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Burgee-King Farmstead
Urbana vicinity
Private

Ca. 1850-1920

The Burgee-King Farmstead is centered on a two-story brick and frame dwelling built about 1850 and altered in the 1880's, and its outbuildings, which are a log smokehouse of about 1850, a frame bank barn and a wagon shed/corn crib of about 1890-1900, a frame hog barn, and a garage of about 1920, and a rusticated concrete block milk house of about 1920. The farm may have been established as early as the 1840's, but the existing dwelling appears to be about 1850 in date. The main section is brick, with double entrances in the four-bay original facade on the west. The rear wing has been enlarged and may encompass a smaller earlier wing. It has a partially enclosed two-story porch and an entrance on the north elevation with a molded door and a transom and sidelights. The farm was owned by Singleton and Jane Burgee until 1869 and by Singleton King and his descendants from 1881 to 1911. After its purchase by King, the wing alterations took place and the barn and wagon shed/corn crib were built. During the ownership of the Roderick family from 1911 to 1986, the barn was altered for dairy use and the milk house, garage, and the hog barn were built. The farmstead is minimally significant for the architecture of its remaining structures, which convey much of their original appearance and function, but have been altered or have deteriorated considerably.

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Urbana
Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse
Domestic/secondary structure/garage
Agriculture/Subsistence/animal facility/barn
Agriculture/Subsistence/storage/granary

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE yes no**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Burgee-King Farmstead

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 3033 A&B Thurston Road

 not for publication

city, town Urbana

 vicinity of

congressional district 6th

state Maryland

county Frederick

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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Kiplinger Washington Editors

street & number 1729 H Street N.W.

telephone no.:

city, town Washington, D.C.

state and zip code 20006

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse

liber 1387

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street

folio 891

city, town Frederick

state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date

 federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input 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.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 7

The Burgee-King Farmstead centers on a two-story brick and frame dwelling built apparently in two stages, about 1850 and 1881, and its outbuildings, which include a log smokehouse of about 1850, a frame barn of about 1890-1900 with a concrete block milk house of about 1920, a deteriorated frame hog barn of about 1900-1910, a frame wagon shed/corn crib of about 1890-1900, and a frame garage of about 1920. The farmstead is located on the east side of Thurston Road about 1/4 mile south of Fingerboard Road near Urbana, Frederick County, Maryland. The farmstead is located at the end of a driveway leading southeast from Thurston Road, along which are modern non-contributing dwellings on separate parcels previously subdivided from the original farm property. The open fields around the house are not presently being farmed. The dwelling is currently divided into two rental units and the agricultural outbuildings are used for storage or are not in use. Dates for the buildings are based on architectural details, land records, and historical maps.

The house's original principal elevation faces west and has a four-bay configuration with two entrances in the first story inner bays. The present entrances to both living units are, however, in the frame rear wing. The brick section of the house is one unit and the frame rear wing is the other unit. The brick section, which may have been built about 1850, is laid in 6:1 American bond and is painted white. The window openings have plain wood lintels and sills and 2, sash. One of the west elevation door openings is boarded and the other has a glass panel door of mid-20th century date. A one-story porch which once sheltered the west side has been removed. Evidence of brick infill below the second story inner bay windows suggests that doors or jib windows may have been part of the original design. The cornice is boxed and the roof is standing seam metal. Interior chimneys rise at the gable ends. The southwest gable end has no openings and the northeast gable end has one bay near the northeast corner with 2/2 sash. Two attic windows with 2/2 sash are also on this end. The frame rear wing has been considerably altered during the early and mid 20th century, but it retains much of its overall original form. It is two stories in height and has German siding with a standing seam metal roof. An interior end chimney is located at the east gable end. On the north side of the wing are three bays with an entry porch which appears to be of recent construction. The door has molded arched panels and a transom and sidelights, features frequently seen in houses built in the last quarter of the 19th century. The windows have 2/2 sash. On the south side of the wing, an originally open two-story porch has been considerably enclosed and enlarged, leaving only a small section of the first story level open with a poured concrete deck. The interior of the house was inaccessible for this survey. It is likely that the brick section had a smaller, less extensive wing which was enlarged or replaced in the late 19th century by the present structure.

Smokehouse: The one-story log smokehouse is located south of the rear wing and is in deteriorated condition. It appears to have been built about the same time as the house, about 1850. The gables of the structure are covered with weatherboard siding and parts of the exterior are also covered with various siding types, concealed deteriorated sections. The gable roof is standing seam metal.

8. Significance

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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		

Specific dates C. 1850-1920 **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.

The Burgee-King Farmstead is minimally significant for the architecture of its buildings, which are either considerably altered or in deteriorated condition, but still convey their original appearance and functions within the domestic and agricultural context of the farm. The farm was possibly established as early as the 1830's, according to the deed records, but the extant dwelling appears to date from about 1850 with alterations to the rear wing in the last quarter of the 19th century. The log smokehouse supports the date of about 1850 for the establishment of the farm. The property was owned by Singleton and Jane Burgee and was probably a tenant farm. In January 1862, Jane Burgee (1789-1866) sold the property to her grandson, Charles Hendry, Jr., but it reverted to her when Hendry died in December the same year. During this period, it was apparently called the "Georgia Farm", according to the equity sale which took place in 1869. The house was described as a 1-1/2 story brick dwelling, but no current evidence of enlargement to two stories is visible, suggesting this may be an error. In 1881, the property was sold to Singleton King (1810-1897), in whose family it remained until 1911. The rear wing of the house was probably enlarged and the barn and wagon shed were built during this period. From 1911 to 1986, the Roderick family owned the farm and the alterations of the barn for dairy use and the construction of the milk house, the hog barn, and the garage were done. Information gathered by the Kiplinger Washington Editors from Harry Roderick, the last of the family to own the farm, states that the barn was built in the 1890's by Charlie Dudderar, a local contractor in the Urbana area who went on to build several houses in the vicinity.

7.1 Description (Continued)

Garage: The frame garage is located east of the house and smokehouse. Built about 1920, it has a hipped corrugated metal roof and a stucco finished exterior. On the south elevation are sliding tongue-and-groove doors and a section of german siding which indicates the original exterior appearance. A gas pump stands near the southwest corner of the garage.

Wagon shed/corn crib: The frame wagon shed/corn crib was built at the same time as the bank barn, described in the following section, about 1890-1900. Both structures have narrow vertical tongue-and-groove siding and louvred arched vents. Each has a sunburst design vent overlay in the gable peak. The sides of the wagon shed are vented german siding and it is supported on stone piers. Sliding doors are on the east and west ends. On the south side is an open shed for additional vehicle storage.

Bank barn and milk house: The frame bank barn was built about 1890-1900 and has vertical tongue-and-groove siding with louvred arched vents and the sunburst gable fan vent as mentioned above. It has a stone foundation and the stall level on the south has been enclosed with concrete block to form a milking room with a bank of multiple paned windows above the block lower wall. This alteration probably took place in the 1920's and at the same time, the rusticated concrete block milk house was erected at the west gable end of the barn. It has smooth finish quoins at the corners and a plain vertical board door in the west elevation with two 1/1 windows. A partially covered walkway links the milk house to the barn. On the north side of the barn are two silos, one concrete and one in terra cotta block. These were probably built by 1940.

Hog barn: The deteriorated frame hog barn is located south of the barn and was probably built in the 1920's. It has both vertical and board and batten siding and a corrugated metal roof, the battened section undoubtedly being a feed storage area. On the east side is a paved concrete pen area with swing doors opening from the stalls on the east side of the barn.

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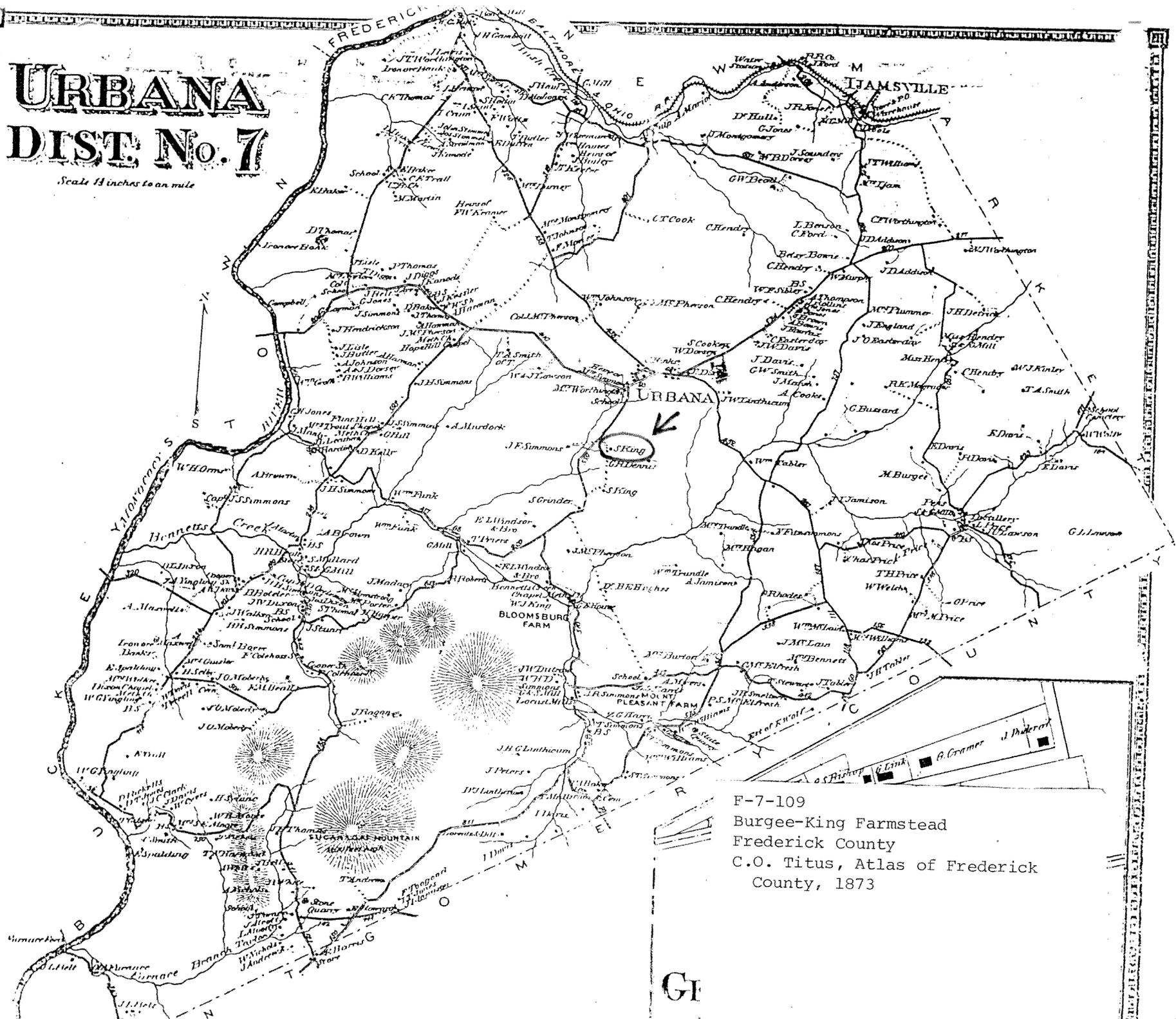
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1387/891 30 Dec 86	Kiplinger Nash ington Editors, Inc	Harry M. & Charlotte H. Roderick	142.7404 a.	\$457,409.28
666/259 2 Apr 62	Harry M. & Charlotte H. Roderick	Harry M. & Eula D. Roderick	corrects confirmatory deed 146.9a. + 7a.	
560/374 12 Mar 56	"	"		
358/71 13 Apr 26	Harry M. & Eula D. Roderick	Andrew M. & A. Viola Roderick	155 a., 48 sq. p.	
335/571 2 June 21	Andrew M. Roderick et al	H. Kieffer DeLauter	155 a. 48 sq. p. on same page is deed conveying farm to H. Kieffer DeLauter by Roderick	
329/463 3 Feb 20	Andrew M. Roderick	William Mc. & Clara V. Roderick	155 a. 48 sq. p.	
HWB 296/286 11 Apr 11	William Mc. Roderick	Glenn H. Worthington trustee	Equity 8637 155 a., 48 sq. p. Equity Record HWB 5/346	\$15,330
Equity Record HWB 5/346	Mary S. King	Widow of Edmund Dorsey King, & Mabel S. King	us. Birdie Dubrow & Mabel S. King	
Adm. of sales, 21 Jan 11: "This farm is improved by a substantial frame dwelling house... containing eleven rooms and attic. Large bank barn, ^{main} corn house, wagon shed and other necessary outldgts."				
DHH 1/187 2 Feb 1898	E. Dorsey King	Wm. P. M. Lawson		\$6,986.25

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DHH 1/185 8 Jan 1898	William P.N. Lawson	Caroline King widow of Singleton King et al	Equity 3374 CM 2/177 Equity Record CM 4/151, 20 Sept. 1869 155a. BGF 7/255, 16 Jan 1862 48 sq. p.	\$6,986.25
AF 4/120 20 May 1881	Singleton King	Janny R. Ma- Pherson	48 sq. p.	\$30
Equity Record CM 2/177	adv. for sale: 14 Aug 1869 ... That valuable farm known as the 'Georgia Farm' 155a late the property of Mrs. Isaac Barge, dec. ... it is improved by a 1 1/2 story brick dwelling house with a good back building, a small barn, good stables, and other necessary out-houses			
CM 4/151 30 Sept 1869	Singleton King	Grayson Eichelberger trustee		
BGF 7/255 16 Jan 1862	Charles Hendry Jr.	Jane Barge	part of "The Resurvey on 'Hope'" 155a.	\$3100
J 52/114 7 Aug 1824	Singleton Bergee	Jane John H. McElfresh		

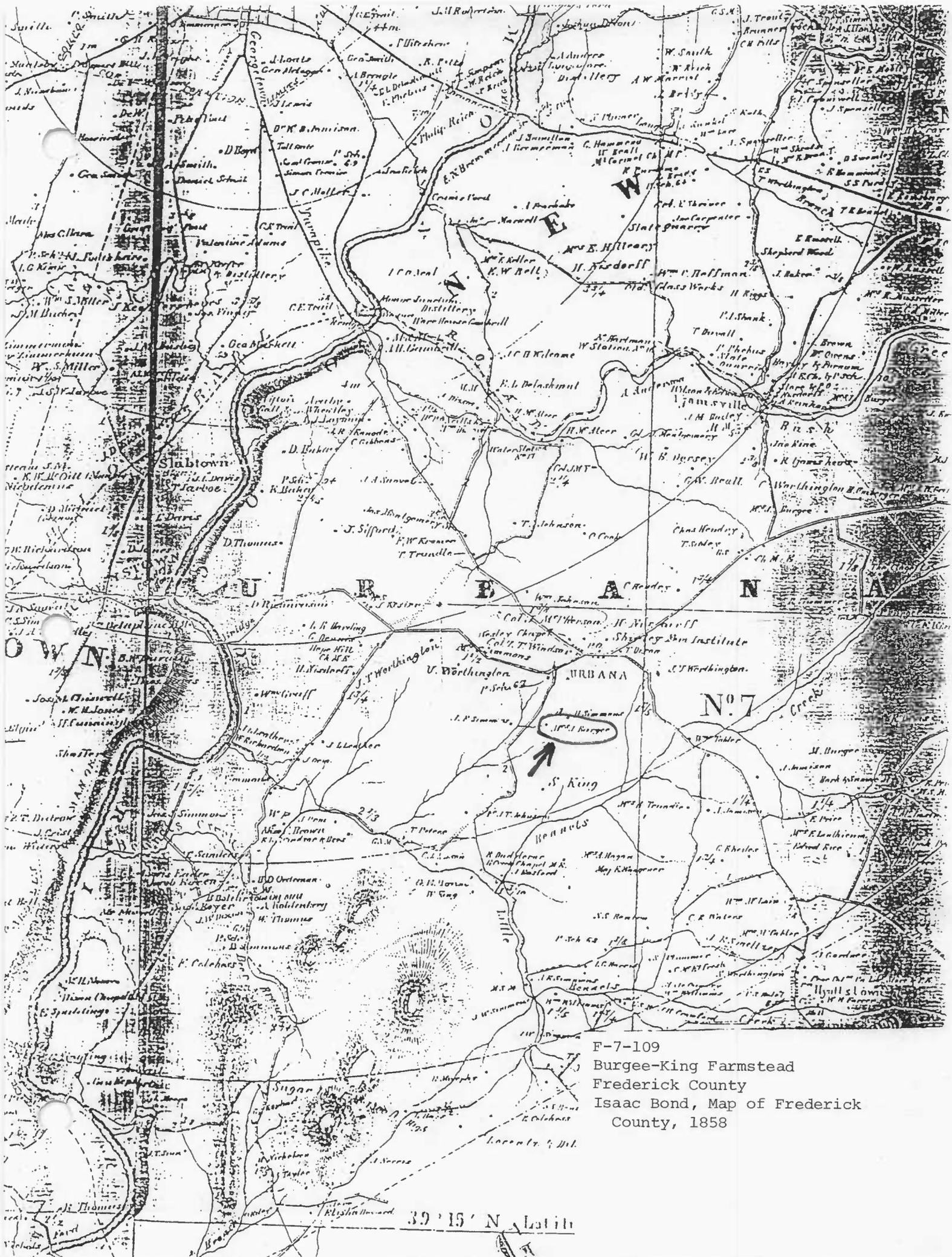
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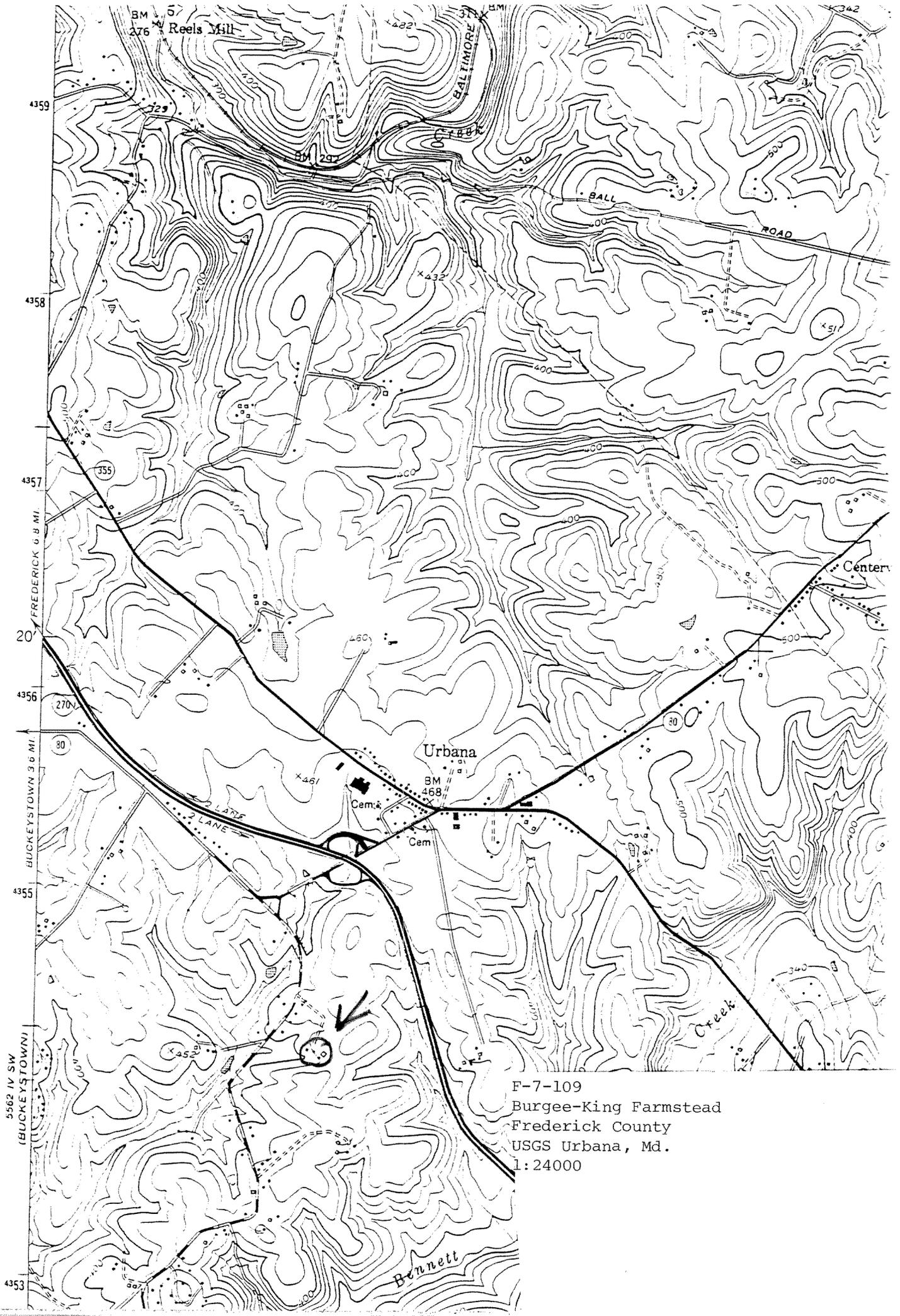
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Frederick County
C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick
County, 1873

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 Burgee-King Farmstead
 Frederick County
 Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick
 County, 1858

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BM 276 Reels Mill

BALTIMORE RD

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(BUCKEYSTOWN)

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Bennett

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Frederick County
USGS Urbana, Md.
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