

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Hampstead Mill Inventory Number: CARR-1262
 Address: 4041 Gill Avenue City: Hampstead Zip Code: 21074
 County: Carroll USGS Topographic Map: Carroll Co., Hampstead Quadrangle
 Owner: Josue C. Laredo, MD Is the property being evaluated a district? NO
 Tax Parcel Number: _____ Tax Map Number: _____ Tax Account ID Number: _____
 Project: Hampstead Mill Agency: Federal Communications Commission
 Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____
 Is the property located within a historic district? yes no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
 NR-listed district yes Eligible district yes District Name: Hampstead Historic District
 Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource yes no Non-contributing but eligible in another context _____

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)
 Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible yes no

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

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form dated June, 1986

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

The Hampstead Mill was most recently observed and photographed on April 18, 2003. Its condition was virtually unchanged since the preparation of the State Historic Sites Inventory Form in the library of the Maryland Historical Trust.

The property is described in the Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form, prepared by David Dante, Western Maryland College intern, in June, 1986. Following is a brief statement of observations made during a visit to the property on April 18, 2003.

The Hampstead Mill exists as a mixed-use development (as described in the MIHP write-up). It includes, without limitation, medical offices, a catering business, and apartments. It was converted from its original use as a feed and grain milling and storage facility to its present commercial uses without attention to the original architectural character of the property. Although its adaptive re-

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended _____
Criteria: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> None
Comments: <u>The mill is a contributing resource within the NR-eligible Hampstead HD (CARR-103). It has not been evaluated for individual eligibility.</u>	
Reviewer: <u>Josue Laredo</u> Office of Preservation Services	Date: <u>5/30/03</u>
Reviewer: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: _____

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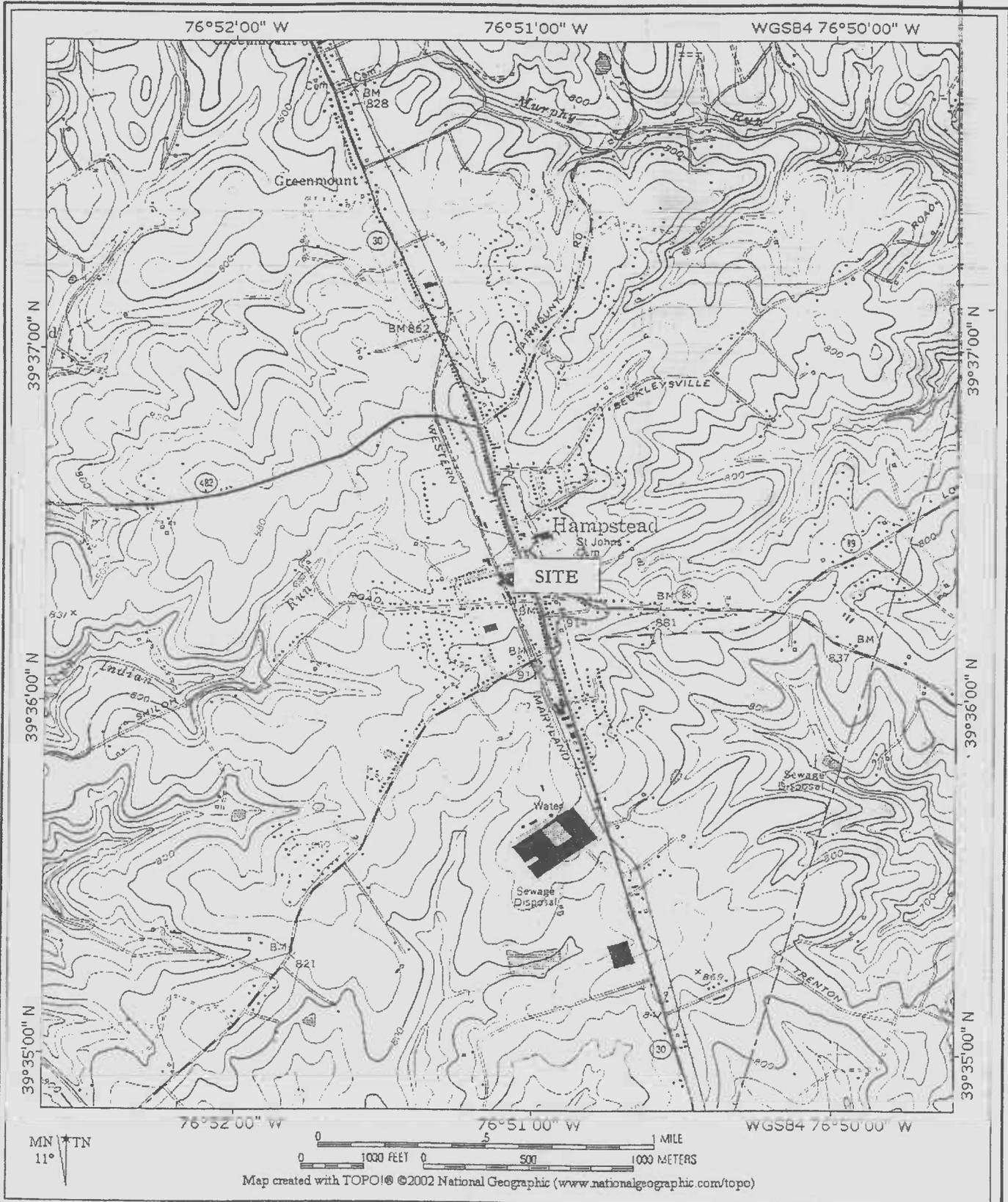
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use is imaginative and in many respects commendable, the integrity of the original property has been lost because of the irreversible "modernizing" nature of its renovation. The property is not associated with events, personages, or archaeological significance (Criteria A, B, and D, respectively), and its design has been compromised extensively, which removes it from consideration under the terms of Criterion C: Design/Construction.

Prepared by: William C. Riggs, RA
Historic Architect

Date Prepared: 04.18.03



SITE VICINITY MAP
 Hampstead-MD Quad
 SCALE: As Shown



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 The Mill: 911017004
 4041 Gill Avenue
 Hampstead, Maryland



HAMPSTEAD MILL, HAMPSTEAD, CARROLL CO., MD 21074 CORRECTED
PHOTO BY WILLIAM RIGGS 07.18.03
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MILL & RR 472, LOOKING SE 1/4

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RAIL CROSSING
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HAMPSTEAD MILL, HAMPSTEAD, CARROLL CO, MD 21074 ARR-1262
PHOTO BY WILLIAM RIGGS 04-18-03
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HAMPSTEAD MILL, HAMPSTEAD, ZEPHURUS, MD 21074 CARR 136
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HAMPSTEAD MILL, HAMPSTEAD, CARROLL CO, MD 21074 CARE-120
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CARR-1262
4041 Gill Avenue, Hampstead

Summary:

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MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. Carr 1262

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Hampstead Mill

2. Location

street & number 4041 Gill Avenue not for publication

city, town Hampstead vicinity of congressional district

state 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 Dr. Josue Laredo

street & number 4041 Avenue telephone no.: (410) 239-8545

city, town Hampstead state and zip code Maryland 21074

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse Annex liber

street & number 55 N. Court Street folio

city, town Westminster state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MHT Inventory Form

date June 1986 federal state county local

pository for survey records MHT

city, town Crownsville state MD

7. Description

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

SEE ATTACHED

8. Significance

CARR-
Survey No. 1262

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"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates C.1912-24 **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.

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STATE HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM

Survey No. CARR-1262

Description

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The Hampstead Mill is located at 4041 Gill Avenue in Hampstead in northeastern Carroll County, Maryland. The mill is a 6 story five bay by two bay poured concrete building with a flat roof and an over-hanging eave with a bracketed cornice with a 2 story six bay by three bay building attached to the north elevation, and a 2 story two bay by two bay building attached to the south elevation. Both of these 2 story wings are of poured concrete with some brick infill between the concrete piers and have flat roofs with bracketed cornices. There is also a 2 story brick building on a concrete foundation along the east side of the mill. This building is three bays by nine bays and has a flat roof. The west elevation has steel sash in the sixth floor bays and several boarded up openings in the south bay of the first, second and third stories. The north elevation of the 2 story section has been altered with stone veneer and a porch on the first story, metal siding in a board and batten pattern on the second story, and a false mansard roof added at the cornice level. The east elevation of the mill building above the later brick addition has closed over and altered openings on the third, fourth and fifth stories. The sixth story still has its original steel sash in place. The south elevation of the mill has brick walls on the east bay and concrete walls with boarded-up openings in the west bay on the fourth and fifth stories. The two story south wing has closed off or altered openings on the east elevation. The south elevation has concrete with a new door added on the second story. A new 1 story triangular porch has been added in the L between the south and east wings. According to building permit, these alterations were done in 1974.

The first and second stories have been converted to offices and a catering business, and at present retain little or no original features. The third, fourth and fifth floors remain with few changes. They have diagonal wood sub floors and wood flooring that runs north/south. There are low brick walls set between the concrete piers with large metal sash above them that extend from pier to pier and to the height of the ceiling. The center of these sash have been cut out and new sash added in an exterior curtain wall facade. This facade wall covers up the remaining portion of the original windows from the outside. In the northwest corner is a shoot or bin that apparently extends through all the floors. There are numerous holes in the floors; many of them patched over, as machinery was changed and replaced over time. There are jigsaw and brackets hanging from the ceiling that supported something like a drive shaft that ran the whole length of the building. The concrete wall runs down the center from north to south and closes off the west end to make storage bins. There's a stairway and elevator on the south end. The elevator has a steel framework that goes up the center with a semi-circular opening in the floor on either side. A canvas belt ran on either side of the steel framework. The stairway is closed off from each floor by a rolling steel fire door. The sixth story has not been altered and does not have the bins in this floor. Instead, the floor is open from east to west with windows on each side. The west bins are floored over with concrete while the remainder of the room has wood flooring such as that found on the third, fourth and fifth stories.

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There are two steel towers approximately three stories high set to the south of the elevator. These have been converted to six apartments with doors and porches added on the east elevation and windows added to the west elevation.

Contributing resources 1.

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Significance

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At a public sale in October, 1910, Lot 3 and Lot 10, on the west side of the railroad tracks, were purchased by Irvin S. Leister for \$5,000. The old grain elevator and warehouse was assessed in 1910, for \$700. In March, 1912, it was noted that "I. S. Leister has begun work on the foundation of his new grain elevator." The old mill apparently was in poor condition, but continued to operate while the new one was constructed nearby. By August it was noted that "every vestige of the old depot and freight shed has been removed." Leister had cut off the portion of land where the old building had stood and sold it to the Western Maryland Railway in July, reserving "the buildings including the foundation stone on the land hereby conveyed with the privilege of removing the same within fifty days from the date of this deed." By the middle of September, Leister had "finished the grade to his scales at the warehouse occupied by Switzer & Bixler, covering the stone with sand. This makes good solid approaches and helps the looks of the place." In 1913, Leister's assessment for the old mill was released, and an assessment of \$1,000 placed on the new building. In any rural community, the mill was one of the most important businesses. Where once they were located where there was water power and roads built to them, with the development of steam and gasoline engines, the mills could be moved anywhere and were typically centrally located in towns, along railroad tracks in order to draw business from the surrounding countryside and reduce shipping costs. Leister's old and new mills obviously fit this pattern. It was not unusual in nineteenth century Carroll County for traditional water-powered grist mills to be owned by one person and operated by another, because of the great expense of a mill. That this pattern continued is to be expected, as the technology, and cost, of grain milling continued to advance. The rising costs also forced most mill operators to form partnerships to cover the high capital needed for the business, and to spread the risk. Switzer & Bixler seems to have followed this trend, like most grain elevators in Carroll County. They had operated the old mill that Leister purchased in 1910, and continued to run the new one. This building is shown on a 1924, Sanborn map, along with a flour and feed warehouse that no longer survives. It is not known when the first reinforced concrete grain elevator was built in Carroll County, but this one is early, if not the first, as most surviving elevators are of frame, with later additions occasionally of concrete.

In 1921, Leister sold the grain elevator to Malko Milling & Lighting Co., a Maryland corporation. It is not known whether they ran the mill or whether Switzer & Bixler continued its operation, however, the latter is likely the case, as Malko became Hampstead Milling Co., whose

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secretary in 1935 was J. Frank Switzer. At that time the mill was sold to a Virginia corporation, Star Milling Co. it continued to change hands, but operate as a mill, until 1971, when the conversions that exist were made.

Geographic Organization:

Piedmont

Chronological/Development Periods:

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Historic Period Themes:

Architecture/Economic

Resource Type:

Rural Vernacular/Mill

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Sept. 1912, p.7, c.4.

CARR - 1261 & 1262
Hampstead Mill & Railroad Station

CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR	HOME COUNTY	GRANTEE	HOME COUNTY	DATE	LIBER	FOLIO	TRANS. ACTION	COMMENTS
Ralph Hoffman assignee of mortgage		Josue C. Laredo & Christina I. (wf)		5 Dec. 1980	LWS/779	759	Deed fee simple	4 continuous lots 1. 2 3 .099 ac. 4 .064 ac. \$200,000.00 Equity Dockett #16800
Pride of the Valley, Inc. - Dela Corp.		North Carroll Investment Co., MD Corp.		11 Jun. 1971	CCC/489	159	Deed fee simple	4 lots
Valley Feed & Supply - NY Corp.		Pride of the Valley, Inc. - Dela. Corp.		30 Sept. 1966	CCC/419	448	Deed fee simple	4 lots
Quaker City Flour Mill, Inc. - Dela. Corp.		Belt Seed Co., Inc. - MD Corp.		13 Jul. 1964	CCC/376	682	Deed fee simple	4 lots
Western Maryland R. R.		Quaker City Mills		15 Sept. 1961	340	10		Parcel 4
Manchester Bank		Quaker City Flour Mills, Inc. - Dela. Corp.		15 Apr. 1939	LDM/170	292	Deed fee simple	2 parcels
John B. Baker, assignee of mortgage (Star Milling Co., Inc. - VA Corp.)	Carroll	Manchester Bank		9 Mar. 1939	LDM/170	224	Deed fee simple	48,267 sq. ft.
William C. Miller, Pres., J. Frank Switzer, Sec. Hampstead Milling - MD Corp.		Star Milling Cor. - VA Corp. & A. A. Roudabush, Shenandoah, VA		6 Jul. 1935	EMM/162	345	Deed, ?	a. 19,921 sq. ft. see 4 deeds below b. 28,346 sq. ft.
Irvin S. Leister & wf. Lena B.	Carroll	Malko Milling & Lighting Co. - MD Corp.		31 Mar. 1921	EOC/138	252	Deed fee simple	Murray's Division, lot 3 1+ ac. - .626 ac. sold to WMRR 16 Jul. 1912, lot 10 - 28,890 sq. ft.

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Hampstead Mill & Railroad Station

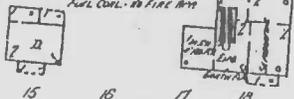
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Agnes A. Murray		Malko Milling & Lighting Co.		31 Mar. 1921	EOC/138	254		
J. Frank Switzer		Malko Milling & Lighting Co.		31 Mar. 1921	EOC/138	255		
Harry Bixler		Malko Milling & Lighting Co.		1 Apr. 1921	EOC/138	256		833 sq. ft.
Madilla Brillhart		Harry Bixler		26 Apr. 1920	136	244		
Agnes Murray		J. Frank Switzer		23 Nov. 1917	131	385		
Charles W. Murray, trustee	Carroll	Irvin S. Leister	Carroll	30 Dec. 1910	ODG/116	74	Deed	lot 3 - the elevator, station, and warehouse property - 1 ac. lot 10 - 28,890 sq. ft. \$5,000.00
Agnes A. Murray		Mandilla C. Brillhart		9 Feb. 1910	114	344		
Agnes A. Murray		Harry Bixler		3 Feb. 1910	113	418		
Charles A. Murray		Agnes A. Murray		31 Dec. 1904	101	234		
William A. Murray		Agnes A. Murray		12 May 1899	89	275		
Ephraim W. Turner		William A. Murray		29 Jul. 1889	69	518		
Keziah Murray		Charles M. Murray		4 Dec. 1882	58	114		
Andrew Schaffer		Charles M. Murray		17 Dec. 1878				
William A. Murray		Agnes A. Murray		12 Jun. 1875				\$800.00
Mary Sykes		Keziah Murray		26 Jul. 1870	38	435		\$1,000.00
Joseph Ebaugh		Charles M. Murray		12 Apr. 1869	37	77		\$5,500.00
Rebecca Jane Cox		Joseph Ebaugh		6 Mar. 1854	16	154		

EXPOSURE

50'

M.A. SPURRIER
ALPHA DAIRY
NO WETWORK - NO LIGHTS -
FUEL CON. TO FIRE APP.



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TURNER & MURPHY
MFG. & STORAGE BLDG.
FERTILIZER BLDG.
HAMPSTEAD FERTILIZER CO.
NO WETWORK - NO LIGHTS -
FUEL CON. TO FIRE APP.

Q.H. WILLENDER

NO WETWORK - NO LIGHTS -
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1 FLR. - FLOUR MILL
20 ALK. - WHEAT CLEANER, PURIFIER, COAT COLLATERAL
SEMI DRYER
30 ALK. - CRACKER, SCORER, WHEAT CLEANER
CAPACITY 20 BUSH. PER HOUR

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STATION
DEPOT
PASSENGER
FREIGHT
No.

SWITZER & BIVLER
GRAIN ELEVATOR
CAPACITY 4000 BU.
NO WETWORK - NO LIGHTS -
FUEL CON. TO FIRE APP.

RAILROAD AV.

BRIANT PUBLISHING CO.



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ST. JOHN'S
M.E. CHURCH
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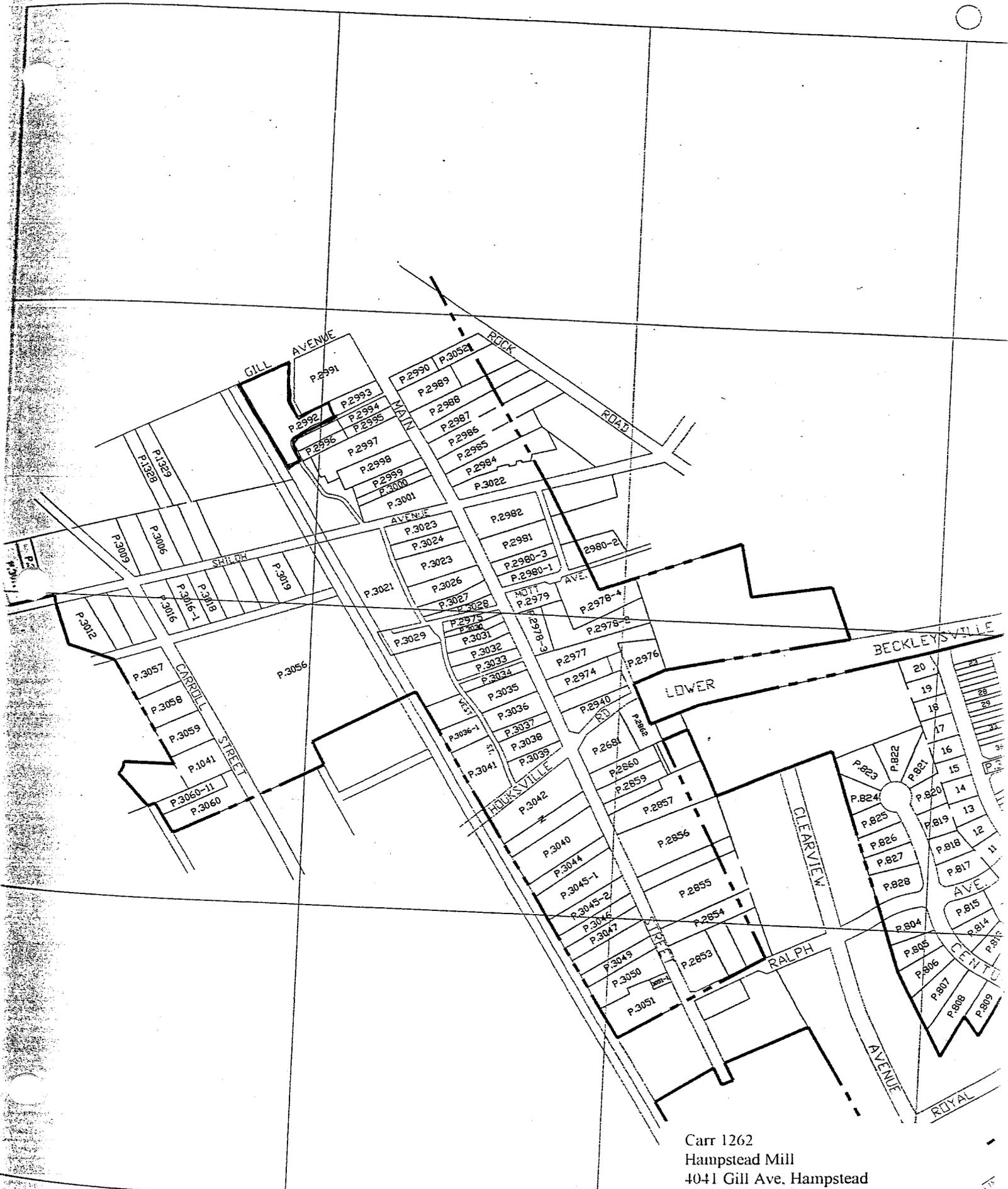
Map for
29 JUL 1955
Library of Congress

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Sanborn Map, 1911
4041 Gill Ave. Hampstead
Hampstead Mill
Cart 1262



Carr 1262
 Hampstead Mill
 401 Gill Ave. Hampstead
 Assessments & Taxation Map . Parcel

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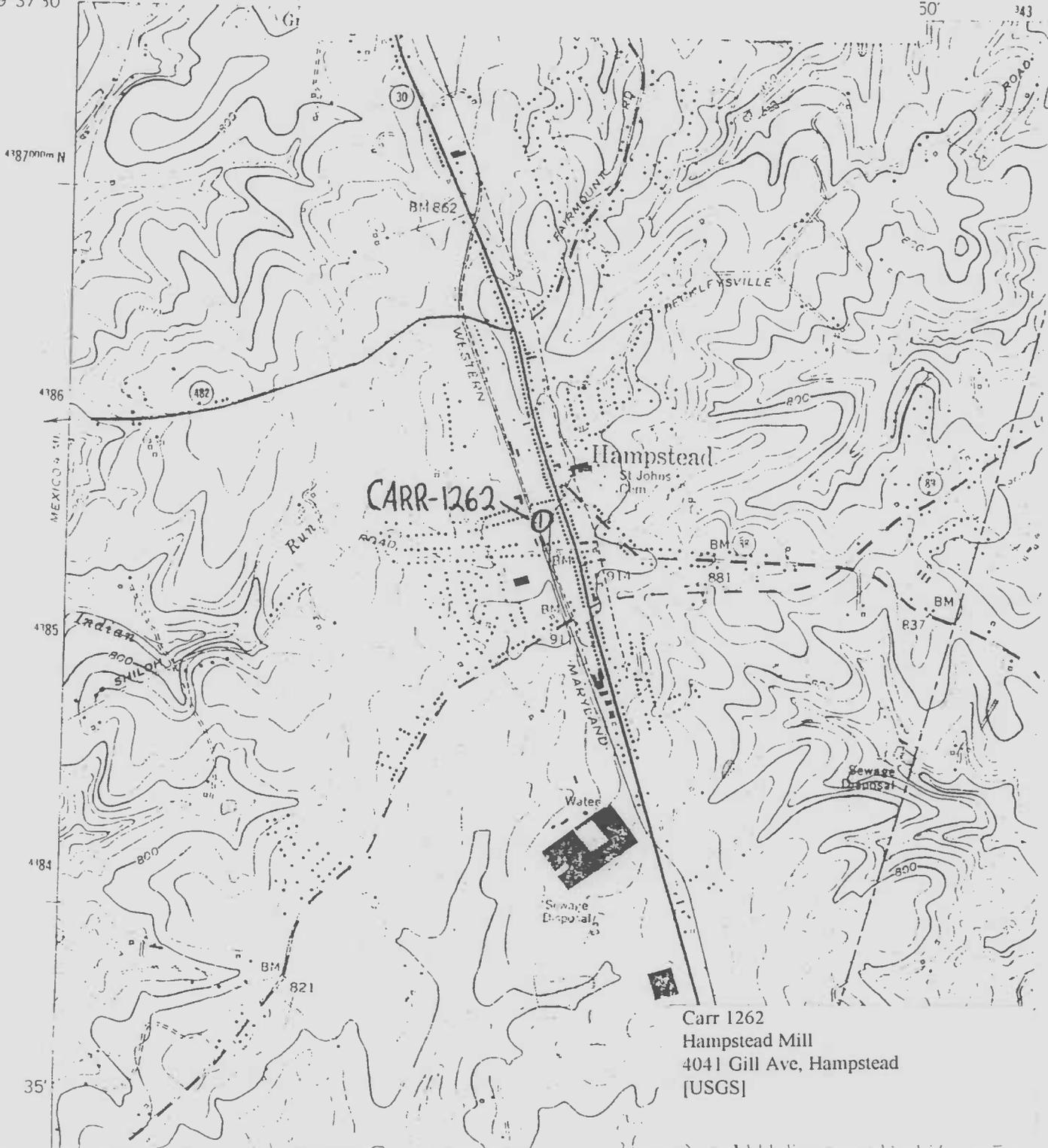
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Carr 1262
Hampstead Mill
4041 Gill Ave, Hampstead
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HAMPSTEAD MILL

4041 GILL AVENUE

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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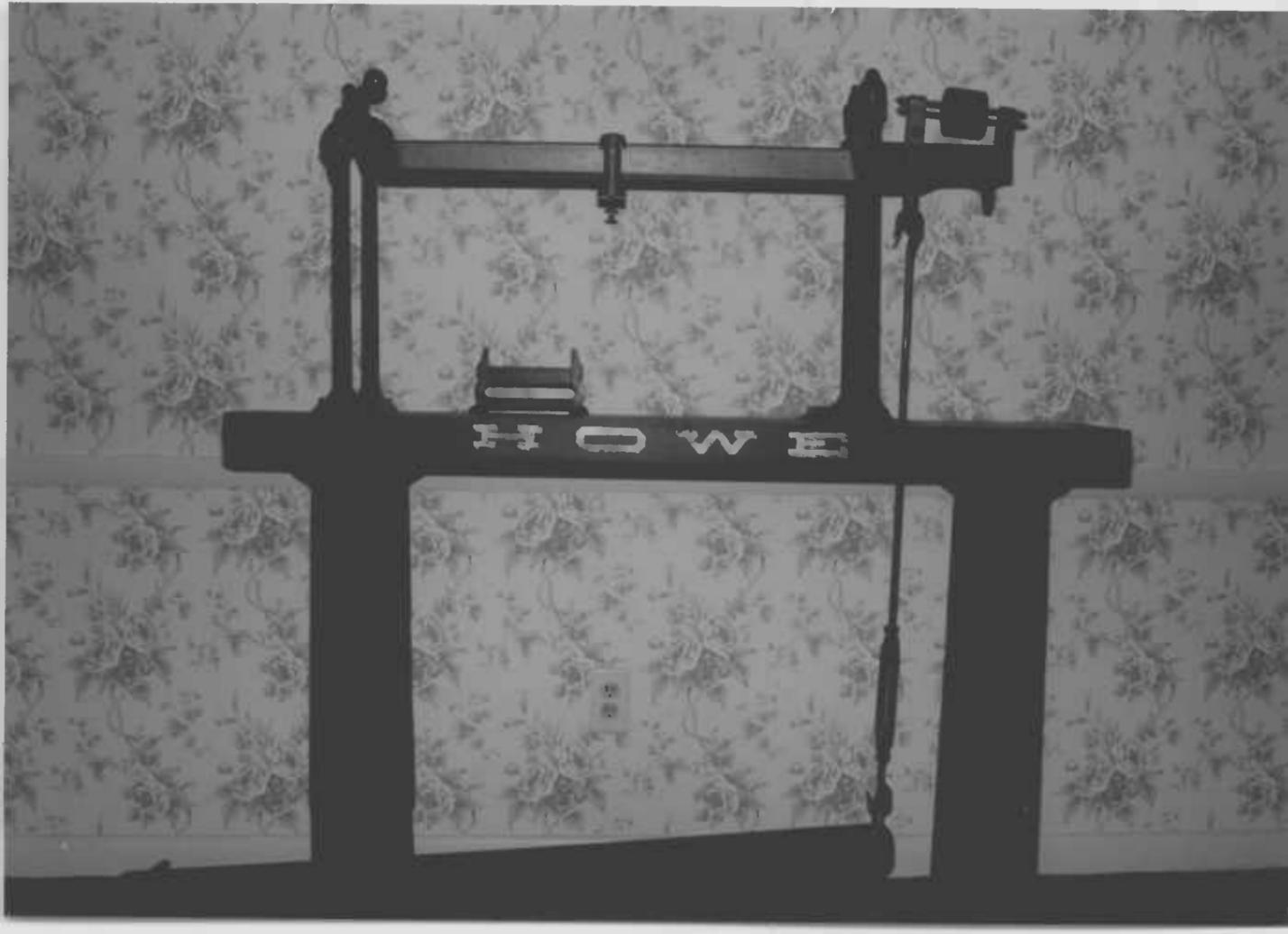
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5TH FLOOR - VW SOUTH

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HAMPSTEAD MILL

4041 GILL AVENUE

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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HOWE SCALE IN INTERIOR

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A black and white photograph showing a vertical wooden shaft, possibly for a hoist or elevator. The shaft is made of rough-hewn wood and has a handhold protruding from its side. To the right is a brick wall with a sign that reads "FACE THE BELT USE THE HANDHOLT TO STOP-PULL ROPE". A window with multiple panes is visible on the left side of the shaft. A metal railing is at the bottom of the shaft, and a circular opening is visible on the floor. A light bulb is attached to the top of the shaft.

FACE THE BELT
USE THE HANDHOLT
TO STOP-PULL ROPE

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HAMPSTEAD MILL

4041 GILL AVENUE

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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4TH FLOOR ELEVATOR

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HAMPSTEAD MILL

4041 GILL AVENUE

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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DATE: APRIL 1998

NEG. LOC. MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

NORTH $\frac{1}{2}$ WEST ELEVATIONS

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CARR-1262

HAMPSTEAD MILL

4041 GILL AVENUE

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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DATE: APRIL 1998

NEG. LOC: MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

SOUTH & EAST ELEVATIONS

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CARR - 1262

HAMPSTEAD MILL

early 20th c.

Hampstead

private

The Hampstead Mill is the largest structure in Hampstead and is representative of the concrete mills built in the early 20th century. A frame mill was constructed on this site soon after the railroad reached Hampstead in 1879. The Murray family apparently built and ran the mill until 1910. Later owners of this property were Switzer & Bixler, Malko Milling and Lighting Company, Hampstead Milling Company, Star Milling Company, Quaker City Mills, and Valley Feed and Supply.

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<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
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	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Josue C. Laredo, MD

street & number 4041 Gill Avenue telephone no.: 374-4141

city, town Hampstead state and zip code Maryland 21074

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Court House Annex liber 779

street & number 55 N. Court Street folio 759

city, town Westminster state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. CARR-1262

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<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.

The Hampstead Mill is very difficult to describe because of the numerous additions throughout the years. The original structure was a two story, and in some places, five story building, about ten bays wide by five bays long with two large silos out back. It presently houses a barbershop, an insurance company and a realator that each have separate entrances. It's main use at the present time is a banquet hall available for rent; its entrance is in the back by the silo.

8. Significance

Survey No. CARR-1262

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<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. In the early years (1849-1854) the exact parcel or parcels that contained the Mill isn't very clear. We believe that Henry Lamont sold the parcels as a whole to Rebecca Jane Cox (6/16/1849). The land records for this time period are also a bit confusing. Joseph Ebaugh sold property to Charles M. Murray that must have contained many houses because Murray paid \$5,500 for the land (37/77 4/12/1869). One year later Mary Sykes sold a parcel of land to Keziah Murray that apparently contained some sort of houses because Murray paid \$1000 for the land (58/435 7/26/1870). The parcel that's most likely the original plot that presently contains the Mill was purchased by Agnes A. Murray from William A. Murray for \$800 (89/275 6/14/1875). The railroad began to run through Hampstead around 1879. The Mill was owned and most likely run by successive Murrays from 1869 to 1904 until Charles M. Murray sold one or most of the parcels to Charles Billingslea (101/234 12/31/1904), and in 1910 when Agnes A. Murray sold another parcel, definitely containing a mill, to Harry Bixler (113/418 2/3/1910). According to a 1910 Carroll County newspaper Bixler formed a limited partnership with J. Frank Switzer concerning a milling business. Switzer later bought land from Agnes A. Murray containing 13,280 sq. ft. (131/385 11/23/1917). This same newspaper gives an accurate description of the mill in it's four paragraph article. It housed a large grain elevator, capable of housing 5,000 bushels of grain, a warehouse stocked with seed, lime, salt, etc. and a spacious yard stocked with wood, coal, brick and railroad ties, bought and stored for the railroad company. Switzer was also the mayor of Hampstead for two consecutive terms. In 1921 the Malko Milling and Lighting Company bought out Bixler (138/259 3/31/1921), Irvin S. Leister (138/252 3/31/1921), Switzer (138/255 3/31/1921) and Agnes A. Murray (138/254 3/31/1921) and they ran a successful milling company on this site for at least 14 years. Malko later went out of business and they were bought out by the Hampstead Milling Company which immediately sold it to the Star Milling Company of Virginia in Equity Court (Case No. 6970) for \$22,000. This parcel contained 48,267 square feet (162/345 7/6/1935). At this point in the Mill property exchanged many different hands many times and in 1938 John B. Baker sold a parcel of land to the Manchester Bank (170/244 7/20/1938). Baker later sold the parcel to Quaker City Mills (170/292 4/15/1939) Quaker City sold it to Valley Feed & Supply (376/682 7/13/1964). VFA sold it to Pride Valley Inc. (419/440 9/30/1966). They were later bought out by North Carroll Investment Corp. Laredo, the present owner bought it for \$200,000 in Equity Court (Case No. 16800).

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-1262

Land Records of Carroll County, Maryland
Carroll County 1837-1910 "The Democratic Advocate"

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Hampstead

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title David Dante

organization Western Maryland College Internship date June 1986

street & number Carroll Co. Dept. Planning & Dev. telephone 848-4500

city or town Westminster state Maryland

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Chain-of-Title

CARR-1261-1262
 Hampstead Mill and Railroad Station
 Hampstead, Maryland

779/759	12/05/1980	Ralph Hoffman to Laredo \$200,000.00 Equity Dockett #16800
489/159	06/11/1971	Pride Valley Inc. to North Carroll Investment Co.
419/440	09/30/1966	Valley Feed & Supply to Pride Valley Inc.
376/682	07/13/1964	Quaker City Flour Mill to Valley Feed & Supply
Parcel 4 340/10	09/15/1961	Western Maryland R.R. to Quaker City Mills .064a
parcel 1 170/292	04/15/1939	Manchester Bank to Quaker City Mills
170/244	07/20/1938	John B. Baker to Manchester Bank

Star Milling Company, Virginia
 Real Estate Mortgage #93/109 48,267 sq. ft.
 Equity Dockett #6970 \$22,000

162/345	07/06/1935	Hampstead Milling Co. to Star Milling Co. (A.A. Roudabush)
138/252	03/31/1921	Irvin S. Leister to Malko Milling & Lighting Co. Equity #4544
138/254	03/31/1921	Agnes A. Murray to Malko Milling & Lighting Co.
138/255	03/31/1921	Frank Switzer to Malko Milling & Lighting Co.
138/256	04/01/1921	Harry Bixler to Malko Milling & Lighting Co. 833 sq. ft.
136/244	04/26/1920	Madilla Brilhart to Harry Bixler
131/385	11/23/1917	Agnes Murray to J. Frank Switzer

116/74	12/30/1910	Charles W. Murray, trustee, to Irvin Leister \$5,000.00
114/344	02/09/1910	Agnes A. Murray to Mandilla C. Brillhart
113/418	02/03/1910	Agnes A. Murray to Harry Bixler
101/234	12/31/1904	Charles A. Murray to Agnes A. Murray
89/275	05/12/1899	William A. Murray to Agnes A. Murray
69/518	07/29/1889	Ephraim W. Turner to William A. Murray
58/114	12/04/1882	Keziah Murray to Charles M. Murray
	12/17/1878	Andrew Schaffer to Charles M. Murray
	06/12/1875	William A. Murray to Agnes A. Murray \$800
38/435	07/26/1870	Mary Sykes to Keziah Murray \$1,000
37/77	04/12/1869	Joseph Ebaugh to Charles M. Murray \$5,500
16/154	03/06/1854	Rebecca Jane Cox to Joseph Ebaugh

CARR-1262 Hampstead Mill

Star Milling Company: Inventory as of 7/6/1935
 (from Equity Court Docket #6970)

15	Puritan Dust Collectors
1	Round Reel Flour Duster
1	Bran & Shorts Duster
26	Elevators
1	Monitor #6 Receiving Separator
1	Monitor #43 Milling Separator
1	Single Scourer #2 Monitor
3	Wolfe Sifters #77 Automatic Balance Control
1	Self Rising Mixer; 800 lb. capacity
1	Choak Feed
1	Blender #S.B.
1	Scroll Sixe #3
2	Flour Packers
1	Bran Packer
1	Man Lift
7	Double Stand Wolfe Rolls
2	Flour Bins
2	Tempering Bins
1	Screening Grinder Hammer Mill
1	Mobile Suction Fan; 6 ft.
1	Centrifical #746 Wolfe Scroll; size #3
1	Shorts Duster #462
1	Bran Duster #463
4	Purifiers; Wolfe size #992
2	Bleachers
1	Automatic Scale
1	Monitor Double Scourer; size #2
1	Wagon Scale
1	Westinghouse Motor; 100 h.p.
1	Motor; 15 h.p.
1	Motor; 7 h.p.
1	Motor; 3 h.p.
1	Motor; 3.5 h.p.
1	Motor; 10 h.p.
1	Motor; 25 h.p.
1	Motor; 15 h.p.
1	Power Corn Sheller
1	Half-ton Davis Horizontal Mixer
1	Dellinger Hammer Mill
1	Wolfe Corn Cutter
1	Myers Pump Stroke; 7.5 h.p. motor attached to pump
1	Office Counter; removable
1	Kirk Wheat Dampener
1	Fairbanks Wagon Scale

HAMPSTEAD, MD. QUADRANGLE

7.5 minute series

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