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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  
Perry's Cabin  
AND/OR COMMON  
Perry Cabin

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
East of Md. Rt. 33, .4 mile south of Deepwater Point, NOT FOR PUBLICATION  
CITY, TOWN Maryland CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
St. Michaels  VICINITY OF First  
STATE CODE COUNTY CODE  
Maryland 24 Talbot 041

**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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
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	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Edward B. Watkins Telephone#: (301) 745-4181  
STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN St. Michaels VICINITY OF STATE Maryland 21663

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Talbot County Courthouse  
STREET & NUMBER Washington Street

Liber #: 247  
Folio #: 342

CITY, TOWN Easton STATE Maryland 21601

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
DATE  
 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Perry Cabin is significant chiefly for its historical association with Samuel Hambleton, purser of the U.S. Navy during the first years of its existence, who constructed it as his home. Architecturally it was far more significant in its original form than it is at present, although it is interesting that much of the original interior was retained in the vast remodeling of the 1920's.

Charles H. Fogg was responsible for the present appearance of the house. He was the owner and operator of coal mines and coke ovens in western Pennsylvania before he came to the Eastern Shore. He lost the farm during the Depression.

The house is the site of the filming of one of the early silent movies, "The First Kiss."

In 1812 Samuel Hambleton bought 175.5 acres on the Miles River from Robert Rolle Richardson (35/240). He paid \$2808 current money of Maryland for the portions of tracts that had born the names of "The Beach," "Davenport," "Elliot's Lot," and "Stopper." These lands were laid out and patented prior to 1668 to John Hollingsworth, and acquired by Richardson in 1780 (21/119). The description of the boundaries speaks of the "Old House Cove," and from later accounts, it would seem that Hambleton bought some sort of house with his farm land.

Samuel Hambleton was born in 1777, the second son of William and Nancy Needles Hambleton. Martingham was their family seat. Samuel had an indifferent education, but obtained an appointment as Purser in the U.S. Navy in 1806. In 1812 he was assigned to duty in Newport, R.I., where began his long and intimate association with Oliver Hazard Perry. They fought side by side in the Battle of Lake Erie, and Hambleton was later awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his valiant service in that battle.

Hambleton named his newly-acquired home for his Commodore and dear friend, and it is said that Perry visited here several times. According to the account of Dr. Samuel A. Harrison, who knew Hambleton personally, there was a house, very plain in style, when Hambleton purchased the property in 1812, and the new owner added to this as the necessity arose for more space (Mr. Tilghman).

The domestic arrangement at Perry Cabin was somewhat unusual. Samuel's younger brother, John, was also a Purser in the U.S. Navy. Neither ever married, but they shared the living accommodations, and whenever one or the other was home from duty, they laid out the agrarian plans for the farm. Their sister, Lydia, also unmarried, carried out these plans and was general overseer and hostess for the plantation. Another unmarried sister, Louisa, completed the household. It is said that their hospitality was generous and their contributions to the poor munificent.

When Samuel Hambleton died in 1851, he left the farm in charge of his brother, John, and Perry Cabin to his sisters as their home during their lifetime (Will JH 10/54).

Lydia survived her sister and left the property to her niece, Susan Hambleton Dawson (11/423). Susan took a mortgage on these holdings in 1883 from a cousin,

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Talbot County

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## #8 - STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (continued)

Josephine Owings. A default on this mortgage forced a public sale and the house and farm lands were bought by Dr. Glascock in 1904 (135/318). The doctor soon sold the property to Charles H. Fogg, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (150/140). Fogg added the "newer wing," and turned the premises into a "summer hotel" type of enterprise. This went along well until the Depression forced him to sell the estate to Davis C. Burroughs, also of Pittsburgh (239/510). In 1940 Edward B. Watkins, the present owner, bought the house and farmlands.

Mr. Watkins and his late wife have made their home here, and their daughter, Elsie Huntman, runs a riding school of distinction on the property and the farm is again being cultivated in crops and pastures.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Wilson, E.P. Maryland's Colonial Mansions. New York: A. S. Barnes Co., 1965.  
 Tilghman, Oswald. History of Talbot County, Maryland. Vol. 1. Reprint of ed. Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1967. pp. 455-476.  
 Land and Probate Records of Talbot County. Courthouse, Easton, Maryland.

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY about 14 acres  
 UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME/TITLE cas  
Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant and Cynthia Ludlow, Research Historian  
 ORGANIZATION Maryland Historical Trust DATE September, 1976  
 STREET & NUMBER Shaw House - 21 State Circle TELEPHONE (301) 269-2438  
 CITY OR TOWN Annapolis STATE Maryland 21401

**12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL  STATE  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 National Park Service

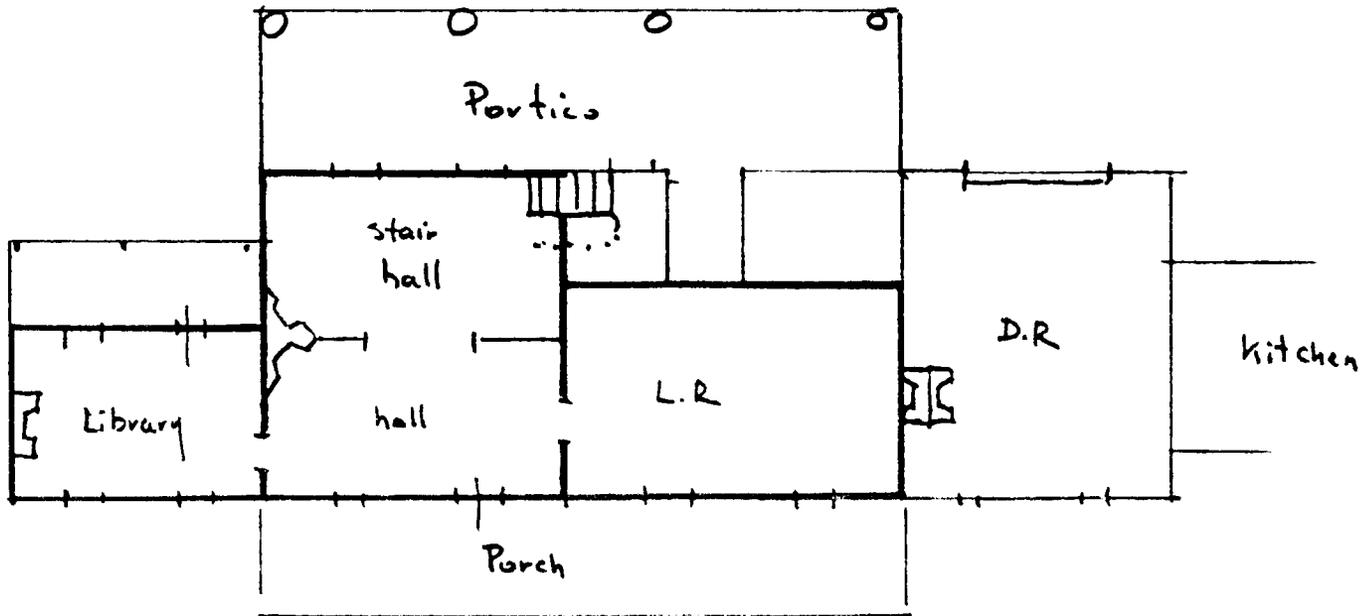
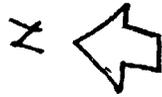
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER	DATE
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION	DATE
ATTEST:	DATE
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER	

-THIS PLAN FOR ILLUSTRATION OF TEXT ONLY  
-IT IS NOT A MEASURED DRAWING  
-PROPERTY OF MICHAEL BOURNE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED  
LEST MORE ARCHITECTURAL ERRORS BE PROPAGATED.

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———— ORIGINAL  
- - - - - 1920's

PERRY CABIN  
TALBOT COUNTY

NO SCALE  
M. BOURNE - FROM MIB. DRY

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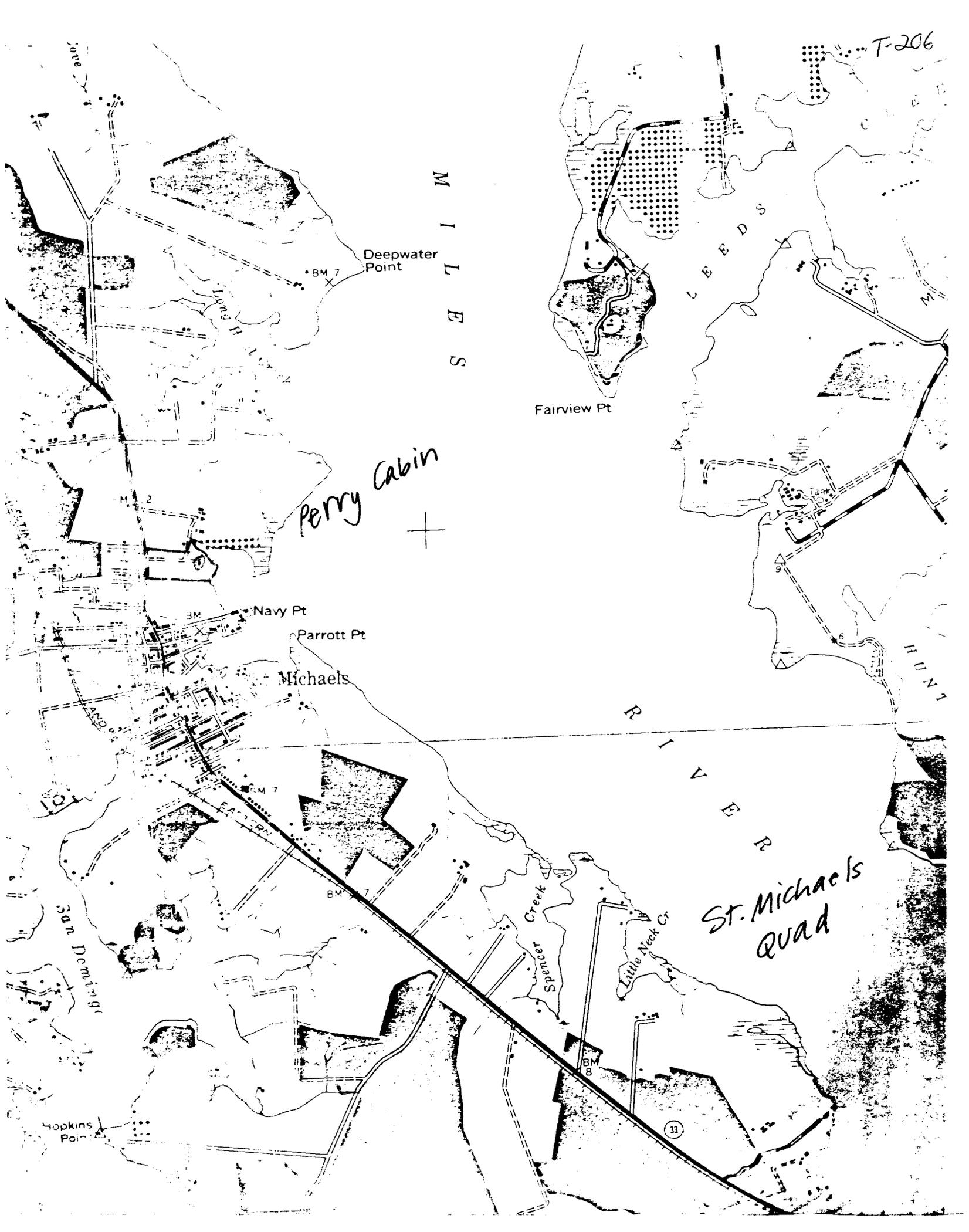
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M I L E S

Deepwater Point

BM 7

Fairview Pt

Perry Cabin



Navy Pt

Parrott Pt

Michaels

BM 7

St. Michaels Quad

San Deming

Hopkins Point

Creek

Little Neck Cr.

BM 8

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Perry Cabin  
Talbot County, Maryland  
Front Facade  
Summer 1978

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NOV 6 1978

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Perry Cabin  
Talbot County, Maryland  
Side Exterior Facade  
Summer, 1978

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87%

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