

CARR-693  
Jacob Mearing Farm  
Westminster

c. 1842-65

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# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

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## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Jacob Mearing Farm

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 413-415 Uniontown Road  not for publicationcity, town Westminster  vicinity of  congressional districtstate Maryland  county Carroll

## 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 type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Triangle Realty c/o Wilbur Fink

street &amp; number 6999 Reisterstown Road telephone no.: 764-1000

city, town Baltimore state and zip code MD 21215

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse Annex liberLWS 1064

street &amp; number 55 North Court Street folio 213

city, town Westminster state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Westminster Planning District Field Sheet - Historic Resources Survey

date 6/85  federal  state  county  local

repository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville state MD

# 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

### Summary:

The Jacob Mearing Farm is located at 413-415 Uniontown Road, at the southwest corner of the intersection of New Windsor Road, or Rte. 31, and Uniontown Road, in the western end of the expanded corporate limits of Westminster. The complex consists of a stuccoed stone house with frame addition, a frame bank barn, and several other small later outbuildings. The house is a two-story, five-bay by two-bay banked structure, with a two-bay by two-bay ell on the northwest. The house has a rubble stone foundation and stucco on stone on the first and second stories. The two southwest bays have been added to a three-bay house. The house has a gable roof. The southeast elevation has a centered door and transom. There are two 6/6 sash on either side. There is a one-story, six-bay porch that wraps around on the northeast side. The cellar is divided into four rooms, one under the addition, two rooms in the main block, and a room in the ell. The center cellar has stairs to the first story. The southwest wall of this cellar has a large kitchen fireplace. The ell cellar has a winder stair in the west corner. The first story was originally a side-passage, single-pile plan with two rooms in the ell, but the addition has created a center-passage plan building. There is a dog leg stair along the northeast wall of the passage. The northeast room has a fireplace centered on the northeast wall. The southwest room, in the addition, appears to have originally been two rooms divided in the center by a wall running northeast to southwest. The southeast ell room has a boarded-up fireplace on the southeast wall. The northwest ell room has an enclosed winder stair in the west corner. There is a landing on the northwest end of the stairway, with a cross passage that runs from southwest to northeast, along the northwest side of the main block of the house. The cross passage has a door on the southeast to the center chamber and a door on the northeast leading to the northeast chamber. The northwest ell chamber has an enclosed winder stair to the attic in the west corner. The bank barn has a southeast-facing forebay with a ramp on the northwest side. It has a rubble stone lower story on three sides. The southeast forebay wall has been removed and replaced with CMU piers. The upper story and all of the doors are beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards. The barn has a gable roof. The upper story has a center threshing floor with one hay mow on each side and a granary in the east corner. The barn has four hewn, heavy timber bents with a purlin post truss supporting the roof. Each bent has five posts. There is a center post and two diagonal braces in each hay mow beneath the purlins.

Contributing Resources: 2

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# 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 type="checkbox"/> religion
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**Specific dates** c. 1842-1865      **Builder/Architect**

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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.

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Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
Chronological/Development Period: Agriculture-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870;  
Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930  
Historic Period Themes: Agriculture, Architecture  
Resource Types: Small family farm, Rural vernacular

In the early nineteenth century, the Jacob Mearing Farm was owned by the Brown family. After the death of Joshua Brown in 1832 it was purchased by Nicholas Hall Brown, Sr. The following year Brown advertised that he was ". . . at this time burning a kiln of Lime, which will be ready to draw on Tuesday . . ." The latter Brown died in 1838 and the property was offered for sale by Nicholas Hall Brown, who was living on the farm. At that time the farm held a two-story, weather-boarded house, a bank barn, a wagon shed, and a corn crib and granary. A 93¼-acre portion of the farm was purchased for \$4,031.25, or \$43 per acre, by Jacob Mearing.

Jacob Mearing must have built the existing stone house between the purchase of the



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western end of the expanded corporate limits of Westminster, in central Carroll County, Maryland. The site slopes steeply from west down to east, toward Copp's Branch, which runs along the west side of New Windsor Road. The house faces southeast towards the road. The complex consists of a stuccoed stone house with frame addition, a frame bank barn, and several other small later outbuildings.

The house is a two-story, five-bay by two-bay banked structure, with a two-bay by two-bay ell on the northwest. The house has a rubble stone foundation and stucco on stone on the first and second stories. The second story of the two southwest bays on the southeast elevation, and the southwest elevation of the main block, have asbestos shingle siding. The two southwest bays have been added to a three-bay house. The house has a gable roof of asphalt shingles with a southwest-to-northeast ridge. There is an interior brick chimney on each end and between the south-center and center bays. The house has a wood box cornice. The ell has a gable roof with the same roofing and with a southeast to northwest ridge.

The southeast elevation foundation has a 6/6 sash, a vertical-board door, a 6/6 sash, a new door, and another 6/6 sash, moving from south to east. The first story has a centered door, with paneled soffit and jambs and a transom. The transom is now closed off on the outside, but has nine lights. There are two 6/6 sash on either side. There is a one-story, six-bay porch that wraps around on the northeast side. It has seven square battered posts and square-in-plan balusters. The second story has four 6/6 sash with no opening in the south-center bay.

The northeast elevation has a 6/6 sash, with three-panel shutters in the east bay of the foundation, and two, small four-light sash with wood louvers. There are two sets of wood stairs that come off the porch on the northeast elevation. The porch extends all the way to the north end of the ell. The first story has a door with one light over two panels, and a two-light transom, then a typical 6/6 sash. The ell also has a door identical to the east bay, and a typical 6/6 sash. The second story has four typical 6/6 sash. The gable end of the main block has a four-light sash set east of the chimney.

The northwest elevation is two bays. The foundation has a four-light sash in the north bay. The first story has a typical 6/6 sash in the north bay, and the second story has two typical 6/6 sash. The gable end has wood shingles, while the first and second stories are stuccoed stone. The gable end has two four-light sash. The ell has a wood box cornice with returns and an interior brick chimney centered on the gable end.

On the southwest elevation, the first story has a one-bay pantry that is rough-cast and has no openings. To the south of this is a three-bay recessed porch. This wall has two doors with one light over two panels and a four-light transom. There is also a 6/6 sash in

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the south bay. The porch is currently partially enclosed. On the second story, the room above the projecting pantry is wider than the pantry below. It, too, is rough-cast and has a typical 6/6 sash. The porch is infilled with asbestos shingles and three 6/3 sash. The southeast elevation of the projecting pantry has a six-panel door. The top two panels have stamped sheet metal in place of wood panels on the first story. The pantry is accessible only from the porch. The southeast wall is brick with stuccoing. The northeast wall between the pantry and the ell is stone, and the interior of the pantry is plastered, with a raised wood floor. The second story has a six-panel door into the chamber or closet above the pantry.

The northwest elevation of the main block has a six-panel door on the first story that leads out to the recessed porch. It has a four-light transom and paneled soffit and jambs. The northwest elevation of the addition has a concrete foundation and asbestos shingle siding. The first story has two 6/6 sash, while the second story has no openings.

The southwest elevation of the addition has a rubble stone foundation and asbestos shingle siding. The first story has a shed roof addition in the center that has weatherboards with corner boards and an inverted V-seam metal roof. To the west of the addition is a 4/4 sash, and to the south of it is a 6/6 sash. The second story has two 6/6 sash, and the gable end has two four-light sash. The gable on the addition is uneven or unsymmetrical, being lower on the southeast end.

The cellar is divided into four rooms, one under the addition, two rooms in the main block, and a room in the ell. The center cellar has stairs to the first story. The southwest wall of this cellar has a large kitchen fireplace. The opening is now closed. It has a wood mantel tree and a simple mantel shelf. The southwest cellar has a brick fireplace on the southwest wall that is now boarded up. The ell cellar has a winder stair in the west corner. There is a wide, stone chimney buttress on the southeast end in the center. The north corner has a brick floor and brick walls built up against the stone walls, with plaster on the brick. It appears that this was originally a cistern with walls on all four sides, but has now been partially dismantled.

The first story was originally a side-passage, single-pile plan with two rooms in the ell, but the addition has created a center-passage plan building. The southwest wall of the passage has a very wide projecting flue. On either side of the flue is a door to the southwest addition with paneled soffits and jambs. There is a dog leg stair along the northeast wall that has an open stringer, turned balusters, and a large turned newel. There is a vertical-board door under the stairway leading to the cellar stairs.

The northeast room has a fireplace centered on the northeast wall. It is now closed off. It has a wood mantel with pilaster strips that have chamfered corners. It has a plain

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paneled frieze. The southwest room, in the addition, appears to have originally been two rooms divided in the center by a wall running northeast to southwest. The northwest wall has a mantel shelf hung on it, but no fireplace or chimney flue. The southwest wall has a door to the small pantry addition on the southwest. The southeast ell room has a boarded-up fireplace on the southeast wall. It has a wood mantel with plain pilaster strips and a paneled frieze. To the south of it is a closet that projects into the room. East of the fireplace is a door opening to the main block. There is an enclosed winder stair in the east corner. The northwest ell room has an enclosed winder stair in the west corner. The walls have beaded-edge vertical-board half wainscot.

There is a landing on the northwest end of the stairway, with two steps up on the northeast side of the landing to a cross passage that runs from southwest-to-northeast along the northwest side of the main block of the house. There are also two steps up to the southeast to the second-story passage, and two steps up on the southwest to the southwest addition. There are also two steps up on the northwest to the northwest ell. The southeast end of the passage is closed off for a bathroom, but was originally open. The southwest wall of the passage, on the southeast end in the current bathroom, has a built-in closet that is early. The cross passage has a door on the southeast to the center chamber and a door on the northeast leading to the northeast chamber. The northeast chamber has a fireplace on the northeast wall that is now closed off. It has a wood mantel. The southwest chamber has a fireplace or flue on the southwest wall. The southeast jamb of this flue has a floor-to-ceiling cupboard with two doors. There is a vertical-board closet in the west corner. The southeast ell chamber has enclosed stairs on the southeast with a six-panel door. There is a fireplace to the south of the stairs that is now closed off. It has a wood mantel with plain pilasters and a plain frieze. The northwest ell chamber has an enclosed winder stair to the attic in the west corner. The vertical-board door has a wood and metal stock lock. There is a door on the southeast wall to the southeast ell chamber. This is a four-panel door with later architraves and appears to have been added. There is a small corner chamber or closet accessed from the northwest ell chamber above the projecting pantry on the first story.

The attic rafters are mill sawn, with a center tenon and peg at the ridge in both the main block and the ell. The rafter feet have a birdsmouth cut. They lap over a small false plate and are nailed to it with three cut nails. The center of the original main block has a circular-sawn wood truss bolted together. It rests on the floor. There is also a tie rod that wraps around the northeast chimney and runs northeast to southwest. The southwest end passes through the southwest chimney. The attic in the addition has tapered rafters that are half-lapped and pegged at the ridge. The southeast side has a small false plate on the floor, while the northwest side has a frame wall raised about two feet above floor level. The rafters have a birdsmouth cut that laps over a true plate. The corner posts and plate are hewn and are mortised and tenoned and pegged together. The southwest elevation of the

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main block is a stone wall with rough-casting.

There is a bank barn about 125 feet southwest of the house. It is in line with the house and has a southeast-facing forebay with a ramp on the northwest side. It has a rubble stone lower story on three sides. The southeast forebay wall has been removed and replaced with CMU piers and doors on rollers. The upper story and all of the doors are beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards. The barn has a gable roof of corrugated metal with a northeast to southwest ridge. There is a shed roof addition on the southwest that slopes to the southwest. The southeast elevation of the upper story has four pedimented wood vents on either side of double doors above double doors. The northeast elevation on the lower story has a door on rollers under the forebay, and two diamond-in-section wood louver vents with a vertical Dutch door to the north. The upper story has six vents with four vents above and a double vent in the peak. On the northwest elevation, the north bay of the lower story has a 6/6 sash. The upper story has a center pair of wagon doors with four louvers on each side of it. There is a small corrugated metal shed roof addition at the east corner.

The upper story has a center threshing floor with one hay mow on each side and a granary in the east corner. The barn has four hewn, heavy timber bents with a purlin post truss supporting the roof. Each bent has five posts. There is a center post and two diagonal braces in each hay mow beneath the purlins. On the interior of the wagon door is painted "W.T.P.191[9?]".

There is a CMU garage just east of the barn. New sheds on the southeast side of the barn enclose the barnyard. About 60 feet east of the barn is a poultry house of German siding, and a corrugated metal shed roof that slopes to the northwest. There is a vertical-board door on the northeast elevation. About 50 feet west of the house is a shed of 2 x 4 construction, with vertical boards that are wire nailed. It has a shed roof of inverted-V-seam metal that slopes to the northwest, and a concrete foundation. Connected to it is a poultry house on the northeast that is set on concrete piers. It, too, has a shed roof sloping to the northwest. It is heavily overgrown. It has beaded-edge-and-center vertical-board siding.

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farm in 1842 and the mid-1860's. All of the hardware in the house is from this period. The back building was constructed at the same time. Side passage plan houses were fairly common in Carroll County from an early period, but they rarely were built with a back building. The use of stone was always a rarity, about 5% of houses being built of that material. The pantry is a common feature, but its access from the outside only, and the stamped metal panels in the door, are unique. The placement of the kitchen fireplace on the passage side of the cellar, instead of the other end, is also unusual. Mearing died in early 1865. There are several items of interest among his possessions. One was the quarrying tools, suggesting that he continued to operate the lime kiln that had been advertised by the Browns. Another was the "Beggars bed and bedstead." A bed used for charitable purposes, usually placed in the attic, has been noticed in other inventories, but was rare, or at least rarely documented. The house originally had a chamber on the northwest that was only accessible from the rear stairs and did not communicate with the rest of the second story. This could have been intended for slaves, servants, or beggars. In addition, the small chamber or closet over the pantry was also large enough to hold a bed. The function of such spaces deserves further investigation. Mearing also had \$20.00 worth of half-inch poplar boards which was a substantial sum. They were probably intended for flooring, though they were too thin for that if the measurement was accurate.

In his will, Mearing provided for his wife, Mary. The farm was to be leased to a tenant, while reserving certain rights to her:

I direct that my widow shall enjoy the use of . . . the front part of my dwelling house, and my carriage house, with a part of my wood house: with the hindmost garner in the barn granary: with the stabling and room which I at present occupy in the barn.

I also direct that my widow shall have annually three tons of the best hay that may be made on the farm on which I now live. I also direct that the tenant make and house away the hay in the Barn for her use. I also direct that she shall have as much straw from time to time as she may need to litter her horse stable. I also direct that her horse shall be let in the same pasture, the same yard, and to the same water, with the rest of the horses kept on said farm.

She also would receive \$250.00 a year and a good deal of furniture. Mary, however, was not in mourning; by the fourth of July she had remarried and renounced the will in favor of her dower rights. The farm then had to be sold, and the description of it notes: "The improvements on this Farm consist of a comfortable and well built STONE Dwelling House, TENANT HOUSE, Bank Barn, Spring House, and all other necessary Outbuildings." This is the first documentation of the existence of the stone house.

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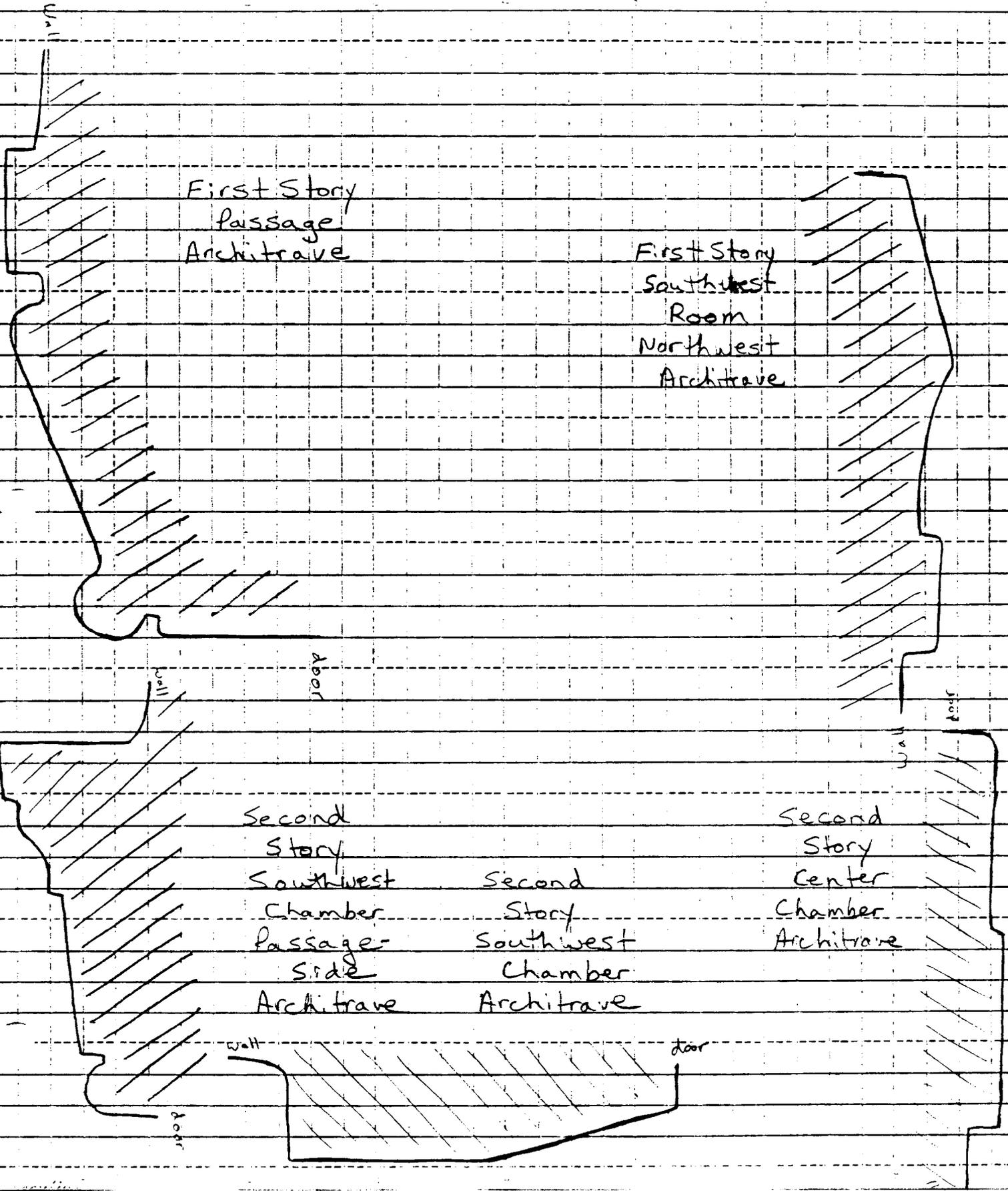
Mearing's farm passed to a relative or associate, David Englar, only briefly before being sold to Jacob David Hoppe for the very substantial sum of \$96.50 per acre. Hoppe had apparently been living in Westminster, with considerable savings but no land to his name, and one suspects that he was retired. Why he should be interested in a farm is unclear. Hoppe owned it for only two years before his death in 1868. Again, the farm was advertised for sale, and this time it was described in greater detail:

The improvements consist of a large TWO-STORY DOUBLE STONE HOUSE, conveniently laid off into good sized rooms with basement. Wash House, Smoke House, Wood Shed &c. Also a good SWITZER BARN, with Wagon Sheds, Corn Cribs and all necessary outbuildings. The House is furnished with a never failing supply of excellent Water by a fountain in the Basement, and the grounds embellished by a splendid Arbor recently erected, extending from the Mansion House to the Turnpike and planted with the choicest variety of Grapes. A QUARRY OF LIME STONE, of the best quality eligibly situated on the farm, opened and in good working order. Also an IRON ORE BANK, recently discovered. A YOUNG ORCHARD of carefully selected APPLE AND PEACH TREES . . . .

The house is consistently described as stone, without the mention of rough-casting, which suggests that the traces of early rough-casting that can be seen beneath the current stucco were not original to the house but a later alteration. The rough-casting predates the frame addition, so the addition must not have been constructed by this time. The ad also notes that the house across the street on the farm ". . . would admirably suit a Mechanic working in Westminster, or a tenant engaged to work on the farm." Whether this piqued the curiosity of Westminster blacksmith Michael Baughman can only be guessed at, but he purchased the farm for \$101 per acre. For unknown reasons, however, he quickly sold it to Westminster lumber merchant Edward Lynch, who often purchased land around Westminster, subdivided it, and resold it. Lynch in turn quickly sold part of it to Andrew Durbin, who in turn quickly sold it to John Galt in 1873. By this time the farm was 31 acres, too small to make a comfortable living on, but it is not known what other occupation Galt may have had. Galt may have been responsible for the frame addition, which surely must have been built by 1890. Galt bought a property in town in 1895 and probably retired there before dying in 1900. His widow, Kate, apparently rented out the farm for years before selling it to Charles W. King in 1918. The property is currently scheduled for demolition, subdivision, and development.

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Moulding Profiles

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First Story  
Passage  
Architrave

First Story  
Southwest  
Room  
Northwest  
Architrave

Second  
Story  
Southwest  
Chamber  
Passage-  
Side  
Architrave

Second  
Story  
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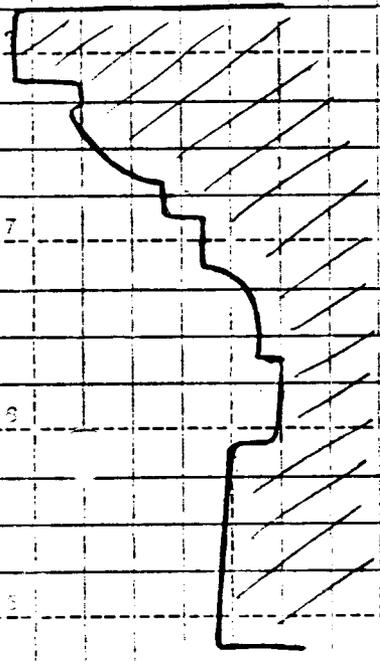
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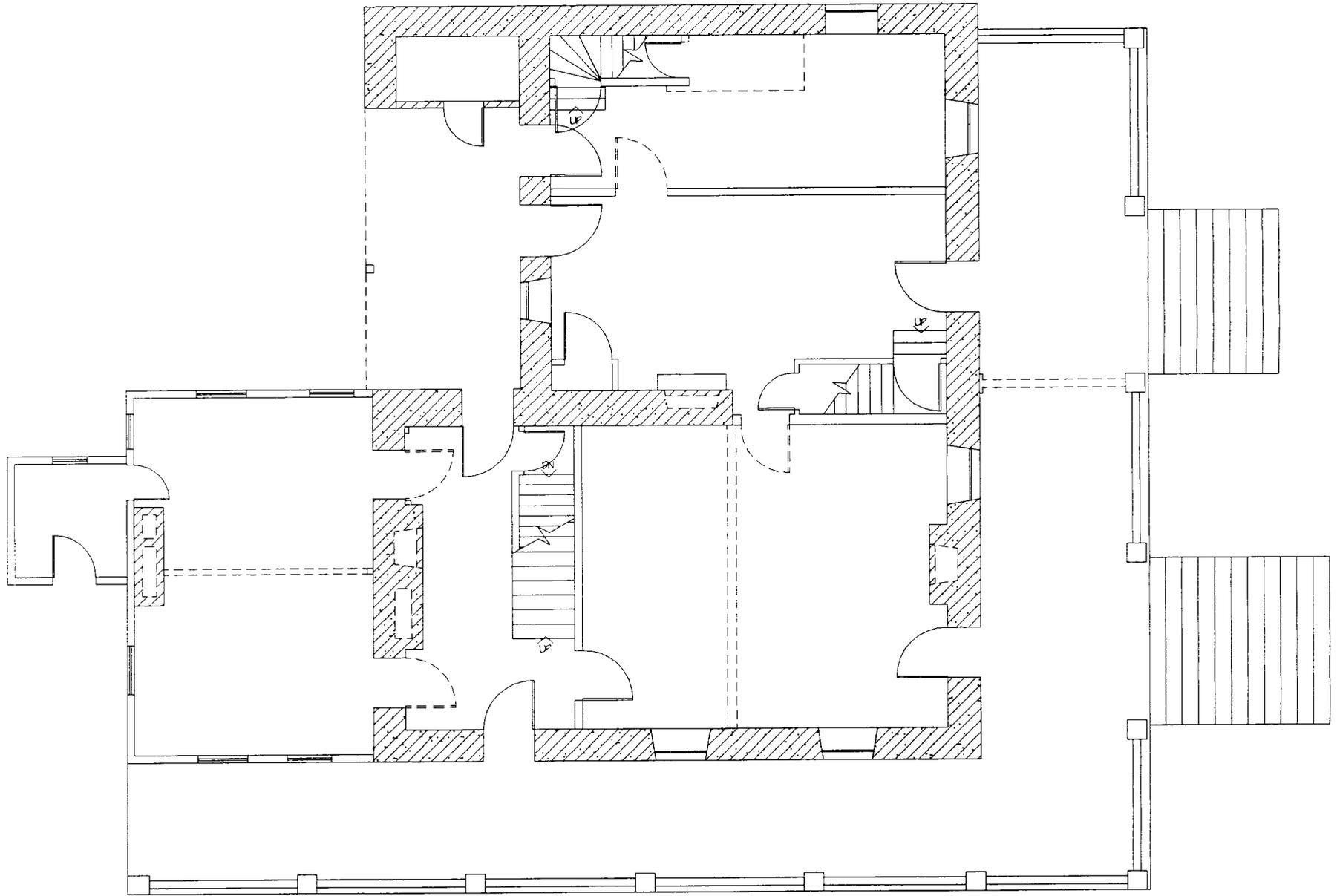
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413-415 Uniontown Rd  
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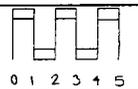
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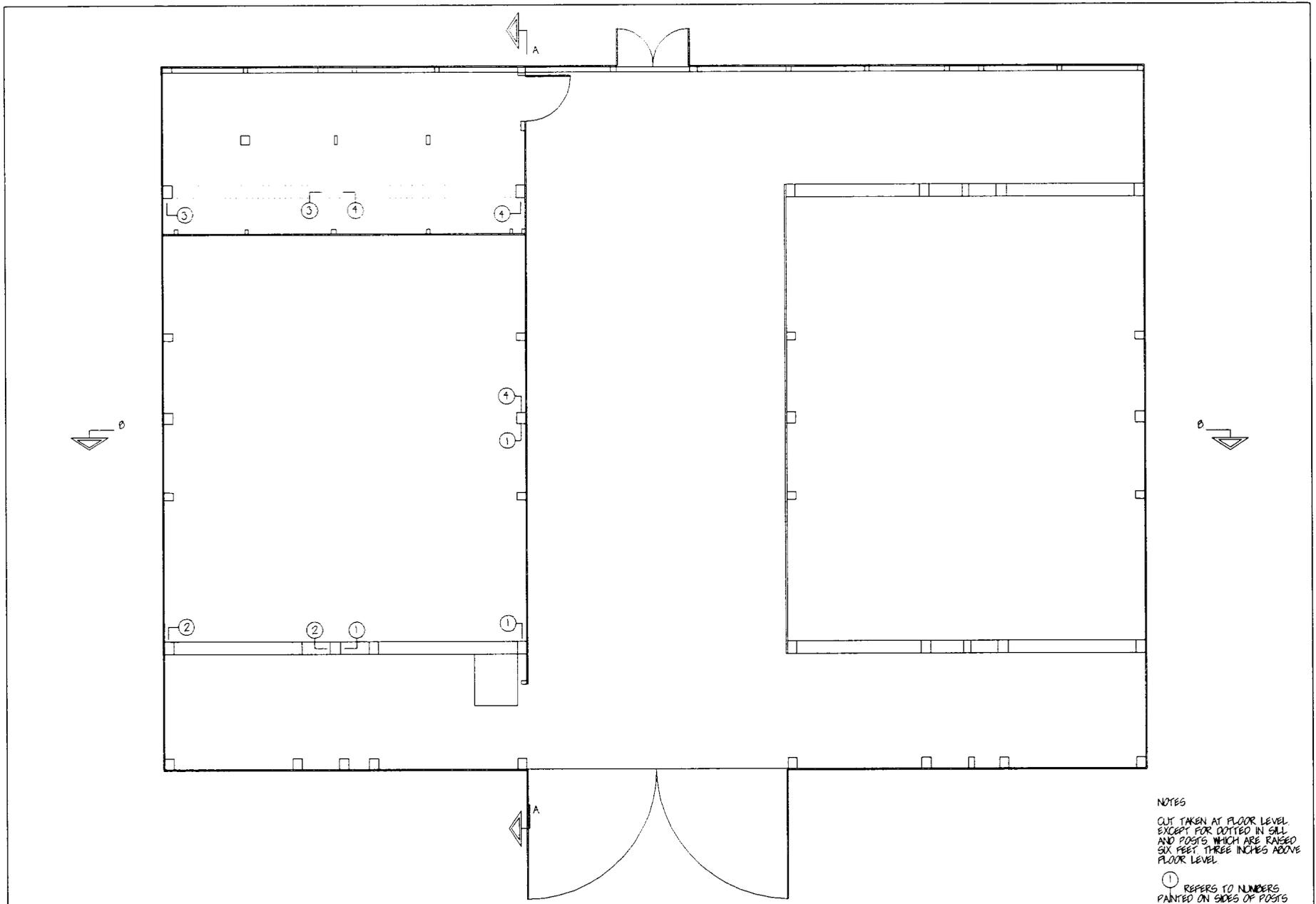
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DRAWN BY KEN SHORT

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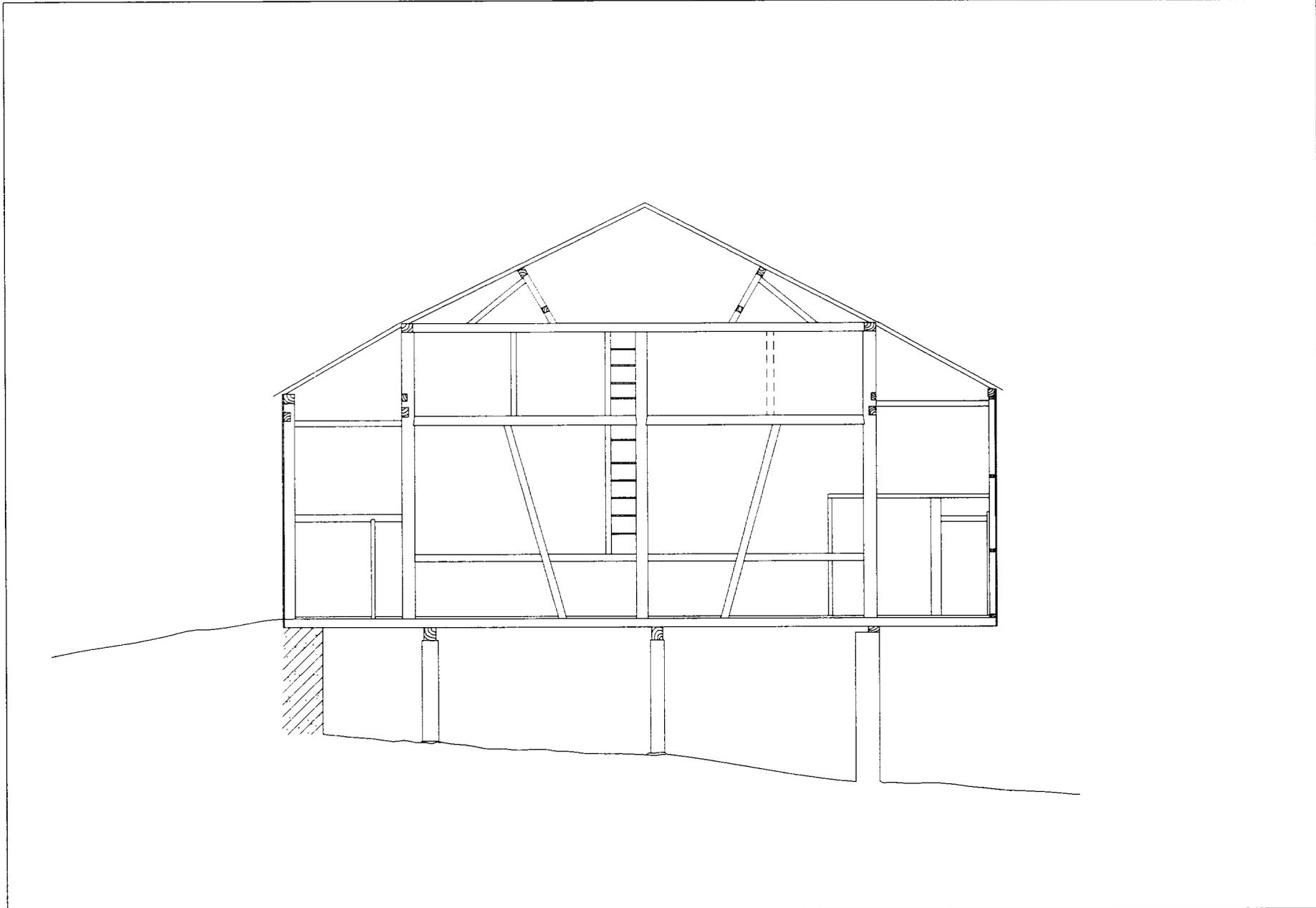
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 EXCEPT FOR DOTTED IN GILL  
 AND POSTS WHICH ARE RAISED  
 SIX FEET THREE INCHES ABOVE  
 FLOOR LEVEL  
 ① REFERS TO NUMBERS  
 PAINTED ON SIDES OF POSTS

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JACOB MEARING FARM  
413 - 415 UNIONTOWN ROAD

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BARN - UPPER  
STORY PLAN  
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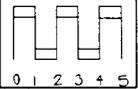
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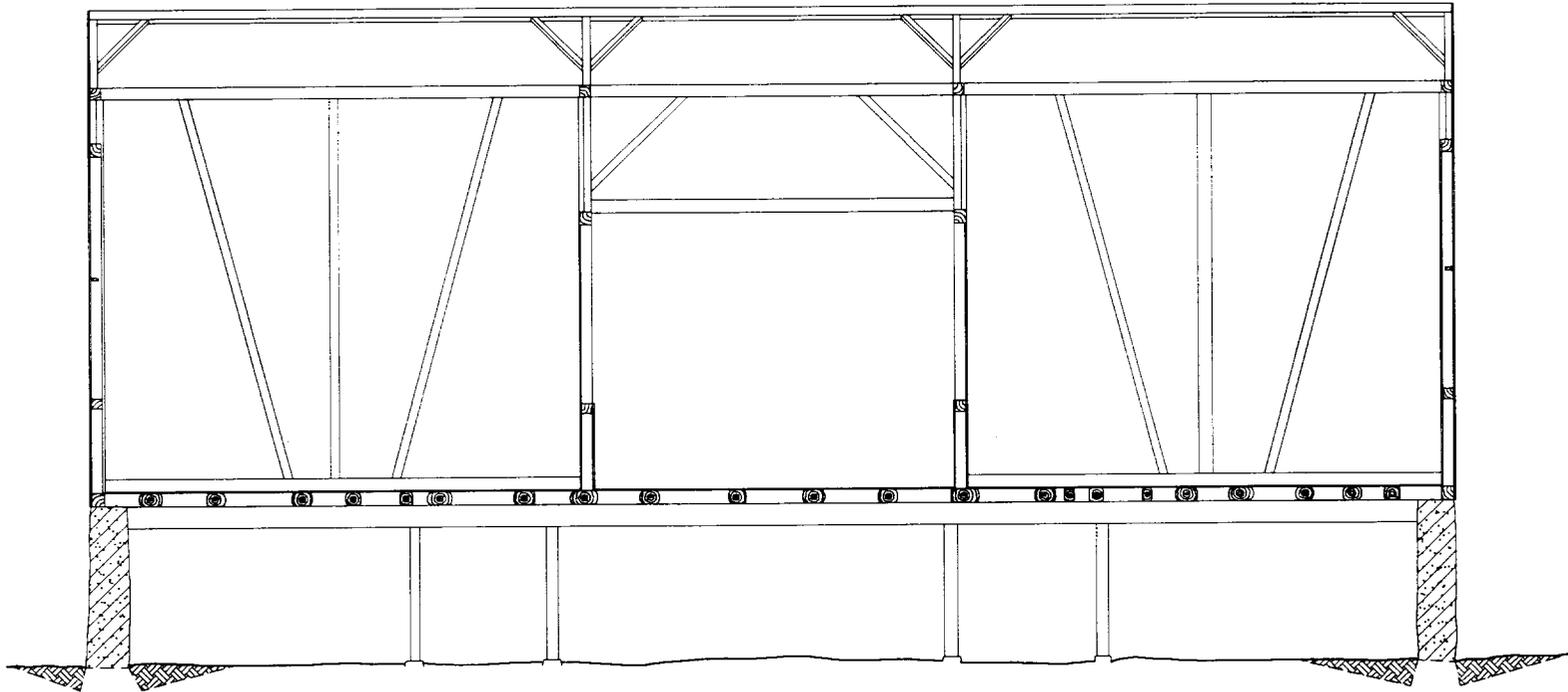
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BARN FRAMING SECTION

DRAWN BY KEN SHORT

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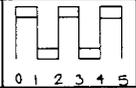
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TRANSVERSE  
FRAMING SECTION

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CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR	HOME COUNTY	GRANTEE	HOME COUNTY	DATE	LIBER	FOLIO	TRANS-ACTION	COMMENTS
Lillian Sapero and Phyllis Fox, trading as Lillian & Co.	MD	Sapero Family Limited Partnership	MD	12-28-1987	LWS 1064	213	Deed fee simple	15.93 acres
Lillian Sapero, widow	?	Lillian Sapero and Phyllis Fox, trading as Lillian & Co.	MD	3-5-1975	CCC 589	504	Deed fee simple	\$5.00, southwest corner of Uniontown Road & Rte. 31
North-Hill Associates	MD	Lillian Sapero	?	11-30-1973	CCC 559	90	Deed fee simple	\$10.00
John R. & Bertha S. Warehime (wife)	Carroll	North-Hill Associates	MD	1-2-1973	CCC 530	453	Deed fee simple	\$5.00, 45.3 acres
Clara M. King, widow, et al, exec. of Charles W. King	Carroll	John R. & Bertha S. Warehime (wife)	?	3-1-1943	LDM 180	405	Deed fee simple	\$10.00 62+ acres, 3 deeds
Harry H. & Sallie A. Harbaugh (wife)	Carroll	Charles W. King	Carroll	5-30-1912	ODG 120	25	Deed fee simple	\$1,900 (X) 15+ acres - 1st parcel of deed (Y) 5+ acres (1)
John Milton Reifsnider etal, trustees John L. Reifsnider	Carroll	Charles W. King	Carroll	2-24-1917	EOC 130	159	Deed fee simple	Equity 4470 12-16-1916 - private sale \$400 3+ acres (2)

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Kate P. Galt, widow of John Galt	Carroll	Charles W. King	Carroll	11-4-1918	EOC 134	19	Deed fee simple	John Galt will GMP 8-376 2-19-1900 (a) lot 24 - 23 acres (b) lot 23 - 8 acres (c) 5 acres (3)
Edward Lynch & wife etal, execs. of Andrew R. Durbin	Carroll	John Galt	?	1-27-1875	FTS 44	500	Deed fee simple	Durbin purchased lot from Lynch - hadn't paid all or gotten a deed, then sold it on 3-1-1873 to John Galt for \$5,500 then died in Mar., 1873. Lot 24 Brown's Plague resurveyed; Lynch got from Michael Baughman [no previous reference] (a)
The George W. Albaugh Real Estate and Brokerage Co.		Harry H. Harbaugh		1-4-1908	DPS 108	10		(X)

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George W. Albaugh & wife		The George W. Albaugh Real Estate and Brokerage Co.		7-1-1901	JHB 93	285		(X)
Hannah Hoppe & William A. McKellip, execs. of Jacob D. Hoppe Michael & Mahala Baughman (wife)	Carroll Carroll Carroll	Edward Lynch	Carroll	4-6-1872	JBB 41	238	Deed fee simple	\$9,898 sold to Michael Baughman - ratified by Orphan's Court - Baughman then sold to Lynch 98+ acres  York Company's Defense Brains Plague Resurveyed Bond Meadow Enlarged (a)
David & Louisa Englar (wife) & Emanuel & Louisa C. Koontz (wife)	Carroll	Jacob David Hoppe	Carroll	1-27-1868	WAMcK 35	445	Deed fee simple	David Englar sold it to Emmanuel Koontz - article of agreement, 98 acres, 4-17-1866, \$9,530, J.D.H. pays \$9,530 too (a)

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Christian Royer & Emmanuel Koontz, execs. Jacob Mearing	Carroll	David Englar	Carroll	10-29-1867	WAMcK 35	87	Deed fee simple	sold 9-7-1865, \$7,582.10 home farm of Jacob Mearing, see Report of Sales JMP 2 and HHH 2-21. Brown's Plague Resurveyed and York Company's Defense 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres (L) 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres (M) 4+ acres (N) 5 sq. p. (a)
Nicholas H. Brown, exec. of Nicholas H. Brown, Sr. & John McCollum & wife, Elizabeth	Carroll	Jacob Mearing	Carroll	2-21-1842	JS 1	184	Deed Indenture	Brown will - 6-5-1838, \$4,031.25 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres, only refers to purchase of York Company Defense land (L)
John & Elizabeth McCollum (wife)		Nicholas H. Brown		6-7-1837			Bond of Conveyance	apparently not recorded

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David Brown, exec. of Joshua Brown	Frederick Co.	Nicholas H. Brown	Frederick	1-16-1837	WW 4	229	Deed Indenture	J.B. will 5-7- 1832 - Frederick Co. \$3,139.68¼ 104+ acres, Brown's Plague Resurveyed - in Frederick Co. along Uniontown- Westminster turnpike

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415 UNIONTOWN ROAD

mid 19th century

Westminster vicinity

private

415 Uniontown Road is a representative mid-nineteenth century farmhouse of the regional style. It is constructed of stone that is now covered in stucco. The house is built into a slope so that the east main facade has a full story basement. Other characteristics of the regional style are L-shaped plan, gable roof, two-story height, proportions and decorative details.



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
225. N. Center Street  
Westminster, Maryland 21157

WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT  
FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

SURVEY NUMBER: CARR-693

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: New Windsor

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: residence

ORIGINAL USE: residence

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:  
Excellent ( ) Good (X)  
Fair ( ) Poor ( )

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT: mid-19th century

COUNTY: CARROLL

TOWN: Westminster

LOCATION: 415 Uniontown Road

TAX MAP 45 Block 23 P-481

COMMON NAME:

FUNCTIONAL TYPE:

OWNER: D. W. Fearer

ADDRESS: 415 Uniontown Road  
Westminster MD 21157

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:  
Yes ( ) No (X) Restricted ( )

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
Local ( ) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone (X) Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
- Wall Structure
  - Wood: Log ( ) Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ( )
  - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone (X) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other
- Wall Covering: Weatherboard ( ) German Siding ( ) Board and Batten ( )  
Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( ) Novelty ( ) Stucco (X) Sheet Metal ( )  
Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )  
Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
  - Truss: Wood (X) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
  - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ( )  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys ( ) Sheds ( )  
Ells (X) Wings ( ) Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( )  
With False Front ( ) Other:

Number of Stories: 2

Number of Bays: 3x2

Approximate Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrance Location: center

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:  
No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
Development ( ) Deterioration ( )  
Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:  
Positive ( ) Negative ( )  
Mixed ( ) Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

bank stone house covered - stucco - full basement level on east facade  
representative L-shaped plan structure  
late 19th c. patches



RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

frame barn

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

representative mid-19th century farm house

REFERENCES:

1862 Martenet's Map: J. Mairing  
1877 LG & S Atlas: John Gott

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane ( ) Woodland ( ) Scattered Buildings ( )  
Moderately Built Up (X) Densely-Built Up ( )  
Residential ( ) Commercial ( )  
Agricultural ( ) Industrial ( )  
Roadside Strip Development ( )  
Other:

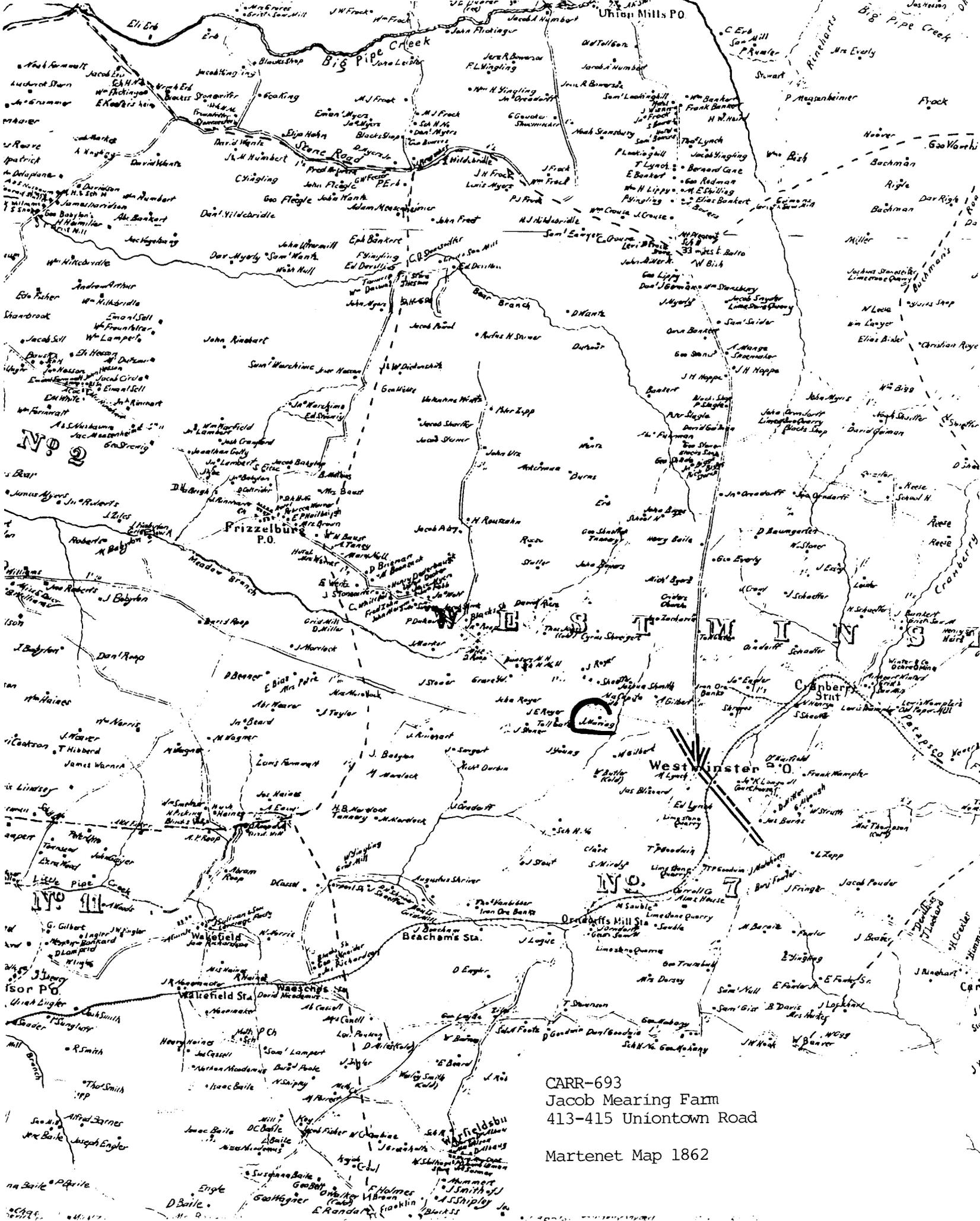
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Joe Getty

ORGANIZATION:

DATE RECORDED:

8/83

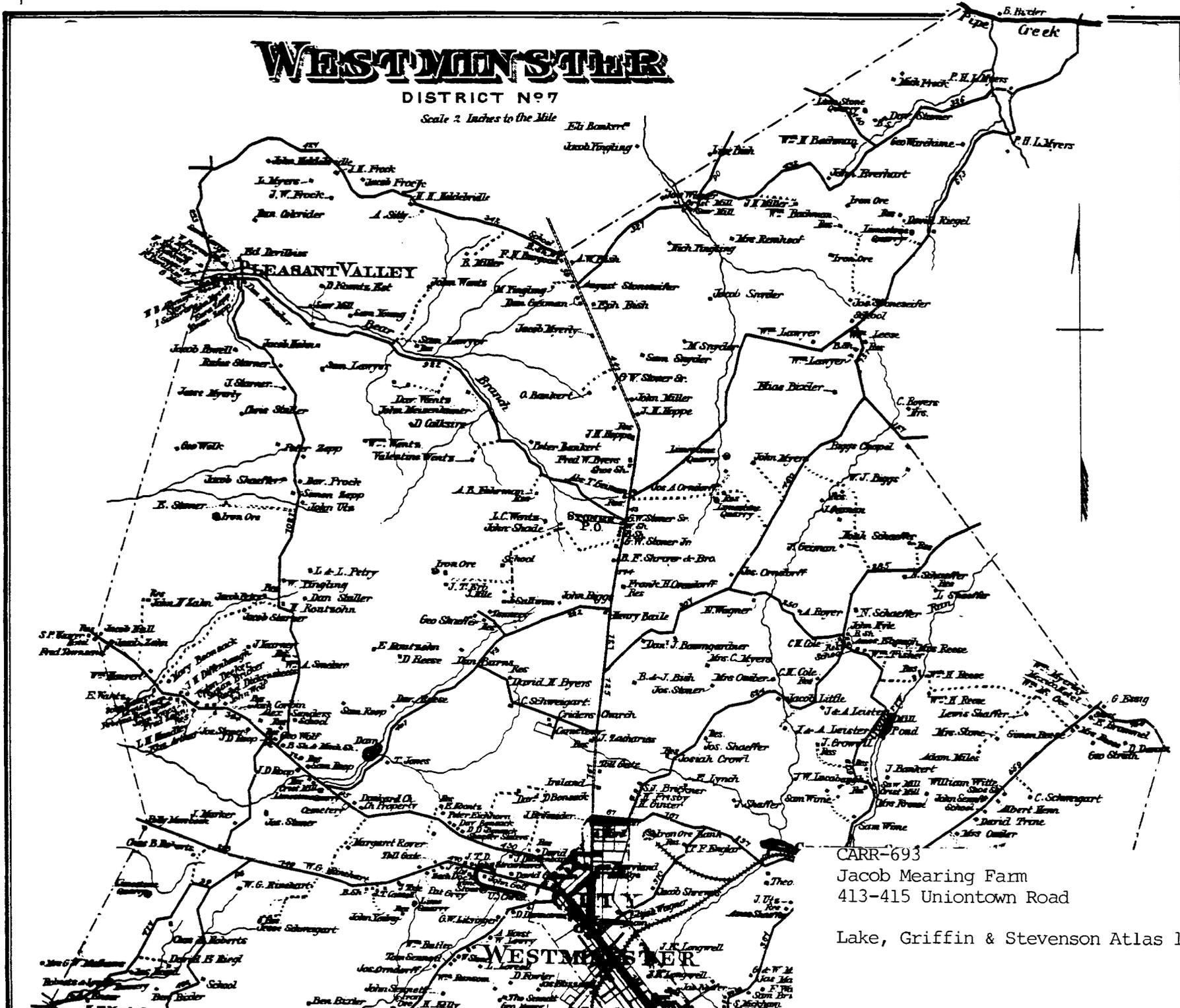


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Martenet Map 1862

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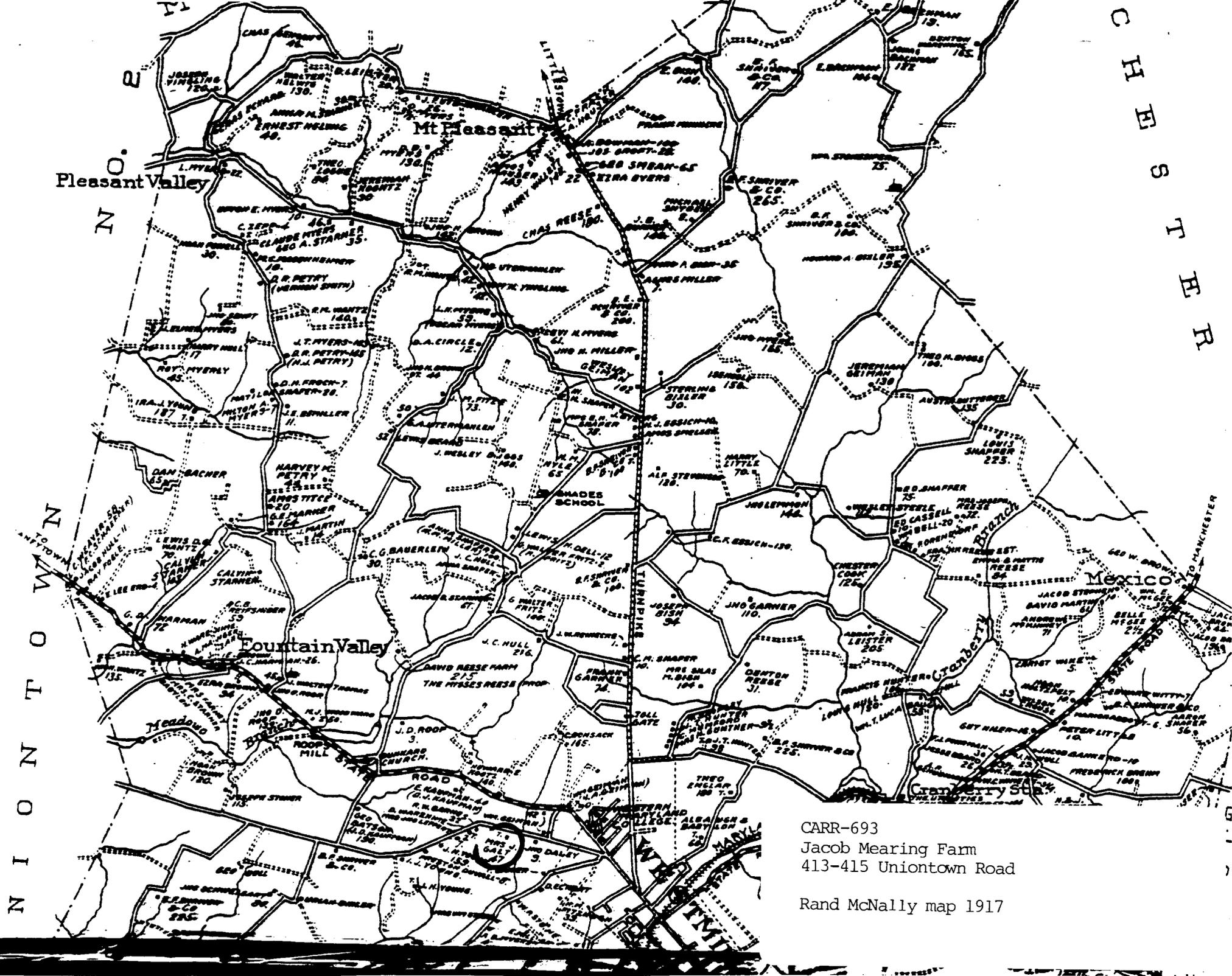
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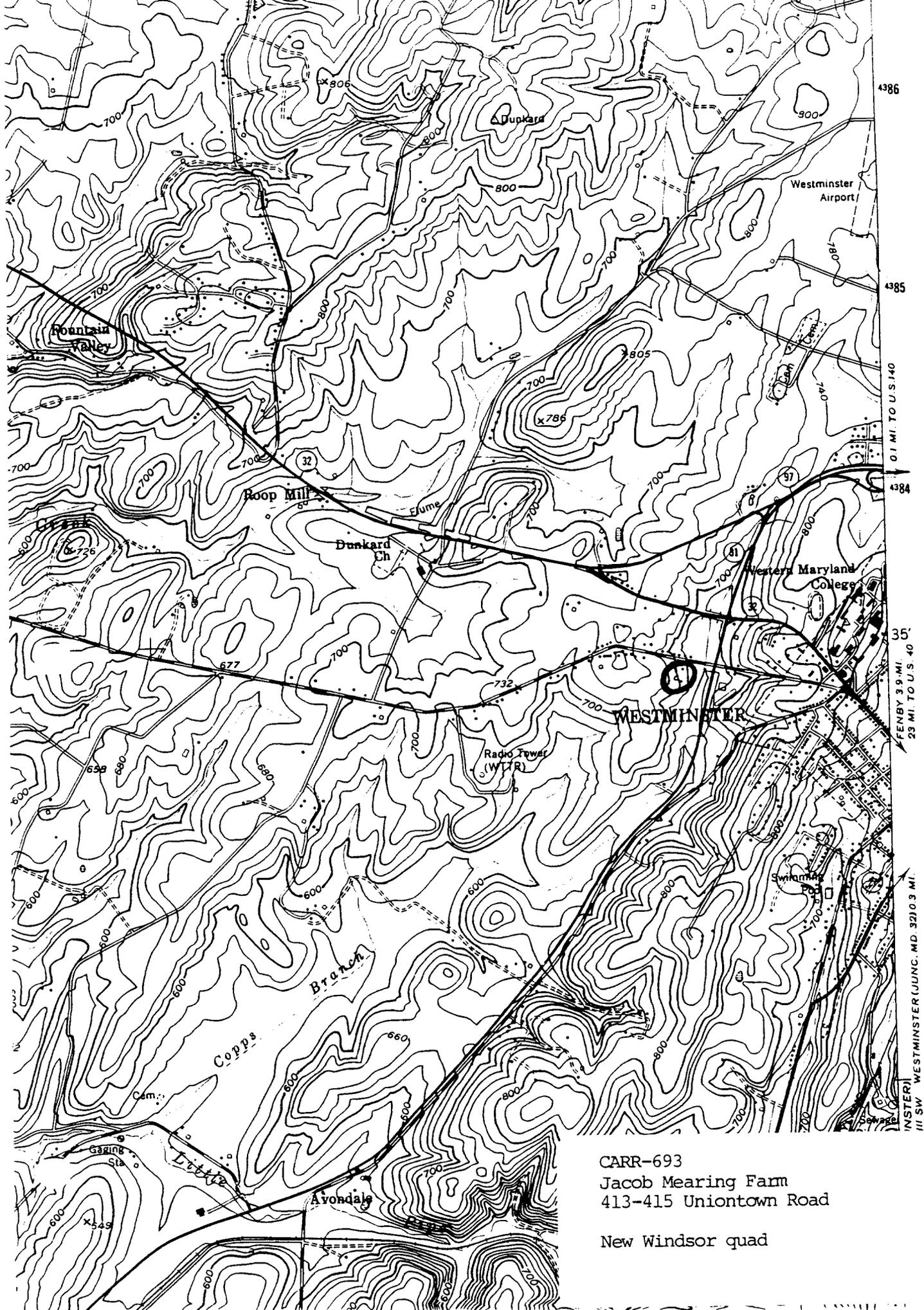
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Lake, Griffin & Stevenson Atlas 1877



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Rand McNally map 1917





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New Windsor quad

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23 MI. TO U.S. 40  
III SW WESTMINSTER (JUNC. MD. 32) 0.3 MI.  
WESTMINSTER



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house - SE elev.

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house - NW & NE elevs.

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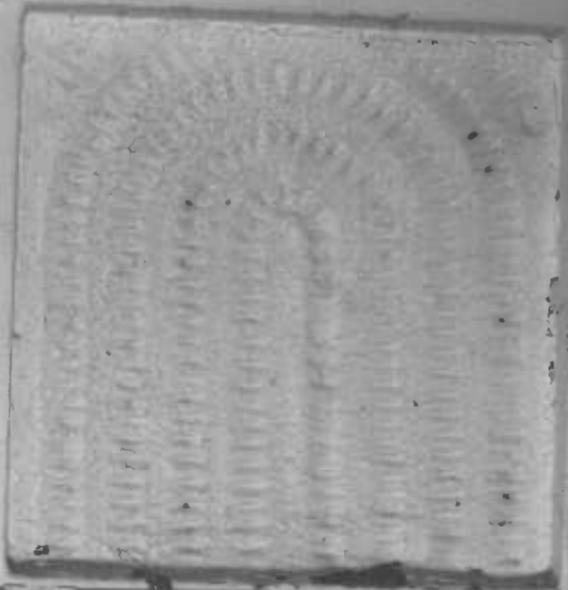
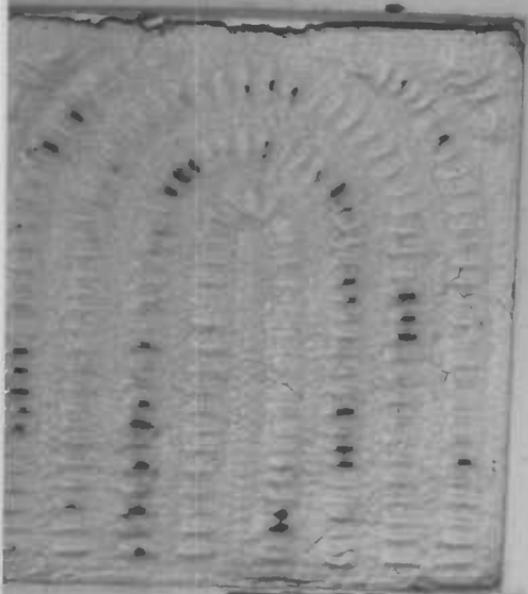
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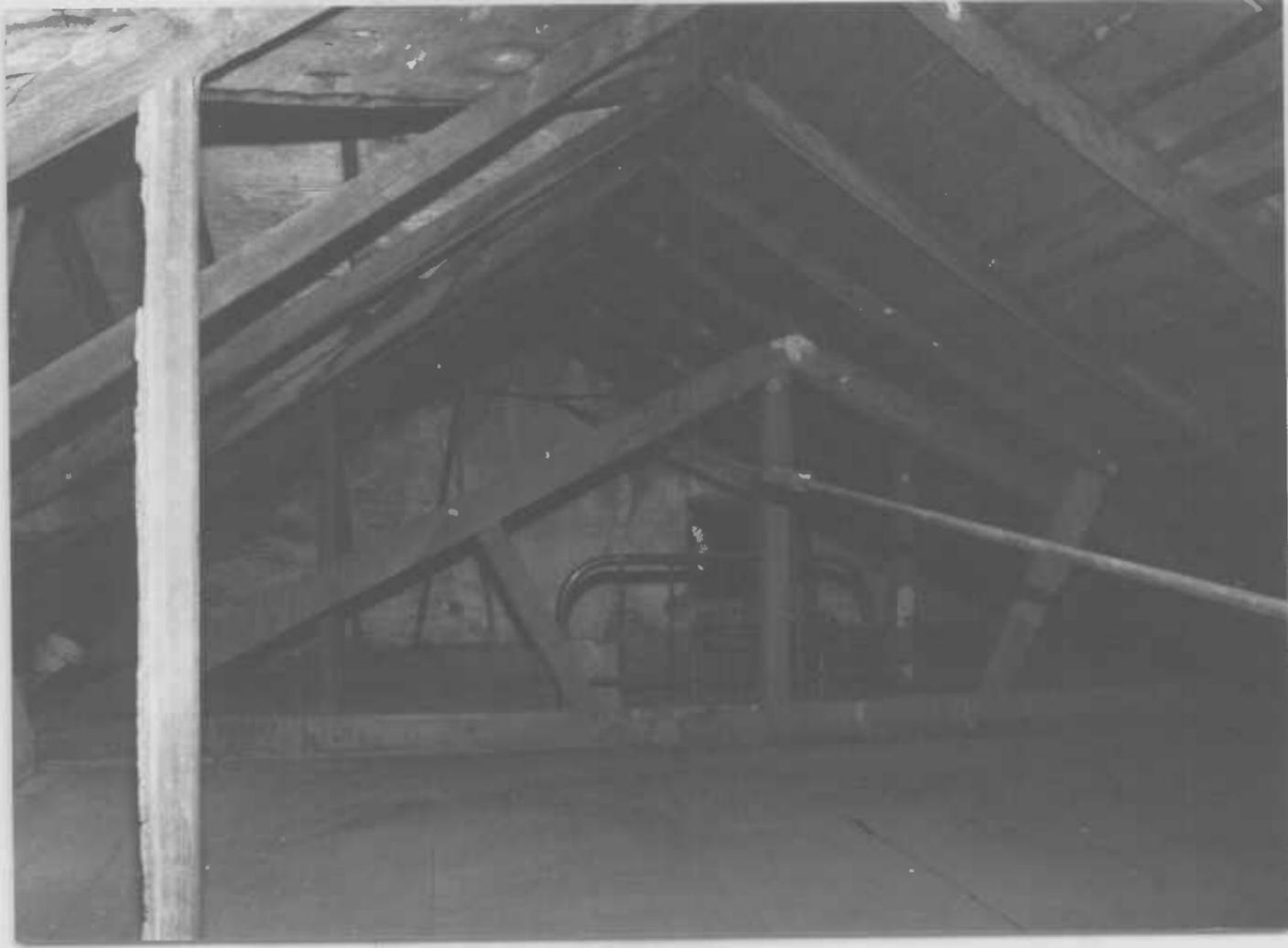
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pantry door - metal panel

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barn - SE & NE elevs.

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barn-NW elev.

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2. Carroll County, Maryland
3. Joe Getty
4. August 1983
5. Md. Historical Trust, Annapolis, Md.
6. North and east elevations  
(camera facing southwest)
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