HA-321

Hopkins-Bayless House ca. 1870
837 Darlington Road
Darlington vicinity
Private

The Hopkins-Bayless House stands on a part of the tract called Elberton or El Briton, from which several of the surrounding farms were formed. In 1868, Hannah R. Hopkins and James C. Worthington sold a farm containing 94 acres to Samuel M. Bayless. The present house may contain parts of a structure which existed at that time. The present owner believes the south section dates from about 1840, although its central gable and general proportions are more representative of the 1870's.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST HA-321

MAGI # 1303215504

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Hopkins-Bayless House

AND/OR COMMON
Elberton Hill Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
837 Darlington Road

CITY, TOWN
Darlington X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
1st

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	X YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
	X not applicable	__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
C. Frank Hopkins

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
837 Darlington Road

CITY, TOWN
Darlington __ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
MD 21034

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Harford County Court House

Liber #:
Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER
40 So. Main Street

CITY, TOWN
Bel Air

STATE
MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Maryland Historical Trust Historic Sites Inventory

DATE
c. 1970

__FEDERAL X STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN
Annapolis

STATE
MD

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
X GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Hopkins-Bayless House is a two story house with brick veneer and several additions located on a hill on the east side of Darlington Road (Maryland Route 161) south of Darlington, Harford County, Maryland. The original main elevation faces south.

The main elevation has five bays with a center gable peak and a center entry. A former one story shed porch has been enclosed and a modern shed roof extends over an open porch. The center gable has a round-arched window. The second floor has paired narrow windows with 1/1 sash and storm windows. The remaining windows are 2/2. A single brick chimney rises from the composition roof.

The east elevation has the current main entry, a small porch sheltering the french door set in a two story rear addition. The addition was apparently originally a perpendicular wing as in other farmhouses of the same period and type. At the rear of the wing is a stuccoed one story addition dating from 1955. A large chimney is enclosed in this extension.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
REHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	X OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		local history

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1870 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hopkins-Bayless House stands on a part of the tract called Elberton or El Briton, from which several of the surrounding farms were formed. In 1868, Hannah R. Hopkins and James C. Worthington sold a farm containing 94 acres to Samuel M. Bayless. The present house may contain parts of a structure which existed at that time. The present owner believes the south section dates from about 1840, although its central gable and general proportions are more representative of the 1870's. The 1878 Martenet map of Harford County shows the house as the residence of Mrs. Bettie M. Bayless.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Martenet's Map of Harford County, 1878

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION
Harford County Department of Planning & Zoning

DATE
February 1983

STREET & NUMBER
45 So. Main St.

TELEPHONE
(301) 838-6000, ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN
Bel Air

STATE
MD 21014

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

HA-321

Form 10-300
(Dec. 1968)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

138321 41604
N. R. FIELD SHEET

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

(Type all entries – complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: Hopkins - Mick - Melton house

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Lane enters east of Darlington Road about 0.4 mi south of Trappe Church Road

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington

STATE: Maryland | CODE: | COUNTY: Harford | CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District ☐ Building ☐	Public ☐	Public Acquisition:	Occupied ☐	Yes:
Site ☐ Structure ☐	Private ☐	In Process ☐	Unoccupied ☐	Restricted ☐
Object ☐	Both ☐	Being Considered ☐	Preservation work in progress ☐	Unrestricted ☐
				No: ☐

PRESENT USE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Agricultural ☐	Government ☐	Park ☐	Transportation ☐	Comments ☐
Commercial ☐	Industrial ☐	Private Residence ☐	Other *(Specify)* ☐	
Educational ☐	Military ☐	Religious ☐		
Entertainment ☐	Museum ☐	Scientific ☐		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: Carrol Francis Hopkins (legal purchaser from H. Edward Wheeler)

STREET AND NUMBER: Darlington Road

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington | STATE: Maryland | CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

STREET AND NUMBER: HARFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE 40 S. MAIN ST.

CITY OR TOWN: BEL AIR | STATE: MARYLAND | CODE:

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local ☐

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: | STATE: | CODE:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE: COUNTY: FOR NPS USE ONLY ENTRY NUMBER DATE

N. R. FIELD SHEET

7. DESCRIPTION

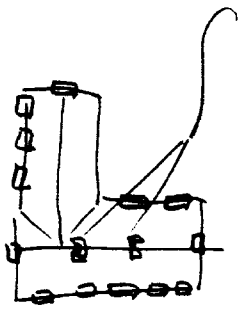
CONDITION	(Check One) Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed ☐	
INTEGRITY	(Check One) Altered ☐ Unaltered ☐	(Check One) Moved ☐ Original Site ☐

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL *(if known)* PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Brick farmhouse, 5 bays x 1, 2½ stories L shaped, faces south, the ridgeline running east-west. The ~~[illegible]~~ window over the central front door is double framed. Windows throughout 2/2, arched round in the gables of the attic or third floor.

~~[illegible]~~ an enclosed front porch faces south. The wing runs north along the west wall 3 bays, unevenly spaced, by 1.

2 Chimneys rise from interior walls.



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

N. R. FIELD SHEET

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Pre-Columbian ☐	16th Century ☐	18th Century ☐	20th Century ☐
15th Century ☐	17th Century ☐	19th Century ☐	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)*

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

Aboriginal	Education ☐	Political ☐	Urban Planning ☐
Prehistoric ☐	Engineering ☐	Religion/Philosophy ☐	Other *(Specify)* ☐
Historic ☐	Industry ☐	Science ☐	
Agriculture ☐	Invention ☐	Sculpture ☐	
Art ☐	Landscape Architecture ☐	Social/Humanitarian ☐	
Commerce ☐	Literature ☐	Theater ☐	
Communications ☐	Military ☐	Transportation ☐	
Conservation ☐	Music ☐		

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)*

This brick farm house was built about 1880 by a farmer, Griffith Melton, who supplemented his income by distilling very good whiskey. His successor, Mr. Mick, was especially prosperous during Prohibition. The present owners raise horses.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

N. R. FIELD SHEET

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY									OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE					
CORNER	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE						LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds				Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"				°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"									
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"									
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"									

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: JEAN S. EWING

ORGANIZATION: MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER: 50 STATE CIRCLE

CITY OR TOWN: ANNAPOLIS

STATE: MARYLAND

CODE:

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

_____
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

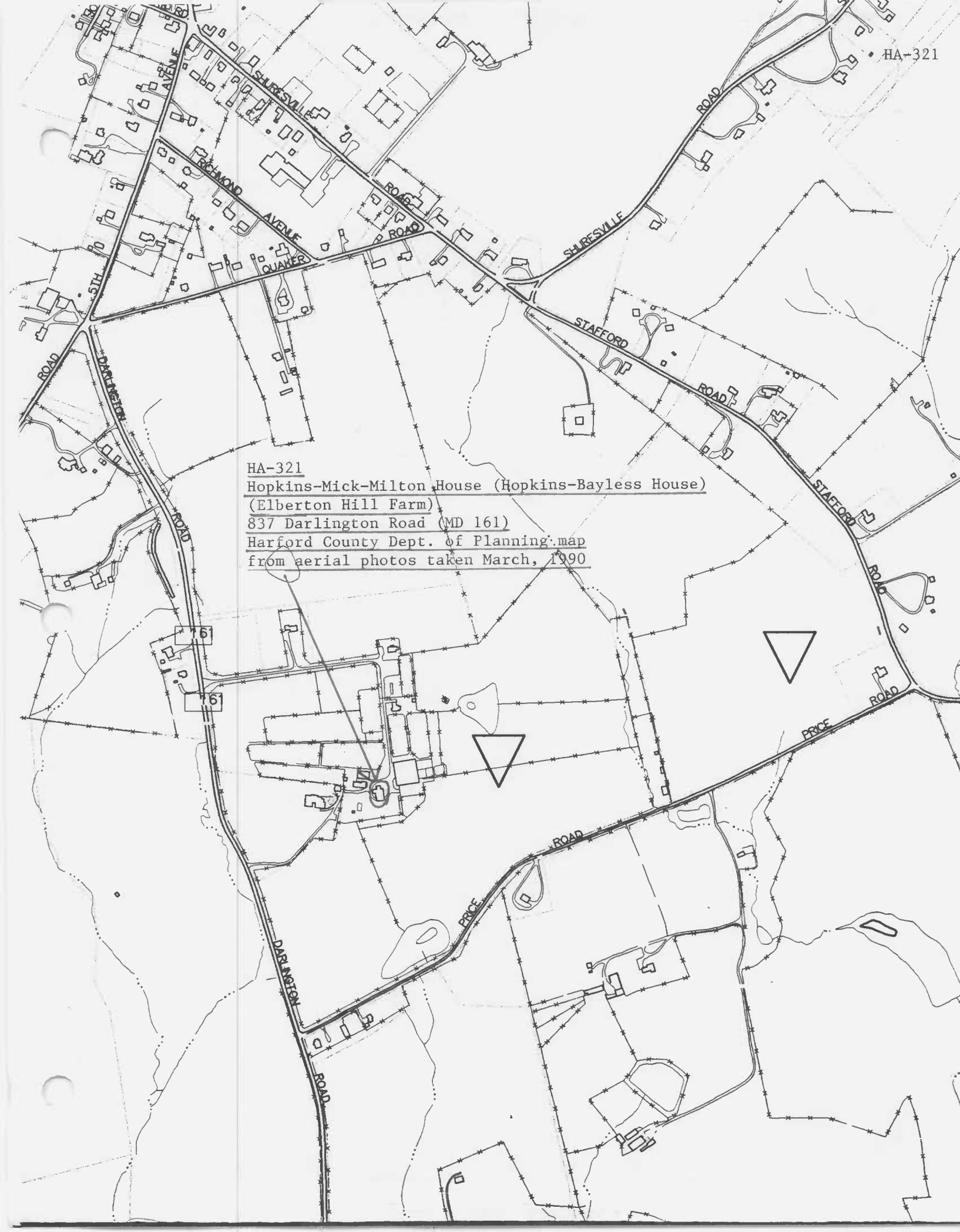
Date _____

ATTEST:

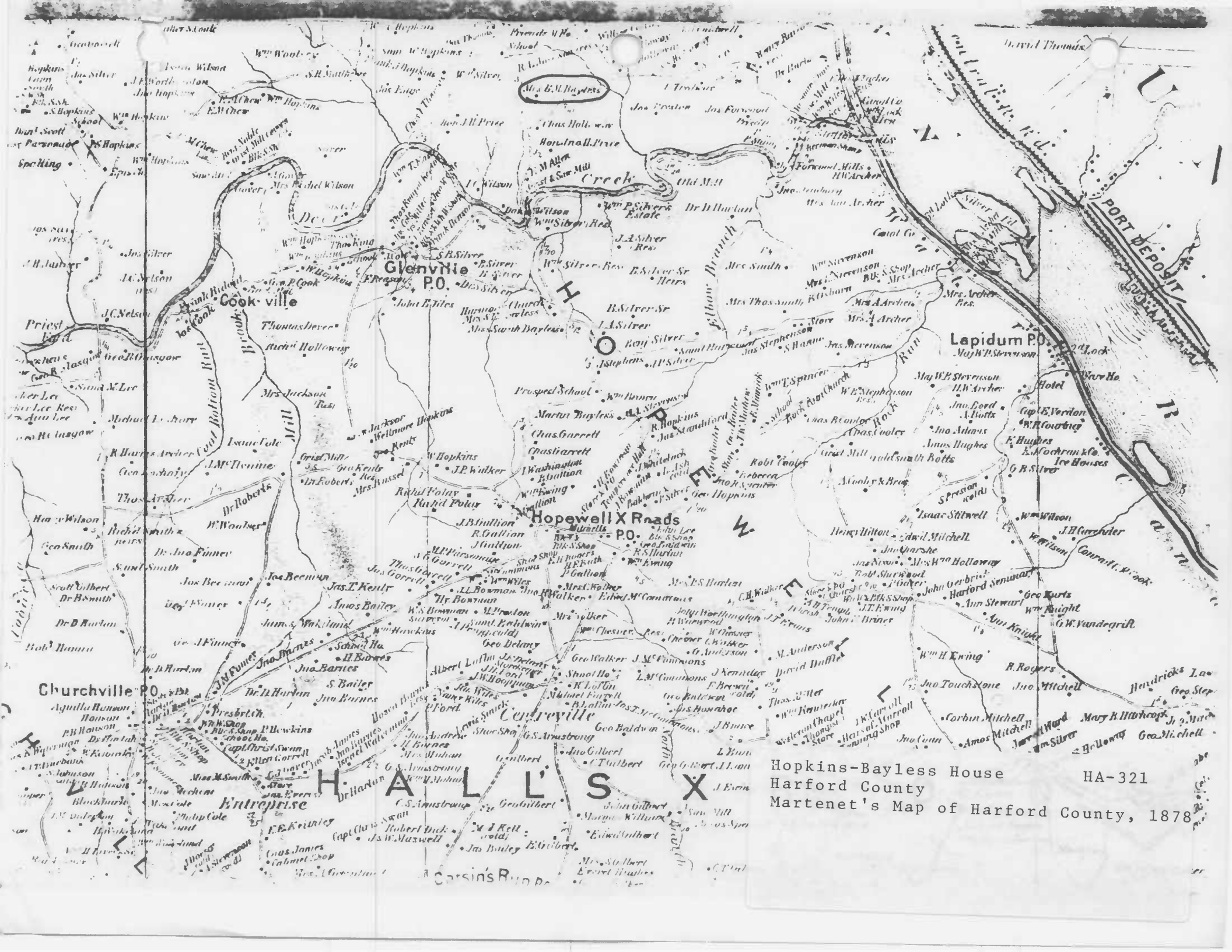
_____
Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

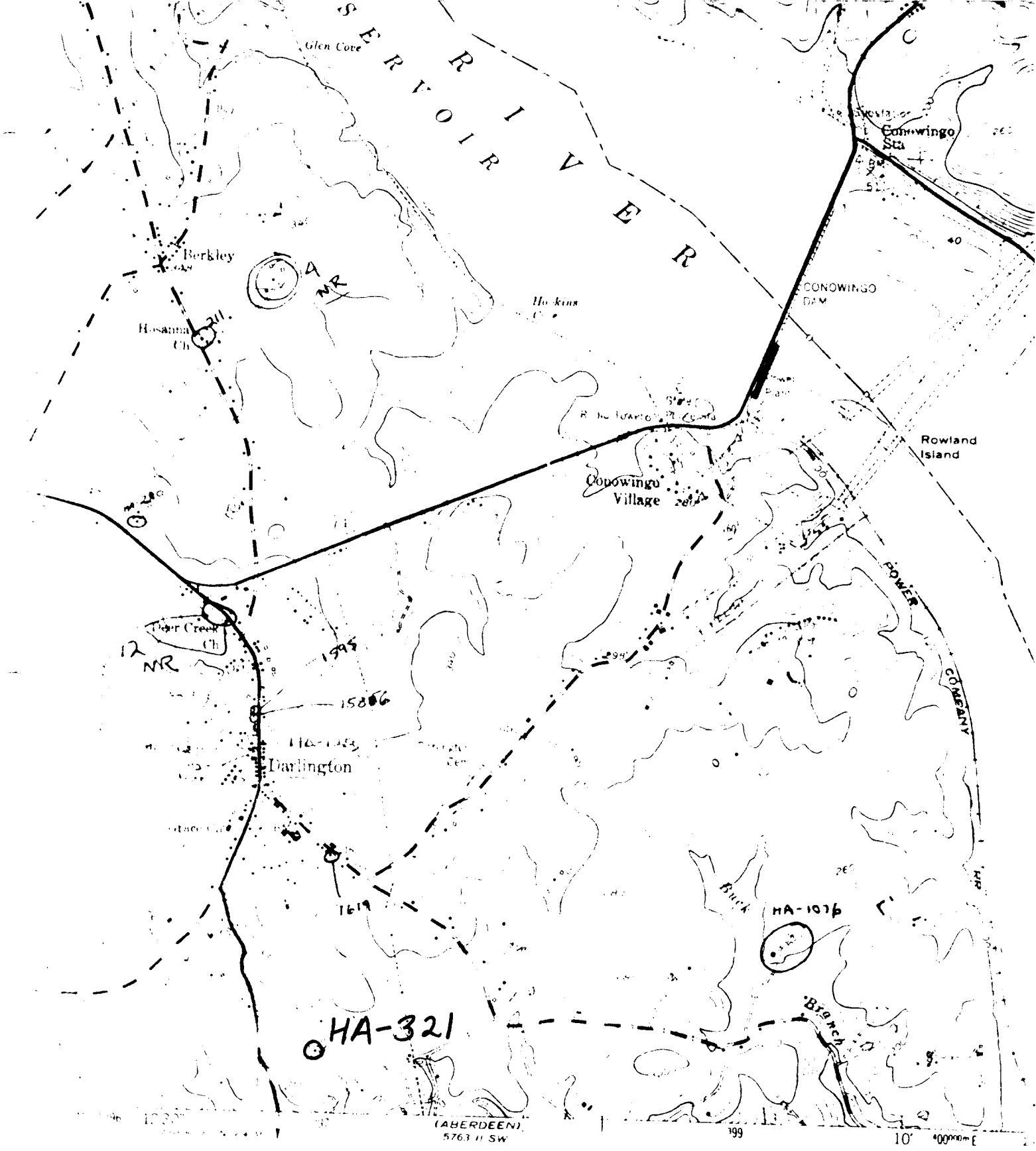
SEE INSTRUCTIONS



HA-321
Hopkins-Mick-Milton House (Hopkins-Bayless House)
(Elberton Hill Farm)
837 Darlington Road (MD 161)
Harford County Dept. of Planning map
from aerial photos taken March, 1990



Hopkins-Bayless House HA-321
Harford County
Martenet's Map of Harford County, 1878



Hopkins-Bayless House HA-321
Harford County
Conowingo Dam, MD-PA Quadrangle
U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute series
Scale: 1:24000

CONTOUR
DATUM

Hopkins-Bayless House HA-321
Harford County
Photo: Janet Davis
March 1983
South elevation
1/2

Hopkins-Bayless House HA-321
Harford County
Photo: Janet Davis
March 1983
East elevation
2/2