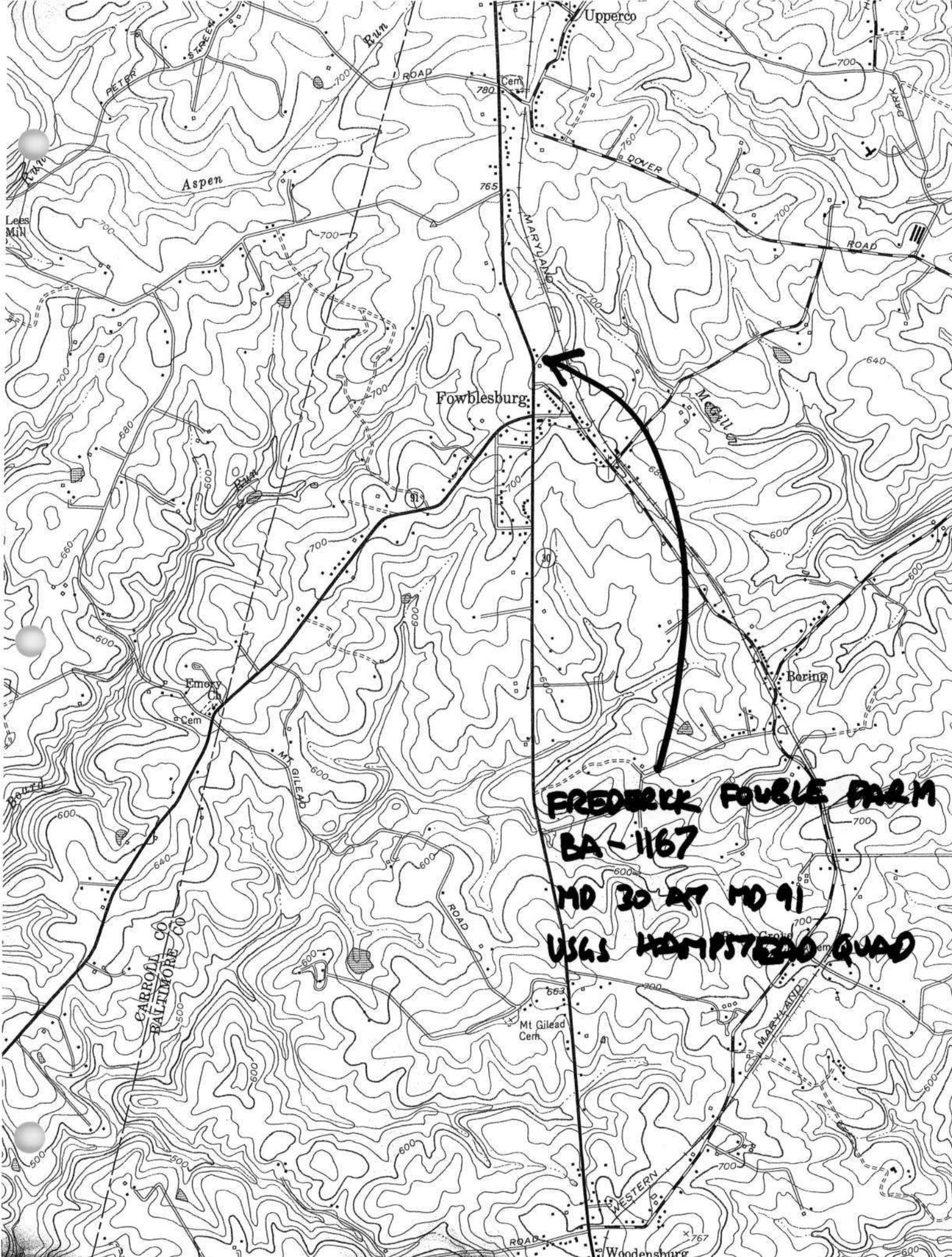
The Frederick Fowble Farm is eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion C -- a property that embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction on the local level. The stone house is a unique stonework design of high artistic value and craftsmanship. The boundary for this resource is coterminous with the tax parcel since it includes a bank barn, outbuildings and fields related to the farmstead.

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Frederick Fowble
Farm BA-1167
Aerial View



BA-1167



Upperco

Rain

PETER

Aspen

Lees Mill

Cem

DOVER

ROAD

Fowblesburg

McMillan

Emory Ch

Boring

FREDERICK FOUBLE FARM

BA-1167

MD 30 AT MD 91

USGS HAMPSTEAD QUAD

CARROLL CO
BALTIMORE CO

MT GILEAD

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MARYLAND

WESTERN

Woodensburg



BA-1167

FREDERICK FOWLER FARM

BAUMHOLE COUNTY, MARYLAND

FRED SHOKEN

MAY 12, 2009

MD S4PO

FRONT AND SOUTH SIDE ELEVATION VIEW LOOKING NORTH

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BA - 1157

FREDERICK FOLWEL FARM

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

FRED SHOKEN

MAY 2, 2009

MD SAPO

BANK BARN - WEST ELEVATION VIEW LOOKING EAST

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BA-1157

FREDERICK FOWLER FINE

BRISTOLWATE COUNTY, MARYLAND

FRED SARKIS

MAY 2, 2009

MD 5440

BANK BARN - SOUTH ELEVATION VIEW LOOKING NORTH

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BA-1107

FREDERICK FOLWERS FARM

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

FARM PROPERTY

MAY 12 2009

MD STATE

FARM FIELD VIEW LOOKING SOUTH FROM MD 30

TO OLD BRIDGE FARM

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CAPSULE SUMMARY

BA-1167

Fowblesburg Inn

15401 Old Hanover Road & 15403 Hanover Pike

Fowblesburg, Baltimore County

Ca. 1840

Private

The Fowblesburg Inn, constructed circa 1840, dates to the early settlement of this community along Old Hanover Road and the Hanover Turnpike. It derives its historic significance from its important purpose as a traveler's stop beside a tollgate along the turnpike. The form, materials, and ornament of the late Federal style tavern is characteristic of many early 19th century buildings in towns and rural areas throughout the northwestern portion of Baltimore County. The 1850 county atlas indicates that Fowblesburg, while still a thriving residential community, had not yet been provided a name. By 1877, the small community was named for the Fowble family.

The Fowblesburg Inn, fronting west at 15401 Hanover Road, is a two-and-a-half-story, five-bay wide building with a two-and-a-half-story, three-bay-deep ell that is flush with the north elevation of the main block of the building. The façade of the coursed rubble stone masonry building is finished with coursed ashlar stone. The façade features a central paneled double-leaf wood door with three-light sidelights over paneled dado and a seven-light transom, all with a molded wood surround and narrow engaged Tuscan columns between the door and sidelights. A circa 1930 Colonial Revival style door surround composed of fluted pilasters supporting a broken pediment was applied to the façade. The south two bays feature two 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and sills at each story. The remaining five façade openings have 6/6 vinyl windows with vinyl surrounds and sills. All façade windows have stone lintels and fixed louvered wood shutters. Rising from the hipped roof, which is clad in asphalt shingles, are two gabled dormers. Circa 1990, a large one-story addition on a poured concrete foundation was constructed to span the space between the intersection of the main block and the ell. There are two historic and three non-historic outbuildings located on the property.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Fowlesburg Inn

other

2. Location (Property fronts both Old Hanover Rd. & Hanover Pike with the main house front facing Hanover Pike. 15403 Hanover Pike address is the mailing address and the 15401 Old Hanover Rd. is the tax ID address for the property.)

street and number 15401 Hanover Road & 15403 Hanover Pike not for publication

city, town Upperco vicinity

county Baltimore County

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Gregory D. and Jacqueline M. Barnes

street and number 15401 Hanover Road telephone Not Available

city, town Upperco state MD zip code 21155-9173

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 12618 folio 640

city, town Towson tax map 31 tax parcel 160 tax ID number 0407001180

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
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- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: _____

6. Classification

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		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
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7. Description

Inventory No. BA-1167

Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Fowblesburg Inn, fronting west at 15401 Hanover Road, is a two-and-a-half-story, five-bay wide building with a two-and-a-half-story, three-bay-deep ell that is flush with the north elevation of the main block of the building. The façade of the coursed rubble stone masonry building is finished with coursed ashlar stone. The façade features a central paneled double-leaf wood door with three-light sidelights over paneled dado and a seven-light transom, all with a molded wood surround and narrow engaged Tuscan columns between the door and sidelights. A circa 1930 Colonial Revival style door surround composed of fluted pilasters supported a broken pediment was applied to the façade. The south two bays feature two 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and sills at each story. The remaining five façade openings have 6/6 vinyl windows with vinyl surrounds and sills. All façade windows have stone lintels and fixed louvered wood shutters. Rising from the hipped roof, which is clad in asphalt shingles, are two gabled dormers with 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and sills. Circa 1990, a large one-story addition on a poured concrete foundation spans the space between the intersection of the main block and the ell. Clad in vinyl siding, only a portion of the addition rises to the second story, where it features a porch with a square-edged balustrade.

There are two historic and three non-historic outbuildings located on the property. The wood frame well house, constructed circa 1935, has a concrete foundation, beaded vertical board cladding, and a front gable roof clad in asphalt shingles. The façade is centrally pierced by one beaded vertical board single-leaf wood door.

The circa 1900 bank barn sits on a random rubble stone foundation and has a side gable roof clad in standing-seam metal. The wood frame building is clad in beaded vertical board and features two flush vertical board double-leaf sliding doors.

Dating to circa 1960, the garage/machine shed has a wood post foundation, saltbox roof clad in standing-seam metal, and vertical board siding over a wood frame. The façade is pierced by one beaded vertical board sliding door.

The circa 1960 shed, clad in beaded vertical board over a wood frame, features a random rubble stone foundation and shed roof clad in asphalt shingles. The façade is pierced by one beaded vertical board single-leaf wood door and one three-light sliding window.

The garage, which dates to circa 1990, has a poured concrete slab foundation, front gable roof clad in asphalt shingles, and vinyl siding over a wood frame. The façade features two paneled rollup doors and one flush single-leaf door.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
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	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates	1840 ca	Architect/Builder	Unknown
Construction dates	1840 ca, 1990 ca		

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

The Fowblesburg Inn dates to the early settlement of this community along Old Hanover Road and the Hanover Turnpike. It derives its historic significance from its important purpose as a traveler's stop beside a toll gate along the turnpike. The form, materials, and ornament of the late Federal style tavern is characteristic of many early 19th century buildings in towns and rural areas throughout the northwestern portion of Baltimore County. The 1850 county atlas reveals that Fowblesburg, while still a thriving residential community, had not yet been provided a name. By 1877, the small community was named for the Fowble family. The nearby town of Upperco, similarly named for one of the area's predominant families, was the location of a general store and Methodist Episcopal Church. A toll gate was located between the two communities on Hanover Turnpike, a branch of the Baltimore and Reisterstown Turnpike, which replaced the Old Hanover Road as the primary route from Baltimore to Hanover in Carroll County. Between 1877 and 1915, the Western Maryland Railroad was developed through the towns of Fowblesburg and Upperco, resulting in a greater economic vitality throughout the area.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Map of Baltimore County. Philadelphia, PA: G. W. Bromley, 1915.

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Scharf, Thomas J. *History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men.* Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA.

Sidney, J. C. *Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland, from Original Surveys.* Baltimore, MD: James M. Stephens, 1850.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property .5 Acres

Acreage of historical setting Unknown

Quadrangle name Hampstead

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Since circa 1840, the Fowlesburg Inn has been associated with the 5.35 acres known as parcel 160 of tax map 31 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	A. McDonald, R. Weidlich, and A. Didden, Architectural Historians		
organization	EHT Tracerics, Incorporated	date	March 29, 2001
street & number	1121 5th Street NW	telephone	202.393.1199
city or town	Washington	state	DC

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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1623 HANOVER PIKE
UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY

USGS Quad: HAMPSTEAD
Scale: 1:24,000

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GATE KEEPER'S HOUSE
15405 HANOVER PIKE
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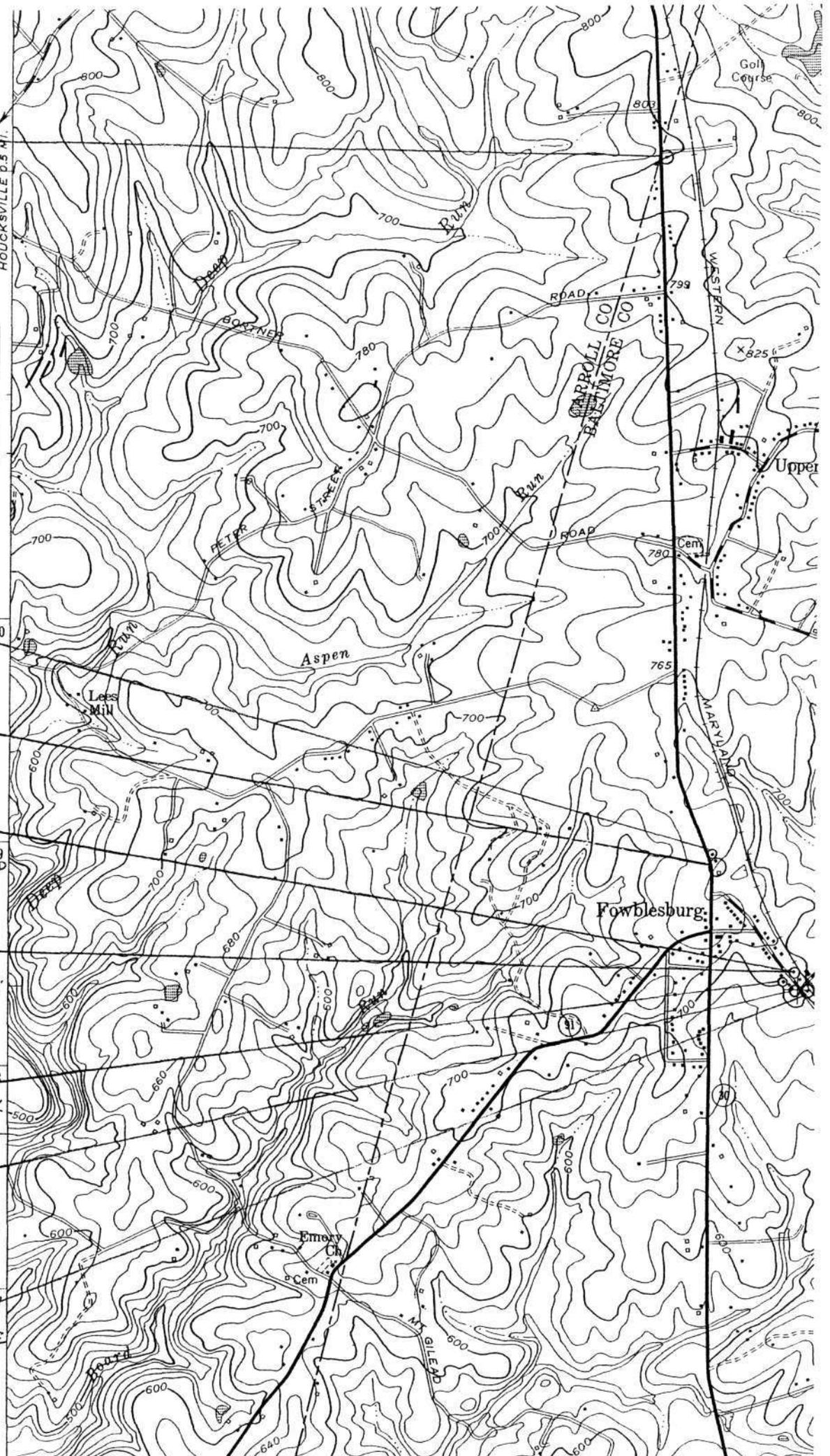
BA-1169
DAVIS STORE
15209 OLD HANOVER ROAD
UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-1170
DAVIS FEED MILL
15209 OLD HANOVER RD 32'30"
UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-1174
FARMER'S + MERCHANTS BANK
5204 OLD HANOVER ROAD
UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-1173
THE PARSONAGE
5200 OLD HANOVER ROAD
UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-1172
ANNIE HOUCK BYERLY HOUSE
239 BYERLY ROAD
UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY





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FOWBLESBURG INN

15401 HANOVER ROAD, UPPERCO

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

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WEST ELEVATION, FACING EAST



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FOWBLESBURG INN

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SOUTHWEST CORNER, FACING NORTHEAST

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FOWBLESBURG INN
15401 HANOVER ROAD, UPPERCO
BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

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SOUTHEAST CORNER, FACING, NORTHWEST



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FOWLESBURG INN

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NORTH ELEVATION, FACING, SOUTHWEST



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FOWBLESBURG INN

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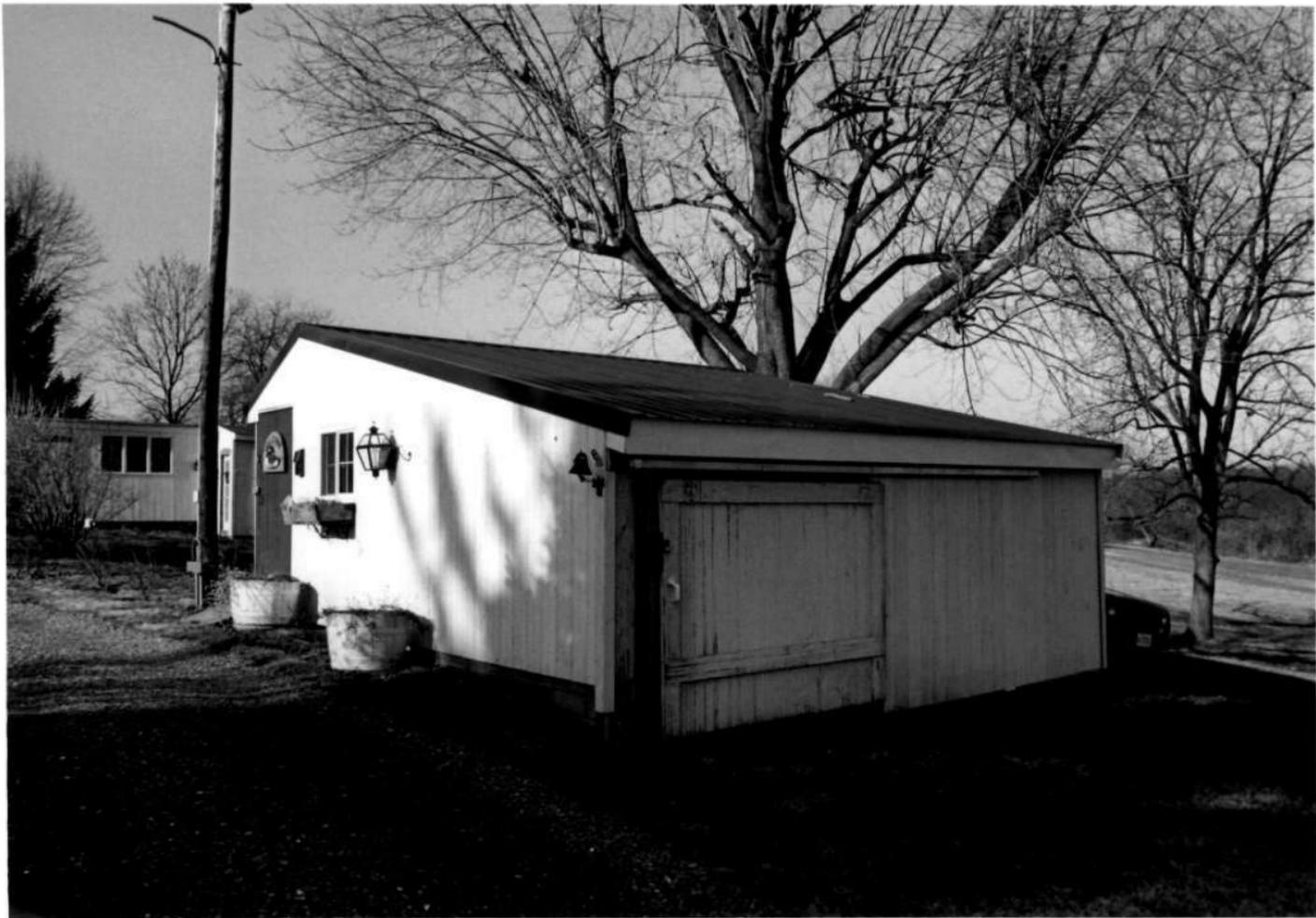
BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

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BARN, FACING SOUTHEAST



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FOWBLESBURG INN

15401 HANOVER ROAD, UPPERCO

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

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MD SHPO

SHED, FACING NORTHEAST



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FOWBLESBURG, INN

15401 HANOVER ROAD, UPPERCO

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

3/2001

MD SHPO

SHED, FACING NORTHWEST

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Frederick Fowble Farm

15403 Hanover Pike & 15401 Old Hanover Road

Fowblesburg

Private

c. 1859

The Frederick Fowble Farm is located at 15403 Hanover Pike in northwestern Baltimore County, Maryland, and faces west toward the road. It is a 2 ½-story, five-bay by two-bay stone structure with a hip roof that has asphalt shingles and a north-south ridge. The west elevation has ashlar in a Flemish bond pattern and the other walls are rubble stone. On the east is a two-story rubble stone ell with a gable roof that has an east-west ridge and an interior brick chimney at the east end. The west elevation has a center entrance with a broken pediment and a six-light transom with stained glass. On either side are two six-over-six sash. About 100 feet south of the house is a bank barn with a rubble stone lower story, beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards on the upper story, a gable roof with standing seam metal and an east-west ridge, and a fore bay on the south. The north side is banked into the hill and has a pair of wagon doors hung on rollers in the center. There is a shed roof wing on the west elevation that has the same foundation, siding and roofing as the barn. Just east of the house is a one-story, one-bay square frame outbuilding with a gable roof that has asphalt shingles and a north-south ridge. There is a new cupola on the ridge. South of this outbuilding is a frame poultry house with a shed roof that slopes down to the north. South of the poultry house is another outbuilding with the same siding as the barn. The gable roof has a short slope on the north side and a long slope on the south, with the ridge running east-west.

The Frederick Fowble Farm, located at 15403 Hanover Pike, has been known recently as the Fowblesburg Inn, but this appears to be a misnomer. As John McGrain's research has shown, the tavern was located on the west side of the turnpike, and was known as the Blue Ball Tavern. Frederick Fowble acquired it in 1845, and the 1850 Sidney map clearly shows his tavern, with no building on the opposite (or east) side of the road. John McGrain dated the stone house to c. 1859 based on changes to the property noted in the Transfer Books for that year, and this seems a reasonable surmise. It is shown on the 1877 Hopkins *Atlas*, and the tavern was still located just across the road. The house is significant for its unusual "Flemish Bond" stonework, which can be found in several other buildings nearby in Carroll County. The mason responsible for the work is unknown. Frederick Fowble died in 1898, and in his will he left to his son Elias N. Fowble "my former residence where he now resides, and premises . . . on the east side of the Hanover Turnpike road." Elias Fowble died in 1911 and left the farm to his wife Caroline for life, and then to his nephew John Frederick Fowble. At his death in 1939 the farm passed to his daughter, Delores Gertrude Armacost and her husband Harry. They sold it in 1968, and it may have passed out of the family at that time.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Frederick Fowble Farm
other Fowblesburg Inn

2. Location (Property fronts both Old Hanover Rd. & Hanover Pike with the main house front facing Hanover Pike. 15403 Hanover Pike address is the mailing address and the 15401 Old Hanover Rd. is the tax ID address for the property.)

street and number 15403 Hanover Pike & 15401 Old Hanover Road not for publication
city, town Upperco X vicinity
county Baltimore County

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Gregory and Jacqueline Barnes
street and number 15401 Hanover Road telephone
city, town Upperco state MD zip code 21155-9713

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 31-160
city, town Towson liber 12618 folio 640

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

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- Other

6. Classification

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			Contributing	Noncontributing
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
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7. Description

Inventory No. ~~BA-1176~~ BA-1167

Condition

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> altered |

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Frederick Fowble Farm is located at 15403 Hanover Pike in northwestern Baltimore County, Maryland, and faces west toward the road. It is a 2 ½-story, five-bay by two-bay stone structure with a hip roof that has asphalt shingles and a north-south ridge. The west elevation has ashlar in a Flemish bond pattern and the other walls are rubble stone. On the east is a two-story rubble stone ell with a gable roof that has an east-west ridge and an interior brick chimney at the east end. The west elevation has a center entrance with a broken pediment and a six-light transom with stained glass. On either side are two six-over-six sash with wood sills, stone lintels, shutter hinges, and fake shutters. The second story has five typical six-over-six sash. There is aluminum on the soffit and there are two dormer windows with a six-over-six sash and aluminum siding. An interior brick chimney flanks each side of the center bay. The south elevation has two typical six-over-six sash on both the first and second stories. The north elevation is five bays, two bays in the main block and three in the ell. Both the first and second stories have five six-over-six sash. On the south side of the ell is a frame addition with aluminum siding.

About 100 feet south of the house is a bank barn with a rubble stone lower story, beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards on the upper story, a gable roof with standing seam metal and an east-west ridge, and a fore bay on the south. The north side is banked into the hill and has a pair of wagon doors hung on rollers in the center and a four-light sash with pedimented trim in the west bay. There is a shed roof wing on the west elevation that has the same foundation, siding and roofing as the barn. It has a pair of wagon doors hung on rollers on the north elevation, and no openings on the west elevation. The west gable end of the barn has a one-over-one sash in the center with a vent to each side, and these have pedimented trim. The south elevation of the shed is open. The lower story of the barn on the south elevation has two Dutch doors to the west, then a pair of doors, a small window, and a Dutch door to the east. The upper story has a pair of doors over another pair of doors in the center.

Just east of the house is a one-story, one-bay square frame outbuilding with a gable roof that has asphalt shingles and a north-south ridge. There is a new cupola on the ridge. The south elevation has a door. South of this outbuilding is a frame poultry house with a shed roof that slopes down to the north. The west half of the south elevation has a door and three windows, while there is an addition on the east half. South of the poultry house is another outbuilding with the same siding as the barn. The gable roof has a short slope on the north side and a long slope on the south, with the ridge running east-west. On the west elevation is a door and a four-light sash that are paired together.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
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Specific dates	n/a	Architect/Builder	n/a
Construction dates	c. 1859		

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

The Frederick Fowble Farm, located at 15403 Hanover Pike, has been known recently as the Fowblesburg Inn, but this appears to be a misnomer based on the publication *Real Stories*, in 1917. As John McGrain's research has shown, the tavern was located on the west side of the turnpike, and was known as the Blue Ball Tavern. Frederick Fowble acquired it in 1845, and the 1850 Sidney map clearly shows his tavern, with no building on the opposite (or east) side of the road. John McGrain dated the stone house to c. 1859 based on changes to the property noted in the Transfer Books for that year, and this seems a reasonable surmise. It is shown on the 1877 Hopkins Atlas, and the tavern was still located just across the road. The house is significant for its unusual "Flemish Bond" stonework, which can be found in several other buildings nearby in Carroll County. Most notable of these is the John Payne Farm (CARR-919) at 2810 Hoffman Mill Road, which was built c. 1858-1868. The mason responsible for the work is unknown, but the few number of examples of this stonework suggest that he was only in this region for a short period of time, perhaps only a few years, and thus was either an itinerant, died early, or went off to war and did not return. Where the idea came from and whether it was original or influenced by someone else is not known. Another example of this stonework has been observed in a house on Bull Road in York County, Pennsylvania, and it has a date stone that appears to read "1862," indicating that, in order to understand this feature, further research is needed that disregards political boundaries. (1)

Fowble's first wife died at an unknown date, and he re-married in 1881. He and his new wife, Catherine Randle of Carroll County, entered into a marriage contract in which each agreed to keep their real estate and personal property separate, as if they were not married. This enabled them to pass their assets on to their own children after they died. Frederick Fowble died in 1898, and in his will he left to his son Elias N. Fowble "my former residence where he now resides, and premises . . . on the east side of the Hanover Turnpike road, thence with the old road until it intersects the field adjoining the school house lot, thence with a straight line across the meadow until it intersects Thomas Gill's land, thence bounding on the lands of Thomas Gill, Mrs. Leight, Stephen Gill and Henry Fringer, supposed to contain about fifty acres of land." Fowble wrote his will in 1889, so his son must have taken over the house and farm by that time. Elias Fowble died in 1911 and left the farm to his wife Caroline for life, and then to his nephew John Frederick Fowble. At his death in 1939 the farm passed to his daughter, Delores Gertrude Armacost and her husband Harry. They sold it in 1968, and it may have passed out of the family at that time. (2)

Notes:

(1)[John McGrain, "Hanover Pike," typescript, Baltimore County Department of Planning, n.d. J. C. Sidney, *Map of Baltimore County, Maryland*, 1850. G. M. Hopkins, *Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland*, 1877.

(2) Baltimore County Land Records, WMI 125-352. Frederick Fowble will, 11-283. Elias N. Fowble will, WJP 16-206.

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Baltimore County Land Records, CWB Jr. 935-513; OTG 4839-32.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 5.352 A.Acreage of historical setting 5.352 A.Quadrangle name HampsteadQuadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries include the entire property, which is scattered with historic structures.

11. Form Prepared By

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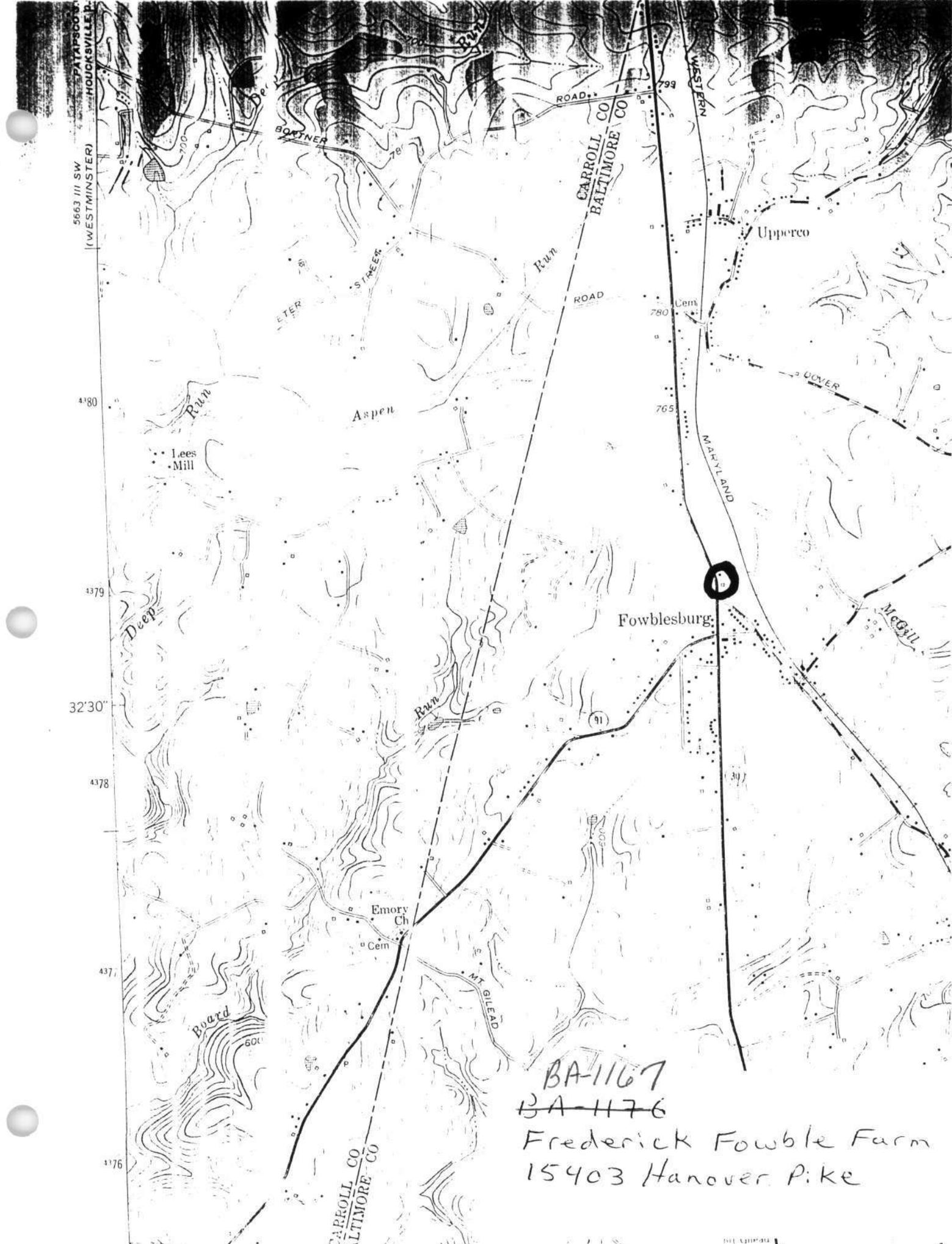
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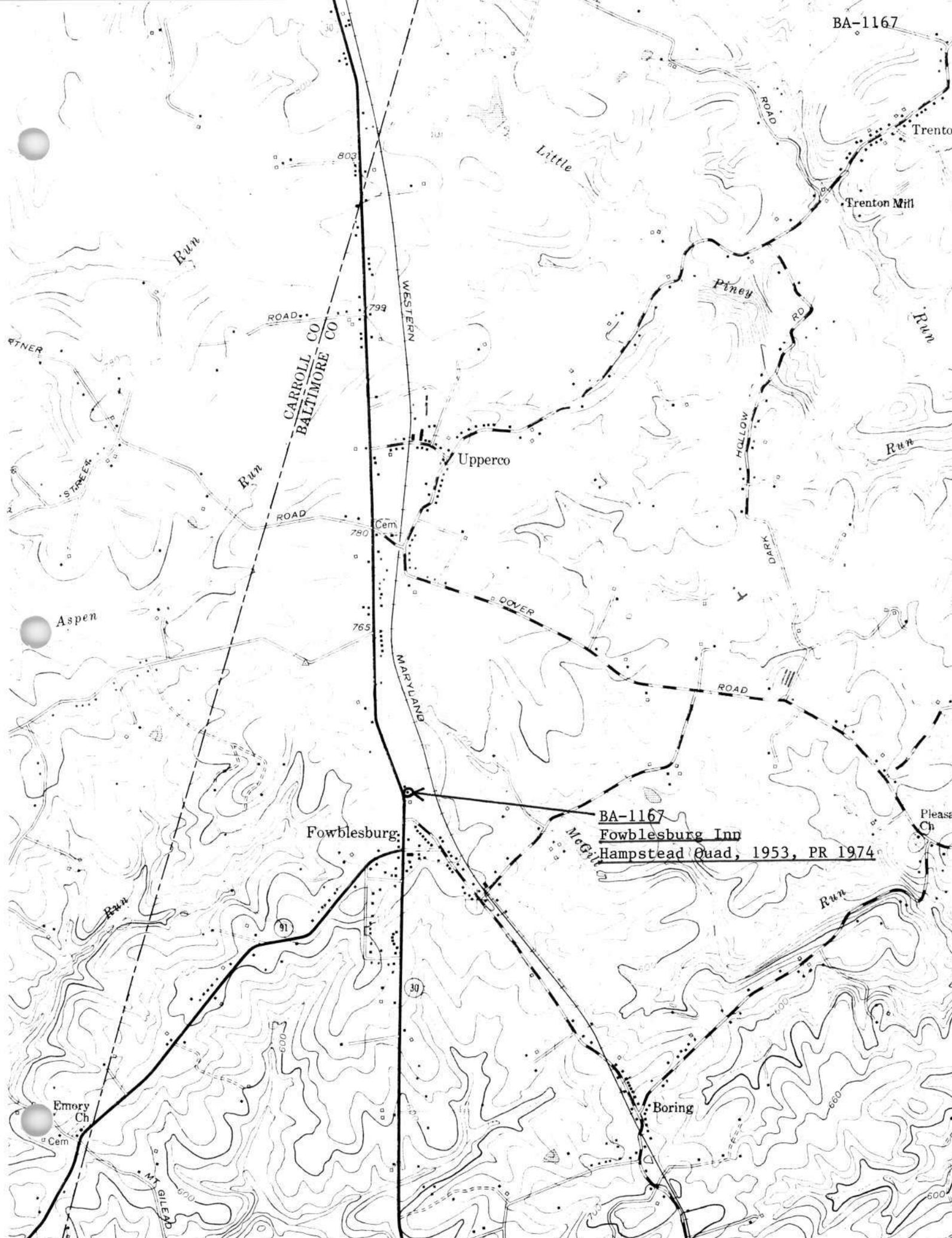
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