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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic: Nathan Dickerson Poole House (Preferred)

and or common: "Ballinadee Farm"

2. Location

street & number: 15600 Edwards Ferry Road — N/A not for publication

city, town: Poolesville — X vicinity of — congressional district: Eighth

state: Maryland — code: 24 — county: Montgomery — code: 031

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	X occupied	X 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	___ yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	X not applicable	X no	___ military	___ other:

4. Owner of Property

name: David D. Clark

street & number: 6610 Rockledge Drive, Suite 450

city, town: Bethesda — ___ vicinity of — state: Maryland 20817

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.: Montgomery County Courthouse

street & number: Courthouse Square

city, town: Rockville — state: Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title: M-NCPPC Inventory of Historic Sites
MHT Historic Sites Survey — has this property been determined elegible? ___ yes X no

date: 1976 — ___ federal X state X county ___ local

depository for survey records: M-NCPPC Park Historian's Office
Maryland Historical Trust

city, town: Derwood
Annapolis — state: Maryland

7. Description

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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

DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

The N. D. Poole house is a large frame dwelling located near Poolesville, Montgomery County. The house was constructed in 1871, and its design combines elements of the Victorian Gothic and Italianate styles. It is 2½ stories high, with a steeply pitched gable roof clad in slate, and a foundation of local sandstone blocks. The principal (northeast) facade is three bays wide: the central bay projects, defined by wooden quoins and capped by a steep cross gable. The entrance is located in this bay, and features double doors with transom and sidelights. Above the entrance, on the second story, is a double window with four over four sash in segmental-arched openings decorated with hood moldings and ornamental sills. A single similarly-detailed square-headed window appears in the peak of the cross gable. The flanking bays have steep wall dormers, tall double windows in arched openings on the ground floor, and fenestration like that of the central bay on the second and half-stories. The building is clad in novelty siding, with wooden quoins at the corners of the northeast facade. A two-story, gable-roofed portico with Colonial Revival columns shelters the entrance, replacing the original veranda. The southeast facade has a one-story three-sided flat-roofed projecting bay, with vertical panels and a bracketed cornice. A two-bay wing extends to the rear, resulting in a cruciform plan. One-story additions have been made to the southwest gable and northwest side of the wing, and to the northwest gable of the main block. On the interior, the first floor retains its original plan, with a long central entrance hall containing the main stair and a fireplace. To the east is the parlor, with a slate fireplace and mantel and some paneling in the projecting bay; the dining room to the west features cornice and chairrail moldings. The kitchen and back stairs are located at the far end of the entrance hall. On the second floor, the master bedroom above the parlor retains some paneling; the second floor plan has been altered. Also on the property are a frame barn and corn shed of early 20th century date.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This is a classic example of what Andrew Jackson Downing called "Villa Farmhouse" - a dignified home in the country with some measure of taste and elegance. Primarily in Downing's "rural Gothic pointed style," the house is also reflective of Samuel Sloan's "Italian style Country House" (The Model Architect, 1852). The building's tall proportions, high steep gable forms, strong scale contrasts, and hood-mold ornament reflect the High Victorian Gothic style, while its tall, round-headed first-floor windows suggest Italianate influence.

This three bay by four bay 2½ story frame house is cruciform in shape. The foundation is of local sandstone blocks, and the steep cross-gable roof is covered with slate shingles. The house faces northeast. Interior brick chimneys sit about one-third of the length of the house from either end wall.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #1

GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Continued)

The front facade features a large central steeply pitched gable flanked by wall dormers of similar design but smaller scale. The pedimented doorway has double doors with transom and sidelights, and is reached by a colonial style replacement porch with round columns and a roof of lower pitch than the main gable.

Corners are marked by wooden quoins.

The southeast facade has a one-story three-sided flat-roofed projecting bay, with brackets and vertical panels. Toward the rear are a pair of second-floor wall dormers; these reflect the gable designs on the other facades.

Most windows are four over four double-hung sash. All first floor double windows and second floor windows have segmental arches. Most windows have hood molds with stops and decorative sills.

Additions to the house: On the northwest facade, added to the transept is a small one-story flat-roofed "sun room" with brick foundation. From the rear of the northwest transept, around the west and southwest sides of the rear of the house, is a one-story flat-roofed section; it appears to have been built in sections, has a brick foundation, and a one-story portico. At the south end of this section is an enclosed breezeway which leads to a 1½ story brick garage (which is perpendicular to the house).

One enters the house into a large reception hall, with a rear fireplace and major rooms on either side (in transepts). On the first floor the parlour is on the left; it has a slate fireplace with mantel, projecting bay, and paneling below the windows and in the bay ceiling. The dining room to the right features cornice mold, chair rail and double window. Two sets of stairs can be seen from the hall, the main stairway at the front of the house, the smaller to the rear.

On the second floor, the master bedroom is above the parlour and has a (modern) fireplace, but the windows retain paneling below. The second floor plan has been much altered. The attic stairs, at the rear, lead to three "rooms". There are pine floors throughout the house. Above the garage, attached by a breezeway to the kitchen, are two bedrooms and a bath.

The house is approached through brick gates by a 600' entrance drive lined with an umbrella of medium-sized maples. The circular drive in front of the house is outlined with small boxwood, the house is set on a high point of land and commands far-reaching views which extend over much of the surrounding countryside.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #2

GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Continued)

To the south and east of the house are a turn-of-the-20th-century frame barn and corn shed. The gable-roofed bank barn measures approximately 40' by 70', has a cement replacement foundation, attached silo and three decorative metal finials. The double corn crib measures 26' by 40' and has a metal roof.

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
___ prehistoric	___ 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	___ other (specify)
		___ invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Applicable Criteria: B and C

SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY

The N. D. Poole House derives significance from two sources. First, as a vernacular expression combining elements of the Victorian Gothic and Italianate styles, the house represents an example of the type of architecture chosen in the third quarter of the 19th century by a successful farmer and local official to reflect his material porsperity and urbane tastes. The house embodies the distinctive characteristics of the Victorian Gothic style in its cruciform plan, vertical proportions, repetition of steep gable forms, and decorative detailing, and employs elements of the Italianate style in its tall first floor windows, segmental-arched window openings, and rusticated quoins. These styles frequently characterized high-style urban architecture of the period, and the use of their elements in rural Montgomery County expresses the achievements and aspirations of the builder. Secondly, the house was constructed by Nathan Dickerson Poole (1843-1912) descendant of the original settlers of Poolesville, himself a successful farmer and Tax Collector for the Third District of Montgomery County. After it passed out of the Poole family's ownership, it became the retreat of "Boss" Edward J. Flynn, prominent in Democratic Party politics in the New Deal era.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

The Nathan Dickerson Poole House rests on property known since the 18th century as "Cider and Ginger" and "resurvey on Three Springs". The 1783 assessment shows a log dwelling house, tobacco house and another log house on "Cider and Ginger" and a log dwelling on the "Resurvey on Three Springs" portion. In 1843 Thomas and GArey Hickman, brothers, conveyed these lands to William Dennis Poole and his brother Isaac Richard Poole, storekeepers in Poolesville.[1] Isaac lived there until he died, after which it transferred to his brother.[2] William lived in the framed-in log house and farmed the property with his wife and the help of tenants.

At the time of the Civil War, William Poole owned about 450 acres. The farm's proximity to a Potomac River crossing made it desirable for occupation; Union troops encamped there from June 1861 through June 1865. Earthen breast-works (visible as late as the 1920s) were erected, entrenchments dug, and the house was used briefly as a smallpox hospital. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., a First Lieutenant in Company "A", 20th Mass. Regiment, referred to the old house in his Civil War diary and in a letter to his mother in September 23, 1861. After the war, William Poole's heirs sought compensation from the U. S. Quartermaster's Office for occupation of the farm by Union Troups.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT (Continued)

Nathan Dickerson Poole (1843-1912) gained possession of his father's property in 1870 and built his handsome farmhouse (which he called "River View") the following year.[3] He was known to all ans "River Dick" to distinguish him from his cousin, Richard Poole, who lived in town. He enlarged and farmed the property, growing hay, corn, wheat and clover, and raised hsi family there. He served as Tax Collector for Montgomery County's Third District. He outlived both of his wives and was buried in Monocacy Cemetery in November 1912.

"River View" and 329½ acres were bequeathed to his nieces and nephew (Martha, Katharine, Nannie and William). These heirs sold it to Roland Wootton in 1914.[4] Wootton demolished the old log and frame house which had housed tenants and made alterations to the main dwelling house. In 1935, the property was transferred at a sheriff's sale to the Montgomery County National Bank.[5] At this time it was described as "330 acres land more or less with improvements consisting of a two story frame dwelling, 7 rooms and bath, bank barn 45 X 8 corn house and wagon shed, and etc. (appraised at) $8000.00".[6] The following April, Eugene B. Casey, a prominent realtor, purchased the property.[7] and leased the house and grounds to the Offutt family. Mr. Casey sold the property in 1943 to J. Hampton Jones, who three years later conveyed it to Thomas F. Corcoran.[8]

Tom Corcoran was a young man who was close to the family of Edward J. Flynn. Flynn, known as "Boss Flynn" of the Bronx, was a close personal friend of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and active in Democratic national politics during the 1930s and 1940s. Tom Corcoran managed and operated the horse and cattle farm on Edwards Ferry Road (which he named Ballinadee to honor his Irish descent), and provided a haven for Flynn when he wanted to rest and remove himself from New York. It was during the Corcoran-Flynn ownership that plumbing and electricity were installed, and the original front porch was replaced.

Bernard and Norma Siegel owned Ballinadee Farms from 1955 to 1966, when it was conveyed to Francis and Henrietta Noonan.[9] The Noonans operated a thoroughbred horse farm for breeding, boarding, training, racing and riding. After selling parcels off to the National Park Service and others, Ballinadee Farms in 1982 was sold to the present owner.

Footnotes:

[1]Montgomery County Land Records, BS12/102 (December 1843)

[2]Ibid., STS1/480 (February 1846)

[3]Montgomery County Tax Assessments, 1869-1876 (Third District)

[4]Land Records, op. cit. 242/385 (June 1914)

[5]Ibid., 602/194 (August 1935)

[6]Montgomery Co. Judgment Records, 61/11

[7]Land Records, op. cit., 622/417 (1936

[8] [illegible] (May 1943); 1043/472 (November 1946)

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Montgomery County Land, Assessment & Orphan's Court Records
Photograph & Miscellaneous papers located at Montgomery Co. Historical Society
Notes & recollections of M. S. Poole, Katharine Poole, Francis Noonan, Charles Elgin;
Inventory information from M-NCPPC form by Anita Hall

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 15 - 20 acres

Quadrangle name Sterling, Va.-Md. Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

	Zone	Easting	Northing
A	18	287000	4331880
B	18	286960	4331800
C	18	286660	4331880
D	18	287000	4319600
E			
F			
G			
H			

Verbal boundary description and justification Rectangular boundary drawn (as shown on attached plat) to include: dwelling house, two major outbuildings (barn and corn crib), environmental setting for the structures, and approach from Edward's Ferry Road.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

te code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Eileen McGuckian

organization date August 1982

street & number 105 Wall Street telephone (301) 762-8774

city or town Rockville state Maryland 20850

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

___ national ___ state X local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature 12-7-82

title STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER date

For HCRS use only

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

date

Keeper of the National Register

Attest: date

Chief of Registration

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Balinadee Farm

AND/OR HISTORIC: N.D. Poole House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Edward's Ferry Road

CITY OR TOWN: Poolesville

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY: Montgomery

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☒ Building ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object	☐ Public ☒ Private ☐ Both	Public Acquisition: ☐ In Process ☐ Being Considered	☒ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	Yes: ☐ Restricted ☐ 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

OWNER'S NAME: Francis and H. Noonan

STREET AND NUMBER: Edward's Ferry Road

CITY OR TOWN: Poolesville

STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: None

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: None

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

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

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

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

The house is a two story frame structure of cross-gable design. On either side of the central gable are flanking dormers that are flush with the facade, thus breaking the eaves line into sections. Corners are marked by wooden quoins; over the segmentally-arched windows are hood mouldings that give the building an Italianate feeling.

The building has been much altered. An old photograph shows it with a balustraded porch across the central gabled section and porches across the flanking wings. The posts carried double brackets and scallop-edged wooden arches spanned the openings. In the gable and dormers were cross motifs. The paired windows were shuttered. The house was painted in two contrasting colors.

The porch has been replaced by a "colonial" one, with round columns and a roof of lower pitch than the main gable. The other porches have been removed and the entire house is painted white. A bay window has been added on the south end.

The house is sheated in ship-lapped siding. Interior chimneys sit about one third of the length of the house from either end wall. The pedimented doorway has double doors with transom and sidelights.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- [ ] Pre-Columbian
- [ ] 15th Century
- [ ] 16th Century
- [ ] 17th Century
- [ ] 18th Century
- [x] 19th Century
- [ ] 20th Century

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

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

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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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 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 NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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

STATE:		COUNTY	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: MNCPPC

DATE: 3 Oct. 1973

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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PREVIOUS HISTORY OF BALLINADEE FARMS

First known owner of the property was William Dennis Poole who operated the farm with a tenant who lived in a small tenant house.

Upon the death of William Dennis Poole in 1869 the property descended to one of his sons, Nathan Dickerson Poole known to members of his family as "Uncle Dick." He was known outside the family as "River Dick" to distinguish him from another cousin, Richard Poole (also called "Dick").

Nathan Dickerson Poole was born in 1843, was married and it was assumed he built the house which is now the present residence of Ballinadee Farms in 1843.

In a report from Martha Sprigg Poole she recalls her father, John Sprigg Poole, spending the month of July of each year at the farm. Fishing was great at Edwards Ferry and the children occupied their time jumping up and off the canal boats while they were going through the locks.

The Post Office at that time was Edwards Ferry.

Upon the death of Nathan Dickerson Poole in 1912 the property was bequeathed to his three nieces; Katherine Riggs Poole, Martha Sprigg Poole, Nannie Poole, and his nephew, Wallace D. Poole. Later these parties sold it to Roland Wootten and sometime later Wootten sold it to Edward Flynn, well-known democratic politician in New York City.

Ballinadee Farms consisted of two original patents; one called "Cider and Ginger" and the other called "Three Springs."

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Ballinadee Farms was occupied by Union troops in the Civil War. The present house was supposedly used as a small pox hospital. Around 1905 the Pooles brought suit for damages in the U. S. Court of Claims. During the war many breastworks were built on the farm and for many years there was a bullet in the trunk of a tree which divided the trunk into two trunks.

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BALLINADEE, in the Barony of Carbery, Co. of Cork, and Province of Munster, an entire Rectory, united, at a period prior to any known Record, and by competent authority at the time of the Union, to the Rectories of Kilgoban, Maeloneigh (vicarage endowel), and Rathdowtan, and constituting the Corps of the Treasureship of Cork, which is valued in the King's Books at L1. sterling: a Church, at Ballinadee; a Glebe House, and a Glebe, of a. 2r. 12p., in Ballinadee; Verney Lovett, D.C., the Incumbent (in 1806), who has cure of souls, and resides partly in Ballinadee, and partly at Lisnore, where has has a Prebend; the duties are performed by his Curate, the Rev. Joseph Jervois, at a salary of L75., and the Glebe House. Ballinadee is in the Diocese of Cork, and Province of Cashel. It is 3 m. E. from Bandonbridge. It is situate on the River Bandon. The parishes of Ballinadee, and Kilgoban, are contiguous; their estimated extent being 5 miles from East to West, and 2 miles from North to South. According to the Ecclesiastical Report, each of these parishes separately is too small to afford the means of comfort to a Resident Incumbent.

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Depot Q.M. Office
Washington, D.C. Mar. 31, 1876

Major Wm. Myers
Depot Q.M.; Washington, D.C.

Major:

In accordance with your instructions to report upon the claims of certain parties in Montgomery County, Maryland, for occupation of their lands by U. States Troops during the late Rebellion from notes taken by me while investigating claims for Quarter Masters Stores used by said troops. I have the honor to submit the following report in the claim of Mr. W. Poole, administrator of the estate of Mr. D. Poole, deceased.

Before during and since the War the claimant was the sole owner of a farm consisting of 450 acres of land, more or less, situated about one mile from Edwards Ferry on the road to Poolesville, about 375 to 400 acres of this land was arable, in a high state of cultivation on which the claimant lived. A dwelling house and other houses, barn, stables, etc. such as are usually found upon a first class farm.

On or about the 15th of June, 1861, a large number of U. States Troops, belonging to the command of Gen. C. P. Stone(?) encamped upon claimant's land, used and occupied the same for military purposes, afterwards Gen. Hedgsicks, erecting thereon quarters for troops stabling for horses store and other houses for use of troops, remaining until Apr. 1862. Then by troops commanded by Gen. Stoneman until the fall of 1862. Then by the command of Col. A. P. Jewett who remained until June 1863 . A regiment by Col. Virgin 22nd Maine at this time the dwelling house was used as a small-pox hospital for more than three months. The claimant and family being forced to move from the premises, leaving his entire farm and home in the possession of U. States Troops. After Col. Jewett's Troops left, a portion of Scott's 600 took possession of the land or 11th N.Y. Regt.(Cavalry) who erected ////////// earthen breastworks, entrenchments, etc. on the land. The remains of which can now be seen. When the Rebel Col. White made his raid into Maryland, the latter part of August 1863 quite a battle took place at the farm of the claimant, with a loss to the Union Troops thus engaged. Per land Troops commanded by Col. Johnson and Capt. Yonts(?) also occupied this property and again in 1864, by a part of Mass. Cavalry commanded by Maj. Thompson and lastly by Col. Mindsell of the 16th N.Y. Cavalry until about the latter part of Apr. 1865.

The claimant had no use, control or benefit from his entire farm during the above-named periods. Otherwise he sustained great loss, the entire fence burned, timber cut and used for fuel by the troops, land injured, besides being forced to leave his House and home. His entire farm was under the control and use of U. States Troops during the entire War or at least from June 15, 1861 to June 15, 1865. But he only claims rent from the U. States, for 200 acres lying immediately on the public road at $4.00 per acre per annum as a fair and just rental value for the same during the time thus occupied, which I am informed by the following named persons residing durin and since the War in the immediate vicinity, reliable and loyal, viz:

R. W. Williams; S.S. Young; H.B. Poole; John Padgot; Benj. White; J.T. Flotchall, W. T. Fisher and many others.

The claimant was during the War, also his heirs, loyal to the U. States.

Official evidence of title to the land and authority from the Court of his being the administrator of the estate should be furnished by the claimant.

I am General, very respectfully your obedient servant
John S. Hawkins, agent.

W. D. Poole, dec.; W.W. Poole, adm. - G 1099

This report was rec'd in _____ ? subsequent to the receipt and entry of the papers with which it is reported as accompanying

See 917 (Quesco ?) 1876
L. H. (?) R.

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HISTORY PERTAINING TO BALLINADEE FARMS

(Excerpt from Civil War Letters and Diary of
Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., 1861-1864), Book:
"Touched With Fire"
(Copyright 1946)

Pooleeville,
Maryland
September 23, 1861

My Dear Mother

This has been an eventful week to me as it has been the first that really looked like biz. Last Wednesday we (our company & Bartlett's) were suddenly ordered to fall in, pack up blankets & overcoats, received a number of rounds of cartridges and after a brief speech from Gen. Lander were sent marching off, we didn't know whither.[1] The General merely signified we had a post of honor & must do our duty. Well we first tramped off a couple of miles to Edward's Ferry and then across country--couldn't find the place--so back to ferry--Circumbendibus by night--arive at last at an advanced battery of ours (Rhode Island) whence firing had taken place the day before--In silence we settle in a grove and lie down to pass the night as best may be--I had carried my invaluable carpet bag Whittier[2] his blankets which we shared--a drizzle & brief rain increased the liveliness of this first experience as groundlings (we had out our bedsteads on the march from Washington to where we now are, You remember.) But we were very tired & slept pretty well. Well, to cut it short, for, as usual, I irk the lengthened tale when told with pen--We stayed at the place till Saturday evening doing duty as an outpost near to the river, our pickets extending down to it & communicating with those of a Minnesota Reg. stationed along the banks of the Muddy Potomac. The first morning my eager eyes descry one man in a straw hat sitting unconcernedly on his tail apparently a guard on duty for the secesh--Men & horses are seen from time to time from the tops of the trees and within cannon shot off to our right grows up from day to day an encampment with earthworks and what may be a heavy gun or so but of the last we are not sure--But firing across the river is forbidden so we sit & look & listen to their drums.

(Picture of Map - Page 10)

Of course proportionate distances are not Rept--the man in the straw hat is about 3/4 or 1 mile from the top of our hill--the sharpshooters who were with us said they could plug him--but I doubt it. Edwards Ferry about 2 miles I guess from hill--To the rear of our hill & woods is a secesher's house where we eat & paid (.37) for delicious dinners of goose & ice-cream &c but the artillerymen hooked his pigs geese &c (for wh. their Lieut. commanding had to come down pretty well & got a reprimand to boot). This secesher has since been arrested for signalizing by lights from his house but evidence seems inconclusive & I

guess he'll be released. The last night we were there we slept in our boots & kept a horse saddled but though an attack would have used us up I think we were about as safe in their intentions as you were--Capt. Crowninshield's Co. & that of Capt. Walleston[3] relieved us, unwilling to leave goose & laziness, on Saturday evening--I had that day a touch of diarrhea from drinking to [sic] much milk on guard duty the night before--wh. soured on my stomach & did not improve the results of wet & lying on the ground without a blanket--an experiment you need be at no fears of my repeating--I'm as well as ever now though. Flour & water is an excellent & safe specific--This was a mere touch & before & since I've been very well--& weigh 156 lb. Last night (Sunday) or rather in the afternoon about four o'clock we again bundled down--this time the whole reg't except the aforesaid two companies--to Edwards Ferry--there being news that the Rebels had crossed--we slept in our clothes at the Ferry all night--most of the officers at a buggy (bed--& spider) house I in the middle of the road--Tremlett leaving me in charge--I secured a convenient slant & took a canteen pillow but it was cold as the tenth circle of Inferno--it seems wonderful though that I mind the exposures little as I do--I get on as well as the average of the men I should say--They were jumping round at a great rate to get warm. I had a conviction there'd be no trouble & there wasn't so at 5 A.M. this morning home we pack again--All these things you see give reality to the life but I don't expect any fighting for the present--

It seems so queer to see an encampment & twig men through a glass & think they are our enemies & hear of some of our pickets talking across & so on[4] --But I must get some sleep tonight--to make up for last & it gets late--I long for letters--write all of you all the time--The mails are irregular & the last I got was the one containing C. Walton's letter. You ask me if I like letters like yours. I delight in 'em. They are my great pleasure--Remember once for all that all details like those I've written of our actual or probable movements are strictly private as we are strongly forbidden to write about such things.

Love to every Bestest love to Dadkin also to A & N. Let them write Send Poem (& photog's) to Misses Pomeroy

Care Robert Pomeroy
Pittsfield, Mass.[5]

& then to C. Walton

Care M. L. Hallowell
Philad^a Penn^a

Goodnight my loveliest & sweetest

O. W. HOLMES, JR.

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1. On September 14 the 20th Regiment had moved from Camp Burnside to the neighborhood of Poolesville, Maryland. On the 19th they settled down at Camp Benton some two miles north of Edwards Ferry.

2. Second Lieutenant Charles A. Whittier, Company A, later, as Major, A.D.C. to Major General John Sedgwick and to Major General Horatio G. Wright, successively commanding generals of the Sixth Corps.

3. Captain Casper Crowninshield commanded Company D and Captain Edmund A. Walleston commanded Company F.

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4. Captain Bartlett, describing communications between the opposing pickets, has said that "In one case they exchanged a Boston Journal for a Mobile paper." Palfrey, op. cit. p. 11.

5. In 1865 Agnes Pomeroy, daughter of Robert Pomeroy, leading citizen of Pittsfield, where Holmes spent many summers as a boy, was married to Brigadier General William Francis Bartlett. Her sister, Maria Center Pomeroy, later married Colonel Walter Cutting of New York.

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CAPTAIN HENRY M. TREMLETT, COMMANDING COMPANY A.

4340 Verplanck Pl.,
Washington D.C.
Sept. 25, 1970

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Mr. Frank Noonan
Poolesville, Md.

My dear Mr. Noonan;

We were so glad to have the opportunity to visit the former home of our "Uncle Dick" and thank you and Mrs. Noonan for your kindness.

You asked for something about the background of the place. I send here some notes, and we will send the photographs as soon as we can get some prints made.

From the enclosures you will see how the property came into the possession of William Dennis Poole, my grandfather. He lived in Poolesville and operated the farm with a tenant who lived in a small house on the property. William Dennis Poole died in 1869 and the property descended to one of his sons, Nathan Dickerson Poole (known to us as "Uncle Dick" and locally as "River Dick" to distinguish him from his cousin Richard Poole (also called "Dick") who lived in Poolesville.

I have seen the document transferring the property to Nathan, but I cannot readily find it in my notes. Either William Dennis gave it to Nathan, or else William Dennis' heirs (Rebecca, widow; William Wallace Poole, Martha Poolw and John Sprigg Poole) transferred the farm to Nathan . William Dennis died in 1869, so this transfer took place around that date.

Nathan Dickerson Poole was born in 1843. I cannot readily find the date of his marriage; so I cannot suggest when he built the house which you now occupy. But we can assume it may have been in the 1870s. A check of the assessment books for Montgomery County might help; where there is a significant rise in the assessment it can usually be assumed that some significant improvement occurred.

My father, John Sprigg Poole was married in 1889 and soon thereafter our family began what became a yearly custom - to spend the month of July with Uncle Dick. We have many memories, mostly of the time when we were "teen agers". The yard in front of the house had many fine trees with hammocks strung between some of them. These were "horse and buggy" days, and going to Poolesville (five miles) was of course in a carriage and horses. Our "dates" were with local boys who borrowed a horse and buggey from the father, and took us fot a "buggy ride". We went often to Edwards Ferry. Here many went fishing. As youngsters we loved to jump up on the Canal boats as they were entering the locks and jump off just as the gates were about to swing open for the boat to proceed on its way. The Post Office was at Edwards Ferry which meant someone must go there for the mail each day.

As to the history of the property: - When Uncle Dick died in 1912 he left the place to his four neices and nephews - William Wallace Poole, Nannie D. Poole, Katherine Riggs Poole and me (Martha Sprigg Poole) We sold it to Roland Wootton. As I recall he sold it to Mr. Flynn. These deeds are of course available in Rockville.

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..ase you would like to look up the history before the Pooles came into the picture, here are some suggestions (which you may know about as well as I)

At the Land Office in the State Office Building in Annapolis, you can get photostats of the original Patents to "Cider and Ginger" and "Three Springs". Often there is an accompanying Plat. Then in the Hall of Records in Annapolis near-by you can trace out the real estate transactions. Before 1748, the deeds would be in Prince Georges County; 1748-1776 in Frederick County and after that in Montgomery County.

In the Assessment for 1783 (Montgomery County) for Sugarland Hundred we find the following:

Cider and Ginger - owned by
- Zachariah Ellis - 150 acres
- Benj; Gatton heirs - 73 acres; log dwelling house and tobacco house
- Stephen Hickman - 25 acres - log house

Three Springs
- Wm. Hickman, jr. 237 acres
- Stephen Hickman 45 acres
- Tabitha Parmer(?) 225 acres; 1 log dwelling

I think it is fun to plot these deeds, etc.; then you can locate your tract exactly on the original patents.

As to history, the place was occupied by Union troops in the Civil War. The house on the place then (you will get the picture) was used as a small pox hospital. One of our members, Mr. Roger Cohen is an authority on these matters, and would be glad to talk with you as to what military history the place has. He is an accountant in Bethesda.

As I told you, when I was a child my father and others brought suit for damages against the United States, presumably in the Court of Claims. The evidence in that suit would probably bring out many interesting details. It was probably about 1905 or so. There are some breastworks on the place, and when we were children we were interested in a tree in which a bullet had caused the trunk to divide into two trunks.

The Montgomery County Historical Society would be happy to have you come to see us at our headquarters at 103 W. Montgomery Avenue, Rockville - open Tuesday through Saturdays from 12 to 4. We would be glad to have you join with us.

Let me know if I can give you any other pertinent information.

Sincerely

Martha Spigg Poole

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated August 15, 1989

ACTION TAKEN

This amendment recommends 18 historic resources throughout Montgomery County for historic designation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. It also recommends that 4 other resources be found not to warrant historic designation and that they be removed from the Locational Atlas and from further protection under the Ordinance.

18 historic resources recommended for historic designation and protection:

M: 10-52	Charles Browning Farm
M: 10-57	Zeigler Log House
M: 12-11	Frederick Hayes House
M: 12-36	Oak Ridge/Eleven Brothers
M: 14-51	Woodburn/Blunt House
M: 16-1	Trundle Farm
M: 16-12	Warren M.E. Church and Martinsburg Negro School
M: 16/26	Nathan Dickerson Poole House/River View
M: 23-41	Musgrove/Hobbs/Gaither House
M: 23-47	Pleasant View
M: 23-84/1	Ellicott Mine
M: 25-8	Mt. Prospect
M: 25-10/1	Travilah Town Hall
M: 29/9	Dr. Willett House
M: 29-19	Joseph Magruder House (Offutt House)
M: 33-1	Drumeldra
M: 34-10	Conley House/Green Ridge
M: 36-3	Rock Creek Stables/Old Callahan Estate

4 resources to be removed from Locational Atlas.

M: 25-19	Semmes Farm	M: 37-1	Waterworks Site/Sligo Creek
M: 37-2	Presidents' Tree	M: 28-34	Mt. Pleasant II

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated April 25, 1989

ACTION TAKEN

This document contains the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission's recommendations on the designation of twenty-two (22) historic resources throughout Montgomery County. Twenty-one resources are recommended for historic designation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. One resource is not recommended for designation.

SITES RECOMMENDED

M: 10/52	Charles Browning Farm
M: 10/57	Zeigler Log House
M: 12/11	Frederick Hayes House
M: 12/36	Oak Ridge/Eleven Brothers
M: 14/51	Woodburn/Blunt House
M: 16/1	Trundle Farm
M: 16/12	Warren E.M. Church and associated bldgs.
M: 16/26	Nathan Dickerson Poole House/River View
M: 23/41	Musgrove/Hobbs/Gaither House
M: 23/47	Pleasant View
M: 23/84-1	Ellicott Mine
M: 25/8	Mount Prospect
M: 25/10-1	Travilah Town Hall
M: 28/34	Mount Pleasant II/Esther Scott House
M: 29/9	Dr. Willett House
M: 29/19	Joseph Magruder House
M: 33/1	Drumeldra
M: 34/10	Conley House
M: 36/03	Rock Creek Stables/Old Callahan Estate
M: 37/01	Waterworks Site/Sligo Creek
M: 37/02	The President's Tree

NOT RECOMMENDED

M: 25/19	Semmes Farm

Montgo. Co. Deeds STS #1, 480
Feb. 24, 1846
On Dec. 24, 1843, Thomas Hickman of Montgo. Co. and Garey Hickman of Saline Co., Missouri did convey to William D. Poole and Isaac Richard Poole land called "Cider and Ginger" and pt. of Resurvey on Three Springs
Isaac has died intestate and without children leaving a widow Mary E. Poole who is entitled to dower and leaving also these brothers and sisters:
John Poole (Anna R.)
Thomas Poole
William D. Poole
Frederick S. Poole (Mary T.D.)
Sarah Jones
Eliza Hays, wife of Leonard
Ann Sellman, wife of William O.
Mary Jones, wife of Thomas L.
These heirs of Isaac deed the land to William D. Poole
Notation says "delivered to W W Poole, administrator of Wm. D. Poole May 27, 1869"

"Cider and Ginger"

Montgo. Co. Deeds BS #12, 102
Made Dec. 29, 1843; rec. Dec. 30, 1843
Thomas Hickman of Maryland and Garey Hickman of Saline Co., Mo. to
Wm. D. and Isaac Richard Poole
(Garey Hickman being entitled under will of William Hickman, father of Garey to undivided moiety of 150 acres of land, pt of herinafter described land, did sometime in or about 1826(?) sell his said undivided moiety to said Thomas Hickman who was under said will entitled to other moiety and although said Garey Hickman hath rec'd from Thos. Hickman full am't of purchase price, yet legal title still remains in Garey; Thomas Hickman is seized of other lands adjoining above and whole contains 279 acres
pt. of Cider and Ginger
pt. of Resurvey on Three Springs, contiguous

Montgo. Co. Deeds BS 12 - 141 - mortgage
Made Dec. 29, 1843; rec. Feb. 16, 1844
Wm. D. Poole and Isaac Richard Poole to Thomas Hickman and Elitha Olive of Md. and Garey Hickman of Saline Co., Missouri payment, etc.

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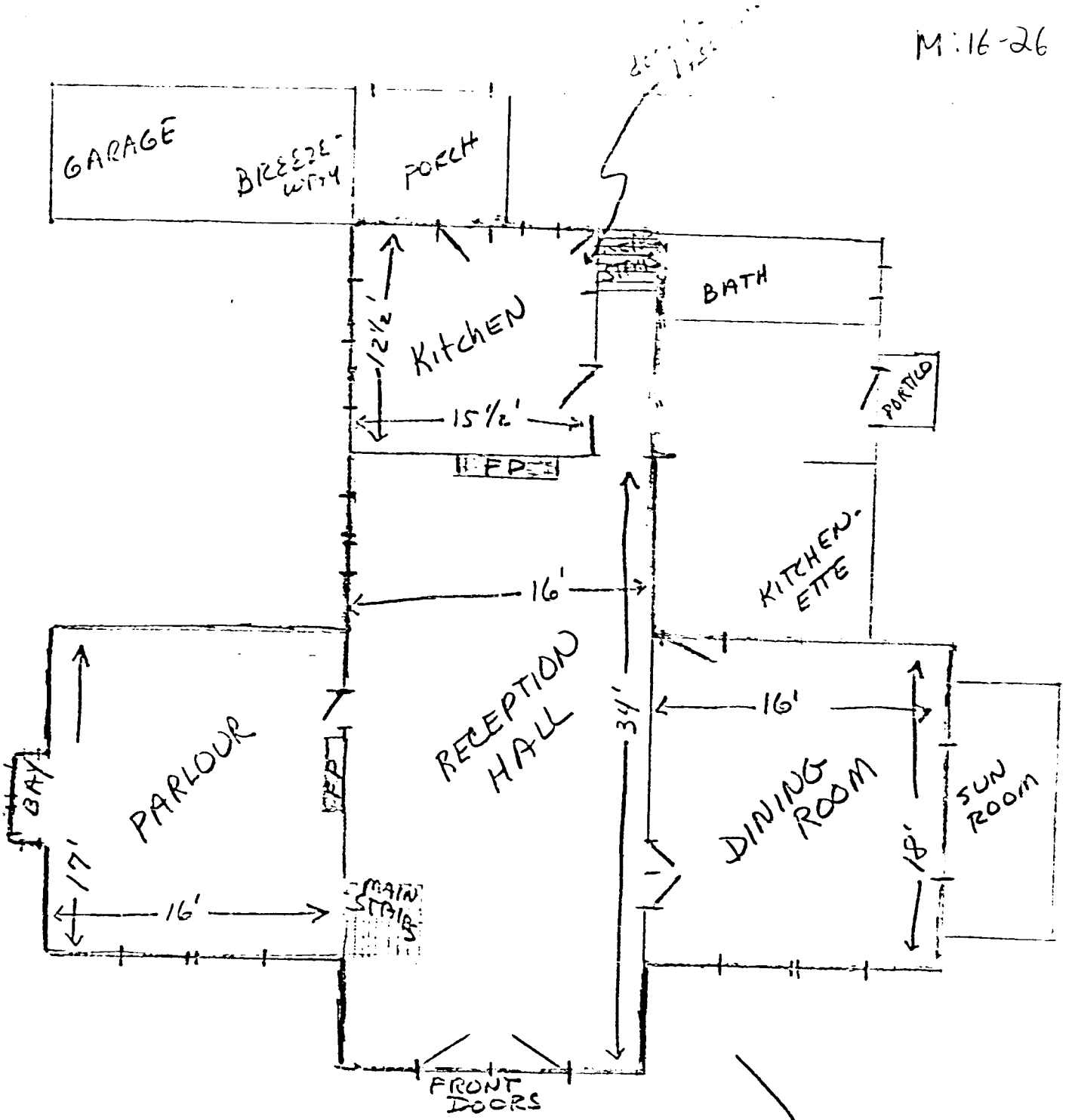

¼" = 2'
(Approx. SCALE OF ORIGINAL HOUSE LINES)

ORIGINAL HOUSE

DRAFT FIRST FLOOR PLAN
N.D. POOLE HOUSE
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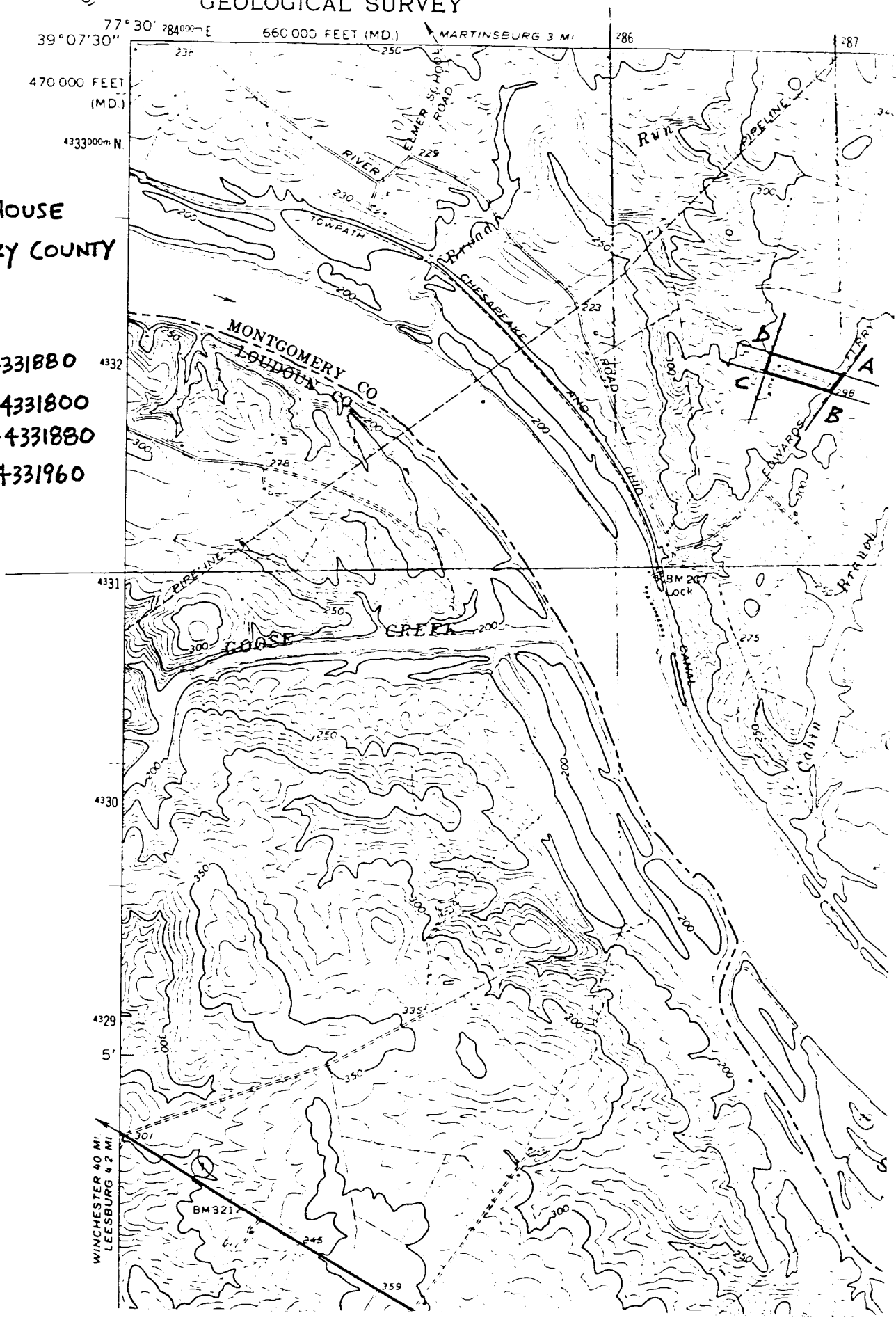

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NAME NATHAN DICKERSON POOLE HOUSE

LOCATION EDWARDS FERRY Rd. POOLESVILLE, Md.

FACADE S.E.

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