

CAPSULE SUMMARY CT-1174

Estabrook barn A is located at the junction of Broome's Island Road and highway four, on an access road that leads to the Estabrook home, just north of Broome's Island Road. Access is private. The barn is located immediately behind the Estabrook house, and is oriented on an east-west axis. The barn measures forty-eight by twenty-eight feet and has a dual aisle plan. The materials are circular sawn and toe-nailed with wire nails. A twenty-six foot wide addition was built on to the south side of the barn at a somewhat later date. This addition included a stripping room and hay storage/stable area. The barn and addition date to the mid-late twentieth century.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Estabrook Barn 'A'

2. Location

street & number ^{Off} Broomes Island Road on Yoes Corner Lane not for publicationcity, town Port Republic vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland 20676 county Calvert

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name David and Jane Estabrook

street & number see above telephone no.: 410/586-0283

city, town state and zip code 20676

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse ABE 278/49
liber

street & number Main Street (MD 765) folio

city, town Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 state

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title N/A

date federal state county localdepository for survey records Calvert County Planning and Zoning
Courthouse Annex Prince Frederick, MD 20678

city, town state

7. Description

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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 attached sheet for description.

8. Significance

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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 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" 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		

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 attached for statement of significance.

ESTABROOK BARN 'A'

7. DESCRIPTION CT-1174

Estabrook barn A is located at the junction of Broome's Island Road and highway four, on an access road that leads to the Estabrook home, just north of Broome's Island Road. The land on which it is situated is flat, and there is a large, seven-ten acre field surrounding it. The Estabrook house is to the northwest of barn B. The barn is located immediately behind the Estabrook house, and is oriented on an east-west axis. The barn measures forty-eight by twenty-eight feet and has a dual aisle plan. The materials are circular sawn and toe-nailed with wire nails.

The barn's bay system consists of six eight foot wide bays. There are two sets of twelve foot wide double doors on the east and west gable ends of the barn. A row of posts on the same bay system divides this barn into two drive-through aisles. The frame rests on cinder block masonry piers. The timbers are all circular sawn, light, and toe-nailed with wire nails. The northeast quarter of the barn is floored above ground at the third tier pole level. The barn is covered with plain vertical wall siding with one two-plank side-hinged ventilation door per bay. The roof is covered with standing seam metal. The rafters are on four foot centers and rest on a flat false plate. There are windbraces on each diagonal, and three collars and king posts that support the roof. The tier poles are peeled logs separated by forty-one inches vertical distance.

To the south of the barn is a twenty-six foot wide shed. There is no access between this shed and the barn, and the south wall of the barn between the two is completely sided. The eastern half of this shed is accessed by a twelve foot wide double door on its east gable end, immediately adjacent to the barn. The eastern half of the shed is an enclosed stripping room with a gas hookup and electricity. Above the ceiling of this stripping shed, seven and one half feet above ground, hay is stored. The western portion of the shed served for both hay storage and possibly as a stable. The shed is built of earth-fast principal posts, and similar materials to those used in the barn. The shed has plain vertical wall siding with minimal ventilation, and a standing seam metal roof. The shed to the south was used solely for storage and stripping, and no tobacco was hung in it.

8. SIGNIFICANCE CT-1174

This twenty-eight by forty-eight foot double aisle barn was probably constructed after 1900 and may even date to the post WWII period. The materials are of very standard size, and there is an efficient use of lumber, and the support system is cinder block. The tier poles are peeled logs, a traditional holdover from earlier barns. The dual aisle plan is the element most indicative of its mid-late twentieth century date. The lack of connection between this original barn and the shed to the south is highly unusual.

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. 1945-; Tobacco; Agriculture
Geographical Organization: Western Shore Chesapeake Bay Calvert
Cty MD
Chronological/Developmental Period: 1945-Present
Resource Type(s): Tobacco Barn

At some time after the barn was constructed, a twenty-six foot wide addition was added to the south side. This addition includes a twenty foot wide stripping room, and a twenty-eight foot wide hay storage area and possible stable. The shed's framing is similar to the barn materials, and it was probably built not long after the barn.

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#2147 - 6/14/90 - Jane Estabrook, Port Republic, MD. Barn is located immediately behind the Estabrook house. Hot weather. PJM and TW recorders

Cinder block masonry piers. Timbers all circular sawn, light, and toe-nailed with wire nails. Plain vertical wall siding with two plank side hinged ventilation doors, one per bay. Standing seam metal roof. Rafters are on four foot centers and rest on a flat false plate. There are windbraces on each diagonal, and three collars and king posts that support the roof. The tier poles are peeled logs separated by forty-one inches vertical distance.

Stripping shed with gas hookup and electricity. Also hay storage. No access to tobacco barn or evidence for hanging tobacco. Earth-fast principal posts, same size structural members as in barn. Shed has plain vertical wall siding with minimal ventilation, and a standing seam metal roof.

This twenty-eight by forty-eight double aisle barn was probably constructed after 1900 and may even date to the post WWII period. The materials are of very standard size, and there is an efficient use of lumber, and the support system is cinder block. The tier poles are peeled logs, a traditional holdover from earlier barns. At some time after the barn was constructed a twenty-six foot wide addition was added to the north side. This addition includes a twenty foot wide stripping room, and a twenty-eight foot wide hay storage and possible stable. The shed's framing is similar to the barn materials, sizes, etc..., but the roof has a four foot centered rafter system and virtually no evidence of every having been used for tobacco-related activities. The stripping room ceiling is seven and one half feet above ground. The area above is also used for storage. Stripping room is heated by propane and lit by fluorescent lights.

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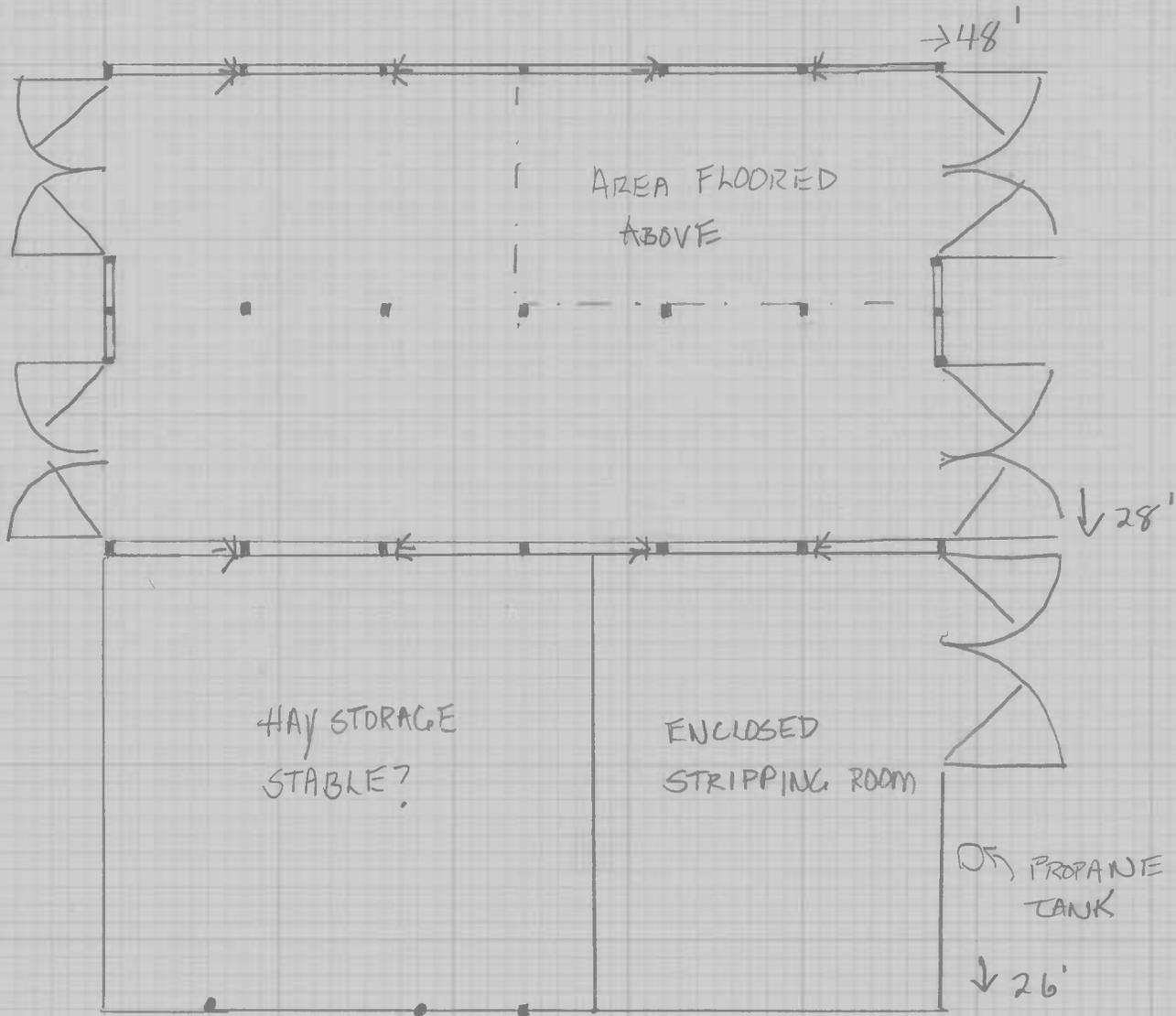
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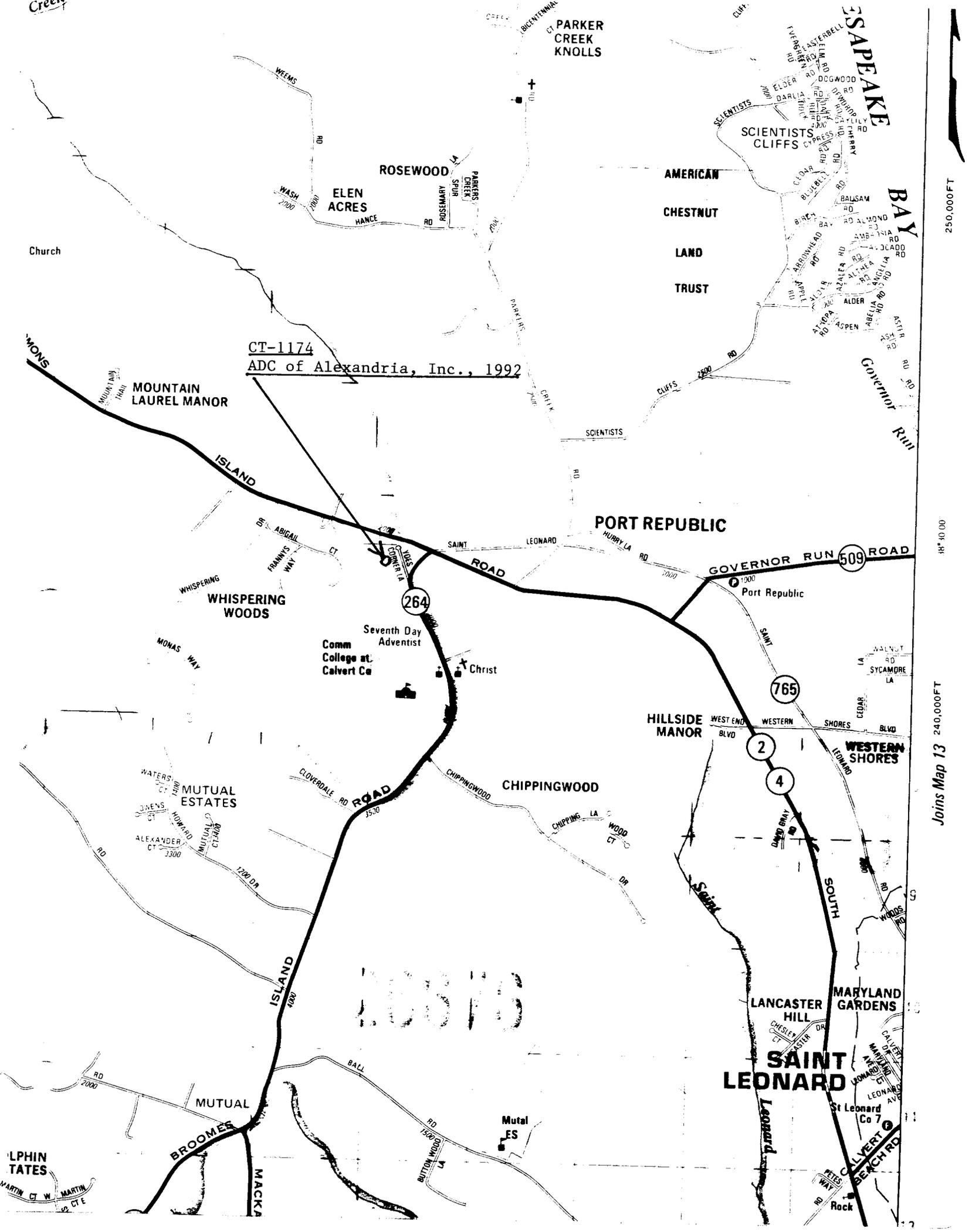
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Records should be carefully checked to reflect this change in designations of cardinal directions

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18" x 10" 00

Joins Map 13 240,000 FT

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SAINT LEONARD

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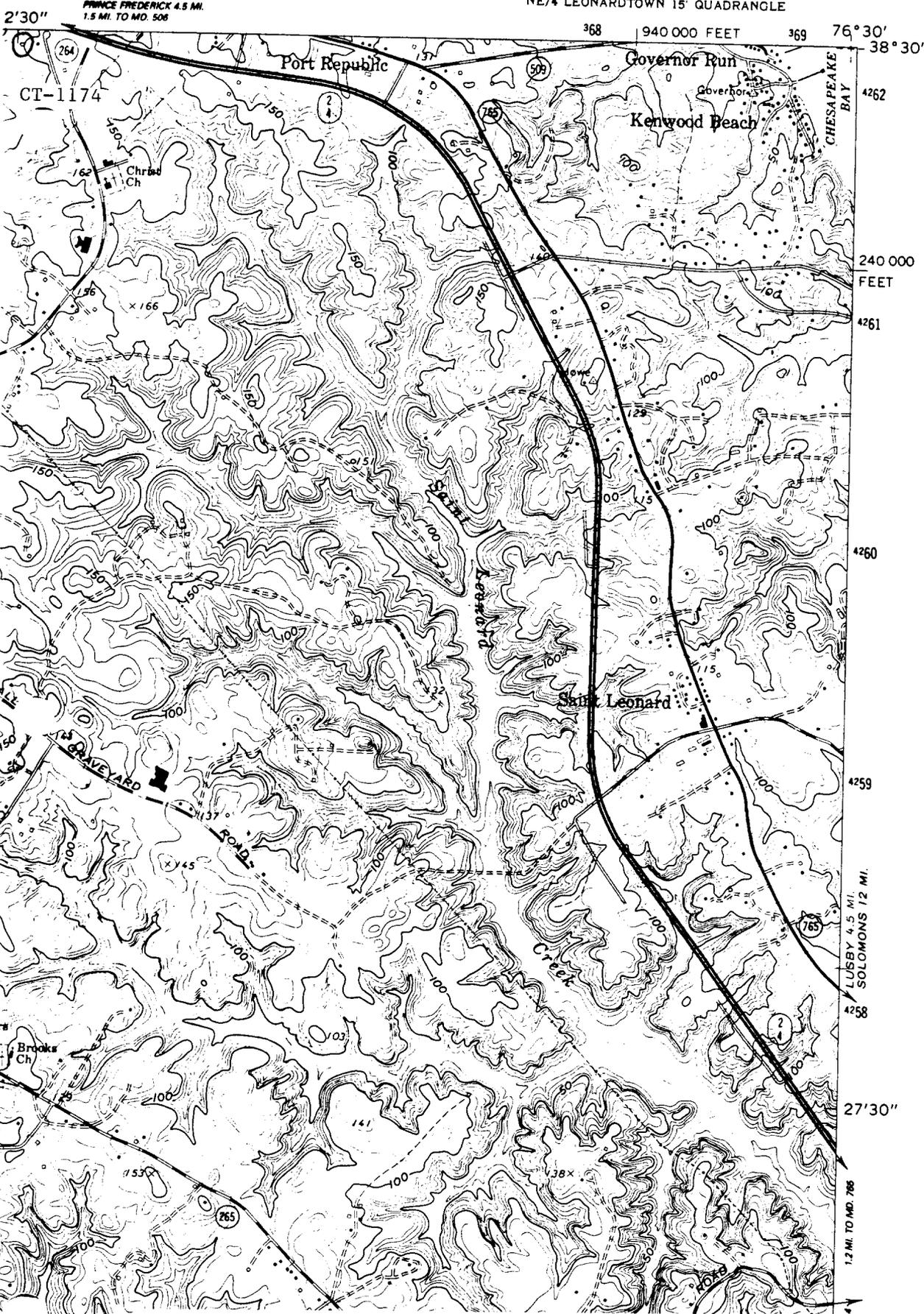
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7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

NE/4 LEONARDTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE



USGS TOPOGRAPHIC, BROOMES ISLAND 7.5 " QUADRANGLE, 1:24,000, 1986

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Estabrook Barn "A"

Port Republic

Tora L. Williamson

West

June, 1990

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