

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. BA-2217

Magi No. 0322175504

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bevard House

and/or common Hooper House

2. Location

street & number 11122 Pfeffer Road not for publication

city, town Bradshaw vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland 21021 county Baltimore County

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 checked="" 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 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 Norma J. Hooper

street & number 11122 Pfeffer Road telephone no.:

city, town Bradshaw state and zip code Maryland 21021

5. Location of Legal Description

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

street & number folio

city, town Towson state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<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.

The Hooper House is located on the west side of Pfeffer Road approximately 1/3 mile south of the intersection with Bradshaw Road and 1/10 mile north of Interstate 95 in northeastern Baltimore County. Pfeffer Road was until recently a through road that ran from Bradshaw Road at St. Stephens Church south to Philadelphia Road. When I-95 was constructed Pfeffer Road was cut into two sections. The Hooper House is located on the section to the north of I-95.

The Bevard House was constructed in two sections. The original section is log construction and is three bays long, and one room deep and two stories high, though the second story is quite low, with less than six feet of headroom in the second story chambers.

The principal facade faces east toward Pfeffer Road. The door is located in the center bay, flanked by modern paired 3/1 windows on each side. These windows were put in by George M. Pleines, father of Mrs. Hooper in the 1920s, during a renovation of the house. Single 3/1 windows are located in the north and south bays of the second story. The house rests on a low stone foundation and is covered with red asbestos siding. The eaves are boxed in but left plain; the roof is covered with standing seam metal. A one story porch with columns stretches across the first story of the front facade. The south gable wall is pierced by a single 3/1 window on the first and second story and a single three-light window in the upper gable. The foundation and siding match the front facade. An opening in the foundation wall permits a limited view of the rough log joists supporting the first floor.

A lean-to kitchen addition covers the south end of the rear or west elevation. This addition is not mentioned in a 1918 tax assessment of the property and was probably added by Mr. Pleins in the 1920s. A single 3/1 window remains exposed in the north bay of the first and second story on this facade.

The north gable wall of the original house is completely covered by the two story north addition.

The interior of the main house was originally divided into a hall-parlor plan, with the larger heated hall to the north and an unheated parlor/chamber to the south. The interior partition between these rooms was first altered to allow a larger door and then recently the partition was removed entirely, leaving a scar in the floor where later flooring has been added on top of the original flooring. Nail holes in the ceiling joist demarcate the position of the partition studs and clearly identify the location of the door.

A large brick chimney is centered on the north gable wall of the hall. The original enclosed winder stair was located to the left (west) of the chimney; this was removed in the 1920s and replaced with a straight-run stair in the addition.

The log walls are exposed in several places but the corner notching is not visible. The ceiling joists and second story floorboards are circular sawn. The flooring is whitewashed and the ceiling was later plastered. The early wall plaster that survives is applied to machine-sawn lathing secured with machine nails.

The second story is also divided into two rooms, with the larger chamber to the north. Little early fabric is readily visible on this floor.

The roof is constructed of common rafters mitred and nailed at the peak and supported by flat, circular sawn false plates. The original exterior siding survives on the north gable wall. This consists of plain horizontal boards covered with whitewash and secured with machine nails. There is only one set of nail holes in the studs where some siding has been removed, so this is the original siding.

The north addition is the same depth and height as the original house and continues two bays to the north. On the east or front facade, there is a door in the north bay and a paired 3/1 window to the south on the first story. There are two 3/1 windows on the second story. On the north gable wall, there are single 3/1 windows in the center of the first and second story. Single 3/1 windows are also located in the north bay of each floor on the rear or west facade.

The interior of the addition consists of a single room on each floor. The log gable wall of the original house is visible from this room, and the rough ceiling joists have also recently been exposed. These joists are only hewn on the top and bottom and the bark is left on the other two sides. The roof of this section is framed with rough common rafters mitred and nailed at the ridge.

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 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.

The Hooper House is a small two story house constructed in two stages. The original log house is a three bay example of a hall-parlor plan with a single brick chimney on the north gable wall of the hall. The house as it appears today dates almost entirely to circa 1850s-60s and was probably built by or for James Bevard, who purchased the property in 1854. The house remained in the Bevard family until 1893, when John Bevard sold the property to Thomas J. Wells.

RECEIVED

This two-story, vernacular style log house, is found in ~~SEP 8 1983~~
District plate of G.M. Hopkins' 1877 atlas as the home of J. Bevard.

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The following documents pertain to the history of the house:

1. Tax Map 64, Parcel P613
 2. B. C. Deeds, 5368:925 - Deed to Norma J. Hooper ... 0.50 acre
Same as by deed from Piper to George M. Pleines recorded in
WPC 553:198
 3. B.C. Deeds, WPC 553:198 - Deed - to George M. Pleines from
Augustus A. Piper, Assignee April 20, 1922 Whereas at
public sale on Feb. 21, 1922 Piper, as assignee of mortgage,
sold to Pleines of Baltimore City for \$3425
- ref to mortgage made in 1919 from Henry C. Goedeke
to Henry A. Whitaker for \$2500 mortgage records
Liber WPC 557:578
- ... tract in 11th District Beginning adjoining Raphel
.... and heirs of John B. Howard ref to Franklinville
Road 11¼ acres
- Second parcel 13 3/10 acres
- Same as two parcels from William T. Barton and wife to
Henry F. Godeke and daughter, 1919 recorded WPC 5175513
4. Judicial Records WPC 399:25 (Piper-vs.-Goedeke

Advertisement Assignee's Sale of a valuable Residence
and Farm Property in fee, near St. Stephen's Church, Upper
Falls, Baltimore County. By virtue of a power contained
in a mortgage from Henry F. Goedeke and Margaret J.
Goedeke, his daughter, to Henry A. Whitaker, dated
November 28, 1919, and duly recorded in the Mortgage
Records of Baltimore County in Liber W.P.C. No. 557,
folio 578&c, default having occurred in said mortgage,
the undersigned assignee of said mortgage, will sell
at Public Auction at the Court House Door, in Towson,
Maryland, on Tuesday February 21st, 1922, at 12 o'clock M.,
all that valuable Tract of Land, situate, lying, and being
on the southwest side of the road leading from St. Stephens
Church to Pfeiffer's Corner on the Philadelphia Road in
the Eleventh Election District of Baltimore County,
containing 25 Acres of Land more or less, and being
the same and all the land mentioned and described
in a deed from George Weber and wife to William T. Barton,
dated October 2, 1917, and duly recorded among the
land records of Baltimore County in Liber WPC No. 487,
folio 377&c

This property is improved by a comfortable dwelling house,
barn, and necessary outbuildings, a pump of good water
at the house, and some good fruit trees on the property.

The property is convenient to Railroad Station at Bradshaw, bus line at Kingsville and to schools, churches, stores and post office. Terms of sale, one-third cash

A.A. Piper, Assignee

(copied from Bel Air Times, published 4 weeks before sale)

5. B.C. Deeds, WPC 517:513 Wm. T. Barton - Deed - to - Goedeke ...1919 ... \$10-plus lots near the Roman Catholic Church at Upper Falls described in deed from George Weber to Wm. T. Barton 1917 ... recorded WPC 487:377
6. B.C. Tax Ledger, Dist. 11, 1918, folio 905:

Geo Weber

25 a. near St. Stephens Church on road from Pfeffers

16 a. tillable @ \$60	\$960
6 a. wood " \$30	180
3 a. marsh " \$20	60
House 16 x 40	640
Stable 16 x 40 \$154 w. Shed 20 x 29 \$139	293
Vehicles 50 Live stock 270	330
	<u>\$2465</u>

1919 By Transfer to Barton \$2455

7. B.C. Deeds, WPC 487:377 Weber & wife --deed to --Barton ... 1917 ... \$5-plus parcel ... 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres ... 13 $\frac{3}{10}$ acres Same As by deed of 1917 from Thomas J. Wells & wife to Geo. Weber recorded in Liber WPC 477:32 ...
8. B.C. NBM 203:44 John Bevard and wife --to--Thomas J. Wells 1893 Dec 19 ... tract on road to Upper Falls to Baltimore and Havre de Grace Turnpike part of "Pemlico", "James Park," "Annapolis," ... adjoining Stephen Raphael 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres part of Lot 3 laid off by R.S. Lee, etc., Commissioners to divide the lands of the late J.B. Howard ref to Baltimore City deeds TK 317:510 Same as n by Emily Joward Conveyed to John W. Baxter April 6, 1847 recorded in Baltimore City Liber AWB 378: 228
- Same as ... 1854 ... from John W. Baxter to James Bevard recorded Baltimore County Deeds, HMF 9, folio 399

9. B. City Deeds, AWB 378:228:

Emily Howard--Deed to--John W. Baxter April 6 1847 \$225
.... tract on parcel part of Pemlico, James Park, Annapolis

Beginning at a stone planted in the line of Raphael's line 11¼ acres part of Lot 3 laid out by Ralph S. Lee, Stephen J. Raphael, and Thomas Gorsuch who were appointed by the heirs of the said John B. Howard (deceased) as commissioners to lay off and divide the lands which Lot 3 has since been conveyed to Emily Howard on 30 Nov 1844 ... recorded Liber TK 347:510

Witnessed: J. Hanson Bell
John W. Stump

10. B. City Deeds, TK 347:510:

Charles W. Howard and wife Amanda Z. Howard, etc.--to--Emily Howard 30 Nov. 1844 \$1,327 one tract called Pemlicoref to Franklinville Road ref to Old Post Road 92, acres 3 roods 36 perches buildings, etc.

11. 1813 Tax List Old Dist 4 f. 91

John B. Howard
James Park
Swanson etc.
Bonds Water Mills
Annapolis1.040 acres
Improvements \$800

12. 1798 Tax List, Gunpowder Upper Hundred

Edward Howard
1 Dwelling House framed 32 x 16 feet, hipt roof, 2 windows above, in middling repair
Addition 16 x 14, one story high
1 meat house 14 x 18 ft of Logs
1 corn house of logs 16 x 18 out repair
1 stable Do. 16 x 18 Do. adjoining Thomas G. Howard

Thomas Howard
1 Dwelling 60 x 24 ft, hip roof
1 " 26 ft square " " (old)

*NOT SURE WHERE THE MAIN HOWARD HOUSE WAS LOCATED - J. May Jones
NO MATCH-UP*



BALTIMORE COUNTY
OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
494-3211

NORMAN E. GERBER
DIRECTOR

August 9, 1983

Mrs. Norma J. Hooper
11,122 Pfeffers Road
Bradshaw MD 21021

Dear Mrs. Hooper,

The attached pages carry the history of your house as far back as we can in the records within this building. The two references to Baltimore City Deeds can be followed either at the Baltimore City Courthouse (6th floor records room) or at the Hall of Records, Annapolis.

I will follow up the mysteries when I get a chance to go to the city or to Annapolis.

One of the other deeds referenced is a transaction of 1898 from C. Ross Mace, Trustee, to Thomas J. Wells, where there is a mention of a former tanyard and tanyard vats (Deeds NBM 235:288 - in Towson).

My photo of the bee's nest and the log wall turned out o.k. I will send a copy of the title notes to the Maryland Historical Trust also.

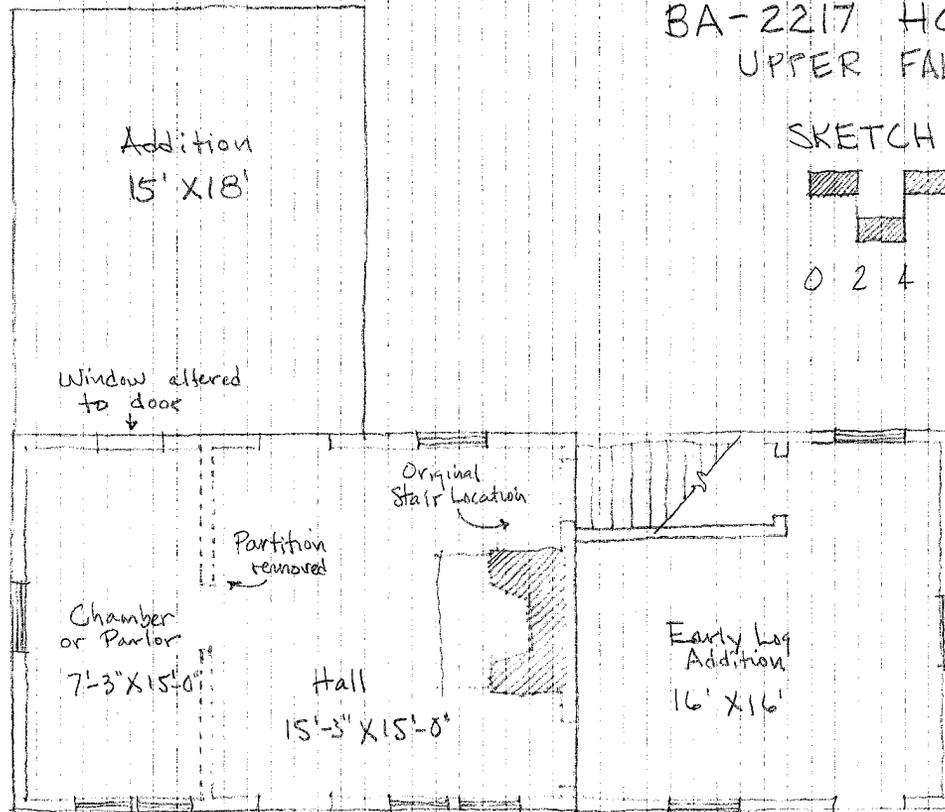
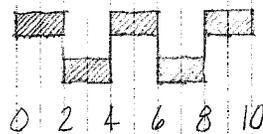
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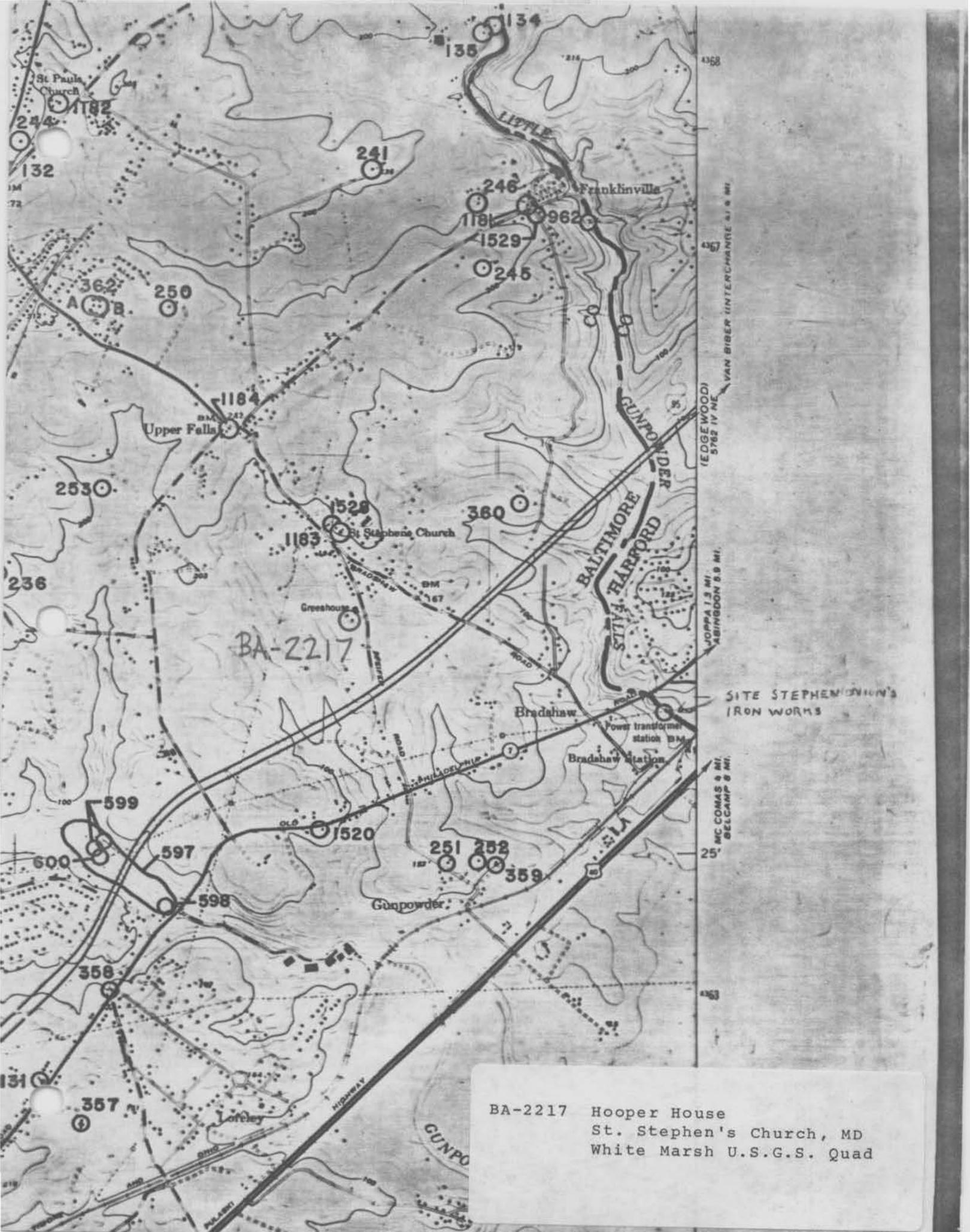
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Landmarks Preservation Commission (494-3521)

BA-2217 HOOPER HOUSE
UPPER FALLS VICINITY

SKETCH PLAN





BA-2217 Hooper House
 St. Stephen's Church, MD
 White Marsh U.S.G.S. Quad