

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

1. Name C & O Canal Lock #10 and Lockhouse
2. Planning Area/Site Number 35/20 3. MNCPPC Atlas Reference Map 20
E-13
4. Address Vicinity of Cabin John
5. Classification Summary
 Category building, structure, site
 Ownership public
 Public Acquisition NA
 Status occupied
 Accessible yes: restricted
 Present use park, private residence
 Previous Survey Recording M-NCPPC Federal x State x County x Local
 (Title and date: Inventory of Historical Sites - 1976)
6. Date 1836 7. Original Owner: C&O Canal Company
8. Apparent Condition
 a. good
 b. altered
 c. original site
9. Description
 The 1828 specifications for the dimensions and appearance of the C & O Company Lockhouses produced a 30' by 18' uncoursed rubblestone house, one and a half stories high. There are six over six double hung windows and a large central chimney set into the gable roof. This lockhouse is located on the berm side of Lock 10 facing south.
10. Significance
 The third of the "Seven Locks" of the C & O Canal, the lockhouse is one of the few undamaged by floods. Now restored, it is in **good** condition and its original hardware has been reproduced and used in restoring other lockhouses.
 The C & O Canal Company obtained the land for the lock in 1830 by condemnation from George Magruder, (heir to a land grant of 1726 to Daniel Magruder and Charles Beall and called "Magruder's and Beall's Honesty"). Cost of building the lock was \$9,729.22 and for the section of the canal around the lock (\$13,839.69). The lock was built of granite from nearby quarries. It is believed that the public quarries at Little Falls provided the stone for the house. The lockhouse was lived in by a succession of lockkeepers until the early 1900's. After restorations by the National Park Service in 1963, it has been continually occupied.
11. Date researched and researcher Summer 1978 -- Jim Pond
Candy Reed - Architectural Description
12. Compiler Gail Rothrock 13. Date Compiled 2/79 14. Designation
Approval
15. Acreage

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC C & O Canal Lock #10 and Lockhouse

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF Cabin John

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
 YES: RESTRICTED
 YES: UNRESTRICTED
 NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME National Park Service
Department of the Interior

Telephone #: 343-4621

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Washington, D.C.

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Montgomery County

Liber #: BS 3

Folio #: 264

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE M-NCPEC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

___ FEDERAL STATE COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE
Maryland 20855

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

In 1828 specifications for the dimensions and appearance of lockhouses were stipulated by the C & O Canal Company. Despite the uniform requirements, each Lock House had its own individuality.

Lockhouse number 10 is located about one hundred feet below Lock 10 on the berm side facing south. It is a one and a half story, uncoursed rubblestone structure, three bays across and one bay deep. The original "masonry" specifications require that the lockhouse be 30' by 18', the cellar walls were to be 22" thick, "principal story" walls, 20" thick, and "attic story" walls, 18" thick. There are six over six double hung windows. These have stone lintels. Two dormer windows with gable roofs are set into the south wall and extend into the roof. The gable roof has asbestos covering. There is a central stone chimney. There is a simple wooden paneled south (front) door with stone lintel. At the east elevation there is a screened porch.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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

SPECIFIC DATES 1836 - 1978

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Kavanaugh, Knox, Hale & Nichols; Douglas & Small; W.W. Fenlon & Co.; Henry B. Richards

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Lock #10 is the third of the "seven locks" of the C & O Canal, built in the 1830s. Most of the other lockhouses have been damaged or destroyed by floods. But the house at Lock #10 was sited on high ground, and has withstood damage. It has been restored and is in excellent condition at the present time. The original hardware in this house has been reproduced and used in restoring other lockhouses.

Land for this lock was obtained for the C & O Canal Company by condemnation. The Company took the owner, George Magruder, Trustee of George Magruder, deceased, to court, and on November 5, 1830, a jury awarded Magruder \$2,594.78 for 3 pieces of land in perpetuity, an additional \$277 for the 4-year use of 2 other contiguous pieces of land, and \$1 for 63,000 cubic yards of earth used in construction. The company agreed to construct a bridge across Lock #13 to provide Magruder access to his land, and to allow Magruder to pass under culverts of the canal.

Magruder's land was part of a land grant of 1726 acres issued in 1726 to Daniel Magruder and Charles Beall, and called Magruder's and Beall's Honesty.

The contract for the lock was let in 1828 to Kavanaugh, Knox, Hale and Nichols, and abandoned by them in the spring of 1830. The contract was relet to Douglas and Small who finished the project in the fall of that year. Total cost was \$9,729.22. The lock was built with granite from nearby quarries.

The section of canal around the lock was contracted by W.W. Fenlon and Co. and cost \$13,839.69. Fenlon also took over and in 1830 completed construction of the lockhouse, begun by Henry B. Richards in 1828. Later Fenlon worked for the canal as a lock-keeper of Locks 19 and 20. It is believed that the public quarries at Little Falls provided the stone for the house.

Lock #10 was first kept by Thomas Burgess who received a salary of \$150 per year and use of Lockhouse #7 as living quarters; he was assigned to tend Locks #9 and #10. Marshall and J.W. Burriss lived in the lockhouse during the later 1800s. Victor and Virgie Hall, twins, lived in the lockhouse and operated Locks #9 and #10 in the early 1900s. From 1963-1972 Henry Zalinsky occupied the house, following restoration by the National Park Service. Ron Wilson lived there from 1972-1975, and Mr. & Mrs. Sherman Harrington from 1975 to the present.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See Attachment Sheet A

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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

Jim Pond, Volunteer

Candy Reed - Architectural Description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland, 20753

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

Attachment Sheet A

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Lock #10 & Lockhouse-C & O Canal

AND/OR COMMON

Burriss Lock?

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

C & O Canal at George Washington Parkway-opposite Persimmon Tree Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Cabin John

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

National Park Service-C & O Canal

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Washington, D.C.

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE

1936

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Library of Congress

CITY, TOWN

Washington, D.C.

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE		CHECK ONE	
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is a small, two-story lock keeper's dwelling-built of local rubble stone. The main (south) facade faces the canal, and has a door and window here. The rear (north) wall is blank, but there are dormers on the front and rear. There is a central brick chimney. There are 6/6 windows in both stories in the west-end wall. Lockhouse was restored by the Park Service.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This was one of the "Seven Locks". It appears to have been occupied for most of its years by the Burriss family. Marshall Burriss was shown there on 1865 map, and a J.W. Burriss was living there in 1894. According to Mrs. Edith Armstrong, Locks 9 & 10 were operated in the 1900's by Victor and Virgie Hall, twins who lived in the lockhouse at Lock #10.

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- 1) 1865, 1878 & 1894 maps.
- 2) Hahn, Thomas F. TOWPATH GUIDE TO THE C & O CANAL, VOL. I, (1971).

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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

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ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

4/22/75

STREET & NUMBER

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TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

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FALLS CHURCH QUADRANGLE

VIRGINIA—MARYLAND

7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

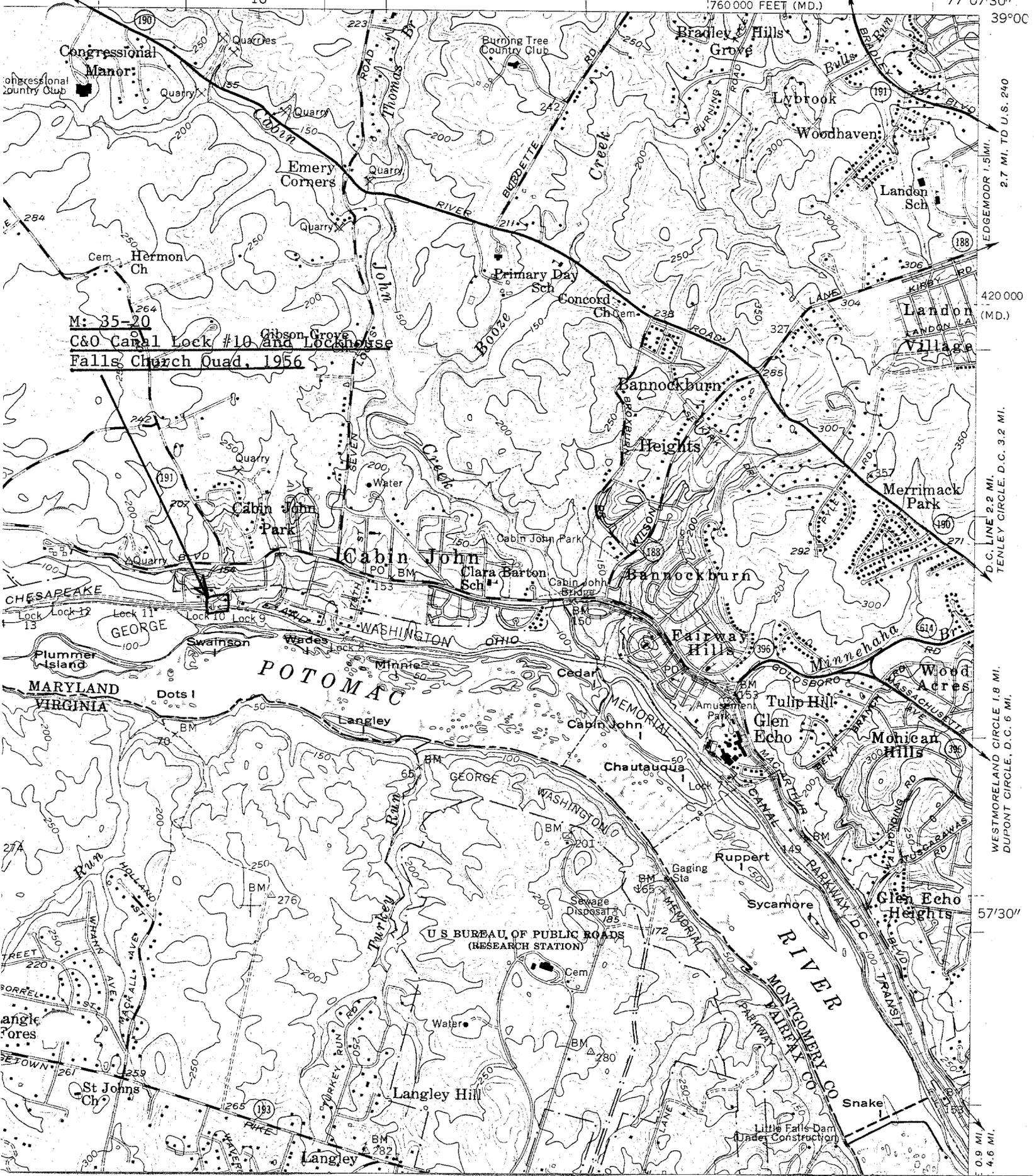
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760 000 FEET (MD.)

77°07'30"

39°00'

SENECA II MI.
POTOMAC 2.2 MI.

10'



M: 35-20
C&O Canal Lock #10 and Lockhouse
Falls Church Quad, 1956

EDGEMOOD 1.5 MI.
2.7 MI. TO U.S. 240

420 000
(M.D.)

D.C. LINE 2.2 MI.
TENLEY CIRCLE, D.C. 3.2 MI.

WESTMORELAND CIRCLE 1.8 MI.
DUPONT CIRCLE, D.C. 6 MI.

57'30"

0.9 MI.
4.6 MI.



NAME LOCK KEEPER'S HOUSE, LOCK #10

#35-20

LOCATION C+O CANAL, Q.W. PARKWAY, CABIN JOHN, MD.

FACADE NW

PHOTO TAKEN 4/22/75

m. DWYER



NAME LOCK KEEPER'S HOUSE, LOCK #10

LOCATION C + O CANAL, QW PARKWAY,

FACADE W

CABIN JOHN, MD.

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