CH-189 **circa 1790-1820**
Anthony's Pasture
Rock Point vic.
Private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST Inventory No. CH-189
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

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1. Name of Property

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historic name "Anthony's Pasture"
common/other name "St. Anthony;" "Locust Grove;" Jenkins Farm

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2. Location

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street & number 12775 Porter Road not for publication _____
city or town Issue vicinity X state Maryland code MD
county Charles code 017 zip code 20645

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

X private
____ public-local
____ public-State
____ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

X building(s)
____ district
____ site
____ structure
____ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
3	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
3	0	Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?
Yes ____ Name of Listing _____
No X

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6. Function or Use

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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single dwelling

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Late Federal

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation solid brick: 5-course American
roof side gable: corrugated metal
walls masonry: 5-course American bond brick
other walls (addition): frame: wood German siding

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance

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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

____ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

____ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

_X_ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

____ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

____ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

____ B removed from its original location.

____ C a birthplace or a grave.

____ D a cemetery.

____ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

____ F a commemorative property.

____ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)
ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance 1790-1820

Significant Dates 1790-1820

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Brown, Jack D., et al. *Charles County, Maryland, A History*. Charles County Bicentennial Committee, 1976.

Charles County Land Records. Charles County Courthouse, La Plata, Maryland.

Klapthor, Margaret Brown. *The History of Charles County, Maryland*. La Plata, MD: Charles County Tercentenary, Inc., 1958.

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property 61 acres

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The property is designated as Parcel 11 on Map 89, Grid 7 on the Charles County Property Map.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The dwelling has been associated with Parcel 11, Map 89 since its construction circa 1790-1820.

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title Kathryn Gettings Smith, Architectural Historian
organization Charles County Planning Dept. date March 17, 1999
street & number P.O. Box B telephone 301-645-0689
city or town La Plata state MD zip code 20646
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12. Property Owner
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name Charles County Commissioners
street & number P.O. Box B telephone 301-645-0638
city or town La Plata state MD zip code 20646
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The house is set on a remote peninsula circumscribed on the northeast and southeast by Neale Sound and on the southwest by Neale Sound and the Potomac River. The property is accessed via a barely visible road that runs southeast from Porter Road across an open field. The 60-acre tract is mainly wooded with pine trees. The site has been dramatically altered by ongoing U.S. Corps of Engineers dredging and filling operations conducted over the past 30 years.

The house itself is a plain 1-1/2-story, side gable single-pile building constructed of 5-course American bond brick. A flush string course of glazed headers extends around the building's perimeter at the level of the watertable, and flat-arch lintels adorn the first story openings. Each of the window openings sits atop a plastered wood sill and contains 6/6 wood sash.

The building sits atop a full basement that is said to have been added during the early 20th century. A double-flue interior end chimney stands on the northwest gable end of the house, and a corbeled brick cornice adorns the eaves. The original roof covering has been replaced with corrugated metal sheets and one major addition has been made to the house. This is a 2-story, side gable frame structure that extends the house two bays to the northwest. The addition, which appears to have been built around the turn of the 20th century, stands on a brick pier foundation, is clad in wood German siding, and is pierced by four openings on both its front and rear elevations.

The facade of the original dwelling faces southwest towards Neale Sound and the Potomac River. Divided into three bays, the facade, the first story features a double-leaf paneled entry door crowned by a five-light fixed transom in its southwestern-most bay. The paneled doors appear to be replacements salvaged from another site. Their applied deeply molded panel frames and appearance of being altered in size, indicate that they are a Victorian-era addition to the house. The remaining two bays of the facade hold two window

openings containing 4/4 wood sash. As stated above, each of the three first story openings is capped by a splayed jack arch.

The facade's second story contains three slightly smaller window openings from those below. These windows hold 6/6 wood sash and sit atop plastered wood sills. The tops of the windows are located nearly flush with the corbeled brick cornice.

The southeast gable end of the original dwelling is a plain wall pierced by only two window openings. The first window opens into the first story and consists of a tall, narrow opening capped by a jack-arched lintel. The wood sill appears to have been replaced and the opening has been boarded up concealing the original sash pattern. The second opening is located near the apex of the gable and opens into the garret of the house. This opening holds a 4/4 wood sash window that sits atop a wood sill.

The northeast elevation of the original dwelling mirrors that of the primary facade. The only difference is that the entry contains a single-leaf instead of a double leaf door. The entry door is a 6-panel wood door topped by a 4-light transom and a splayed jack arch. Otherwise, the window openings are arranged identically to those of the primary facade. One of the first story windows holds a 2/2 wood sash window, while the remainder contain 6/6 sash.

The 2-story northwest extension extends two bays in width and only a single bay deep. The southwest and northwest elevations of this addition mirror each other, like the original dwelling. They each consist of two openings at each story. At the first story, a single-leaf panel-and-light wood door is placed in the bay closest to the corner of the building. A single 6/6 wood sash window occupies the second first story bay. Two additional 6/6 windows open onto the second story and are aligned with the openings below. No apertures pierce the northwest gable end of the addition. A single-flue interior end brick chimney breaks the ridge line of the frame addition at its northwest end.

INTERIOR:

The interior was not accessible during the survey year due to disputes over property access and safety issues. The interior should be surveyed, once the County obtains full rights to access the property and the building has been secured.

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OUTBUILDINGS:

Only two standing outbuildings accompany the dwelling. Both appear to date to the first half of the 20th century. One is a 1920s-1930s frame privy clad in German siding with a front gable roof. The other is a 1930s frame chicken house with a sloping roof and vertical board clad walls.

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The 2-1/2-story brick dwelling stands on a tract of land patented in 1664 by Captain James Neale, one of Charles County's first settlers. Captain Neale initially patented a 2000-acre tract of land in the Cobb Neck vicinity that he named "Wolleston Manor." On this tract, in the vicinity of Swan Point, Neale built himself a house in 1649. During his lifetime, Neale held several public offices including membership on the Provincial and the Governor's Council, and as a Commissioner of His Lordship's Treasury, as well as Deputy Governor in 1660.

Between 1664 and 1666, Captain Neale, or his first son, James Neale, Jr., patented three additional parcels of land in Charles County. One of these consisted of 350 acres known as "St. Anthony's." Also located in the vicinity of Cobb Neck, this tract, along with much of the remainder of the original patent, passed down through several generations of the Neale family. By the third decade of the 19th century, a direct descendent of Captain James Neale, Catherine (Neale) Boarman and her husband Gerard Boarman, owned the "St. Anthony" property. At her death in 1844, Catherine Boarman ordered that "the land on which I now reside be rented and that the rents and [my] personal estate be applied to payment of my debts, and when paid...I devise the land to my daughter Elizabeth Loretta McWilliams." In addition, she ordered that upon the death of her daughter, the land go to her three grandchildren, (John) Francis McWilliams, Mary Catherine McWilliams and Mary Clementina McWilliams.

It was these three grandchildren, along with their father, John B. McWilliams (husband of Elizabeth Loretta McWilliams), who sold the property to Charles H. Posey in 1870. At this time, the property consisted of 109 acres and was referred to as "Anthony" or "Anthony's Pasture." At the time of the sale, the property was still rented, indicating that the farm may have been leased for over 25 years since Catherine Boarman's death. The tenant in 1870 was Joseph H. Fowler.

John B. McWilliams was an active businessman and land owner in the Cobb Point vicinity during the mid-19th century. He owned a half interest in a milling operation known as "Tide Mill" at the mouth of Neale Creek. His business partners included his brother, Joseph S. McWilliams and Columbus S. and Ignatius A. Lancaster, prominent landowners and residents of the area.

After the McWilliams family sold the 109 acres of "St. Anthony" to Charles Posey, the Poseys owned and occupied the property for another 23 years, renaming it "Locust Grove." The Poseys sold the remaining 107 acres of "Locust Grove" to James Randolph Simms in 1893. In 1898, J.R. Simms sold off half of "Locust Grove" to his relative, William L. Simms who promptly built a dwelling on it. The remaining half of "Locust Grove" with the historic dwelling house, was sold to Wilfred Jackson in 1904 as a result of Equity case No. 1063 (see Charles County Circuit Court Records, Liber FDM 8, Folio 222).

The property remained in Jackson's family for over eighty years, passing from Jackson to William Columbus Dean, a relation of Jeb Stuart of Civil War fame. Dean eventually passed the farm along to his granddaughter, Mary Frances Jenkins (later Peppler). Mary Frances's father, Andrew Jenkins, lived at "St. Anthony" and raised his family there, without ever holding legal title. During his tenure, he apparently made several improvements to the dwelling, including the addition of a basement. The property has most recently been known as the Jenkins Farm.

The architecture of the dwelling is unique among surviving examples of Federal-style architecture in Charles County. Built in brick with a single-pile, side-passage plan, the building has no peers among the late 18th and early 19th century architecture of the county. Its form is, however, reflected in several Charles County houses, including the no longer extant McDaniel House (CH-31; see J. Richard Rivoire, *Homeplaces*, p.25).

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Rural Agrarian Intensification, A.D. 1680-1815
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

ARCHITECTURE

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function (s): DOMESTIC/Single dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

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Chain of Title:

1664:	James Neale patented 350 acres known as "St. Anthony" Maryland Patent Records Liber 7 Folio 51
1783 Tax Assessment:	James Neale, 1st District, General 250 acres 17 slaves 30 oz. silver 7 horses, 22 cattle 9 white inhabitants
June 1800:	Will of James Neale, Sr. (wife: Elizabeth Boarman) To his daughters, Catherine and Elizabeth Neale, he devises the use of 100 acres of land during their single lives, "the land whereon I now live to be laid off at the east end of said Land with a reserve for my son James one half of my Dwelling house and all other outhouses, one half of my Garden, one half of all my orchard, the other halves to my daughters before mentioned...." Charles County Register of Wills Liber AK 11 Folio 578
February 13, 1844:	Will of Catherine Neale Boarman (mother of John B. McWilliam's wife, Elizabeth Loretta Boarman McWilliams) Orders that the land on which she now resides be rented(see 1870 deed; mentions tenant renting farm) and the proceeds and her personal estate be applied to the payment of her debts and when those are paid, the land is to go to her daughter, Elizabeth Loretta McWilliams and upon her death, to her grandchildren, Francis McWilliams, Mary Catherine McWilliams, and Mary Clementina McWilliams Charles County Register of Wills Liber DJ 16 Folio 327

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November 9, 1870: John B. McWilliams, John F. McWilliams, Kate McWilliams, & Clementina McWilliams to Charles H. Posey
Liber GAH 2 Folio 628
109 acres
Tract in "Cob Neck" known as "Anthony" or "Anthony's Pasture" situated on "Neale's Creek" and being at present used by Jos. H. Fowler as tenant.

January 3, 1893: Charles H. & Susan J. Posey to James Rudolph Simms
Land Records of Charles County
Liber JST 5 Folio 389
107 acres
The farm upon which we now reside called "Locust Grove" bounded on the south and west by Neale's Creek and on the north and east by "Friendly Hall" and "Oak Grove."

December 24, 1904: Adrian Posey, Trustee to Wilfred Jackson
Land Records of Charles County
Liber FDM 15 Folio 689
61 acres
Sold as result of Equity Case No. 1063 (see Charles County Court Records, Liber FDM 8, Folio 222)
61 acres
4 acres plus 57 acres commonly known as part of "Locust Grove" in the 5th election district, bounded on the south and west by Neale's Creek and on the north and east by "Friendly Hall" and "Oak Grove," excepting the 50 acres sold by James R. Simms to William Legorne Simms (see Liber BGS 9, Folio 350).

April 15,1910: Wilfred Jackson (widower) to William Columbus Dean
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 21 Folio 431
61 acres

September 16, 1940: William Columbus Dean to Mary Frances

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	Jenkins of Washington, DC Land Records of Charles County Liber WMA 72 Folio 648 61 acres same
September 15, 1970:	Mary Frances Jenkins & Mary Frances Peppler to Mary F. Peppler & Mary Frances Jenkins Land Records of Charles County Liber 224 Folio 313 61 acres same
September 15, 1970:	Mary Frances Jenkins to Yvonne Payne, Trustee to Convey Land Records of Charles County Liber 224 Folio 317 61 acres same
December 1998	Mary Frances Peppler to Charles County Commissioners

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NEALE FAMILY GENEALOGY

Captain James Neale & Ann Gill Neale (immigrants)
son
James Neale
son
James Neale
son
Benjamin Neale
son
Bennett Neale
son
James Neale (b.17--, d.1800) m. Elizabeth Boarman
da.
Catherine Neale (d.1844) m. Gerard S. Boarman (d.1840)
da.
Elizabeth Loretta Boarman m. John B. McWilliams
children: John Francis McWilliams (b.6/22/1840 - d.10/4/1907)
m. Mary Henrietta Matthews in 1873
Mary Catherine McWilliams
Mary Clementina McWilliams, d.8/10/1934

From *Neale Family Genealogy*, at Charles County Community College, Southern Maryland Studies Center.

Patents of
Capt. James Neale

1642	Woolston Manor	2000 acres	Liber 1, Folio 113-114
1664	St. Anthony's	350 acres	Liber 7, Folio 51
1664	St. James	700 acres	Liber 7, Folio 53
1665	Gills Land	1220 acres	Liber 7, Folio 494 Liber 9, Folio 272
1666	St. Dorothy's	630 acres	Liber 9, Folio 351 Liber 10, Folio 199

Patents of
Anthony Neale

1682	Neal's Gift	500 acres	Liber 22, Folio 91

RESOURCE SKETCH MAP
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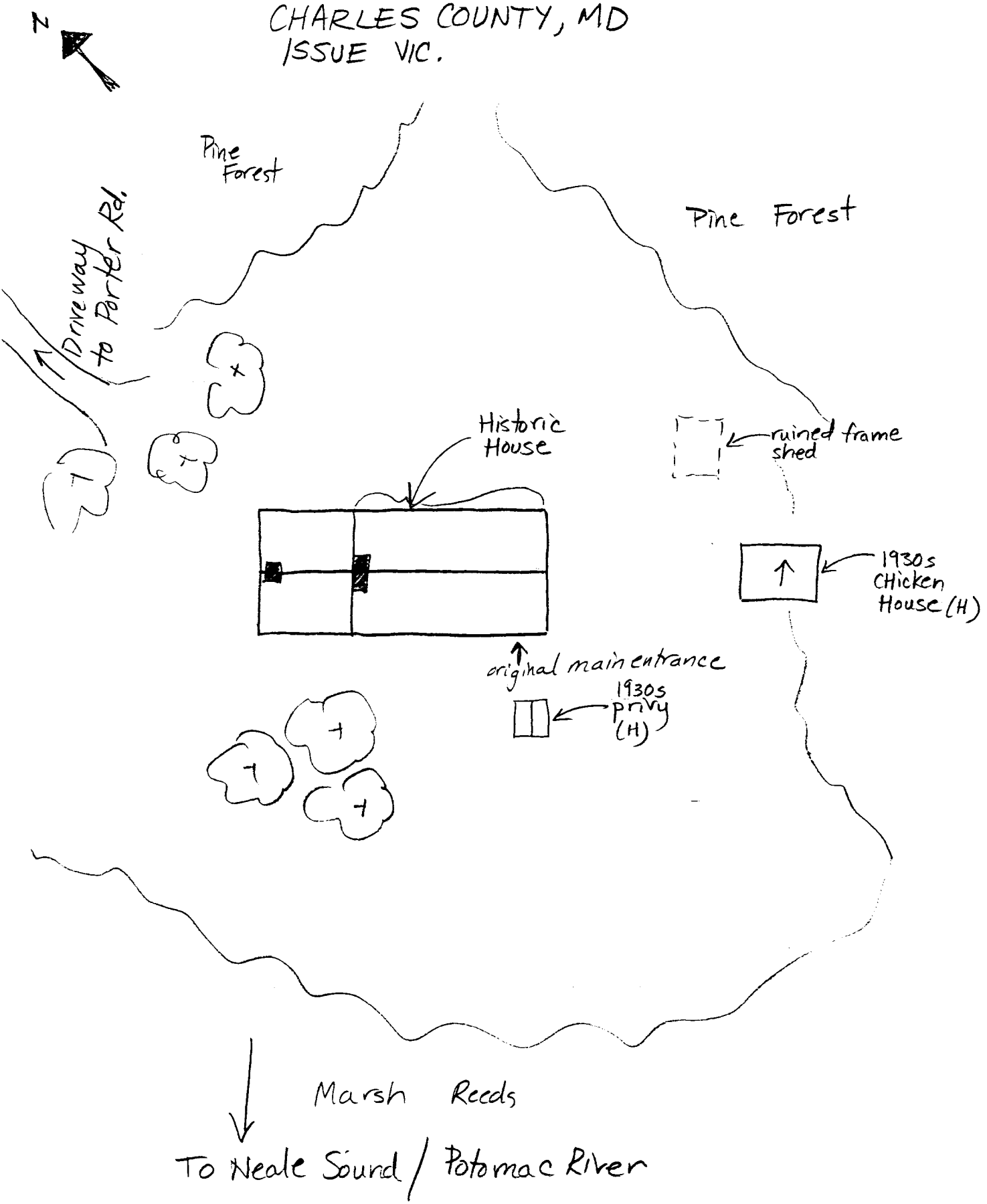

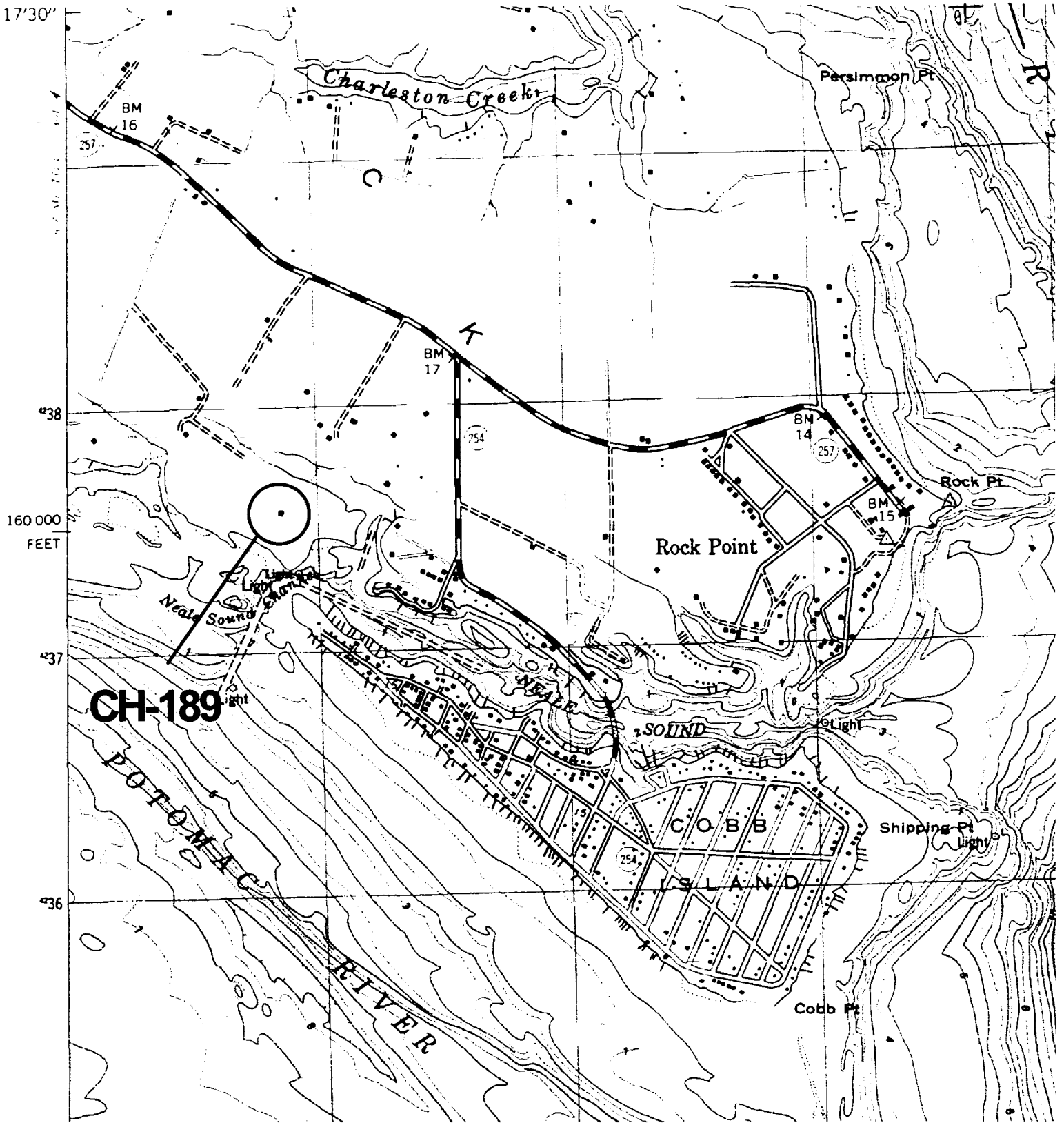

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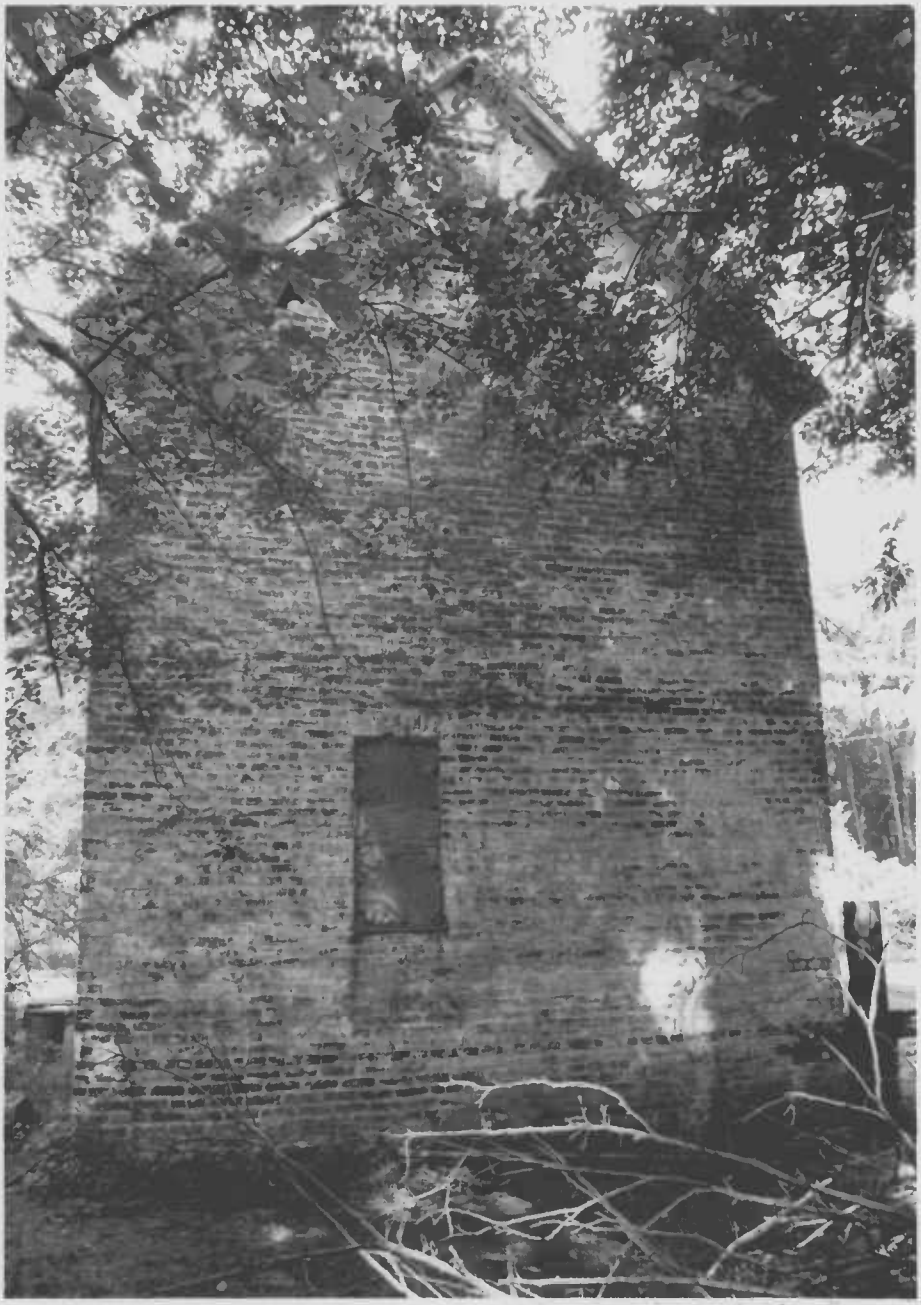

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