

## **CAPSULE SUMMARY**

**CT-648**

**Benjamin Parran, Jr. Farmhouse**

**3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road**

**St. Leonard, Calvert County**

**c1900, c1915**

**Private**

Built circa 1900, the house at 3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road is an example of a late-19th-century farmhouse in Calvert County. Between 1890 and 1900 there was a substantial increase in tobacco production in Calvert County. As a result, there was an increase in the construction of tobacco barns and associated dwellings during the period. The house at 3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road is one such dwelling. The house adopts the common two-story, side-gable, center-hall-plan form augmented by a full-width, one-story, front porch and a rear ell. The unconventional series of rear additions creates an unusual and interesting visual impact. The dwelling is associated with 214 agricultural acres formerly used for tobacco cultivation. The dwelling and farmstead are representative of the agricultural lifestyle of Calvert County residents at the turn of the 20th century.

The vernacular wood-frame farmhouse, which faces northwest, stands two stories in height and measures three bays in width. Set on a brick pier foundation, the dwelling features a cross-gable roof sheathed in pressed metal shingles with flared, overhanging eaves and a boxed wood cornice. Clad in asbestos shingles laid over German weatherboard, the dwelling has a two-story ell built in two independent sections. A central-interior brick chimney with a corbeled cap rises from the main block, while an interior-end brick chimney with a corbeled cap rises from the ell. A one-story, three-bay porch with turned posts and a half-hip roof extends the full width of the elevation. The two-story ell and half-hipped, two-story, rear addition extend to the southeast of the main block. Constructed circa 1915, addition is clad in asbestos shingles. A one-story enclosed porch clad in corrugated metal wraps around the southeast and southwest elevations of the ell. A one-story wood-frame outbuilding with weatherboard cladding and a front-gabled, asphalt-shingle roof has been linked to the rear addition by an enclosed wood-frame hyphen. Behind the dwelling are two historic and one non-historic domestic outbuildings.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CT-648

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Benjamin Parran, Jr. Farmhouse

other

### 2. Location

street and number 3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road not for publication

city, town St. Leonard vicinity

county Calvert

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

name Cassandra Shannon B. Campbell

street and number 7210 Parkers Wharf Road telephone Unknown

city, town St. Leonard state MD zip code 20685-2028

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 38:160

city, town Pr. Frederick liber ABE 927 folio 396

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report
- Other

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
			Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	3	1
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense		
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic		
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education		
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	3	1
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture		
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion		
		<input type="checkbox"/> social		
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			<b>Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory</b>	
			1	

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

**SETTING.** The house is located at the northeast corner of the intersection of J. Lloyd Bowen Road and Cage Road, west of the small rural community of Wallville. The 214-acre tract associated with the house is primarily open agricultural land interspersed with wooded areas. The house is surrounded on all sides by open agricultural fields. It is approached by Cage Road, a paved road that runs past the southwest elevation of the house. Mature trees and shrubs are clustered around the house. Behind the dwelling are two historic and one non-historic domestic outbuildings.

**PRIMARY RESOURCE.** The vernacular wood-frame farmhouse, which faces northwest, stands two stories in height and measures three bays in width. Set on a brick-pier foundation, the dwelling features a cross-gable roof sheathed in pressed metal shingles with flared, overhanging eaves and a boxed wood cornice. Clad in asbestos shingles laid over German weatherboard, the dwelling has a two-story ell built in two independent sections. A central-interior brick chimney with a corbeled cap rises from the main block, while an interior-end brick chimney with a corbeled cap rises from the ell. The façade is symmetrically fenestrated, featuring a central entry and five windows, including 6/6 and 2/2 wood-sash windows and an 1/1 replacement sash. Windows have thin molded surrounds and a thick projecting sill. A one-story, three-bay porch with turned posts and a half-hip roof extends the full width of the elevation. The two-story ell and half-hipped, two-story, rear addition extend to the southeast of the main block. Constructed circa 1915, addition is clad in asbestos shingles. A one-story enclosed porch clad in corrugated metal wraps around the southeast and southwest elevations of the ell. A one-story wood-frame outbuilding with weatherboard cladding and a front-gabled, asphalt-shingle roof has been linked to the rear addition by an enclosed wood-frame hyphen.

**SECONDARY RESOURCES.** Located behind the dwelling are three one-story, wood-frame, domestic outbuildings. Constructed circa 1930, the wood-frame chicken coop features flush vertical board cladding and a front-gabled roof with asphalt shingles. The structure is detailed with overhanging eaves and exposed rafters. A small wood-frame well house, circa 1930, is clad in plywood and has a front-gable roof sheathed in asphalt shingles. The building features overhanging eaves and exposed rafters. A one-story, wood-frame shed, circa 1985, features a front-gabled corrugated metal roof and plywood cladding.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**Specific dates** c1900, c1915

**Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates** c1900, c1915

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 214 AcresAcreage of historical setting UnknownQuadrangle name Broomes IslandQuadrangle scale 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic house is located at 3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road in St. Leonard, Maryland. It has been associated with Tax Map 38, Parcel 160 since its construction in the late 19th century. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book ABE 927, Page 396.

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## 11. Form Prepared By

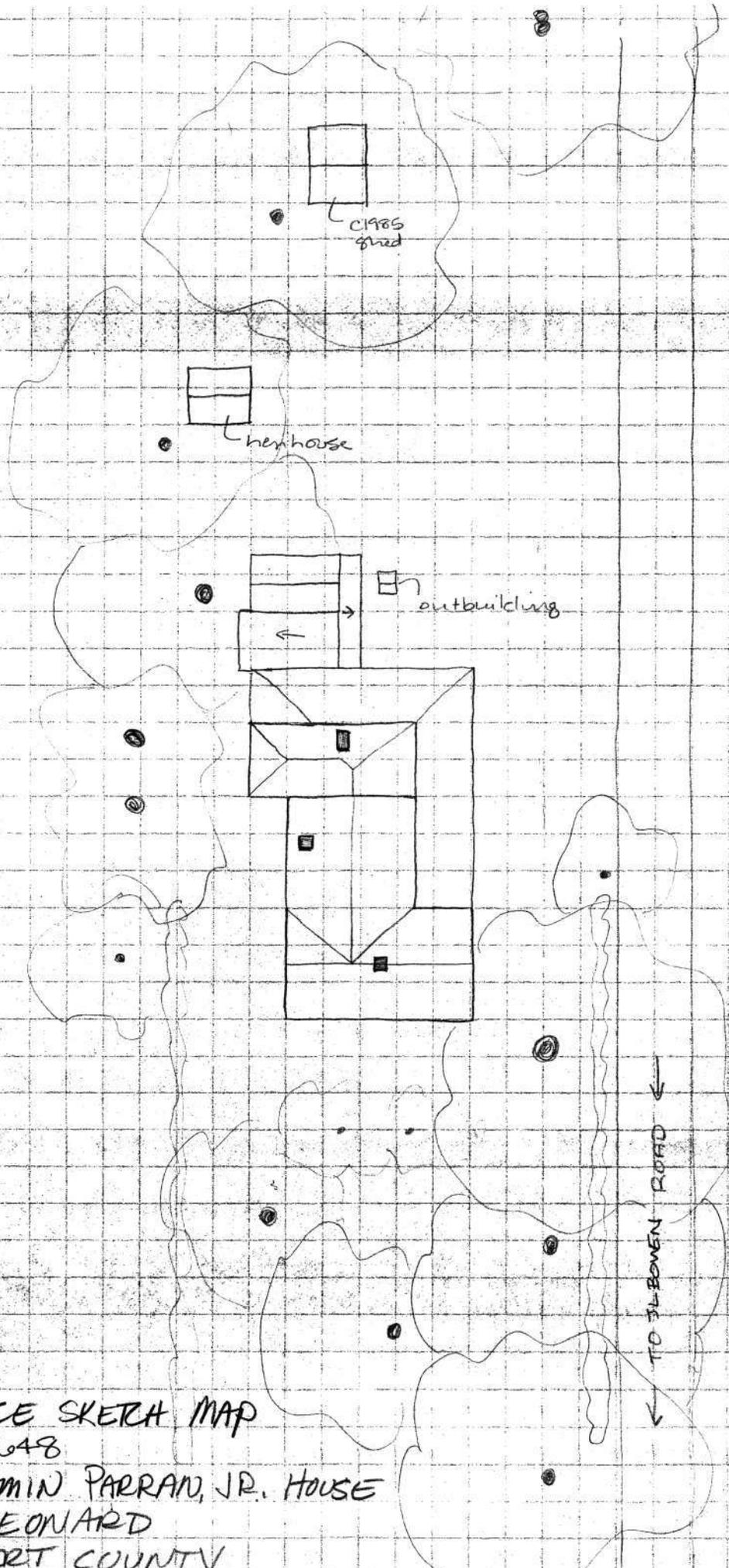
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name/title Carrie E. Albee and Jennifer B. Hallock, Architectural Historiansorganization EHT Traceries, Inc.date 2/6/03street and number 1121 5th Street, NWtelephone 202-393-1199city or town Washingtonstate DC zip code 20001

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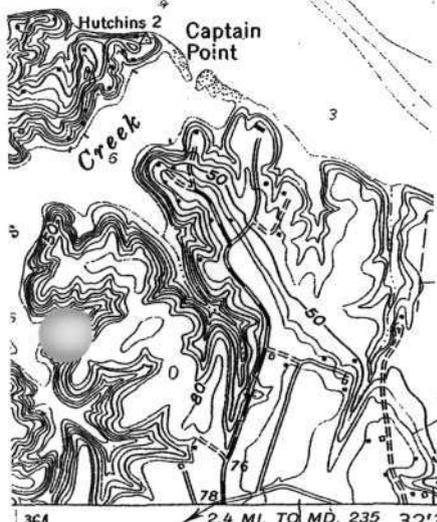
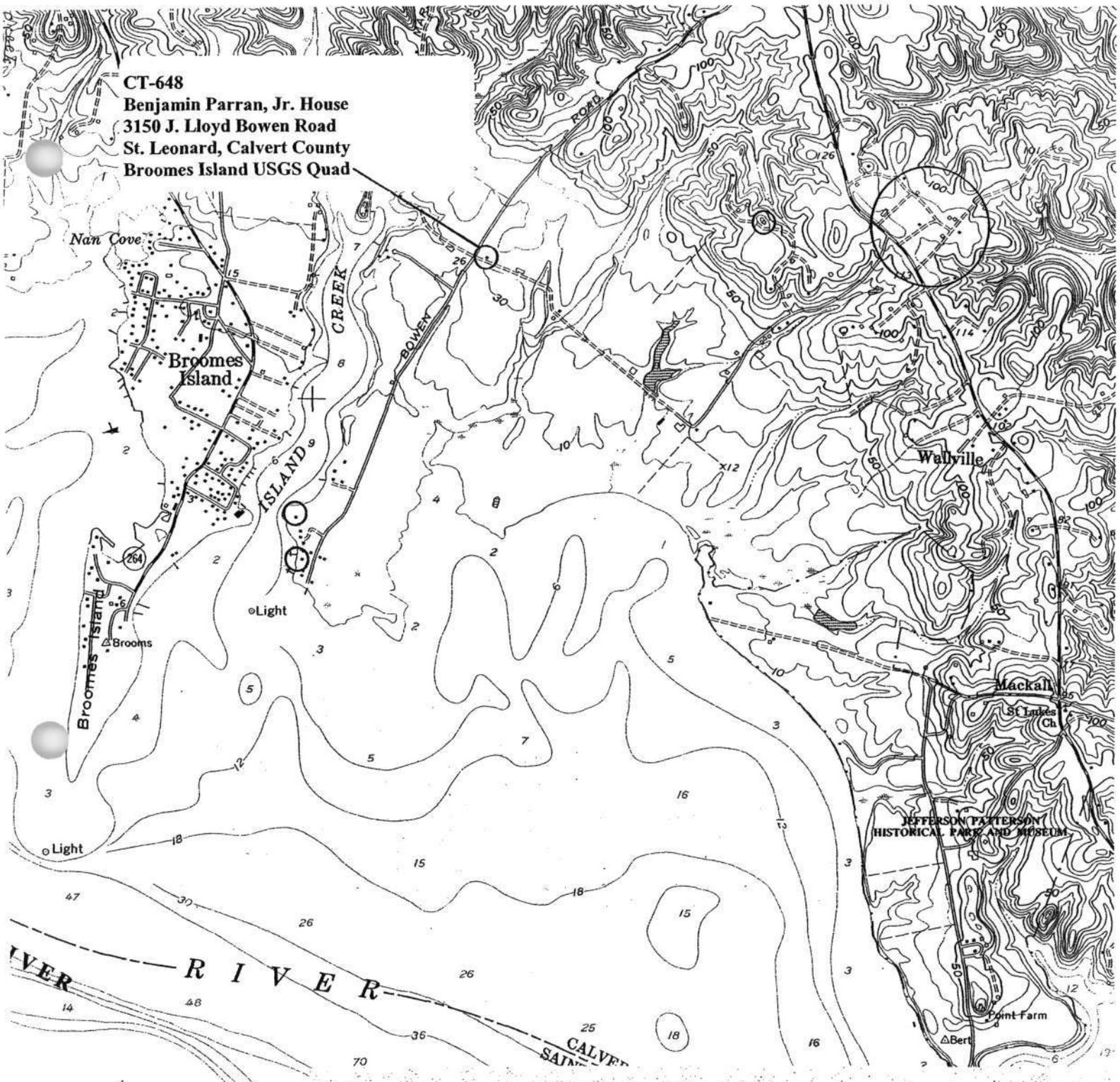
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DHCD/DHCP  
100 Community Place  
Crownsville MD 21032  
410-514-7600



RESOURCE SKETCH MAP  
CT-648  
BENJAMIN PARRAN, JR. HOUSE  
ST. LEONARD  
CALVERT COUNTY

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 Benjamin Parran, Jr. House  
 3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road  
 St. Leonard, Calvert County  
 Broomes Island USGS Quad

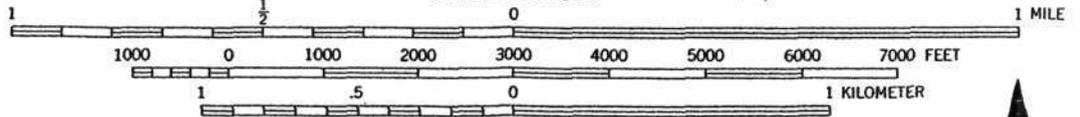


**BROOMES ISLAND, MD.**

NE/4 LEONARDTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE  
 38076-D5-TF-024

1963  
 PHOTOREVISED 1986  
 DMA 5660 I NE-SERIES V833

SCALE 1:24000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET

NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929  
 DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER  
 THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE  
 SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER  
 THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS 1.3 FEET



364 2.4 MI. TO MD. 235 32'



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BENJAMIN PARRAN, JR, HOUSE

3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road

Calvert County, MD

Traceries

12/2008

MD SHPO

House & sheds, view looking South

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BENJAMIN PARRAN, JR. HOUSE

3150 J Lloyd Bowen Road

Calvert County, MD

Traceries

12/2002

MD SHPG

House, west corner

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BENJAMIN PARRAW, SR. HOUSE

3150 J. Lloyd Bowen Road

Calvert County, MD

Traceries

12/2002

MD SHPO

House, view looking north

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BENJAMIN PARRAN, JR. FARMHOUSE  
(Early 20th Century)  
Mackall  
Private

Four sections compose this two-story frame farmhouse. The main three-bay, west-facing section is followed to the east by a two-bay section set on the perpendicular. Another section extending from this part includes a four-sided bay window adjoining its north side.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Benjamin Parran, Jr. Farmhouse

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Lloyd Bowen Road

CITY, TOWN

Mackall

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

VICINITY OF St. Leonard

COUNTY

Calvert

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Benjamin Parran, Jr.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

SAME

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
20685

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

Liber #: JLB 79

Folio #: 178

STREET & NUMBER

(MD Rt. 765) Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

MD

**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>
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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

Four sections compose this two-story frame farmhouse. The main three-bay, west-facing section is followed to the east by a two-bay section set on the perpendicular. Another section extending from this part includes a four-sided bay window adjoining its north side.

Brick chimneys heat the center of the main section, the north side of the middle section, and the east end of the rear section. A hip-roofed porch covers the facade. The facade's central door features a single large window. Turned posts support the porch roof.

Two over two windows light the house. Patterned metal shingles cover the roof. Asbestos shingles sheathe the walls.

Two frame outbuildings stand behind the house. A frame tobacco barn is located about 500 yards east of the house.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES    Early 20th Century                      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This farmhouse is of no known historical significance.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**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

Merry Stinson

ORGANIZATION

Historic Sites Survey

DATE

March, 1980

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Box 107

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Dunkirk

STATE

MD

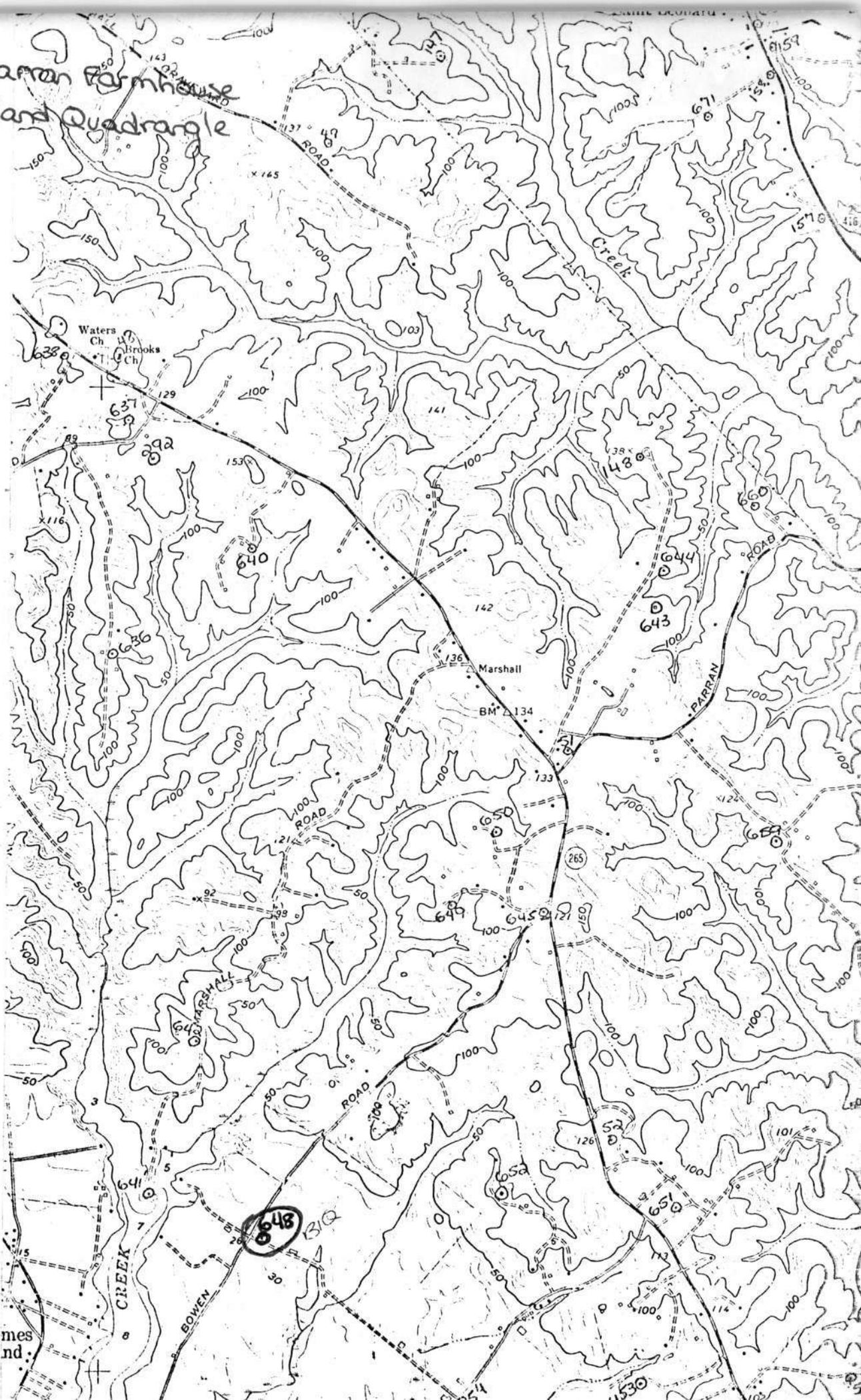
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Broomes Island Quadrangle



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Benjamin Parron Farmhouse  
Bowen Road, Mackall  
calvert County, MD  
N&W

merry stinson  
march, 1980