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CAPSULE
LEWIS JOB RIDER FRAME HOUSE

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LEWIS JOB RIDER FARM
BA # 1770, # 1770-A

The private residence located at 8026 Rider Avenue has a hen house incorporated into its northwest corner. "With the addition on the front, the building is said to have been a carriage house..." as well.[1]

The hen house has a shed roof and rests on a stone foundation. Although covered with shingles, exposed areas reveal board-and-batten siding.

Also located on this property are the remains of a bank barn. The stone foundation which now stands is composed of uncoursed fieldstone. Characteristics seen include loop-end hinges, hwen timbers, and seven evenly spaced doors and windows along the wall which constituted the first level.

[1] Kim Emerick, Student Surveyor

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Lewis Job Rider Frame House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
8025 Rider Ave.

CITY, TOWN
Towson

__ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Ninth

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Baltimore

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	X YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Lloyd Rogers

Telephone #: 825-1062

STREET & NUMBER
8025 Rider Ave.

CITY, TOWN
Towson

__ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21204

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #: 3647
Folio #: 268

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
County Courts Building

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Towson

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

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STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED	__MOVED DATE May, 1979
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The large Victorian residence facing the tracks with its stylized cross-gabled dormer and accentuated vertical thrust hides the older house to which it is attached. The west wing of this large dwelling is an older house which had a North-South orientation. It is likely to have been a dependency to the early 19th century (possibly late 18th century) Rider farm. In addition to the main house, the foundations for two barns, and a chicken house (see BA# 1770) have been found in this neighborhood. Subdivision which began in the mid-19th century has continued until the present resulting in a relatively high density of buildings in this area thus obscuring the rural quality and the relationship to each other which these earlier buildings once shared.

While the Victorian addition (c. 1870's to 1880's) to this house is a valuable building worthy of recording the specific goal of this survey to identify extant pre-Civil War structures resulted in an investigation primarily of the smaller west wing. A single brick wall on the north end of this otherwise frame building, its unusual access to both the second level and cellar as well as its twin entrances on the south side make it problematical.

On the exterior this section of the building appears as a two story frame and clapboard building with a simple gable-end roof. It is five bays wide and two deep. A rather large interior chimney is centrally located but does not bisect the building. The clapboards and the chimney cap, however, match those of the newer section and are read as replacements. Earlier clapboards of a different width (diminishing in size from bottom to top) can be seen on the south facade. On this same side one can see that the two innermost bays contain identical doorways which are probably original. Interior evidence can be found which supports three different interpretations of this plan and unfortunatly none is conclusive. The bilateral division of space and nearby farm structures set off from the earlier main house suggest the possibility of a duplex tenant house for the Rider farm. That the halves are not exactly equal plus the existence of the German double entrance dwellings in nearby Pennsylvania and Western Maryland (upper Baltimore County is Northern Maryland and very much a part of that unique culture) it is possible that this house was a single family dwelling with seperate entrances for the formal and everyday areas. The proximity of the building to the railroad, however, plus the evidence of a hotel in this neighborhood and the earlier "chopped up" quality of the second floor raise the possibility of this structure having had a semi-public use.

At any rate, on the interior the following was observed. The first floor plan provides for a parlor on the east side of the chimney and a kitchen on the west, while the second level contains two bedrooms. There

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is some evidence that these two rooms at one time were divided by partitions. The interuption in the random width flooring in the northwest corner indicates that there may have been access from the kitchen below.

In the basement, what appears to be brickwork rises above the floor frame in the north wall. A stone wall between the old and new sections is butt joined to the outer walls.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
.400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Third quarter 19th century BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See Attachment

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

D. Owings Schultz WAYNE L. NIELD, II

ORGANIZATION HISTORIC TOWSON, INC. DATE

STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE

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CHAIN OF TITLE FOR LEWIS JOB RIDER FRAME HOUSE
Parcel 12, map 69

LIBER	FOLIO	DATE	GRANTOR	GRANTEE
3647	268	December 22, 1959	Sadie D. T. Deaver	Lloyd R. Rogers, Jr. Christine Rogers

Beginning at the intersection of the northwestern limits of the Northern Central Railway and the center line of a road North... West 301 feet, viz South...West 109.9 feet South...West 26.6 feet South...West 21.5 feet, South...East 311.8 feet, North...East 74.5 feet to the beginning containing .79 acres.

3647	261	December 22, 1959	Alvey G. Hammond & wife	Sadie D. T. Deaver
1256	221	October 17, 1942	The Equitable Building & Savings Assoc. of Baltimore City	Alvey G. Hammond & wife
912	25	May 17, 1933	Mason P Morfit, Assignee	The Equitable Building & Savings Assoc, of Baltimore City
MORTGAGE:				
850	442	July 2, 1930	Philip H. Friese et al	Same as above grantee
557	19	June 22, 1922	Howard L. Rider & wife	Philip H. Friese et al
243	122	January 8, 1900	Angeline A. Foster	Howard L. Rider

Containing 27 acres

This property was Devised to Angeline A. Foster and Elizabeth Stevenson from their brother Lewis Job Rider by way of his Last Will & Testament recorded in Will Book 9, folio 281

"I give...all the rest and residue of my Estate, of every nature and kind...unto my Sisters Angeline A. Foster and Elizabeth Stevenson, to be equally divided between them..."

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L. Job Rider - Tax Assessments

1876 Tax Assessment Record for Baltimore County District 9

L. Job Rider

Tract of land Riders Station N.C.R.R.

85 acres at $ 215	$ 10,625
Improvements - Station house, shop & dwell.	1,500
House, Dairy, Stable	1,100
	$ 13,225
Furniture $ 65 Live Stock $ 505	570
Buggy $ 60 Implements $ 202	262
	$ 14,057

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INVENTORY LIST

LEWIS JOB RIDER Liber 25, folio 332
May 12, 1891
By Daniel M. Bryson and William B. Coe

Personal Estate:

Contents of house:

Parlor
Second Story Front (room)
Third Story Front (room)
Second Story Back (room)
Dining Room
Kitchen
Cellar

Outside and near house:

Wood Shed
Wagon Shed and Carriage House
Tool Room
Upstairs over tool room
Room over carriage house
Hog Pen
Barn
Spring House
Cow Shed
Sheep House
Straw Shed
Mill Field Barrack
Cassus Hope Barrack

Real Estate, Liber 25, folio 477:

"A certain tract...situate in Baltimore County at the intersection of the Joppa Road and the Northern Central Rail Road, lying North of the Joppa Road and West of the Railroad, containing about 47 acres of land, with all the improvements thereon, consisting of frame dwelling, barn and out buildings, old stone house, blacksmith shop and three frame dwellings" Valued at $8,000.

"A certain tract...by the Joppa Road, the Northern Central Railway and the County road containing about 1½ acres with the improvements thereon being a frame stone dwelling." Valued at $1,500

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A certain parcel on the north side of Joppa Road near to and East of the Northern Central Railway containing about 20 acres, improved and valued at $2,500

A certain parcel on the north side of a Public Road leading from Joppa Road to Lutherville and East of the Northern Central Railway containing 43 acres valued at $5,375.

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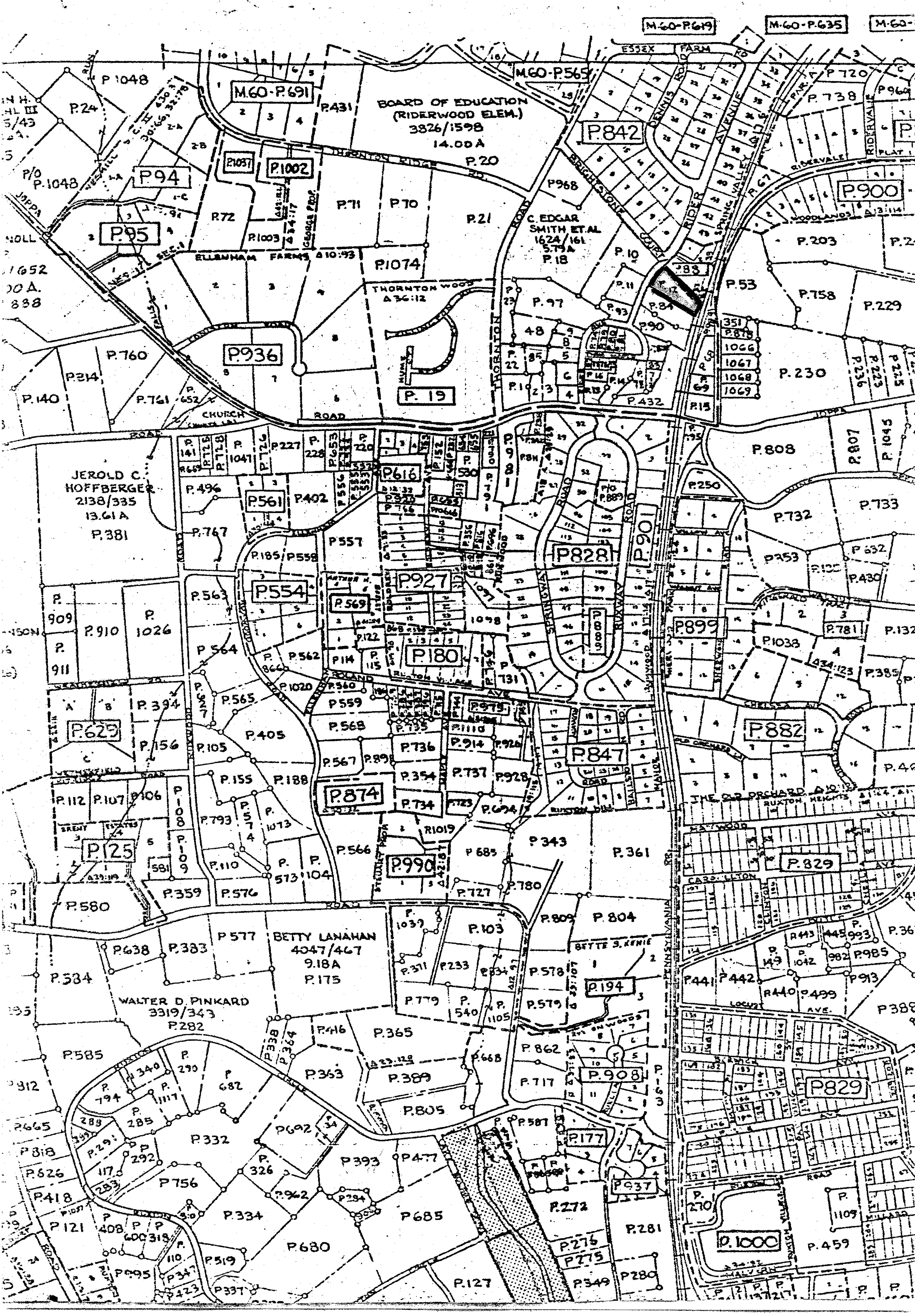
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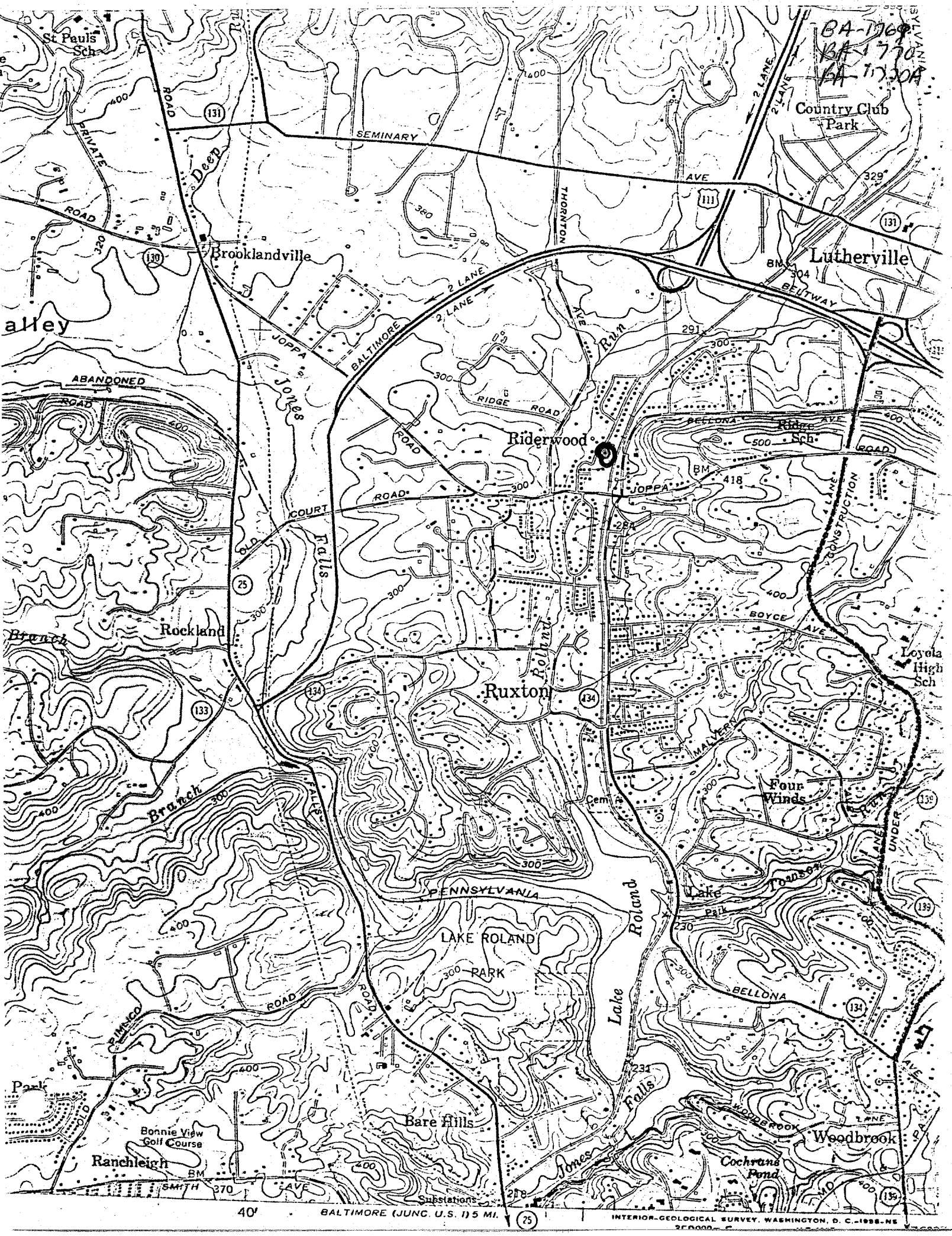

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