

CAPSULE SUMMARY CT-1133

Cleary/Ward barn C is located on Chaneyville Road, approximately four miles from its intersection with highway four. The property is on the north side of Chaneyville road, before the road makes its ninety degree turn. Access is private. The barn is oriented on an east-west axis, and is situated adjacent to the road, on level ground. There is another barn nearby, to the northeast of this barn. Cleary/Ward barn C measures forty by twenty-four feet and has a twelve foot wide stripping shed on its south side. The timbers are hewn and pit sawn and nailed with fully mature machine cut nails. The barn's measurements, materials, and plan, are all typical of an ante-bellum tobacco barn.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Cleary/Ward Barn C

## 2. Location

street & number Chaneyville Rd.  not for publicationcity, town Dunkirk  Chaneyville vicinity of congressional district

state MD county Calvert

## 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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: storage

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

name Mr. Frank Cleary

street &amp; number telephone no.: 257-9490

city, town Lower Marlboro state and zip code MD 20736

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse liber

street &amp; number Main Street (MD 765) folio

city, town Prince Frederick state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

pository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. CT-1133

**Condition**

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered

altered

**Check one**

original site

moved

date of move \_\_\_\_\_

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

See Attachment.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. CT-1133

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

See Attachment.



## 7. DESCRIPTION CT-1133

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The barn is divided into four eight foot wide bays. It has a double door centered along the north facade and a single four foot wide door centered on the west gable end. There are pintel holes remaining in the posts on the south facade, and east gable end, where corresponding doors once stood. The east gable end now has a fourteen foot long track door along its side. On either side of the doorway aisle, are hewn cross-sills that have been raised above ground. Brick masonry piers and concrete blocks support the heavy timber frame. The posts are hewn and joined via mortise and tenon with trunnels. The down braces are hewn and dovetailed and held with a trunnel. The nailing rails are hewn and pit sawn.

Shingle nailers are visible underneath the standing seam metal roof. Plain vertical wall siding with a few inserted hinged ventilation doors covers the exterior. The rafters are on four foot centers and rest on a flat false plate. The top plate is hewn and pit sawn. The barn has three collars. The tier poles are peeled logs separated by three feet vertical distance. There are peeled log poles down the central axis with four feet width between. Oval notches have been carved out of these peeled log center poles, and pegs are inserted into them. The tier poles then rest on these pegs.

The south shed measures twelve feet wide and is divided into the same eight foot bay system as the barn itself. The shed has hewn rafters and tie beams, peeled log tier poles, and cedar earth-fast posts that now rest on concrete blocks. There is evidence of siding and a doorway along the south wall of the barn. Therefore, the shed is probably an addition, or possibly an open stable area that is now enclosed.

## 8. SIGNIFICANCE CT-1133

This barn is significant as one of a group of forty by twenty-four foot nineteenth century tobacco barns recorded by the survey. These are the most common measurements for tobacco barns of the period, and the cross-axial plan and shed on the south side are also the most frequent arrangement. The barn was part of the original Ward farm.

This barn also yields information regarding agricultural history in Southern Maryland. In February 1990, a tobacco barn survey was initiated in order to study the tobacco barns of Calvert County. Until fairly recently, tobacco was the most important farm crop of the county. More acreage was devoted to its cultivation than for both of the next most extensive farm products (corn and wheat). The barns and stripping houses related to this "Tobacco Culture" are widely recognized as the most common element on the rural landscape. These structures are also the most threatened, as the market for tobacco declines. They seem to have, at present, only limited capabilities for re-use. Many barns and stripping houses now stand empty. The purpose of this survey has been to gather information and document a wide sample of these structures before they disappear from the landscape.

Historical Period theme(s): ca. 1830-; Tobacco; Agriculture  
Geographical Organization: Western Shore Chesapeake Bay Calvert  
Cty MD  
Chronological/Developmental Period: ca. 1830-Present  
Resource Type(s): Tobacco Barn

This barn has not undergone many changes over the years. The most significant are the raising of the cross-sill members and the removal of the sill from the doorways. Both of these changes serve to accommodate the passage of vehicles through the barn. In addition, the track door on the east side is a later addition, as is possibly the south shed. If the south shed is original to the barn, it was probably an open-air stable, as the south wall of the barn was once sided and had a door. The shingle roof has been replaced by metal.

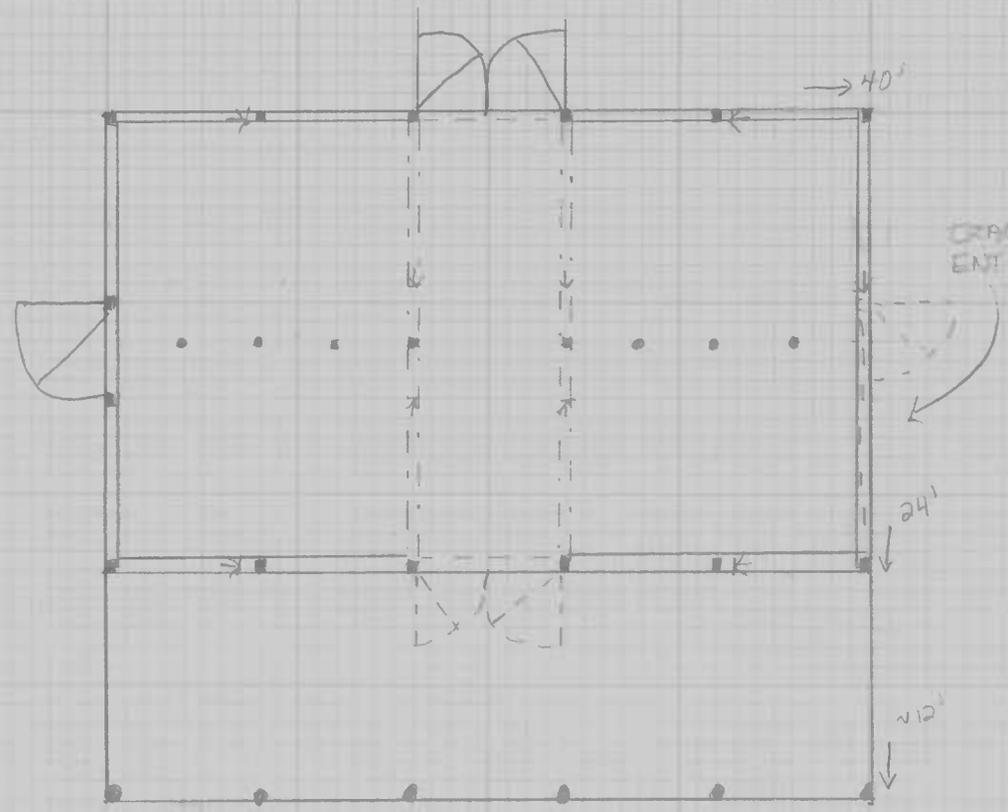
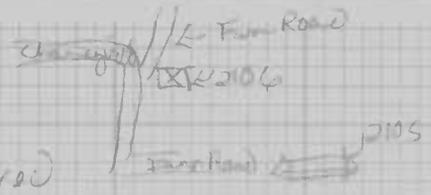
#2106 - Cleary/Ward Barn C - 5/18/90

4 to Chaneyville road. Private ownership, occupied for storage. TW recorder. Sunny and warm weather. Altered (shed added). Fair condition (some leaks, rotten timbers). Oriented on east-west axis.

Bricks masonry piers and concrete blocks support the heavy timbers frame. The posts are hewn and joined via mortise and tenon with trunnels. The down braces are hewn and dovetailed and held with a trunnel. The nailing rails are hewn and pit sawn. shingle nailers are visible underneath the standing seam metal roof. Plain vertical wall siding with a few inserted hinged ventilation doors covers the exterior. The rafters are on four foot centers and rest on a flat false plate. The top plate is hewn and pit sawn. The barn has three collars. the tier poles are peeled logs separated by three feet vertical distance. There are peeled log poles down the central axis. The shed has hewn rafters and tie beams, peeled log tier poles, cedar earth-fast posts now rest on concrete blocks. There is evidence of siding and doorway along the south wall of the barn, therefore shed is probably an addition, or possibly a stable area now enclosed.

2106 CHEARY/WARD BARN  
5/18/90 TW  
CF-1133

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- - - element above plan  
- - - previous element now removed



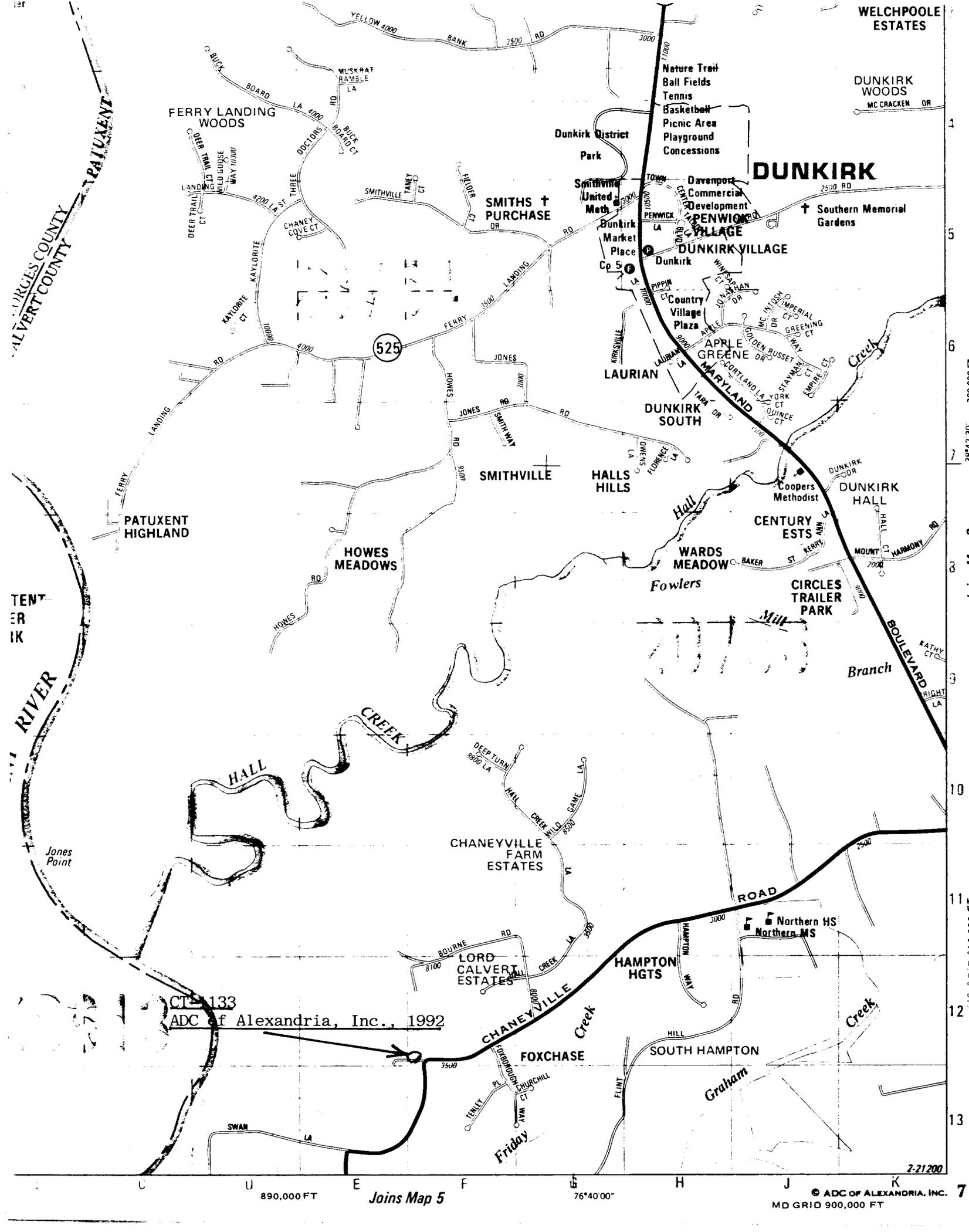
windbreaks NE side  
tie poles 40' - oval notches  
collars + pegs  
wood

TRACK DOOR  
ENTIRE UNIT

40'

24'

12'



ALBERT COUNTY  
 PATUXENT RIVER  
 ALBERT COUNTY

WELCHPOOLE  
 ESTATES  
 DUNKIRK  
 WOODS  
 MC CRACKEN DR

FERRY LANDING WOODS

**DUNKIRK**

SMITHS + PURCHASE DR

DUNKIRK MARKET PLACE

DUNKIRK VILLAGE

DUNKIRK SOUTH

SMITHVILLE

HALLS HILLS

HOWES MEADOWS

WARDS MEADOW

CENTURY ESTS

CIRCLER TRAILER PARK

CHANEYVILLE FARM ESTATES

LORD CALVERT ESTATES

HAMPTON HGTS

FOXCHASE

SOUTH HAMPTON

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Northern HS  
 Northern MS

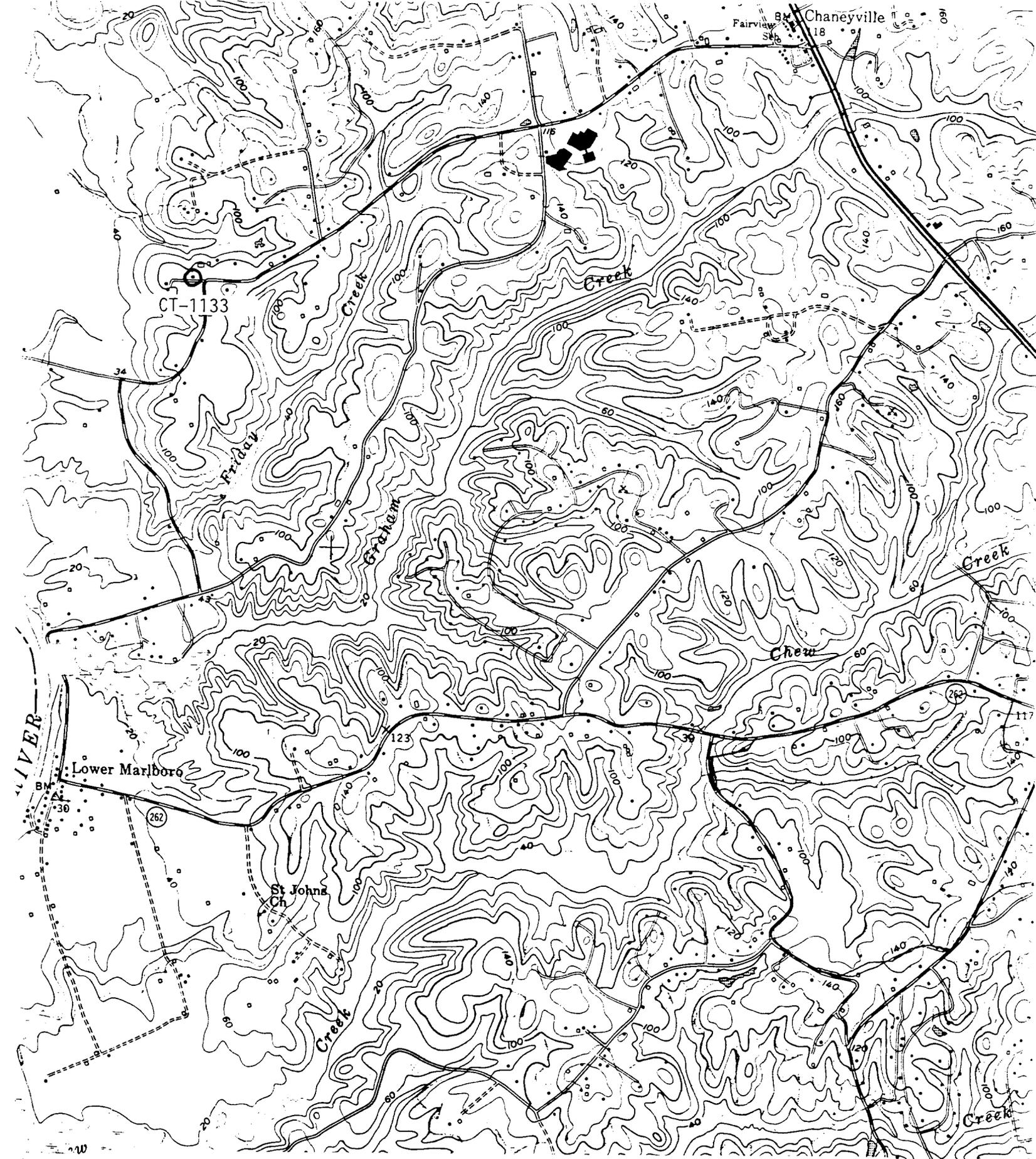
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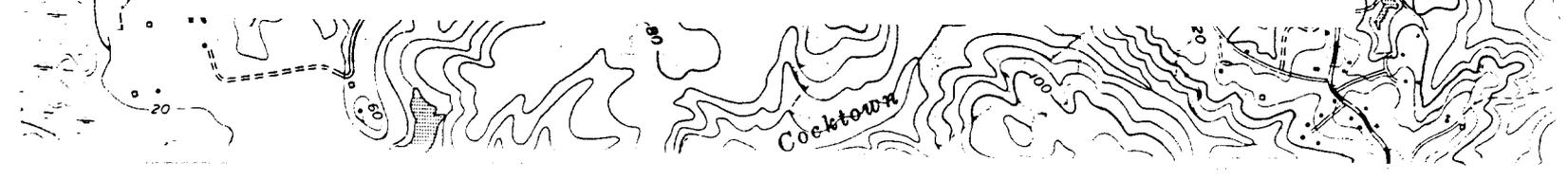
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USGS TOPOGRAPHIC, LOWER MARLBORO 7.5" QUADRANGLE, 1:24,000, 1979



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Hall

Mill

Fowlers

Hall

Jones Point  
CALVERT CO  
PRINCE GEORGES CO

CT-1133  
Cleary-Ward Tobacco Barn C  
Lower Marlboro Quad, 1953, PR 1979

Creek

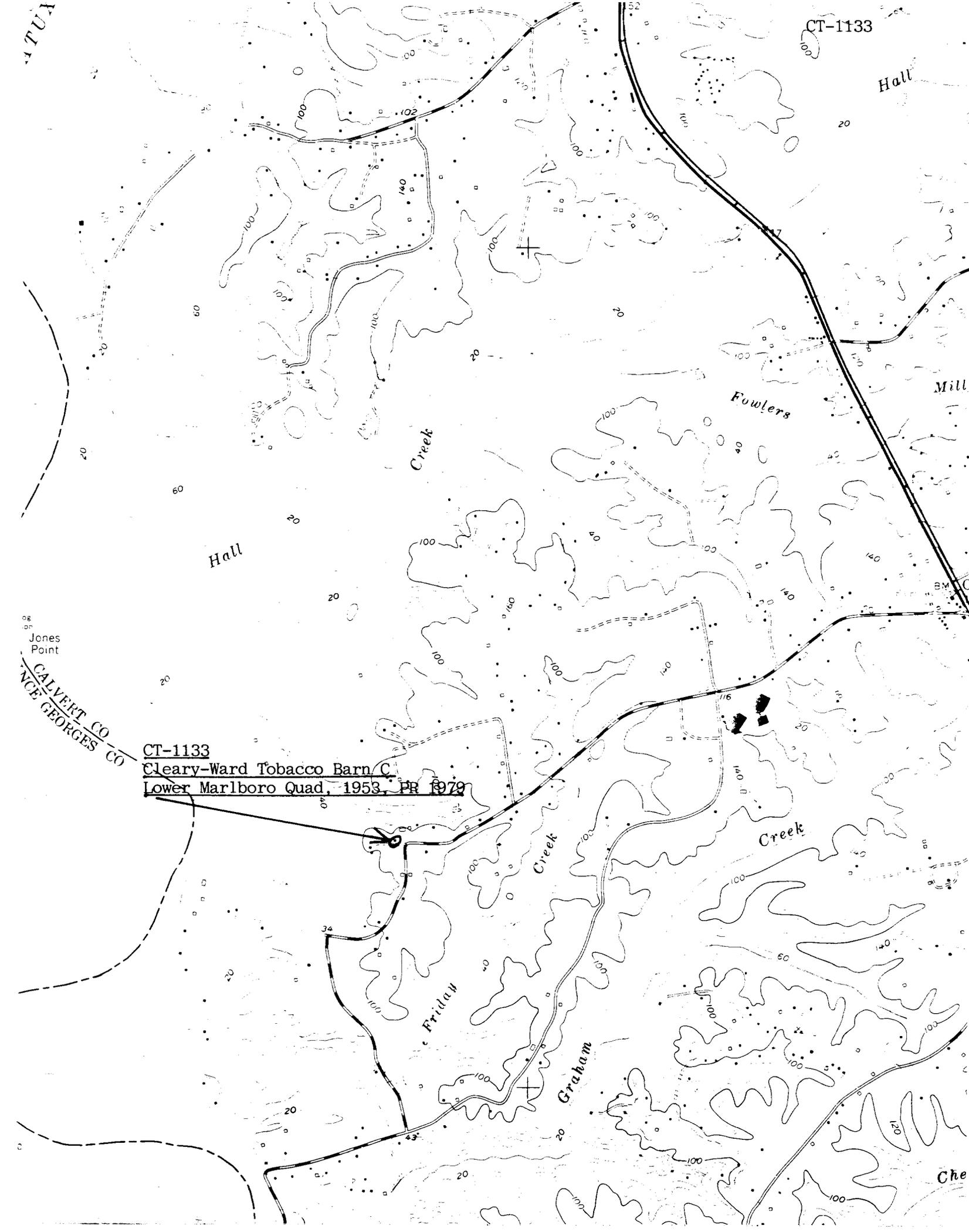
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CLARK WARD C

DUNKIRK

TOFA - WILLIAM H

EAST

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