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1902-1907

Klondike Flintmill Site;
American Pottery Supply Co. Mill Site
3100 blk. Scarboro Road, east side
Scarboro vicinity
Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Klondike Flintmill Site; American Pottery Supply Co. Mill Site

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

3100 blk. Scarboro Road, east side

CITY, TOWN

Scarboro

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | PRESENT USE | |
|--|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC | <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S) | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE | <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE |
| <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: not in use |

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Harford County

Telephone #: 838-6000

STREET & NUMBER

45 S. Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

MD 21014

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

20 W. Courtland St.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Maryland Historical Trust Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

c. 1970

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

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7 DESCRIPTION

| | | | | | |
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| 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"/> MOVED | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RUINS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Klondike Flintmill Site consists of a stone wall with furnace niches located against a hillside running in a generally north-south direction, about 20 yards east of Scarboro Road near the intersection of Boyd Road near Scarboro, Harford County, Maryland. The wall is about 8-12 feet high and appears to be about 40 feet long. There are two depressions or niches in the wall which were parts of the furnaces. The entire site is heavily overgrown and almost inaccessible in the growing seasons.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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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 |
| <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 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1902-1907

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Klondike Flintmill Site is important as one of several small or short-lived mill operations on Deer Creek or its tributaries during the late 19th or early 20th century. It was owned by the American Pottery Supply Co. of Baltimore and supplied material for the manufacture of porcelain.

According to research by John McGrain, the American Pottery Supply Company of Baltimore acquired 245 acres between Sulphur Run and Scarboro Road in 1902. James C. Gittings was the president of the company. In 1906, the Baltimore firm transferred the property to the American Pottery Supply Company of Delaware, apparently an affiliate. In 1907, the company went into receivership pending a suit by Frank Ehlen. The mill apparently did not operate after 1907.

A Maryland Geological Survey reference states the mill operated for one or two years. Stone was obtained first from the company's quarry on the property and later from the Lochary quarry east of Kalmia. (Maryland Geological Survey, 12:155 (1928)).

The name "Klondike" was used by the MGS, but the reason this name was associated with the mill is as yet unresearched.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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

June 1983

STREET & NUMBER

45 S. Main Street

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

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MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

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|------------------|------|
| STATE: | |
| COUNTY: | |
| FOR NPS USE ONLY | |
| ENTRY NUMBER | DATE |

1. NAME

COMMON: *Site of Klondike Flint Kiln*
 AND/OR HISTORIC: *"Klondike Flintmill"*

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: *Southeast side of Scaboro Road ~~at~~ at the T*
 CITY OR TOWN: *Scaboro* *intesection with Boyd Road*
 STATE: *Maryland* CODE: COUNTY: *Harford* CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY (Check One) | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC |
|---|--|--|--|
| District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Acquisition: | Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> In Process | Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Object <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered | Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> | No: <input type="checkbox"/> |

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

| | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> | Government <input type="checkbox"/> | Park <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> | Comments <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> | Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> | Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Educational <input type="checkbox"/> | Military <input type="checkbox"/> | Religious <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> | Museum <input type="checkbox"/> | Scientific <input type="checkbox"/> | | <i>Ruins of Industrial Bldg.</i> |

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: *Harford County Commissioners - D. P. W.*
 STREET AND NUMBER: *45 South Main Street*
 CITY OR TOWN: *Bel Air* STATE: *Md* CODE: *21014*

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:

ACREAGE

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:

STATE: COUNTY: ENTRY NUMBER: DATE: FOR NPS USE ONLY

7. DESCRIPTION

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| CONDITION | (Check One) | | | | | |
| | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Deteriorated</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> | Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/> |
| INTEGRITY | (Check One) | | | (Check One) | | |
| | Altered <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Unaltered</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | Moved <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Original Site</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

2 Fieldstone towers about 6' to 8' high set in the bank, the exposed face now fallen away leaving just the back section of the kilns in place in the hillside.

A wall supporting the flues extending 10' to 12' has deteriorated, as have side walls that once may have enclosed a room from which fuel was added.

A quantity of flint remains along the hillside.

3. 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)

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| Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> | Education <input type="checkbox"/> | Political <input type="checkbox"/> | Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> | Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Industry</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Science <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> | Invention <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Art <input type="checkbox"/> | Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> | Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Communications <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/> | Military <input type="checkbox"/> | | _____ |
| Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> | Music <input type="checkbox"/> | | _____ |

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

This industry produced fine powdered flint by heating large flint stones.

The powder was the base material for high quality chinaware.

The market for this product is not known, nor the exact procedure for firing and producing the flint powder at this site.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY | | | O R | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE | | |
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| CORNER | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | |
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

ORGANIZATION: *JEAN S. EVINE*
Maryland Historical

DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER: *Annapolis, Md.*

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

| 12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION | NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION |
|--|---|
| <p>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:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Title _____</p> <p>Date _____</p> | <p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p>_____ <i>Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</i></p> <p>Date _____</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____ <i>Keeper of The National Register</i></p> <p>Date _____</p> |

ADAIR AND BUCHANAN FORGE (5)

Robert Adair and Archibald Buchanan took out a writ of ad quod damnum for 100 acres "on a draught of water of Deer Creek near a place called the Mine or old Fields," for a forge mill, October 6, 1761. The inquiry was taken on Deer Creek on George Ridgdon's Spring Branch near a place called the Mine Old Fields." The land was valued at £ 5 present damages, but was already in possession of Adair and Buchanan by a Caution and Survey. The grant was made August 27, 1762. Chancery Records, Liber 9:105. Spring Branch is also called Mine Branch or Body Run. It enters Deer Creek from the north. Mine Old Fields is roughly east of Nursery Road, west of Mine Run, and between Minefield and Cherry Hill, MHM, 50:15. Also, OHH, p. 143.

ALDERSONS TANNERY (4)

Abel Alderson's son, Thomas, conducted a tannery, c. 1845, near Jarrettsville, Directory, p. 297. The 1850 census listed James B. Alderson, tanner, with \$2500 capital, 2 employees, and production of 300 skins annually worth \$600 by horse power.

ALLEN BONE MILL (5)

See Stafford Mill.

ALLEN MILL (2)

See Union Mill.

AMERICAN POTTERY SUPPLY FURNACE (5) .:-

In 1902, the American Pottery Supply Co. of Baltimore bought from Joseph T. and Florida F. Deckman 245 acres between Sulphur Run and Scarboro Road, bounded on the south by Deer Creek, HCLR WSF 104:153. James C. Gittings was president of the company. In 1906, the Baltimore firm transferred title to American Pottery Supply Co. of Delaware. In 1907, the company was in receivership after being sued by Frank Ehlen. The property was sold to Mary C. Phelps, and then to the Cohens and Kahoes, and in 1956 to the county. The abandoned flint furnace is standing (1971) on the east side of Scarboro Road north of Boyd Road.

AMES MILL ()

Joshua Ames owned one wooden gristmill, 30 x 25, out of order, on the tract Foxhill, 1798 tax list of Bush River Upper and Eden Hundred.

The furnace was sold in 1867 to Clement Dietrich of Cincinnati, who built a factory to make pyroligneous acid, a sort of acetic acid. The works closed down in 1876. The chief iron product had been metal for car wheels. At its peak, the company owned 5000 acres and there had been numerous buildings, as many as 48, including workers houses, rolling mill, sawmill, chemical house, general store, and a grist mill. The site was the present corner of Goat Hill and Creswell Roads. David Smith built a home on the foundation of the furnace building. See RIOM, p. 161; Directory, p. 235, and the best account in OHH, p. 146ff.

HARFORD FURNACE MILL (1)

The mill was conducted by Johnson and Smith in 1830 per papers of J.W. Williams, MHS Ms. 613. A mill is shown on James Run, east bank, west side of present Creswell Road on Martenet map. It was one of 48 village buildings, OHH, p. 148. Probably incorporated a sawmill. Clement Dietrich was listed as miller in 1875 Boyd Business Directory. Furnace Mill was built in the 1870's on Bush Run and was long closed per Bel Air Times, March 27, 1931.

HARFORD MILLS (6)

This textile works in Havre de Grace, Harford Mills Inc., had its machinery advertised in Democratic Ledger before the sale of February 27, 1935. The company's effects included:

- 8 Crompton & Knowles, 72-inch, 4 x 4 box looms
- 8 No. 1304 Halton Jacquard Machines
- 1 Altemus double gear beaming frame
- 1 lot Jacquard cards
- 8 electric motors ... and all shuttles, beams, reeds, spare parts. (In

equity papers, No. 9954.)

HARFORD TALC AND QUARTZ CO. (5)

This company acquired 45 acres from William C. Boswell on Scarborough Road in 1921 to mine soapstone, HCLR Liber 173, f. 98. The abandoned crushers are on the north side of Mill Green Road east of Scarboro. The company was owned in 1968 by E.L. Dinning III and John B. Dinning, who were also associated with Maryland Lava Co.

KLONDIKE MILL () (HARF)

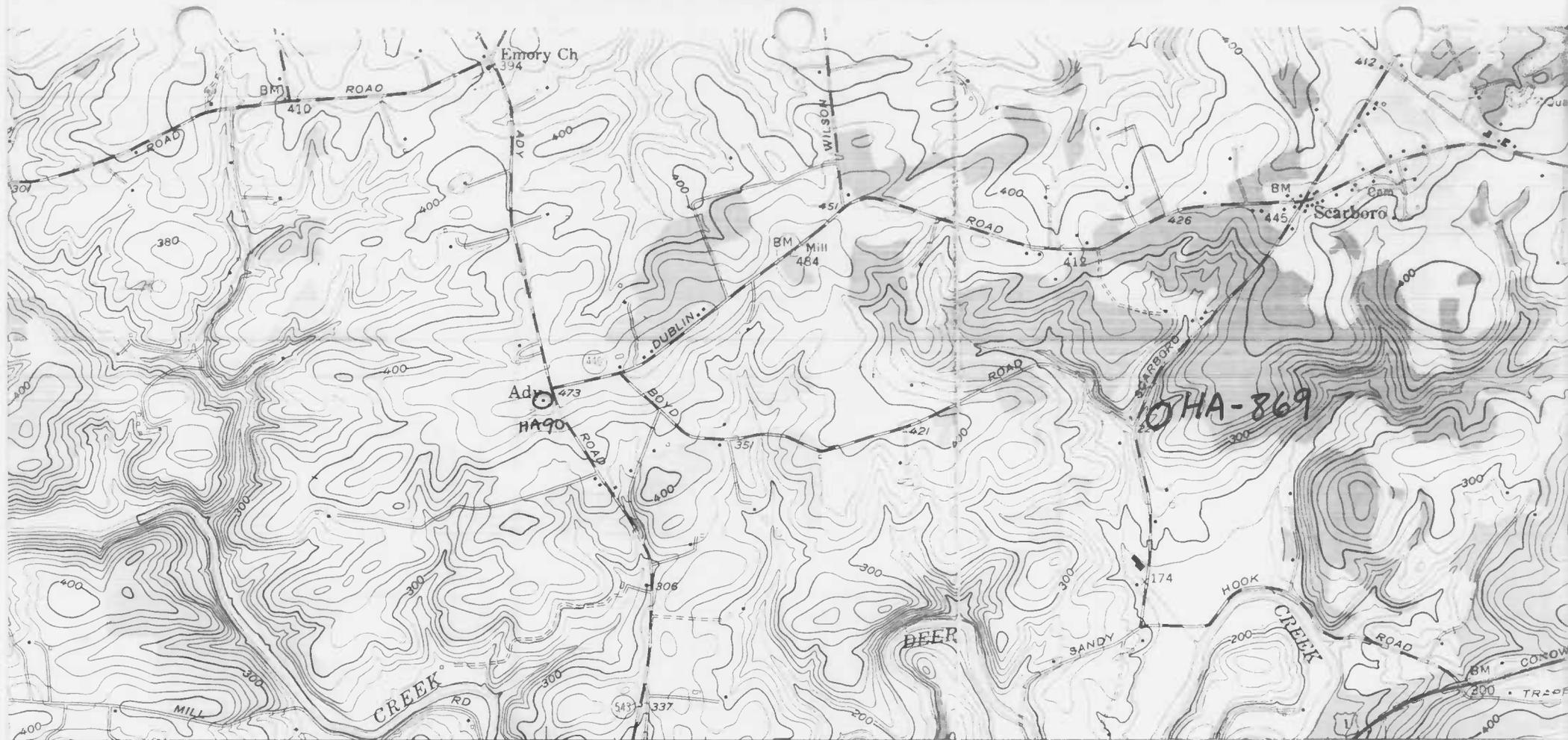
Klondike Mill, 1 mile south of Scarboro, was built about 25 years ago and operated one or two years. The stone was at first obtained from the company's quarry one-half mile east of the mill and later from Lochary quarry near Kalmia.

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MS 12:155 (1928).

Md. Geological Survey

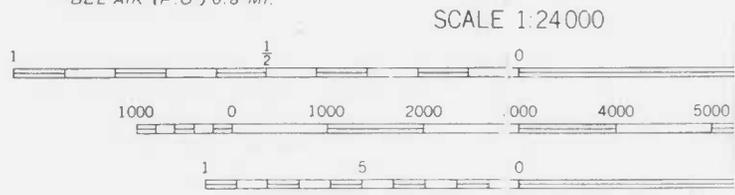
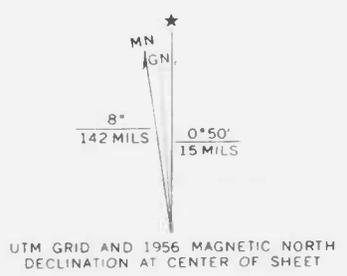
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the Geological Survey

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Klondike Flint Mill Site
 HA-869
 Harford County
 USGS 7.5 minute series
 Delta, Md.-Pa. Quadrangle
 Scale: 1:24000

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
 FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
 A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

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Klondike Flint Mill Site

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Harford County

Photo: Janet Davis

June 1983

View from west

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