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The Fislage-Cavey House
Ilchester
Private circa 1873

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The house is constructed in an "L" plan, with a two bay wide, one bay deep, two story high, intersecting gable roof (running east-west) German siding west or dining room wing, resting on a stone foundation, with central, square brick chimney centered into its west wall, placed on the north side of the main section's west wall. A two story high, shed roofed, open porch runs along its south wall, with rectangular second floor entrance. Still another section, a one bay wide, one bay deep, two story high (originally one story high) frame kitchen appendage rests along the west wing's west wall.

The gables of the north and south elevations, as well as the second floor projecting bay, are decorated with scalloped barge boards and hold four light, roman arched, attic windows, a feature of the Romanesque Revival style as it filtered down through America's mid-nineteenth century domestic, frame architecture.

Believed to have been constructed by George Fislage circa 1873, it was later occupied by the Post Master of Ilchester, Mr. Robert Cavey and his family from 1899 to 1943.

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Savage Quad
Dist. 1

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC: The Fislage-Cavey House

AND/OR COMMON: Z. I. Dyke House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: 4472 Ilchester Road

CITY, TOWN: Ilchester ___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 6th

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY: Howard

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
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME: Mr. James Nelson

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER: 4472 Ilchester Road

CITY, TOWN: Ilchester ___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code: Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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Liber #:	p. 638	p. 618
Folio #:	695	657
	17	248

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Hall of Records

STREET & NUMBER: Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN: Ellicott City

STATE: Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE: Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE: 1978-1979

__FEDERAL X STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN: 21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE: Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
X EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	X ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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The gables of the north and south elevations, as well as the second floor projecting bay, are decorated with scalloped barge boards and hold four light, roman arched, attic windows, as previously mentioned, on the east facade.

Fenestration for the entire house, other than the roman arched, attic windows are vertically aligned, proportionally scaled, rectangular and double-hung, holding six-over-six lights, underlined by projecting wooden sills and decorated by green shutters.

The north and south elevations of the main body of the house are identical, holding similar first and second floor windows. A six light basement window is placed in the centre of the stone foundation's north wall, while three light basement windows are vertically aligned to the first and second floor, windows on the east facade's north and south bays.

The north wall of the west wing holds two first and second floor windows similar to those described, as well as the batten wood, rectangular cellar door in the east side of the foundation's north wall. West of this door rests a six light basement window.

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The frame kitchen appendage, constructed along the west wing's west wall, was once a one story high, gabled roof (running east-west) structure, as seen by the gable line on the west wall of this section. This wall holds a six light cellar window, inset into its stone foundation wall and a first floor window, similar to those described. A one story high, screened-in porch runs along the south wall of this section.

A square, brick walled well lies southeast of the house and a frame barn further south. This barn is mentioned in deeds as the barn of George Fislage. A smoke house also lies west of the house.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

—PREHISTORIC
—1400-1499
—1500-1599
—1600-1699
—1700-1799
X 1800-1899
—1900-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

—ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
X ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
—AGRICULTURE
X ARCHITECTURE
—ART
—COMMERCE
—COMMUNICATIONS
—COMMUNITY PLANNING
—CONSERVATION
—ECONOMICS
—EDUCATION
—ENGINEERING
—EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
—INDUSTRY
—INVENTION
—LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
—LAW
—LITERATURE
—MILITARY
—MUSIC
—PHILOSOPHY
—POLITICS/GOVERNMENT
—RELIGION
—SCIENCE
—SCULPTURE
—SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
—THEATER
—TRANSPORTATION
—OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES 1866 **BUILDER/ARCHITECT**

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Fislage/Cavey House is significant to the State of Maryland and Howard County both historically and architecturally.

Historically, it is steeped deeply in the history of this long forgotten settlement of Ilchester on the west banks of the Patapsco. At one time it was believed that it would become a major settlement with the advent of the B & O Railroad, but the site of Ellicott City was chosen for the main station. Mr. George Ellicott had great hopes for the area when he built his stone tavern below what is now St. Mary's College and Chapel. The Ilchester Post Office was also located within walking distance to this house, its occupant of the early twentieth century, Mr. Robert Cavey being the Post Master for many years and later his daughter, Mary. Mrs. Dorothy Cavey O'Brian, who was brought up in the house remembers her Aunt Mary's lantern coming closer in the darkness as she walked home from the post office at the end of the day. In spite of this small settlement, Ilchester remained "off the beaten tract," admired and appreciated by both the Roman Catholic and Episcopal Churches, which built colleges and schools here. Otherwise, it was a quiet rural community. Mrs. O'Brian remembers the singing from the St. Mary's College Chapel on summer days, when its monks and priests sang their offices at nine in the morning, noon, three in the afternoon and at evensong.

Thanksgiving was also remembered vividly, for it was slaughtering time on the Cavey farm. Turkeys, which had been raised there, were prepared to be put on the Thanksgiving table or sold in the market place for similar use. Pigs were butchered and hams prepared and a general feeling of preparation and festivity was in the air. The girls of the family made the pies, using a huge, black, wood stove in the kitchen, while their brpthers helped their father with the butchering.

The 13-14 children raised in this house walked to the small community of Thistle to elementary school, later going to Ellicott City to High School and then on to College in Baltimore. Education was important to the Cavey family.

Two of the girls became school teachers, while Mary Cavey, who helped at the Post Office and became its post mistress, was also a music teacher, giving piano lessons to her students in the parlor of

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their home.

Historically, the building goes back to at least 1866, when George Fislage acquired the property from George Ellicott on September 17.

Architecturally, the building is representative of the Romanesque Revival Style as it filtered down into American Domestic architecture. The roman arched attic windows which are found in this house are usually the only vistage of this style when applied to what would ordinarily be called vernacular Howard County Architecture.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Howard County Land Records
Interview with Mr. Morris Smith of Clark Associates
Interview with Mrs. Dorothy O'Brian, November 15, 1979
Private papers of Mrs. Eva Cavey Dawson

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 10.57 acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 31

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 695 & 657 Folio 17 & 248

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

STATE	COUNTY
Maryland	Howard

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION
Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER
3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN
Ellicott City

STATE
Maryland

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.

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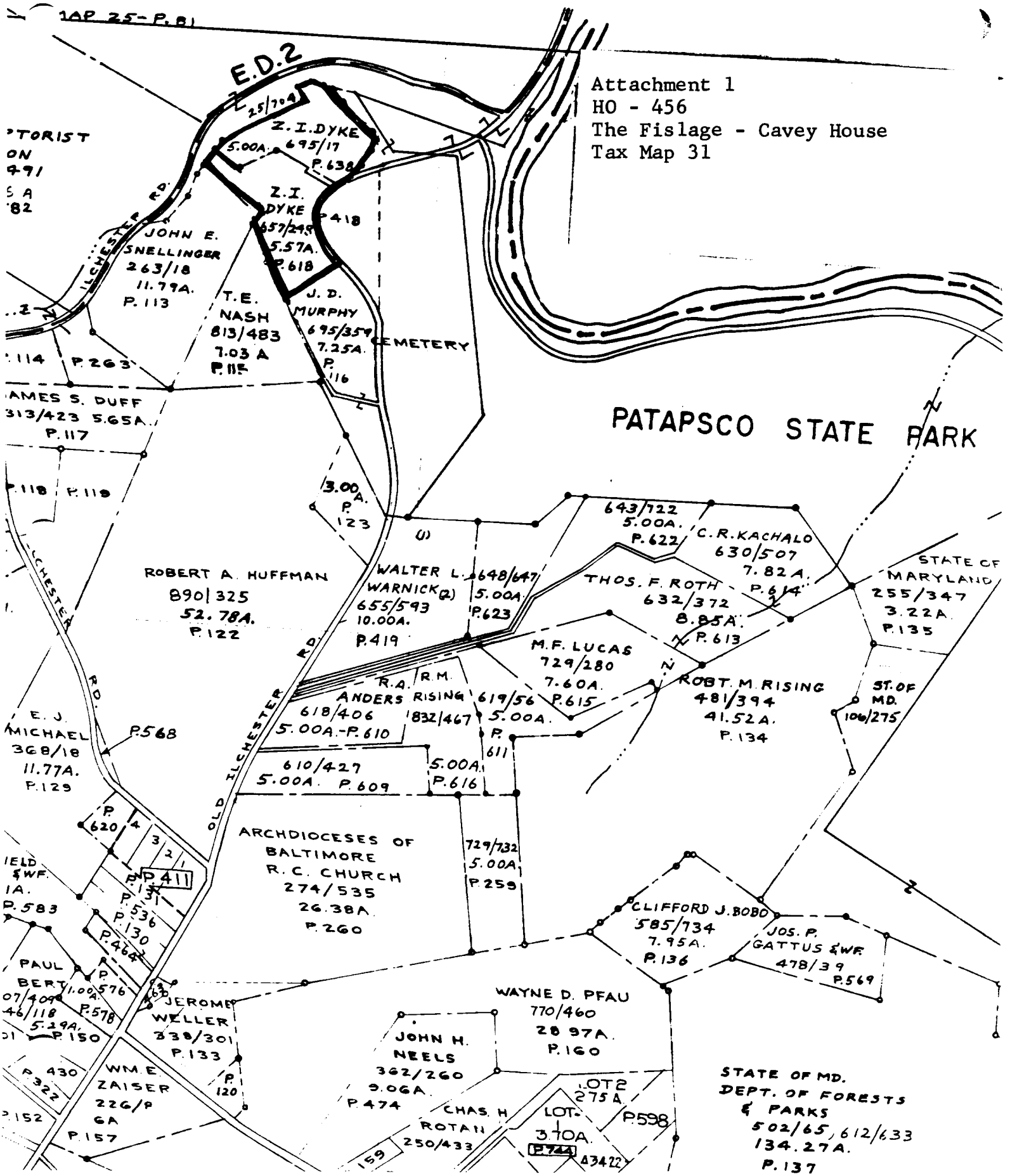

Attachment 4
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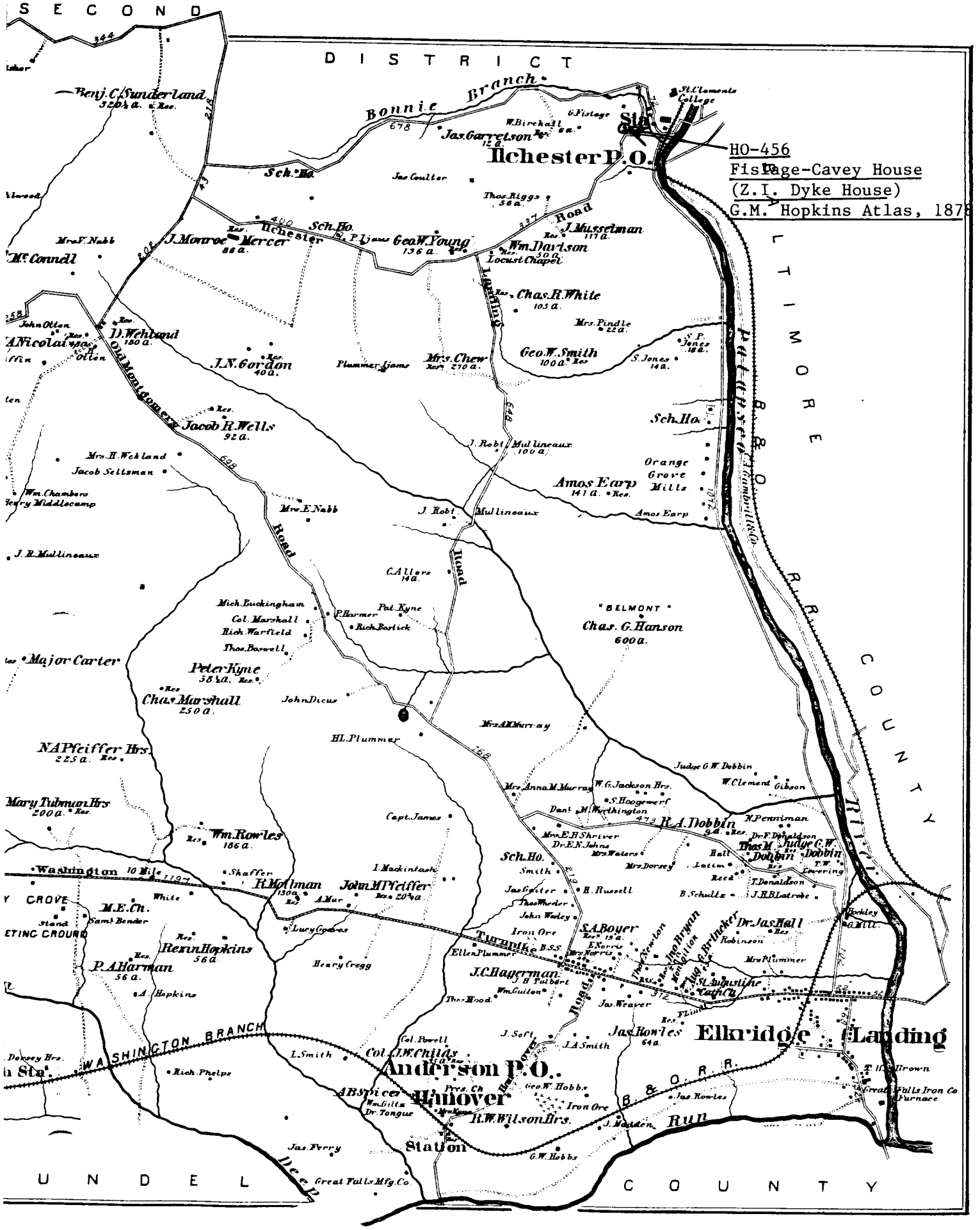
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Wm. Davison
J. Musselman
J. Monroe Mercer
Chas. R. White
105 a.
Mrs. Pindle
Geo. W. Smith
100 a.
Mrs. Chew
270 a.
J. N. Gordon
40 a.
D. Wehland
180 a.
Old Montgomery Road
Jacob R. Wells
92 a.
Mrs. H. Wehland
Jacob Seltsman
Wm. Chambers
Henry Middlecamp
J. R. Mullineaux
Mrs. E. Nabb
J. Robt. Mullineaux
Amos Earp
141 a.
Orange Grove Mills
Sch. Ho.
Mrs. Pindle
S. Jones
14 a.
Mrs. Pindle
Mich. Buckingham
Col. Marshall
Rich. Warfield
Thos. Boswell
Pat. Kyne
Rich. Bostick
Major Carter
Peter Kyne
58½ a.
Chas. Marshall
250 a.
John Dicus
C. Allers
14 a.
"BELMONT"
Chas. G. Hanson
600 a.
Mrs. A. Murray
H. L. Plummer
N. A. Pfeiffer Hrs.
225 a.
Mary Tubman Hrs.
200 a.
Wm. Rowles
186 a.
Capt. James
Washington
Shaffer
R. Hollman
John M. Pfeiffer
20½ a.
M. E. Ch.
Sam'l Bender
Henry Hopkins
56 a.
P. A. Harman
56 a.
Henry Gregg
Lucy Groves
Mrs. Anna M. Murray
W. G. Jackson Hrs.
S. Hoogewerf
Dan'l M. Worthington
R. A. Dobbin
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Judge G. W. Dobbin
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Gibson
N. Penniman
Mrs. E. H. Shriver
Dr. E. N. Johns
Mrs. Waters
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Jas. Weaver
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Elkridge Landing
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Robinson
Mrs. Plummer
St. Augustine Cath. Ch.
Thos. Newton
Jno. Bryan
Washington
Aug. C. Brincker
Dorsey Hrs.
Rich. Phelps
Col. Powell
Col. J. W. Childs
Anderson P.O.
Hanover
Station
A. B. Spicer
Wm. Gilts
Dr. Tongue
Mrs. Ch.
Geo. W. Hobbs
Iron Ore
R. W. Wilson Hrs.
J. Madden
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Great Falls Iron Co. Furnace
Jas. Ferry
G. W. Hobbs
Great Falls Mfg. Co.
WASHINGTON BRANCH
B. & O. R. R.
Deep Run
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Ellicott City
Ellicott City Co.
BALTIMORE COUNTY
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G. M. Hopkins Atlas, 1878

Fislage-Cavey House (Z.I. Dyke House)
15' Quadrangle, Laurel, MD 1907

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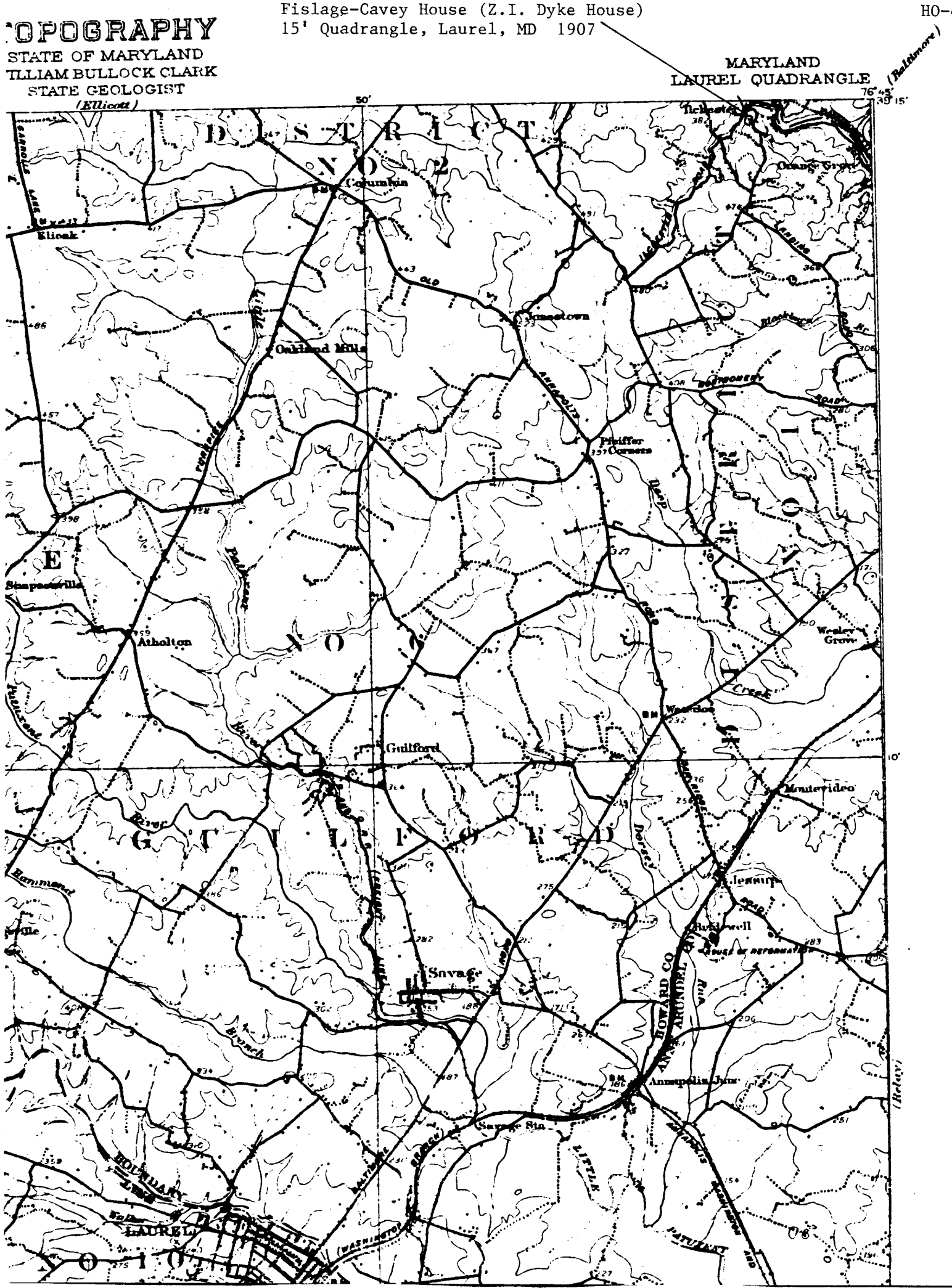

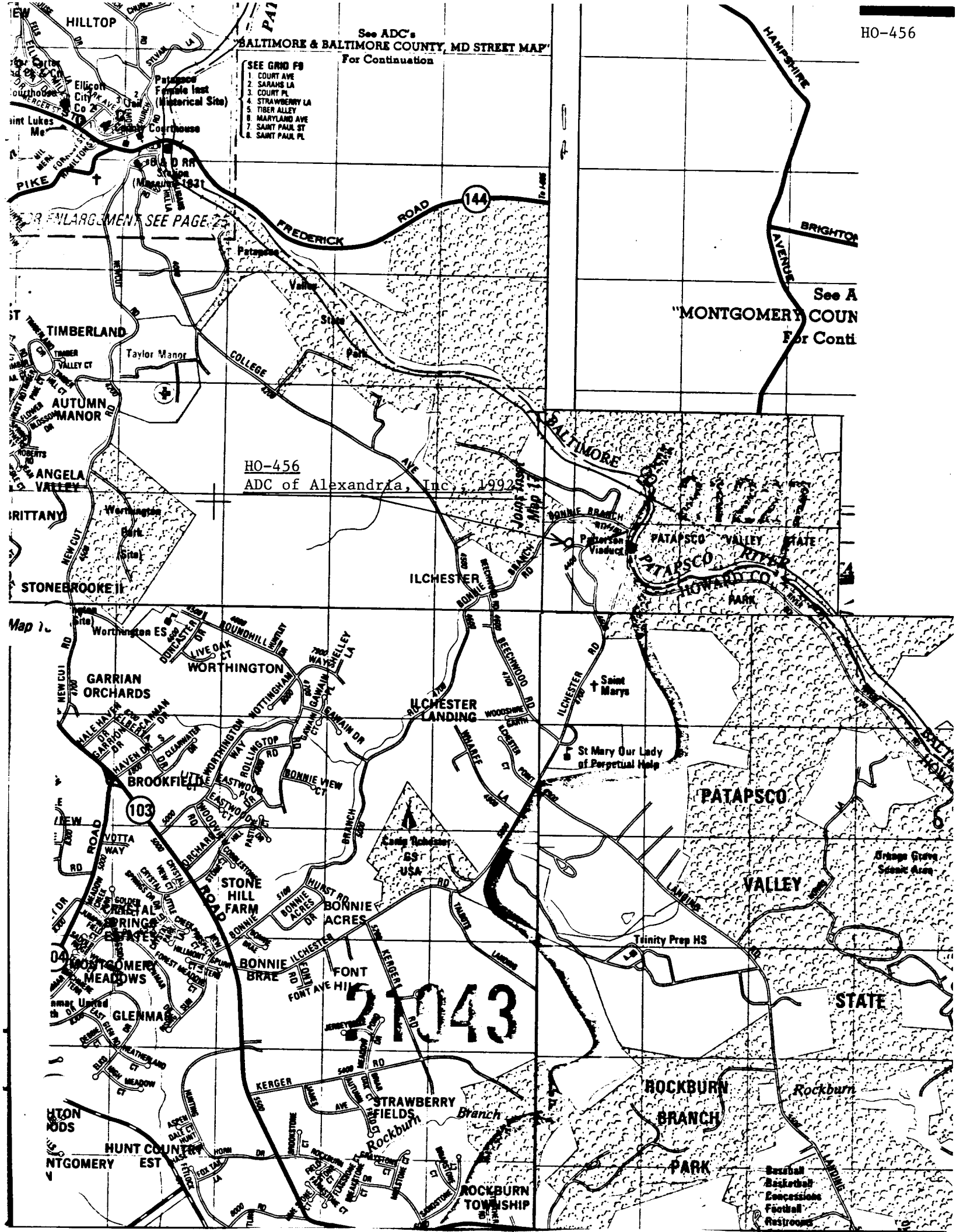
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5. TIBER ALLEY
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AUTUMN MANOR
ANGELA VALLEY
BRITTANY
Worthington Park (Site)
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BONNIE BRANCH
Patterson Viaduct
PATAPSCO VALLEY STATE PARK
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ILCHESTER
STONEBROOKE II
Worthington ES
WORTHINGTON
GARRIAN ORCHARDS
ILCHESTER LANDING
Saint Marys
St Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help
BROOKFIELD
PATAPSCO
VALLEY
STONE HILL FARM
BONNIE ACRES
CRYSTAL SPRINGS ESTATES
MONTGOMERY MEADOWS
GLENMAR
BONNIE BRAE
FONT
Trinity Prep HS
STATE
21043
KERGER
STRAWBERRY FIELDS
Rockburn Branch
ROCKBURN BRANCH PARK
HUNT COUNTRY EST
ROCKBURN TOWNSHIP
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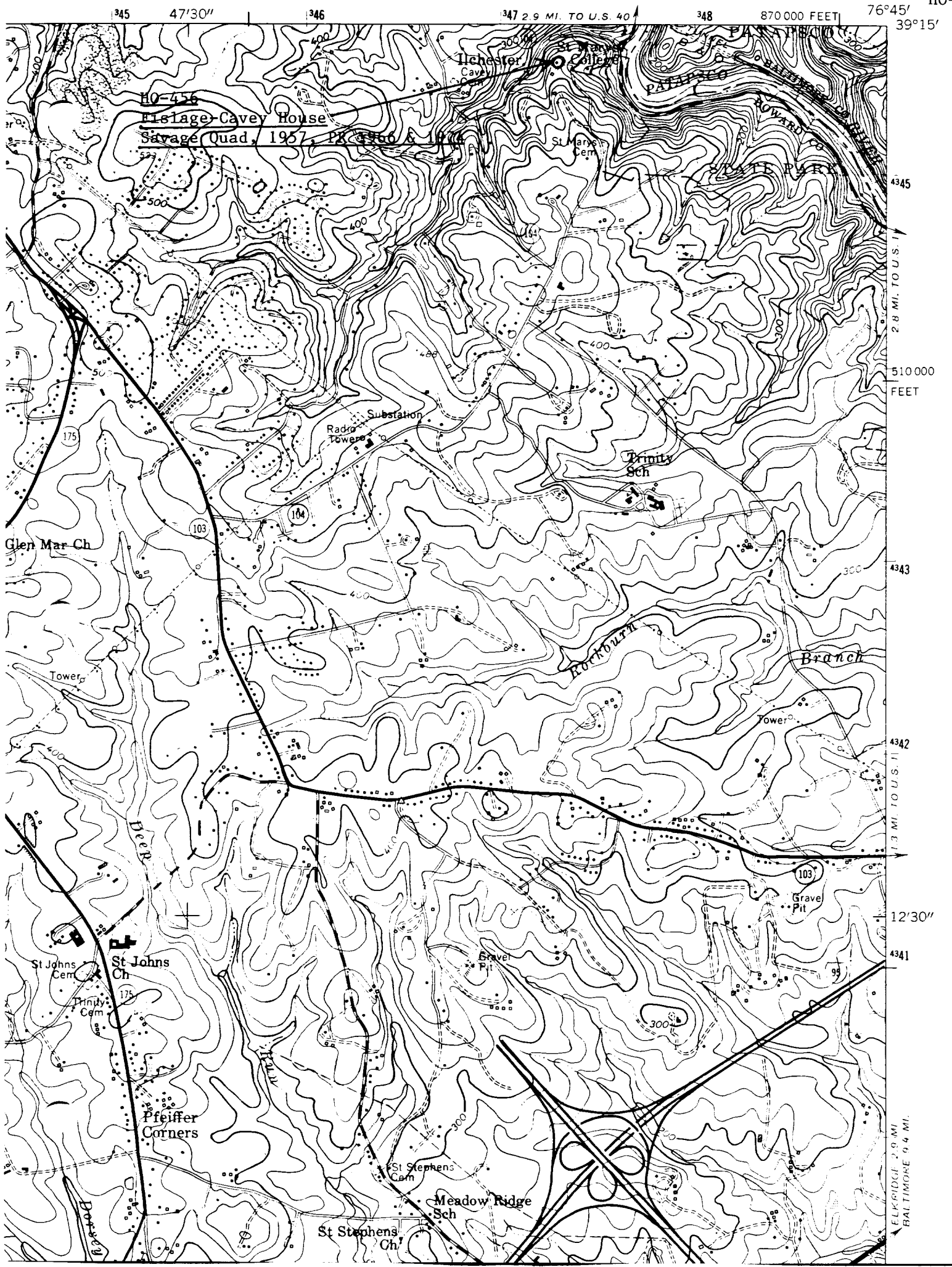

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