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The History Shoppe (Curran & Bierly Double House)

8344 Main Street & 8390 Court Avenue (side)

Ellicott City

Private

Facing south on the northwest corner of Main Street and Court Avenue, this brick & frame duplex with frame rear addition houses two antiques stores.

The west half of the front facade (8344 Main Street) which is frame and covered with German siding has a central entrance with a 1-light transom flanked by 1/1 windows, with two 1/1 windows on the second floor. The east half (brick) has a pair of 1/1 sash windows on the first floor and one 1/1 window centered above.

The east facade of the (brick) main block of the building is two bays wide, with 1/1 windows in each bay on each floor. Above the first floor windows are splayed jack arches. Above these arches are ghost impressions of large semicircular arches, which may be the remnants of window changes since undone. Below these two windows are 1-light basement casement windows. There is a small 6/6 window in the frame east attic gable.

Onto the north end of the building has been added a large frame shed-roofed addition, four bays long on the east facade, with another entrance (8390 Court Avenue) in the southernmost bay of that facade. This entrance has a 2-light transom, and above it is a small 1/1 window. The remaining three bays on both floors hold 2/2 sash windows. Another bay has been added to this addition, in the form of a partially enclosed porch. Continuous German siding now covers

— this whole addition. The last bay is not enclosed on the first floor in the northeast corner, but has a square post with corner brackets. Above this open porch is a 1/1 sash window.

The north (rear) facade is four bays wide, with the east bay of the first floor open, as described above. This porch covers a door in this bay, with a 2-light transom. The far west first floor bay holds another door. The central bays hold small 4/4 sash windows. The second floor holds 4 windows, the eastern two with 1/1 sash, and the western two with 2/2 sash.

The west facade of the building is seven bays long, with four bays to the main frame block and three to the north shed-roofed addition. The whole of this elevation is German sided frame, with the main block on a stone foundation.

— The first two (south) bays of the main block have 1/1 sash windows on each floor. Centered in the attic gable above them is a 6/6 sash window. The next northern bay has a small 1/1 sash window on each floor, and the northernmost bay of the main block has a 2/2 sash window on each floor. This facade of the rear wing has three 2/2 sash windows on the second floor. The first floor has 2/2 sash windows in the southern two bays. The basement level of this frame addition has two small 2/2 sash windows.

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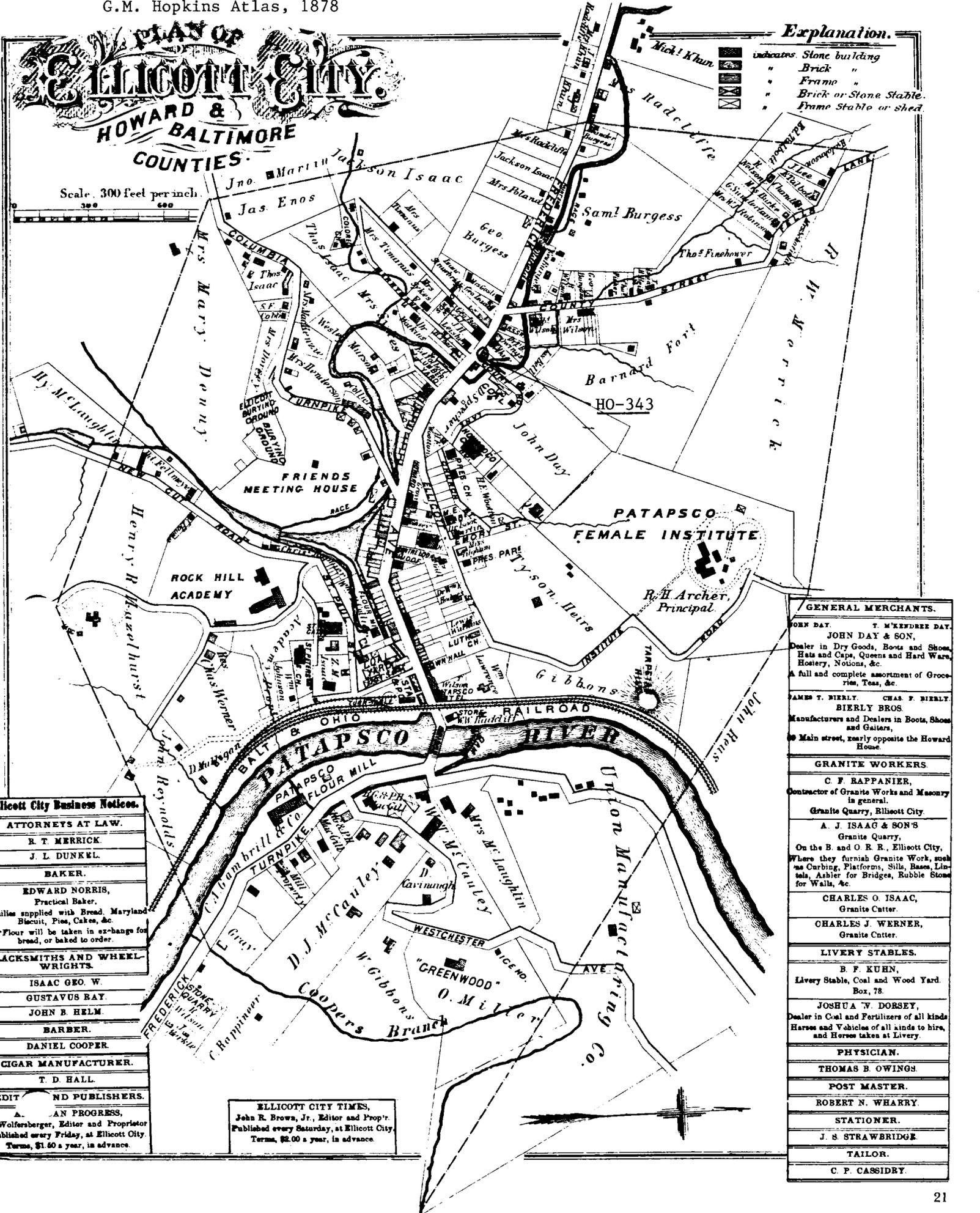
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HOWARD & BALTIMORE COUNTIES

## Explanation.

-  indicates Stone building
-  " Brick "
-  " Frame "
-  " Brick or Stone Stable "
-  " Frame Stable or shed "

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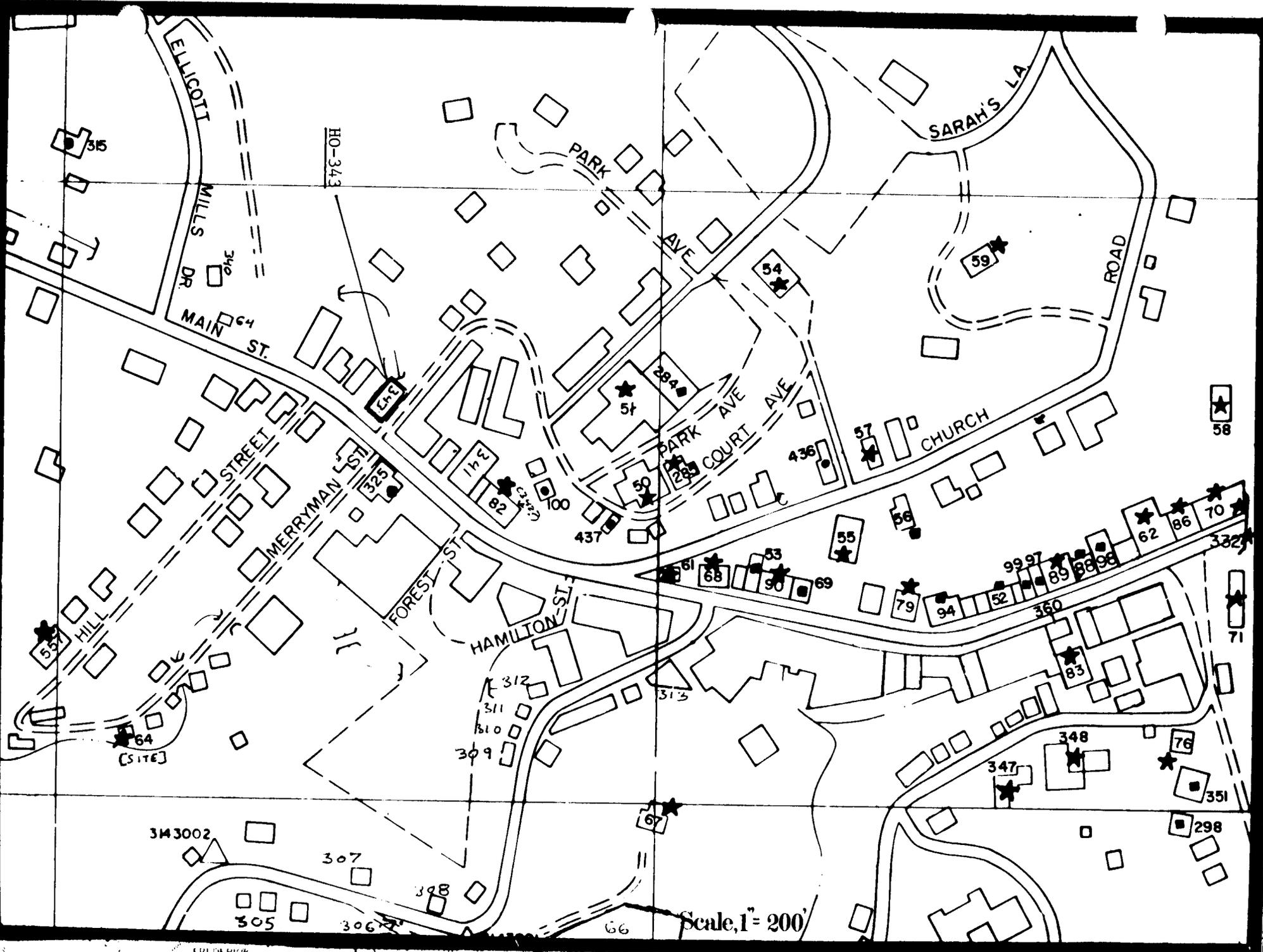
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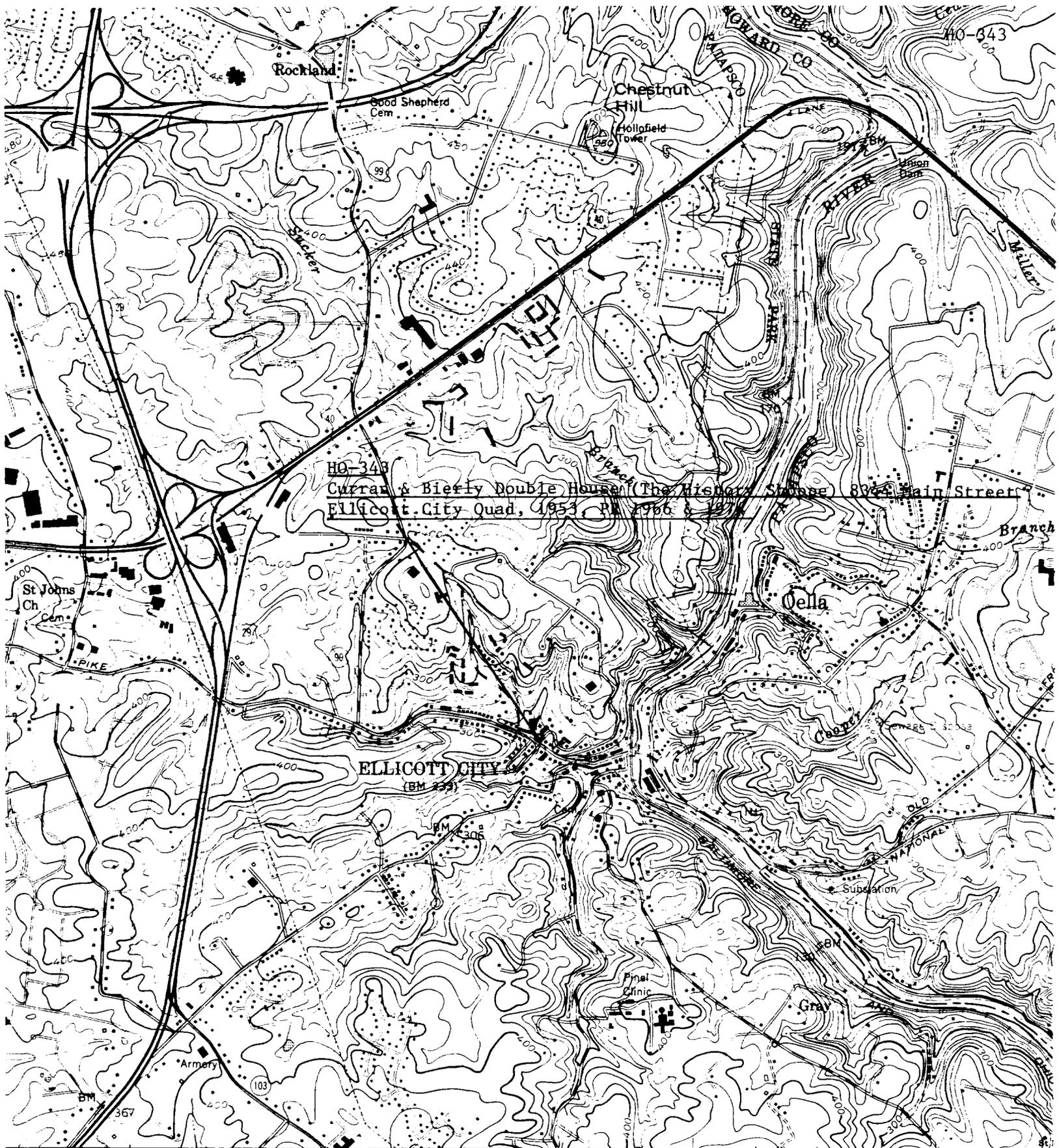
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