

Moscow Schoolhouse
AL-V1-C-199
Fourth Street Moscow
1890

Some schoolhouses in the Georges's Creek mining region were provided by mining companies before Allegany County's school building program was implemented during the 1870's. It is possible that this larger schoolhouse, built in 1890 on land purchased from Andrew B. Shaw, replaced a smaller one made obsolete by population growth. Like other schools built late in the nineteenth or early in the twentieth century as replacements for earlier schools, it is a larger frame building of three or more classrooms. It has been drastically altered from its original design.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Moscow Schoolhouse

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Fourth Street

Sixth

CITY, TOWN

Moscow

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

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 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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Moscow Church of the Nazarene, Inc.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1

CITY, TOWN

Barton

Maryland STATE ZIP code 21521

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 265
Folio #: 598

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

Maryland STATE 21502

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

AL-11-C-111

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Moscow Schoolhouse is located on Fourth Street in Moscow.

The building consists of a rectangular frame building with german siding covered with insulbrick, four bays wide on the south. It rests on a low foundation of random rubble with a plain water table. The gable flank roof is covered with asphalt shingles. A two stage steeple with a high peaked hip roof is on the west. Eaves consist of a boxed cornice and soffit. The main entrance offset on the south is in a tall gabled vestibule and includes a set of double wooden doors. The replaced windows are one over one lights with a one light fixed semicircular light above.

The original entrance was originally on the western three bays wide facade. Original large pedimented windows have been replaced.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Moscow Schoolhouse was built in 1890 on land purchased by the Board of County School Commissioners from Andrew B. Shaw. (1) Shaw's prominent family "laid out" the village of Moscow and Pekin as well as the town of Barton, on parts of their twelve hundred acre estate in the center of the George's Creek mining region. (2) A member of his family, Major Alexander B. Shaw of nearby Lonaconing served as the first school commissioners of the lower George's Creek area. (3)

Some schoolhouses were provided by the mining companies before the county's school building program was implemented in the mining region during the 1870's (4) It is possible that this large schoolhouse was built to replace a smaller one made obsolete by population growth. No Moscow schools were included in Scharfs' complete list of county schools of 1881. (5)

This schoolhouse like others built late in the nineteenth and early in the twentieth century is much larger than the one and two room schools built in the 1870's. Although drastically altered it stands as evidence of the progress of education in Allegany County during the nineteenth century.

- (1) Allegany County Land Records, Liber 67, Folio 607
- (2) James W. Thomas and T.J.C. Williams, History of Allegany County(Philadephia L.R. Titsworth and Co.) p.1094
- (3) Katherine A. Harvey, Best Dressed Miners; Life and Labor in the Maryland Coal Region, 1835-1910 (Ithaca:Corness University Press)p.109-110
- (4) Ibid, p.110-111
- (5) John T. Scharf, History of Cumberland (Baltimore;Regional Publishing Co.) p.1355-1357

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 Scharf, John T. History of Western Maryland Philadelphia: L.H. Everts Co. 1882
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 CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 100'x100'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE **David A. Dorsey, Historic Sites Coordinator**

ORGANIZATION	Allegany County Historic Sites	DATE	July 17, 1979
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STREET & NUMBER	3 Pershing Street	TELEPHONE	777-5944
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CITY OR TOWN	Cumberland	STATE	Maryland
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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Property: MOSCOW SCHOOLHOUSE

Inventory # AL-VI-C-199

Liber # 265

Folio # 598

Grantee: MOSCOW CHURCH OF NAZARINE, INC

Date: SEPTEMBER 17, 1952

Grantor: ALLEGANY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Consideration: _____

Notes: _____

Liber # 256

Folio # 145

Grantee: ALLEGANY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Date: December 6, 1953

Grantor: BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ALLEGANY COUNTY

Consideration: _____

Notes: _____

Liber # 67

Folio # 607

Grantee: BOARD OF COUNTY SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Date: JANUARY 25, 1890

Grantor: ANDREW B. SHAW ET UX

Consideration: \$350.00

Notes: _____

Liber # _____

Folio # _____

Grantee: _____

Date: _____

Grantor: _____

Consideration: _____

Notes: _____

Liber # _____

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Grantor: _____

Consideration: _____

Notes: _____

INVENTORY NO: A2-VI-C-199

DATE: 6/26/79

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Moscow Schoolhouse

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 4th St. Moscow

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: West

NAME OF OWNER: Nazarene Church of Moscow

ADDRESS: _____

STORIES: 1(✓) 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2(✓) 3() 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS:

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (✓) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- () BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- () STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- () LOG
- (✓) OTHER: Coverings insubbrick

germansiding

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others _____

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone Random Rubble

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(✓) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()

w/ semicircular top all changed

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: orig on west now removed double doors in tall gabled vestibule on south.
HARDWARE: original() replaced(✓)
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architrave

ROOF: orig Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt; original() replaced(✓)

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

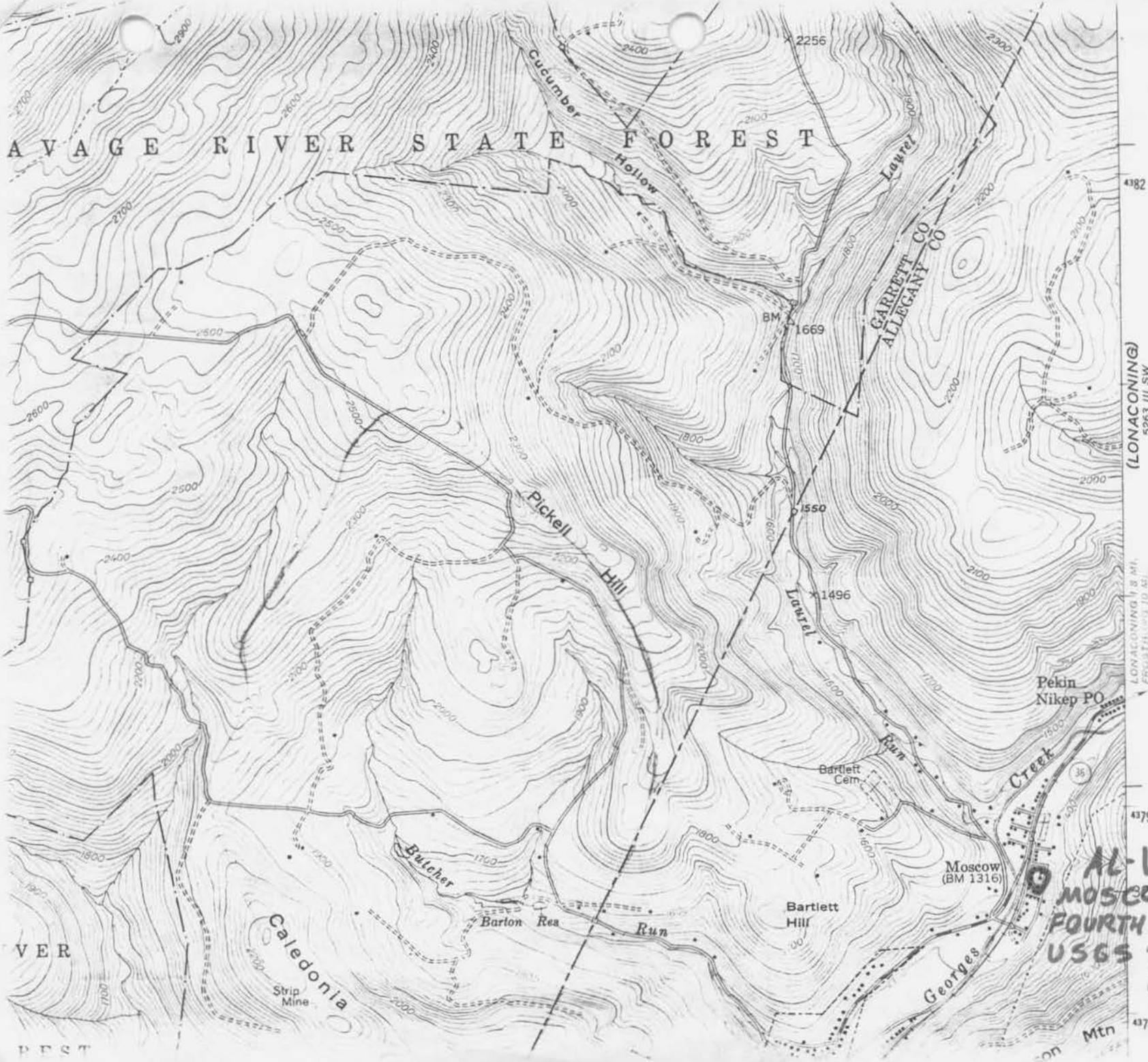
CHIMNEYS: Number: removed Brick() Stone() Corbeled() original() replaced()
Location: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

USE: _____
SIGNIFICANCE: _____
DATE CONSTRUCTED: _____

A V A G E R I V E R S T A T E F O R E S T



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(LONACONING)
5263 III SW

LONACONING 1/8 MI.
FRUSHING TO MI.

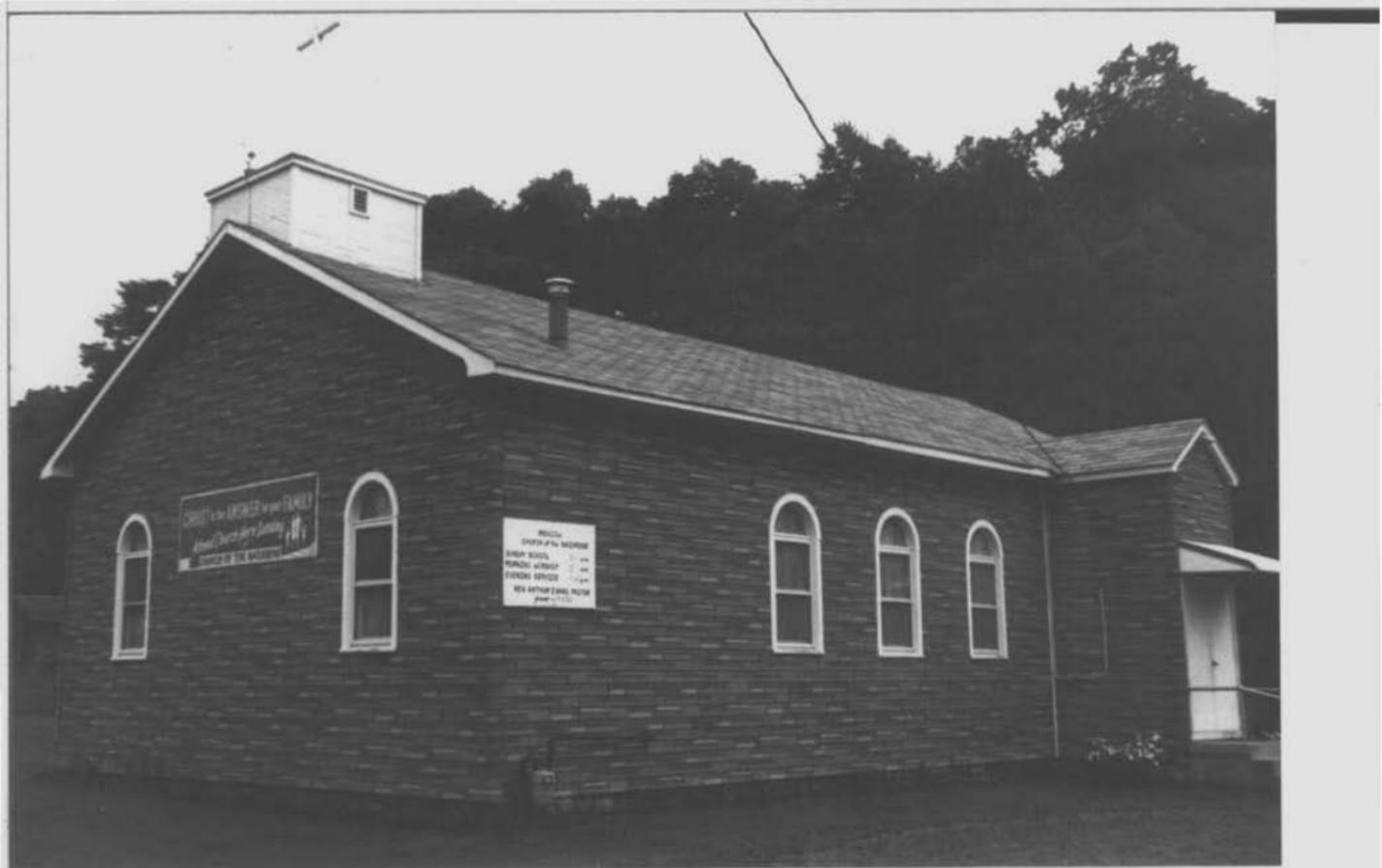
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MOSCOW SCHOOLHOUSE
FOURTH ST. MOSCOW
USGS BARTON QUAD
1:24,000
1947

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REST



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MOSCOW SCHOOLHOUSE

FOURTH ST. MOSCOW

DAVID A. DORSEY

6/26/79

NORTHEAST