

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Fair House Survey Number: BA-2727

Project: Red Run Boulevard Agency: F/COE

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name L. Bowlin Date 3/95

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The presented survey documentation and analysis appears to be very limited. However, the project sponsor provided a good-faith effort to identify and evaluate properties to be affected by Red Run Blvd. While the Trust has concurred that the Fair House is not eligible for the National Register, this determination is solely based on the limited information available. More investigation may yield different conclusions about this building whose setting will be impacted by the new road.

Located at 518 Church Road, Baltimore County, this one-and-a-half-story dwelling is reportedly of log construction on the first floor and frame above. Covered in asphalt shingles, the consultant believes that the one story building dates from the early nineteenth century with the half story addition occurring later in the century. Several mid-twentieth century additions exist on the dwelling, creating its existing configuration. Interior alterations have also been undertaken. Due to these alterations, the building presents itself more as a twentieth century dwelling. Therefore, its integrity as a nineteenth century resource has been compromised.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MHT Inventory of Historic Properties

"Cultural Resource Investigation of Three Historic Prop. on Church Rd., Red Run Blvd, Ba Co"

Prepared by: Lauren C. Archibald, MAAR Assoc.

Lauren Bowlin 11/22/95
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable

Orlando Redon 11-27-95
Reviewer, NR program Date

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaptation

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: building

Historic Environment: rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): domestic/single family dwelling

Known Design Source: _____

BA-2727
518 Church Road
Fair House
Reisterstown vicinity
Baltimore County, Maryland
Private

Ca. 1850-1860

The residence at 518 Church Road is a small, one-story, side-gabled structure with three gabled dormers. It is a one-room deep structure with one and one-half stories and a one-story wing on the east end. The east wing, which was added in the twentieth century, has a small entry porch and deck. A small shed-roof wing has been added on the rear or north side of the house. On the west side is a gable-roofed entrance to the cellar that extends from the wall of the house. In the half-basement, round-log joists were observed. The basement-cellar is constructed of undressed stones laid with mortar and whitewashed, and the stone walls are thick. Behind the house is a small frame utility shed. The property on which the house at 518 Church Road now stands was, in the early nineteenth century, part of several larger tracts known as *Soldier's Delight* and *Good Will*. In 1850, the land was conveyed to Henry Bailey, who probably built the house. The Fair House is an early vernacular structure in the Owings-Mills-Reisterstown area. The core of the house appears to be of log construction, but the house has been severely altered in order to create additional habitable space and to emit light. The scale, size and form of the house core and the log joists visible in the basement suggest a nineteenth century construction date for the house. Because of alterations to the principal facade and throughout the structure, the house is not considered significant.

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

Property: 518 Church Road (MHT Survey No. BA-2727)

Geographical Organization: Piedmont

Chronological Period: Rural Agrarian Intensification (1680-1815);
Agricultural-Industrial Transition (1815-1870)

Historic Period Theme: Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community
Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building/Residence/Urban Vernacular

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Function and Use: Private residence

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form



Survey No. BA-2727

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Fair House

2. Location

street & number 518 Church Road ___ not for publication

city, town Reisterstown vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Baltimore

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Wilbur O. and Helen Fair

street & number 518 Church Road telephone no.: N/A

city, town Reisterstown state and zip code Maryland 21136

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 1476

street & number 401 Bosley Avenue folio 371

city, town Towson state Maryland 21204

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. BA-2727

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date of move _____

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

8. Significance

Survey No. BA-2727

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 type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. BA-2727

see continuation sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 10.75+ acres (incomplete property lines on parcel map)

Quadrangle name Reisterstown

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Baltimore County Deed Book 1476-371

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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organization MAAR Associates, Inc. date October 1995

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city or town Newark state Delaware

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.

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518 Church Road, Baltimore County, Maryland

7. Description

The residence at 518 Church Road is a small, one-story, side-gabled structure with three gabled dormers. The entire structure is clad with black asphalt shingles. It is a one-room deep structure with one and one-half stories and a one-story wing on the east end. The east wing, which was added in the twentieth century, has a small entry porch and deck. A small shed-roof wing has been added on the rear or north side of the house. On the west side is a gable-roofed entrance to the cellar that extends from the wall of the house.

A brief inspection of the interior of the house was kindly granted by Mrs. Helen Fair. The upstairs bedroom area was not inspected. In the half-basement, round-log joists were observed. The basement-cellar is constructed of undressed stones laid with mortar and whitewashed, and the stone walls are thick. Although no walls could be examined, Mrs. Fair indicated that all the walls are of log construction, except for the upper story which was added later, possibly in the late nineteenth century. Since roofing and walling materials could not be inspected, the date of this upper story addition is not known. The resident stated that there are two bedrooms upstairs. The interior of the main block was remodeled in the mid-to-late twentieth century. On the first floor, a bathroom was installed in the northwest corner of the main block, and the rear wing was added in order to construct a kitchen. The main block of the house has irregular fenestration that has been altered in the twentieth century. There is now a 6/6 sash window and a modern, three-part window with 6/6 lights. The modern east wing now contains the main entrance to the house. Behind the house is a small frame utility shed; exterior walls are covered with asphalt shingles. Two small windows are on the south wall, and an entry door is on the east wall.

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518 Church Road, Baltimore County, Maryland

8. Significance

The property on which the house at 518 Church Road now stands was, in the early nineteenth century, part of several larger tracts known as *Soldier's Delight* and *Good Will*. The land was patented to Thomas Harrison in 1754 and conveyed to Henry Baughman, listed as a farmer, by three indentures in 1797, 1798, and 1801 for portions of Tracts A, B, and C, respectively. In 1850, the land, which included 193.5 acres, was conveyed to Henry Bailey. The 1860 population census lists Henry Bailey as a farmer living with his family, as well as Alfred Bailey, a farmhand, and two other youths. Henry Bailey's real estate was valued at \$5,000 and personal estate at \$500. Henry Bailey actively farmed his large tract through the second half of the nineteenth century. The 1880 agricultural census shows that most of the land was under cultivation, shown to be 120 acres; 46 acres were in orchards or open pasture or meadows, and 30 acres were wooded. Bailey's livestock was valued at \$1,200 and included cattle, chickens, and pigs. Oats, wheat, potatoes, and fruit were produced on the farm, as well as eggs and butter; all farm value was estimated to be worth \$600. The entire farm, including the structures, was valued at \$6,000. The Bailey heirs retained the property throughout the nineteenth century. After Henry Bailey's death, a 40.5-acre portion of the parcel was sold to Alfred Bailey for \$1,801.00 in 1893. The 1896 tax return assessed Alfred Bailey's property at a lower \$1,480.

By 1906, the property at 518 Church Road was seized by the sheriff and sold to Joseph O. Sinclair for \$2,090.00. After a default on the mortgage, however, the land was sold at public auction in 1916 to Lewis R. Slade. Slade did not keep the property but sold it to Frederick W. and Michael Korman that same year. It continued to change hands until 1946, when it was acquired by Wilbur O. and Helen Fair.

On the 1877 Hopkins map and the 1898 Bromley map, a structure is shown near the location of 518 Church Road as belonging to Henry ("Hy") and Alfred ("Alf") Bailey, respectively.

BA-2727 is an early vernacular structure in the Owings-Mills-Reisterstown area. The core of the house appears to be of log construction, but the house has been severely altered in order to create additional habitable space and to emit light. The original structure may have originally had a simple hall-and-parlor plan. This is a speculative assumption that is difficult to prove, since the structure has been remodeled and altered on the interior, and two wings on the gable end and side have been added. The most likely location for the original door would have been on one of the side gable walls. This cannot be discerned today, however, because a modern three-part window has been installed on the south wall and a wing has been added on the north wall. It is also conceivable that the original entrance to the structure could have been on the east, gable end wall, which now also has an added wing. The entry door on the west end leads down to a cellar door only.

Since early settlers in the area were principally of English descent, it is unlikely that the house would have had a three-part plan on the interior characteristic of the Germanic style. It is more likely that a structure of this size and form (the core structure) would have had either a single room or double-room (hall-and-parlor) plan, both of which are more attributable to English vernacular forms. Unfortunately, no wall junctions, sill plates, nailing, or corner joinery could be inspected at the house. All of these features were covered or sealed over with modern materials.

The structure is unlikely to have been the principal farmhouse, but it may have served as a tenant or laborer's dwelling or other function for the large Bailey farming operation in the nineteenth century. The scale, size and form of the house core and the log joists visible in the basement suggest a nineteenth century construction date for the house.

Because of alterations to the principal facade and throughout the structure, the house would not be eligible for inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, or C.

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518 Church Road, Baltimore County, Maryland
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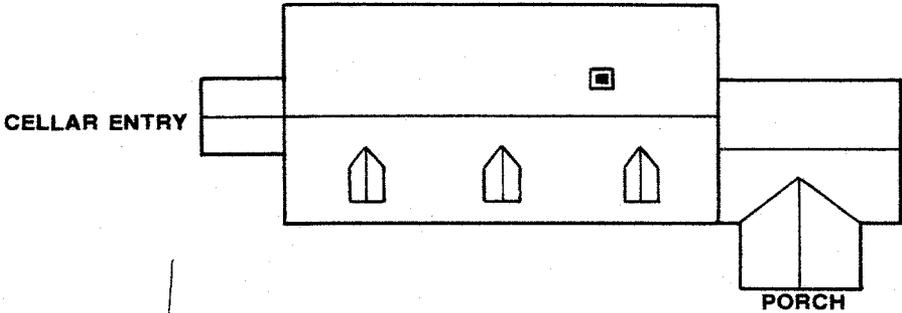
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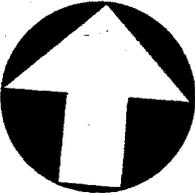
Chain of Title: 518 Church Road (BA-2727)

DATE	PARTIES	PROPERTY	SOURCE
17 June 1946	Edward Fritch to Wilbur O. Fair and Helen h/w	\$5.00 Lot in Balt. Co. cont. 16.4 a. more or less, fronting on Old Church Road.	Balt. County Deed Book 1476-371
2 September 1943	Charles H. Kagle, and wife to Edward Fritch and wife	\$5.00 Above-described parcel of land	Balt. Co. Deed Book 1308-12
3 February 1937	Jesse F. Yingling and Emma h/w to Charles Kagle and The	\$5.00 Above-described parcel of land.	Balt. Co. Deed Book 993-98
6 November 1932	Charles Traub and Dora h/w to Jesse F. Yingling and Emma h/w	\$5.00 Parcel of land cont. 20 acres more or less.	Balt. Co. Deed Book 903-310
11 May 1921	Frederick W. Kormann, Ann h/w, and Michael Kormann to Charles Traub and dora h/w	\$5.00 Parcel of land cont. 20 acres more or less.	Balt. Co. Deed Book 539-522
19 August 1916	Lewis Slade to Frederick W. Kormann and Michael Kormann	\$10.00 Parcel of land cont. 49 acres, 30 sq. perches excepting therefrom about 24 acres of land sold by Joseph Sinclair to Robert L. Wardner 7 May 1907.	Balt. Co. Deed Book 466-171
1 April 1915	Noah B. Offutt, Attorney to Lewis R. Slade	\$1.00 Default of mortgage from Joseph O. Sinclair to Charles W. Wardner. Offurt sells property at public auction. Tract of land bounding on Old Church road and Cherry Hill Road 49 acres, 30 sq. perches.	Balt. Co. Deed Book 441-439
4 October 1906	Charles W. Wardner to Joseph O. sinclair and wife	\$2090.00 Parcel of land situated on Walter J. Ford's road [Cherry Hill Road] and Old Church Road cont. 40.5 acres more or less.	Balt. Co. Deed Book 316-314
25 September 1906	Jacob Elliot, Sheriff to Charles W. Wardner	Property seized in suit Charles W. Wardner vs. Alfred Baily and sold by said Wardner at public auction - parcel of land desc. above	Balt. Co. Deed Book 301-486

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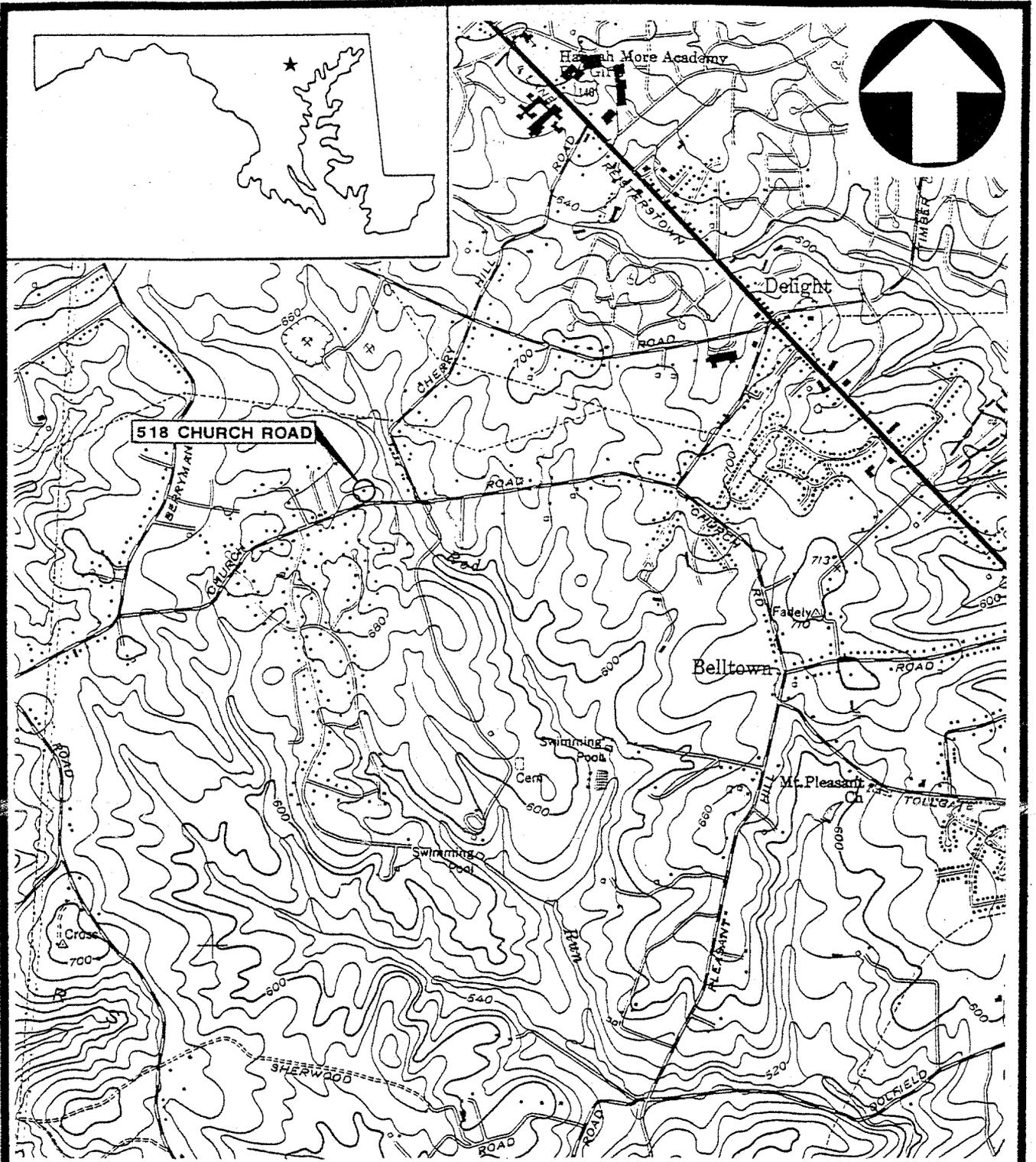


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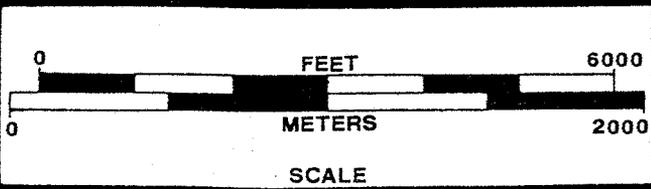
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MAI PROJECT: M-108
RED RUN BOULEVARD

FIGURE
SKETCH MAP OF 518 CHURCH ROAD (BA-2727)
VIC. OF REISTERSTOWN, BALT. CTY, MD



SOURCE: USGS REISTERSTOWN, MD. QUADRANGLE, 1953, 1966, 1974



MAI PROJECT: M-108
RED RUN BOULEVARD

FIGURE
PROJECT LOCATION MAP - BA-2727
VIC. OF REISTERSTOWN, BALT. CTY., MD



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