MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes ___
no ___

Property Name: Olivers Shop School Inventory Number: CH-607

Address: SE corner Rt. 6 and Trinity Church Road City: Olivers Shop Zip Code: 20622

County: Charles USGS Topographic Map: Charlotte Hall, MD Quad

Owner: Olga Hamer and Elizabeth H. Buckmaster Is the property being evaluated a district? ____yes

Tax Parcel Number: 82 Tax Map Number: 57 Tax Account ID Number: 026195

Project: Gilbert Run Emergency Tower- Charles County Government Agency: F.C.C.

Site visit by MHT Staff: _____no ____yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Is the property located within a historic district? ____yes X___no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____

NR-listed district ____yes Eligible district ____yes District Name: _____

Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ___yes ___no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ____

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)

Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ____yes X___no

Criteria: ___A___B___C___D Considerations: _____A___B___C___D___E___F___G ____None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

The Oliver Shop School is a one story, front gable frame structure located at the south eastern corner of Rte. 6 (Charles Street) and Trinity Church Road. The very simple (bungalow style) building dates to near 1917 when it was constructed to replace an earlier (demolished) one-room schoolhouse. It served as school for Dentsville area residents from 1917-1945 when it became a domestic structure. It is now vacant as the owners have constructed a new residence adjacent to the schoolhouse, on the property. Originally sided in weatherboard, the building has been covered with a faux brick tar-paper. The original roof finishes have been replaced with asphalt shingles (except the hipped porch roof which is standing seam metal.) The overall condition of the building is poor. Although thought by some as unusual for its four room plan, the building's architectural integrity has been compromised through time and changes in use. Based on the site visit and available documentation, the property is not recommended as eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria C, A, or B. The site was not evaluated for Criterion D.

Prepared by: Kate Mahood, Architectural Historian Date Prepared: July 8, 2003

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended X **Eligibility not recommended** _____

Criteria: X **A** ___**B** X **C** ___**D** **Considerations:** ___**A** ___**B** ___**C** ___**D** ___**E** ___**F** ___**G** ___**None**

Comments: _____

_____ 7/17/03

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services **Date**

_____ _____

Reviewer, NR Program **Date**

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Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation
CHARLES COUNTY
Real Property Data Search

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Account Identifier: **District** - 08 **Account Number** - 018324

Owner Information

Owner Name: JAMESON, JEROME V

Mailing Address: 3394 OLD WASHINGTON RD
WALDORF MD 20602-3204

Use: AGRICULTURAL
Principal Residence: NO
Deed Reference: 1) / 214/ 7
2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address
7395 OLIVERS SHOP RD
HUGHESVILLE 20637

Zoning
AC

Legal Description
156 AC
N/W SI 232 N GROSSTWN RD

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
46	1	1						82	Plat Ref:

Special Tax Areas
Town
Ad Valorem
Tax Class

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1945	1,008 SF	156.00 AC	

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1 1/2	NO	STANDARD UNIT	ASBESTOS SHINGLE

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2003	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	70,180	70,180		
Improvements:	26,190	29,600		
Total:	96,370	99,780	96,370	97,506
Preferential Land:	25,180	25,180	25,180	25,180

PREFERENTIAL LAND VALUE
INCLUDED IN LAND VALUE

Transfer Information

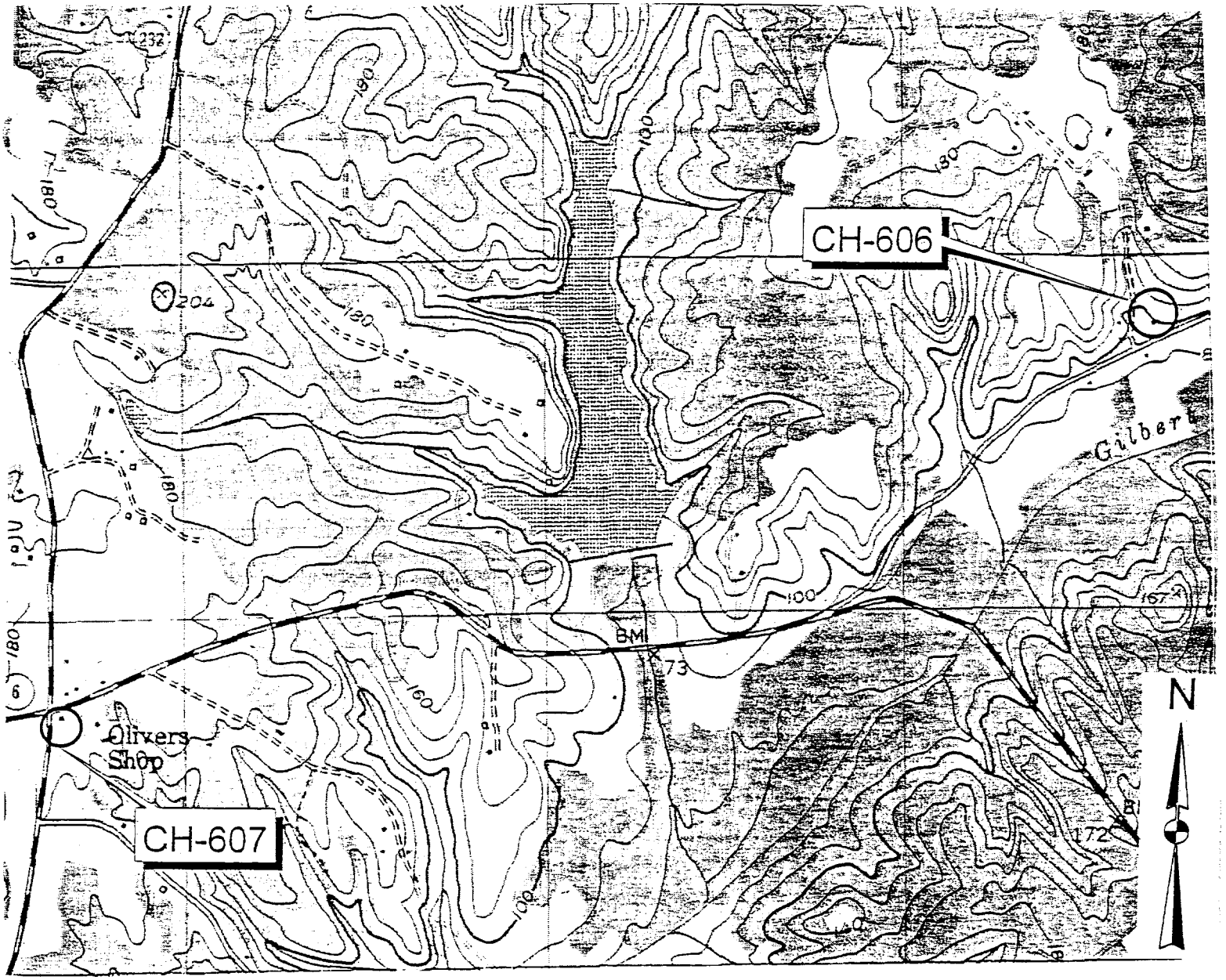
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:
AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX



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OLIVERS SHOP
SCHOOL

Scale	Date	Design By	Source	Job No.
N.T.S.	7/8/03	—	USGS CHARLOTTE HALL, HUGHESVILLE, LAPLATA, & POPES CREEK QUADRANGLE	—

OLIVER SHOP SCHOOL
HUGHESVILLE, MD
CHAS COUNTY

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VIEW LOOKING EAST
Photograph #1 of 2

OLIVER'S SHOP SCHOOL
HUGHESVILLE, MD
CHAS COUNTY

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VIEW LOOKING SOUTH
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Olivers Shop School **1917**
CH-607
Dentsville vic.
Private

Olivers Shop School, constructed in 1917, is a good example of an early 20th century schoolhouse in Charles County. The rectangular one-story, front-gable, frame structure has an overall four- room plan. One of the buildings most unique features is its tongue and groove paneling. Covering both wall and ceiling, this treatment forms an arched ceiling cornice where the wall and ceiling connect.

The Olivers Shop School is situated on the southeastern corner of Charles Street and Trinity Church Road. In 1891 one acre was acquired by the Charles County Board of Education for the purposes of building a schoolhouse for local children. A one-room schoolhouse stood on the site until 1917 when its was replaced by the current structure. Olivers Shop School served the students of the Dentsville area until 1945 when the property was sold by the Board of Education to Thomas Swann.

Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of
Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CH-607

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic	Olivers Shop School
other	

2. Location

street and number	SE corner of Rte. 6 & Trinity Church Road	___ not for publication
city, town	Dentsville	x vicinity
county	Charles	

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

name	Olga Hamer and Elizabeth H. Buckmaster				
street and number	15052 Burnt Store Road			telephone	301-274-3256
city, town	Charlotte Hall	state	MD	zip code	20622

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	Charles County Courthouse	tax map and parcel:	57-7-82		
city, town	LaPlata	liber	1978	folio	14

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 at MHT
___ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category
___ district
x building(s)
___ structure
___ site
___ object

Ownership
___ public
x private
___ both

Current Function
___ agriculture
___ commerce/trade
___ defense
x domestic
___ education
___ funerary
___ government
___ health care
___ industry
___ landscape
___ recreation/culture
___ religion
___ social
___ transportation
___ work in progress
___ unknown
___ vacant/not in use
___ other: _____

Resource Count

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	___	buildings
___	___	sites
___	___	structures
___	___	objects
1	___	Total

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
0

7. Description

Inventory No. CH-607

Condition

__ excellent
__ good
x fair
__ deteriorated
__ ruins
__ altered

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

Olivers Shop School is a one-story, front-gable structure with a hipped-roof porch facing west. It stands at the southeastern corner of Route 6 and Trinity Church Road in the southeastern section of Charles County. The school was converted into a dwelling after 1945.

The frame building rests on a poured concrete pier foundation. Original weatherboard siding covers the exterior walls that have been re-clad with asphalt sheeting intended to loosely imitate brick. The roof is clad in asphalt shingles and is broken by two interior chimneys with corbeled caps. A one story hipped porch extends the length of the façade and is sheathed with a metal seam roof. Above this in the gable wall is a small wood fan-shaped window with a square-edged wood surround. The porch has been enclosed, partially concealing the primary entrance found near the south end.

The southern elevation includes a secondary door near the eastern façade. Opposite this is a single 1/1 double-hung wood sash window. The northern façade includes two 2/1 double-hung, wood sash windows.

The interior consist of four rooms, equally divided. The interior walls are finished with decorative tongue and groove horizontal matchstick paneling that arches over the cornice, extending to the ceiling. Door surrounds are square-edged with corner blocks.

8. Significance

Inventory No. CH-607

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

Specific dates	circa 1891	**Architect**	Unknown
Construction dates	Circa 1891	**Builder**	Unknown

Evaluation for:

_____ National Register _____ Maryland Register x 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.)

Olivers Shop School, built in 1917, is significant as the only documented example of a 4-room schoolhouse in Charles County. Situated at a prominent intersection on the roads to Bryantown and LaPlata, the former school stands on a parcel of land once known as "Dent's Place", possibly a derivation of Dent's Palace (CH-40).

In 1891, Chloe H. Swann deeded one acre to the Charles County Board of Education. A schoolhouse was built on the site soon after, serving the students of the Dentsville area until it was replaced with the present structure in 1917. In 1945, the property was sold by the Board of Education to Thomas Swann, who then owned the surrounding acreage called "Dent's Place" or "Dent's Palace".

In the years after the Civil War, Charles County saw its greatest advances in county-wide education. In 1867 there were thirty-six public school within the county. By 1899 the number had grown to 72 public schools serving a total of 3,463 students. One and two-room schools were by far the most common form of educational architecture in Charles County. Olivers Shop School, with an original 4-room plan is the only documented example in Charles County.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Inventory No. CH-607

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	.193		
Acreage of historical setting	1		
Quadrangle name	Charlotte Hall	Quadrangle scale	1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property at the southeast corner of Rt. 6 and Trinity Church Road is associated with Charles County Property Map 57, Grid 7, Parcel 82.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Cathy Currey/Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	Charles County Planning Department	date	9/6/2000
street and number	200 Baltimore Street	telephone	301-396-581
city or town	LaPlata	state MD	zipcode 20646

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville MD 21032
410-514-7600

Chain of title:

June 8, 1891 — Chloe H. Swann to Charles County Board of Education. **1 a.** Part of "Dent's Level" or "Ash Swamp".
J.S.T. 4 Folio 159

October 9, 1945 — Board of Education to Thomas E. Swann. **1 a**. Part of "Dent's Level" and "Ash Swamp". Part of home farm of late Thomas O. Bean.
T.B.M. 82 Folio 429

May 25, 1994 — Olga S. Hamer to Olga S. Hamer and Elizabeth Buckmaster. Part of a larger tract of land known as "Dent's Place" conveyed unto Thomas E. Swann by Chloe H. Whathen, et al including the Oliver Shop School lot conveyed unto Thomas S. Swann by Charles County Board of Education. Being the same Olga S. Hamer received by will from Thomas E. Swann and Grace A, his wife in Orphan's Court, St. Mary's County L 005 Folio 3589, Liber 29 Folio 36, Estate No. 3883, November 20, 1969.
Liber 1978 Folio 14

Major Bibliographic References:

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

Charles County Land Records, Charles County Courthouse, LaPlata, Maryland.

Charles County Retired Teachers Association, *A Legacy: One and Two-Room Schools in Charles County*, 1984.

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

RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

Date: 11/19/99

North arrow:

Name: Olivers Shop School

Address: Trinity Church Rd.

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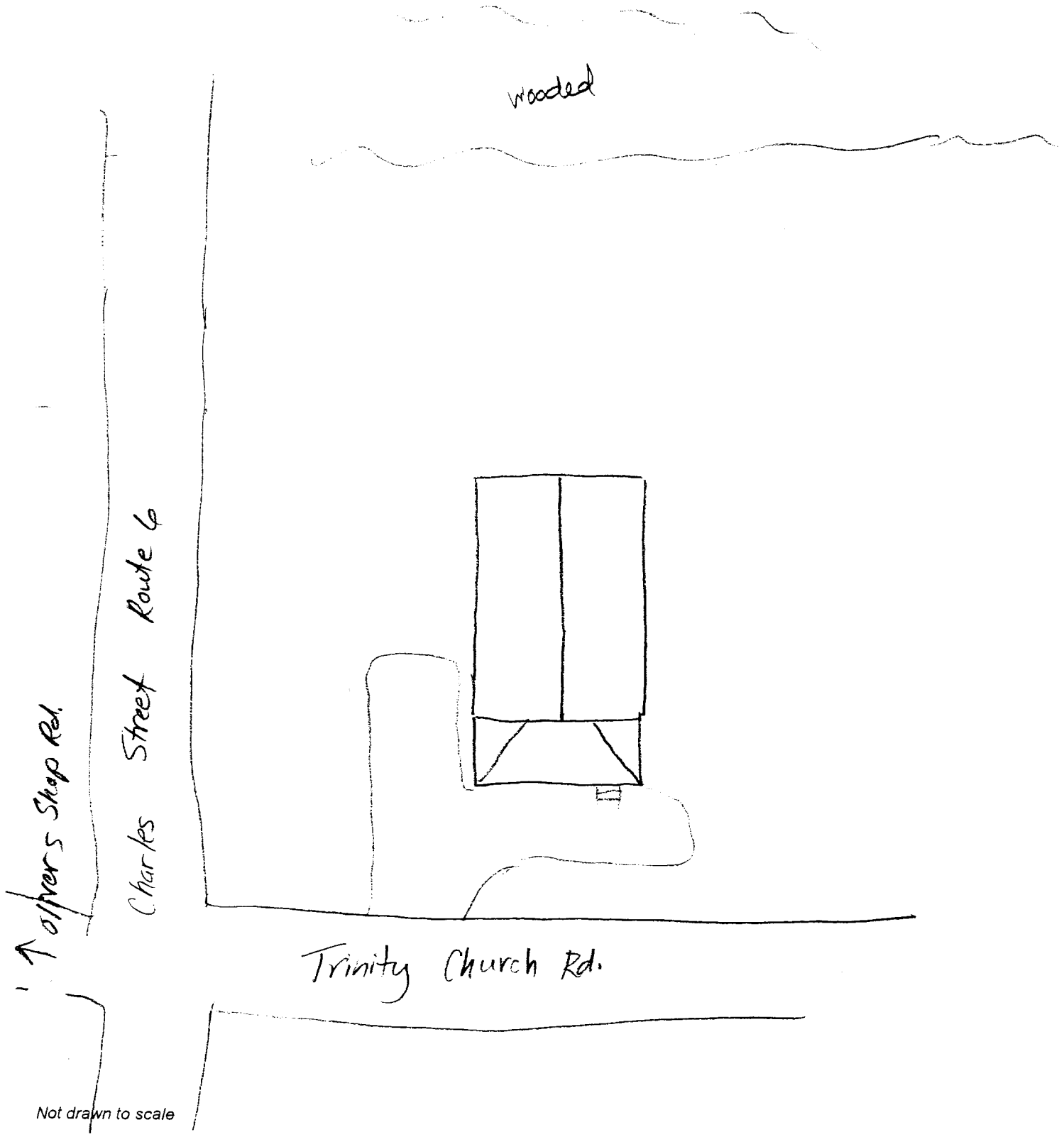
Charles County, Maryland

Olivers Shop ☐ Vicinity



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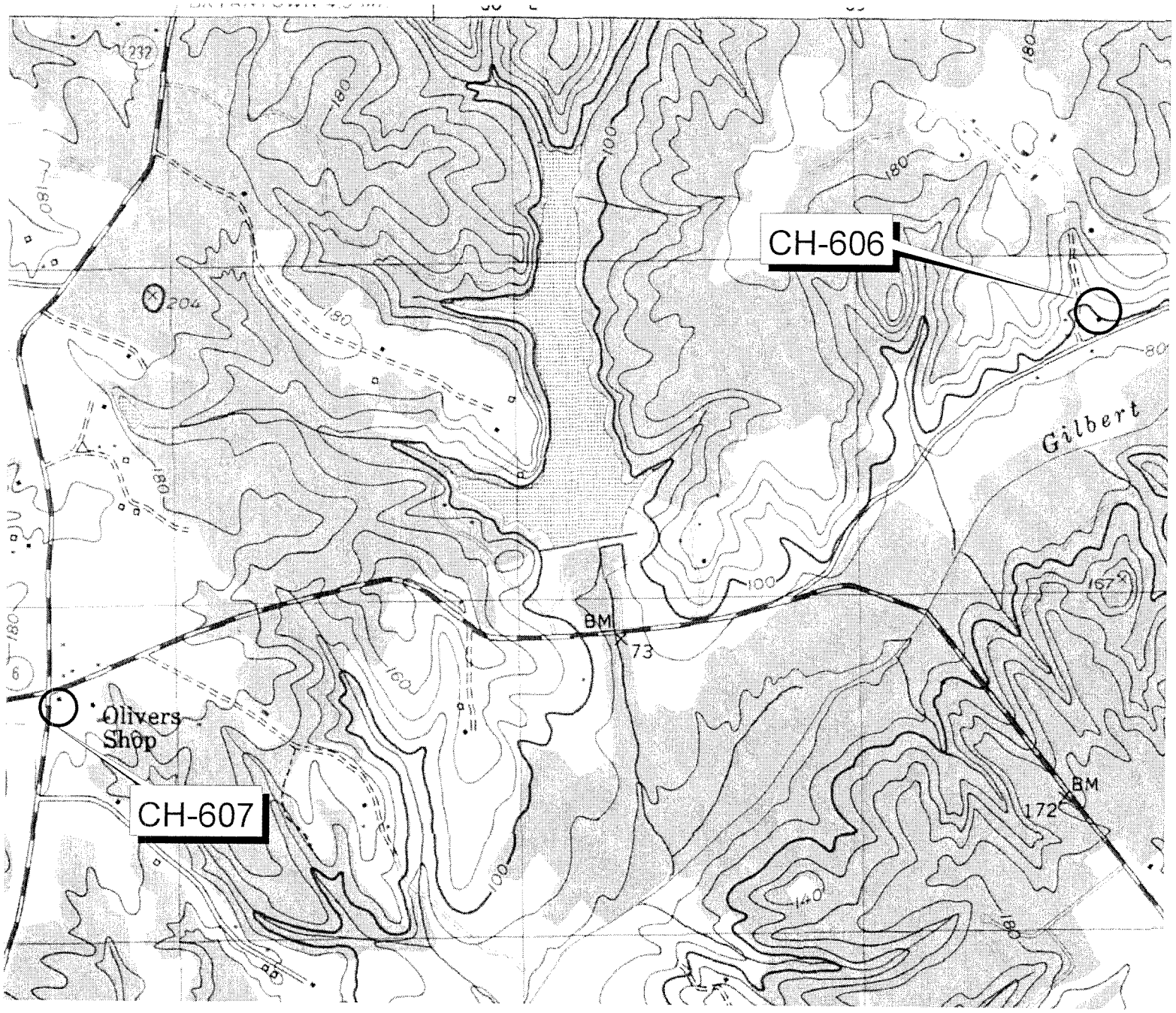

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