

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic L. Moore House

and/or common

### 2. Location

street & number 7201 Damascus Rd. (Rt. 108) \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Damascus \_\_\_ vicinity of congressional district 1st

state Maryland county Montgomery

### 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Gary C. Martin

street & number 7201 Damascus Rd. telephone no.: 253-2955

city, town Damascus state and zip code Maryland

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Court House liber 4741

street & number folio 677

city, town Rockville state Maryland

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MNCPPC Historic Sites Inventory

date 1976 \_\_\_ federal  state  county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records Park Historians Office

city, town Rockville state Maryland

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The house is a two story log and/or frame structure with a five bay main (west) facade. On the south end there is a large chimney with a free-standing stack. The windows are 2/2 double hung sash.</p> <p>The complex includes a double corn crib, barn, smoke-house and dairy.</p>	

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# B. Significance

Survey No.

M:15-28

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates circa. 1847 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 L. Moore house is significant as an example of vernacular architecture typical to that constructed in Montgomery County from the mid-nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries. The early part of the house is believed to have been built by Luther W. Moore, a farmer, about 1847.<sup>1</sup> The house then sat on 108 acres of land that Luther had purchased from his father Henry Moore, also an area farmer, for \$1200 in 1846.<sup>2</sup> The land was part of tracts referred to as "Resurvey on Hartley's Lot", "Griffithsburg", etc. which Henry had purchased from Frederick Gaither in 1842.<sup>3</sup>

When Luther W. died in 1859, the farm went to his wife Lydia and their son Luther J. Moore as directed by his last will and testament.<sup>4</sup> Based on a substantial rise in the assessed value of the house, Luther J. added what is now the main block of the house between 1912 and 1918.<sup>5</sup> He also added acreage to his farm in three separate deeds between 1893 and 1911.<sup>6</sup> Both he and his wife lived in the house until their deaths.

Luther J. died in 1927 leaving his property to his wife Lydia and their five children William, Clifton, Luther, Russell and Ida May.<sup>7</sup> When their mother died in 1940, the remaining heirs deeded the farm to Russell Moore and his wife Hattie.<sup>8</sup> Then in 1961, Russell and Hattie sold the farm and it went through a succession of owners until it was purchased in January of 1976 by the present owner, Gary C. Martin. The house now sits on a 5 acre lot.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Date is based on the date that the land was purchased and its appearance on both the Martenet & Bond map of 1865 and the Hopkins Atlas of 1878.

<sup>2</sup> Deed STS 2/309, Mont. Co. Land Records.

- 3 Deed BS 11/182, Mont. Co. Land Records.
- 4 Deed 797/17, "
- 5 Mont. Co. Comm. Tax Assessment Bk., 1911-1918.
- 6 Deed JA 36/358, Mont. Co. Land Records.  
TD 26/31, "  
216/461, "
- 7 Will PEW 9/250, Mont. Co. Register of Wills.
- 8 Deed 797/17, Mont. Co. Land Records.
- 9 Deed 4741/677"



MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: L. Moore House				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: Damascus Road (Rte. 108)				
CITY OR TOWN: Damascus				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC				
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 checked="" 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    _____				
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: David T. Cavanaugh				
STREET AND NUMBER: 507 N. Frederick Avenue				
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg		STATE: Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY: None				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION

	(Check One)				
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	(Check One)		(Check One)		
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**B. 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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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal<br><input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric<br><input type="checkbox"/> Historic<br><input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture<br><input type="checkbox"/> Architecture<br><input type="checkbox"/> Art<br><input type="checkbox"/> Commerce<br><input type="checkbox"/> Communications<br><input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Education<br><input type="checkbox"/> Engineering<br><input type="checkbox"/> Industry<br><input type="checkbox"/> Invention<br><input type="checkbox"/> Landscape<br><input type="checkbox"/> Architecture<br><input type="checkbox"/> Literature<br><input type="checkbox"/> Military<br><input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Political<br><input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-<br>losophy<br><input type="checkbox"/> Science<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture<br><input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-<br>itarian<br><input type="checkbox"/> Theater<br><input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)<br><hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> |
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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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 TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NDMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Christopher Owens, Park Historian		DATE 4 Sept 74
ORGANIZATION MNCPPC		
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue		
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring		STATE Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National  State  Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
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Account Identifier: District - 01 Account Number - 01728548

**Owner Information**

**Owner Name:** MARTIN, GARY C & D B **Use:** AGRICULTURAL  
**Mailing Address:** 7201 DAMASCUS RD **Principal Residence:** YES  
 GAITHERSBURG MD 20882-3313 **Deed Reference:** 1) / 6357/ 168  
 2)

**Location & Structure Information**

**Premises Address** 7201 DAMASCUS RD **Legal Description** GRIFFITHSBURG 4741/6  
 GAITHERSBURG 20882 77

Map	Grid	ParcelSu	b District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
GW43		P489		1				82	Plat Ref:

Special Tax Areas	Town Ad Valorem Tax Class
	42

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
0000	1,814 SF	5.00 AC	818

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
2	NO	STANDARD UNIT	FRAME

**Value Information**

	Base Value	Phase-in Assessments			PREFERRED LAND VALUE INCLUDED IN LAND VALUE
		Value As Of 01/01/2003	Value As Of 07/01/2003	Value As Of 07/01/2004	
Land:	81,500	101,500			
Improvements:	54,650	60,710			
<b>Total:</b>	<b>136,150</b>	<b>162,210</b>	<b>144,836</b>	<b>153,522</b>	
Preferential Land:	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	

**Transfer Information**

**Seller:** **Date:** 04/02/1984 **Price:** \$0  
**Type:** IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH **Deed1:** / 6357/ 168 **Deed2:**  
**Seller:** **Date:** **Price:**  
**Type:** **Deed1:** **Deed2:**  
**Seller:** **Date:** **Price:**  
**Type:** **Deed1:** **Deed2:**

**Exemption Information**

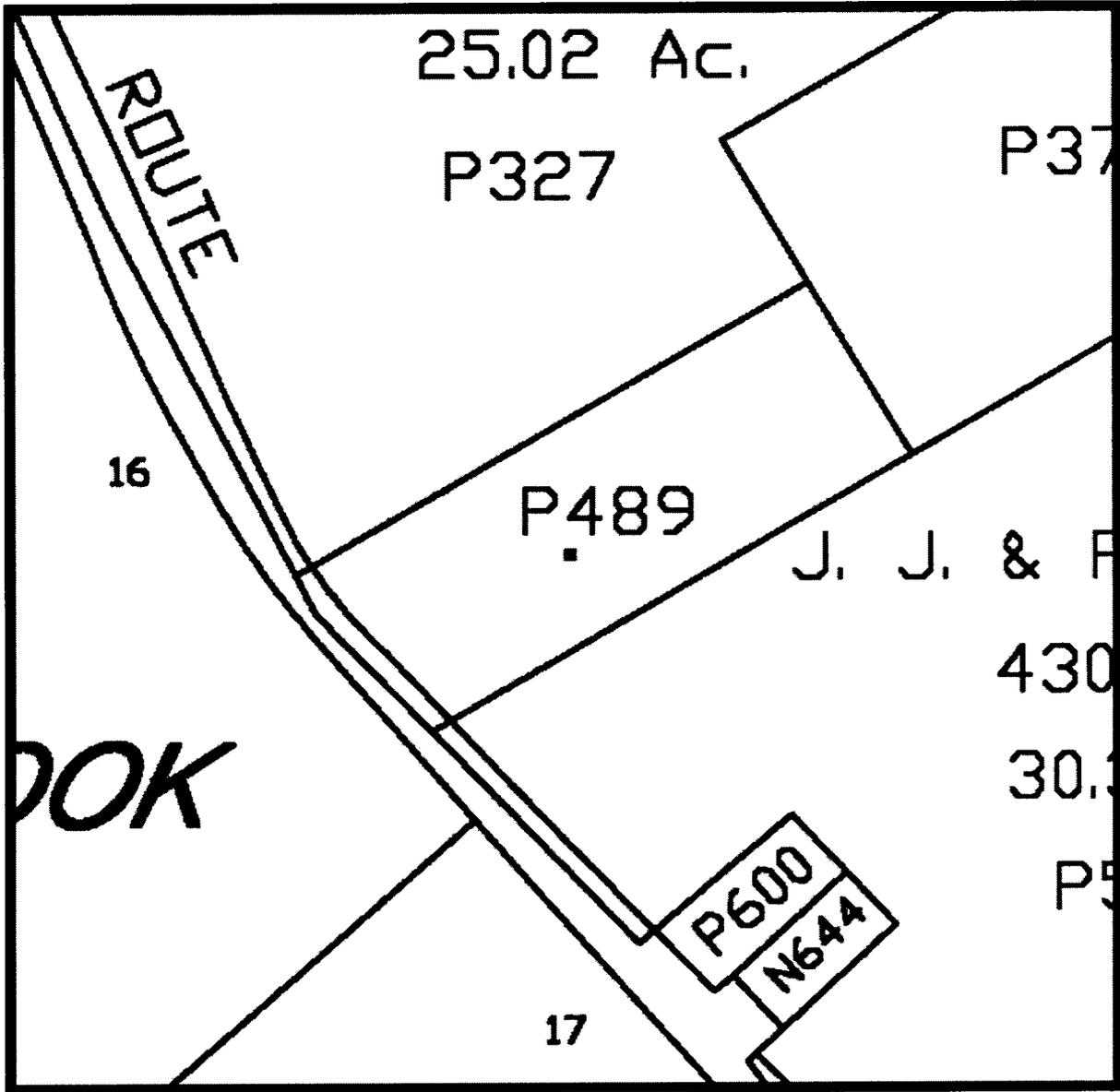
Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2003	07/01/2004
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

**Tax Exempt:** NO  
**Exempt Class:**

**Special Tax Recapture:** AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX

	<b>Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation</b> <b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY</b> Real Property Data Search	<a href="#">Go Back</a> <a href="#">View Map</a> <a href="#">New Search</a>
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web site at [www.mdp.state.md.us/webcom/index.html](http://www.mdp.state.md.us/webcom/index.html)



M: 15-28  
G.M. Hopkins Atlas, 1879

**BUSINESS NOTICES.**  
**John A. Sellman**  
 Merchant Tailor  
**G. W. Mobley**  
 Dealer in Dry Goods, Notions  
 etc.  
 Laytonville.

**CRACKLINTOWN**  
**LAYTONVILLE P.O.**  
 Scale 400 feet per Inch

**BUSINESS NOTICES.**

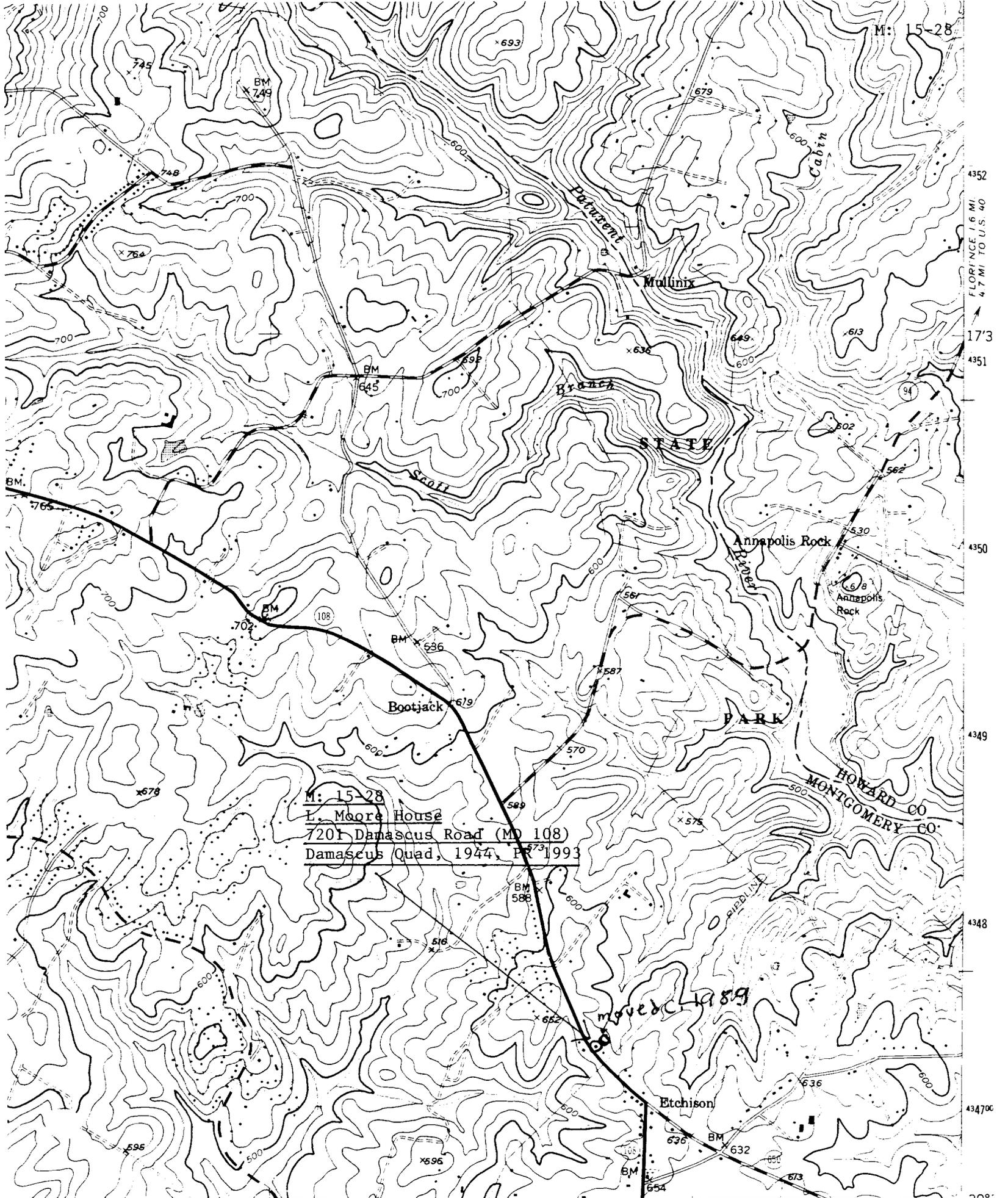
**HEDLAND.**  
**H. B. Penn.**  
 Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots, Shoes, etc.  
**Hy S. Thompson.**  
 Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, etc.

**GOSHIEN.**  
**Asbury R. Martin.**  
 Merchant and Post Master

**UNITY.**  
**Colliflower & Harvey.**  
 Merchants and General Dealers in  
 Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots, Shoes, Oil,  
 Paint, Fish, Oysters, etc.  
 Buyers and Shippers of Produce, etc.

**CLAYSVILLE.**  
**H. H. Kinsey.**  
 Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries,  
 Notions, etc.

Note:  
The Figures on the Roads, represent the  
Distance in Rods from the junctions.



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 L. Moore House  
 7201 Damascus Road (MD 108)  
 Damascus Quad, 1944, P. 1993

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 4352  
 FLORINCE 1.6 MI  
 4.7 MI. TO U.S. 40  
 17'3  
 4351  
 4350  
 4349  
 4348  
 434700

312 10' 314 315 3160000 E 39° 77°07'30"

INTERIOR—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY RESTON, VIRGINIA—1994  
 LAYTONSVILLE 2.6 M.  
 CLNEY 8.6 M.

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

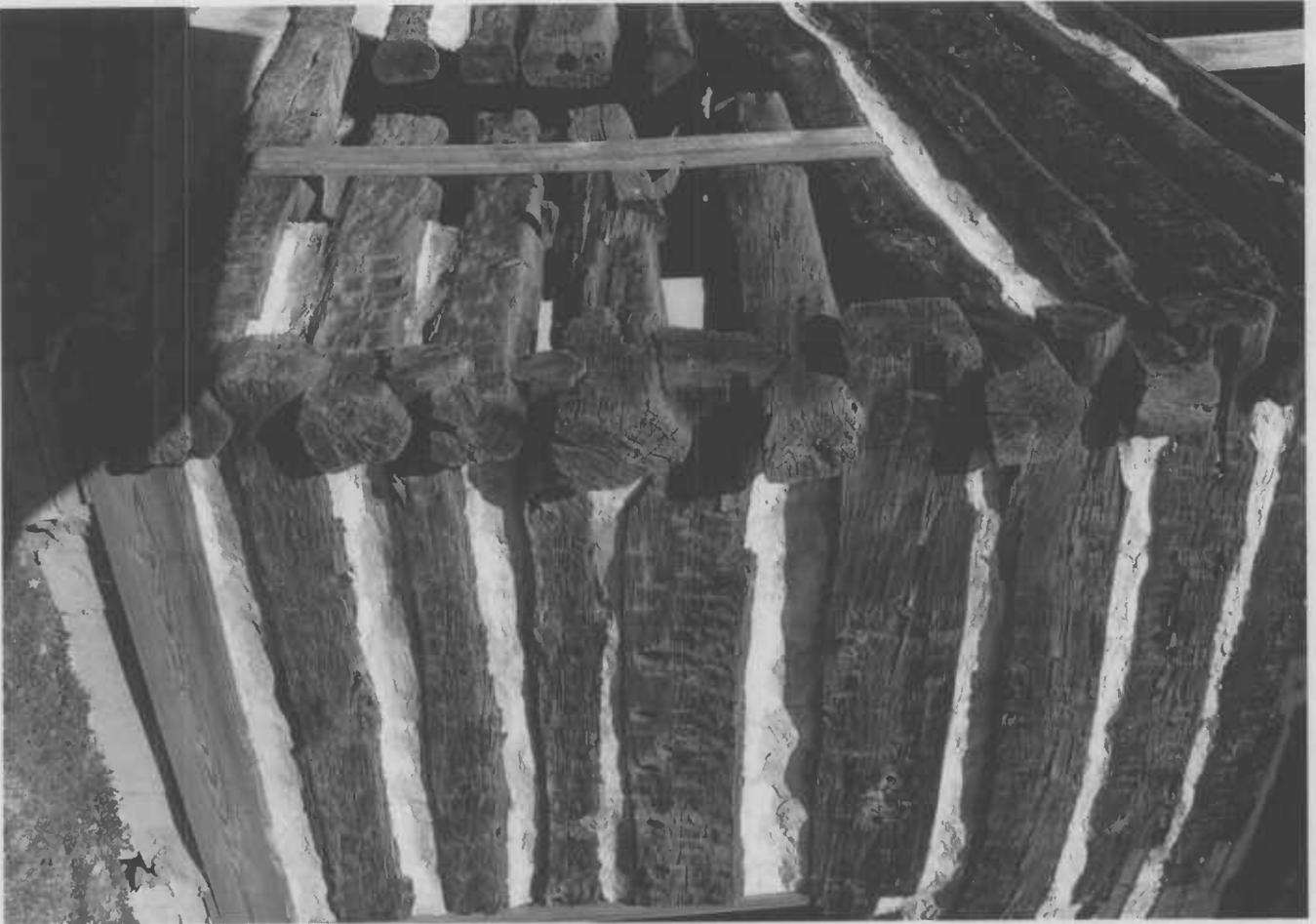
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NAME

MOORE HOUSE

#15-28

LOCATION

Rt 108 ETCHEISON, Md

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