

Capsule Summary  
SM-163  
Conrad Farmhouse  
Huntersville vicinity  
Private

circa 1840 - 1850

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SM-163, Conrad Farmhouse  
St. Mary's County  
Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

Historic Context

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period: Agricultural/Industrial Transition 1815-1870

Historic Period Theme: Architecture

Resource Type

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use: Residence

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. SM-163

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Conrad farmhouse

## 2. Location

street & number Golden Beach Road \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Huntersville  vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county St. Mary's County

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input 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 checked="" 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 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 Charles F. Conrad, Jr.

street & number 218 Dale Road telephone no.: 410-255-1664

city, town Pasadena state and zip code MD. 21122

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Clerk of Court liber DBK241

street & number St. Mary's County Courthouse folio 100

city, town Leonardtown state MD.

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

pository 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 type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

Contributing Resource Count: 1

The Conrad Farmhouse is located on the south side of Golden Beach Road near Huntersville in St. Mary's County, Maryland. The one-and-a-half story frame structure stands at the base of a wooded ridge in the landscape and is surrounded on the east and west by tobacco fields. Two small outbuildings are located next to the house. A tenant house and two modern tobacco barns are located a short distance to the southeast of the dwelling. The Conrad Farmhouse faces west with its principal gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Originally sheathed in weatherboard siding, the Conrad Farmhouse is currently sheathed with asbestos shingles. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The foundation, which is visible from an access door to the water heater underneath the north end of the house, consists of hewn beams resting on ironstone piers.

The west (main) elevation is three bays in width. The first floor consists of a central six-panel door flanked by one six-over-six sash window with louvered shutters on either side. This first floor is sheltered by a shed roof porch, constructed in 1944, with a cement pad floor and square post supports. The second floor consists of a shed roof dormer lit by two one-over-one sash windows with louvered shutters. This dormer was added in 1944.

The north elevation is marked by an exterior, American common bond brick chimney. On the west side of this chimney is one six-over-six sash window which lights the first floor of the house. The chimney is flanked by two four-pane windows on the upper half story.

The east elevation has a shed roof porch, constructed in 1944, which extends the full length of the first floor. The northern end of this porch has been enclosed and is sheathed with weatherboard siding. This enclosure is lit by two pairs of casement windows on the east side and pierced by a modern entrance door on its south side. The main block of the house is pierced by a central partially glazed entrance door and one six-over-six sash window. The upper half story consists of a shed dormer constructed in 1944 which is lit by two one-over-one sash windows.

The south elevation is marked by an exterior, American common bond brick chimney. On the east side side of the chimney is one six-over-six sash window which lights the first floor. The chimney is flanked by two four-pane windows on the upper half story.

# 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
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<input checked="" 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 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	Unknown	Builder/Architect	Unknown
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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.

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None of the deeds in the chain of title include plats or specific verbal descriptions of boundaries which might help to locate the Conrad Farmhouse on a specific parcel. Yet, in the personal photo album of local historian Charles Fenwick, now deceased, a photo of this house is identified with the caption "Long Looked for Come At Last." Fenwick's source for this identification is not noted.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. SM-163

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name Charlotte Hall - Mechanicsville quad Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### Verbal boundary description and justification

See Section 8.1 and chain of title.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	<u>Elizabeth Hughes, Historic Sites Surveyor</u>		
organization	<u>St. Mary's County DPZ</u>	date	<u>December 1993</u>
street & number		telephone	<u>(301) 475-4662</u>
city or town	<u>Leonardtown</u>	state	<u>MD.</u>

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: ~~Maryland Historical Trust  
Shaw House  
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438~~

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DHCP/DHCD  
100 COMMUNITY PLACE  
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023  
-514-7600

SM-163, Conrad Farmhouse  
St. Mary's County  
7.1 Description

The interior was stripped in 1944 at the same time that the shed dormer was added to the upper half story of the building. At that time the plan was reworked and the lath and plaster walls were replaced with wallboard. The original plan was probably a hall and parlor plan as it is now.

Outbuildings on the property include a modern shed and a vertical board outhouse with a shed roof. A log house once stood near the modern tenant house located to the southwest of the Conrad dwelling. A graveyard, marked with common ironstones, is located on the ridge to the south of the Conrad Farmhouse.

SM-163, Conrad Farmhouse  
St. Mary's County  
8.1 Significance

Chain of Title

TO: Charles F. Conrad, Jr., Trustee under a certain co-ownership agreement dated September 24, 1975 by and between Charles F. Conrad, Jr., Peter C. Conrad, John C. Conrad, and Julia C. Byrne.

FROM: Julia S. Conrad

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber DBK 241, folio 100.

DATE: December 4, 1975.

NOTES: 1.) "Long Looked For Come At Last," being 112 acres. 2.) "Sothoron's Neglect," being 37 1/2 acres. 3.) "Part Hold Fast," being 34 acres. 4.) "Burrough's Lot," being 33 acres.

TO: Charles F. Conrad and Julia S. Conrad, his wife.

FROM: William R. Chesley and Emily D. Chesley, his wife.

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber CBG 12, folio 445.

DATE: March 28, 1941

NOTES: Property described above was mortgaged to County Trust Company of MD on November 30, 1938, Liber JMM No. 7, folio 15. This property is transferred with the mortgage as an encumbrance.

TO: William R. and Emily D. Chesley, his wife.

FROM: Mary E. Chesley, widow, of Baltimore City.

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber JMM 11, folio 285.

DATE: November 26, 1938.

NOTES: Transfer of three parcels. 1.) "Hill," being .51 acres, as described in EBA 10, folio 524. 2.) 1 acre described in EBA 12, folio 259. 3.) "Long Looked For Come At Last," being 112 acres; "Sothoron's Neglect," being 37 1/2 acres; "Part Hold Fast," being 34 acres; and "Burrough's Lot," being 33 acres and described in JTT 2, folio 512.

TO: Mary E. Chesley

FROM: William F. Chesley

RECORD: St. Mary's County Testamentary Record, Liber MLL 1, folio 452.

DATE: October 9, 1934.

NOTES: He leaves "my farm known as the Burrough's farm" and his "stock of goods in Charlotte Hall" to his wife Mary E. Chesley.

SM-163, Conrad Farmhouse  
St. Mary's County  
8.2 Significance

TO: William F. Chesley

FROM: Frank N. Holmes and Laura W. Holmes, his wife.

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Record, Liber JJG 2, folio 165.

DATE: August 4, 1894.

NOTES: Transfer of "Long Looked For Come At Last," being 112 acres, "Sothoron's Neglect," being 37 1/2 acres, "Part Hold Fast," being 34 acres, and "Burrough's Lot," being 33 acres. Price: \$800.00

TO: Frank N. Holmes

FROM: William T. Ching and Joseph H. Ching, administrators of John F. Ching estate.

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Records, Liber JJG 2, folio 134.

DATE: August 1, 1894.

NOTES: Transfer of "Long Looked For Come At Last," being 112 acres, "Sothoron's Neglect," being 37 1/2 acres, "Part Hold Fast," being 34 acres, and "Burrough's Lot," being 33 acres. Property being sold because of default on mortgage described in JTT 10/172 (Equity case #776). Price: \$350.00

TO: John F. Ching

FROM: H. Duncan Burroughs and Julia Margaret Burroughs, his wife.

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Records, Liber JFF 10, folio 172.

DATE: October 14, 1887

NOTES: Mortgage of property as described above as well as three horses, five head of cattle, all farming utensils, and the stock of goods in storehouse. Price: \$500.

TO: John F. Ching

FROM: Hezekiah D. Burroughs

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Records, Liber JFF 7, folio 194.

DATE: March 25, 1884.

NOTES: Mortgage of "Long Looked For Come At Last," being 112 acres, "Sothoron's Neglect," being 37 1/2 acres, "Part Hold Fast," being 34 acres, and their interest in "Burrough's Lot," being 33 acres. Price: \$600.

Note: At this point in the chain, the four parcels begin to be transferred as separate tracts.

TO: Hezekiah Duncan Burroughs

FROM: Hezekiah Burroughs

RECORD: St. Mary's County Land Records, Liber JAC, folio 462.

DATE: March 12, 1866.

NOTES: Transfer of "Hold Fast" and "Long Looked for Come At Last," totaling 224 acres. Price: \$1120.00

SM-163  
CHARLES CONRAD FARM  
Charlotte Hall  
Private

early 19th century

One and one-half stories in height, this small frame dwelling is three bays long with a centrally positioned door and a single exterior chimney at each end. The gable roof has been altered to accommodate modern oversized dormer windows.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:  
*CHAS. CONRAD FARMhouse*

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:  
*Golden Beach Road, south side*

CITY OR TOWN:  
*Hunterville, Mechanicsville vicinity*

STATE: *Maryland* CODE: COUNTY: *St. Mary's* CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition:	Occupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes:
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:  
*Charles F. Conrad*

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF OEEOS, ETC:  
*St. Mary's County Courthouse*

STREET AND NUMBER:  
*Washington Street and Courthouse Drive*

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:  
*Leonardtwn Maryland*

ACREAGE

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

STATE:

COUNTY:

ENTRY NUMBER

DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)		(Check One)		
	Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/>	Maved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Blank area for describing the present and original physical appearance of the site.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian
- 15th Century
- 16th Century
- 17th Century
- 18th Century
- 19th Century
- 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) C. 1800

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |   |                                       |   |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/>     | Education <input type="checkbox"/>    | Political <input type="checkbox"/>                | Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>    | Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>  | Religion/Phi-<br>lasaphy <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input type="checkbox"/>       | Industry <input type="checkbox"/>     | Science <input type="checkbox"/>                  | _____                                    |
| Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>    | Invention <input type="checkbox"/>    | Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>                | _____                                    |
| Art <input type="checkbox"/>            | Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>    | Social/Humon-<br>itorion <input type="checkbox"/> | _____                                    |
| Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>       | Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater <input type="checkbox"/>                  | _____                                    |
| Communications <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature <input type="checkbox"/>   | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>           | _____                                    |
| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>   | Military <input type="checkbox"/>     |   |  |
| Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>   | Music <input type="checkbox"/>        |   |  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

MECHANICVILLE QUAD

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
*Riviera*

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OR TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ CODE \_\_\_\_\_

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Keeper of The National Register

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SM-163

This is a small frame house, probably constructed in the early nineteenth century. Three bays in length and with single end chimneys, it has an "A" frame roof that has been altered in order to accommodate oversized dormers at each side. The house is well cared for and aside from the alteration of the roof, appears to be in good condition.

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

76°45'  
38°30'

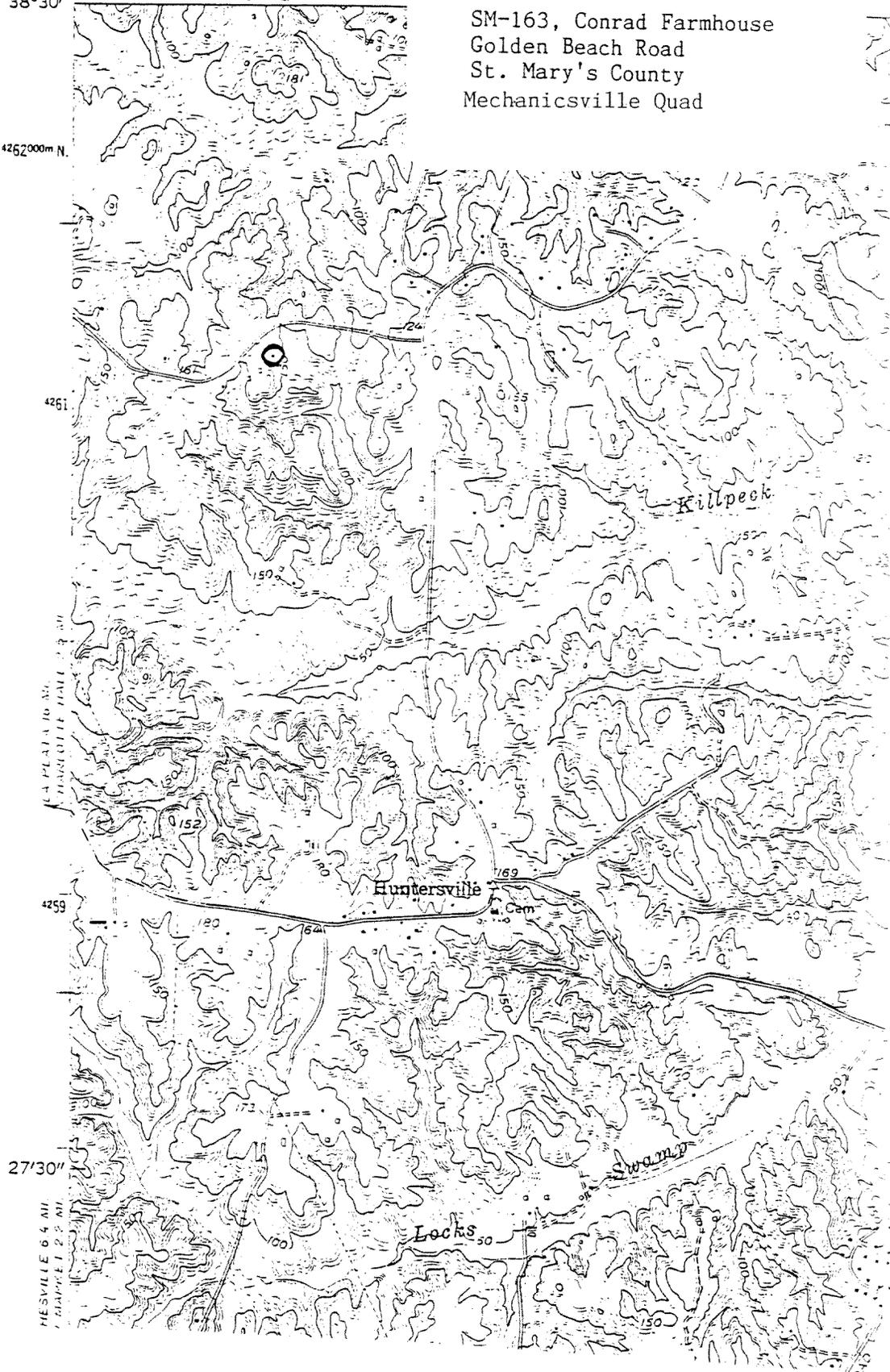
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SM-163, Conrad Farmhouse  
Golden Beach Road  
St. Mary's County  
Mechanicsville Quad

4262000m N

1.4 MILES TO NE  
MECHANICVILLE

MECHANICVILLE 6.4 MI  
HUNTERSVILLE 1.2 MI





CV 143, CONTAS 17, 21, 22, 23

1941 - 1942 - MD

BUZARD - 11 - 1941

1941 - 1942

MD - 1942

SE Elevation

12



SM-163. CONRAD 17th/18th C

ST. MARY, "17th/18th C"

1172 N. 1st St. N. 17th C

1172 N. 1st St. N. 17th C

1172 N. 1st St.

Photo of ironstone & mortar chimney located in the woods southeast of the house on a ridge.