

UPPER BENNET

(CT-18)

POPLARS

EARLY EIGHTEENTH CENTURY

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Upper Bennett  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
Bayside Ave Between Bayside Road (MD 261) & Old Bayside Road, off  
CITY, TOWN Chesapeake Beach CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Chesapeake Ave.  
STATE Maryland COUNTY Calvert

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
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			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Hugh W. Ward Jr. Telephone #: 257-6270  
STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN STATE, zip code  
VICINITY OF

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, LIBER #: JLB 135  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. FOLIO #: 153  
STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE CLVT 18  
DATE  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
CITY, TOWN STATE  
 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

It is curious to note the architectural features which the above mentioned houses share with the Adam Thoroughgood House in Princess Anne County, Va. Although it has exterior chimneys and different fenestration, the general form and the materials are alike. Furthermore, tradition holds that Richard Bennett as well as \_\_\_\_\_ were puritans who migrated to Maryland from Virginia. The traditions of Puritans architecture in Virginia are not irrelevant to a discussion of Upper Bennett.

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**OWNER OF PROPERTY**

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**REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Briscoe, B., Know Your County

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ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 135.14A

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

SEE ATTACHED SHEET.

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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Historic and graceful Upper Bennett, home of the Baggetts, reflects over 300 years of living, and like Maryland itself, has weathered successive tribulations but emerged into its present era of gracious living through hard work and quiet pride.

Richard Bennett first acquired the land, 1,150 acres at the time, after leaving Virginia because of popular opposition to his strong Puritan views. Member of a wealthy English merchant family, he and several associates were granted "all that land lying on the west side of the Chesapeake Bay from the Patuxent River to Palmer's Island."

The first home was built in 1658, sold thereafter by Bennett to Benjamin Brashear when Bennett returned to a more sympathetic political climate in Virginia, where he later became governor of that Colony.

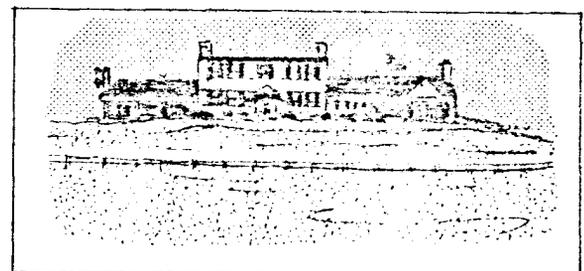
Upper Bennett passed then to Benjamin Brashears' son, Robert, who sold the grant in parcels, with the home and adjacent land purchased by one of Maryland's most illustrious families, the Chews. Samuel Chew, who bought the property on December 8, 1730, was a grandson of the first Samuel Chew, founder of the Herring Bay Settlement. Early records indicate that as a member of the Federation of Freemen and colonel of the Militia, Samuel Chew lived up to the standards set by his pioneering grandfather.

A renowned patriot, Samuel Chew during the Revolutionary War loaned a well-bred, spirited Arabian horse to his cousin, Joseph Blake, who promised to use it in recruiting men for the American Army.

Instead of utilizing the steed as a mobile recruiting platform, as proposed, Blake entered him in a number of races, whereupon Col. Chew returned the animal to his home pasture where he became a predecessor of the fine animals which have traditionally grazed upon the rich land of Upper Bennett.

During the Civil War the home made history as every member of the Chew family supported the Confederate cause as best he could. At one time Yankee soldiers camped on the place and made life thoroughly miserable for the entire family, ordering them about and confiscating all the food and household articles they could find.

A family legend tells of the strong-minded maiden aunt who wore a brace of pistols as a bustle to keep the Yankee soldiers



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## The Baggetts



from finding them and of the grandfather who was running contraband to the Confederate troops, hiding the precious guns in the beech woods back of the house. He finally escaped via the Bay to outrun the Federal troops.

While the battle raged in this vicinity, the Chews put feather beds in the windows to keep musket balls out.

During, or shortly after, the Civil War the back half of the house was added, creating an architecture unusual in the area with a brick front and clapboard back to the home. Wide chimneys stand on either end of the house and the roof, which is steep, slants out over the front porch into which are set four dormer windows. The wide porch on the front—facing the Bay—invites the visitor to rest awhile on one of the benches on either side of the entrance door and admire the view of the Bay and the rolling countryside surrounding the home.

From 1730, Upper Bennett remained in possession of the same family, descending in a straight line to Miss Jane Gantt, whose mother was Anna Chew.

When Jesse and Frances Baggett purchased the property in 1958 the house had deteriorated to the point that the seller inquired when "Mr. Baggett wanted the old house burned down to clear the property."

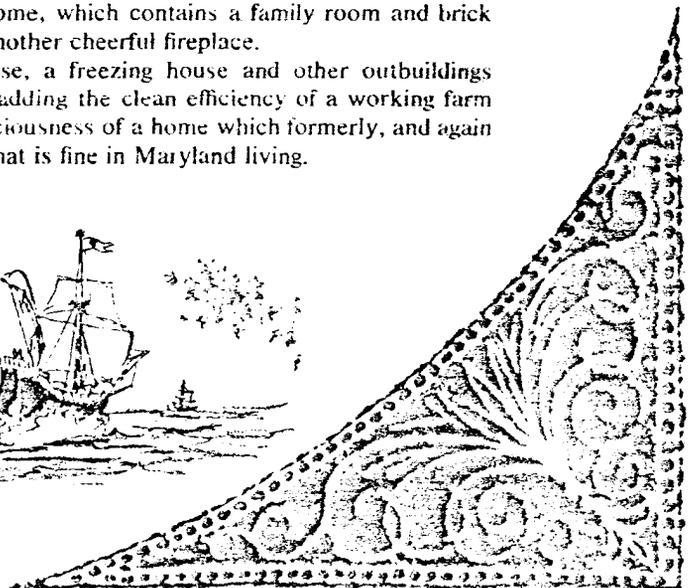
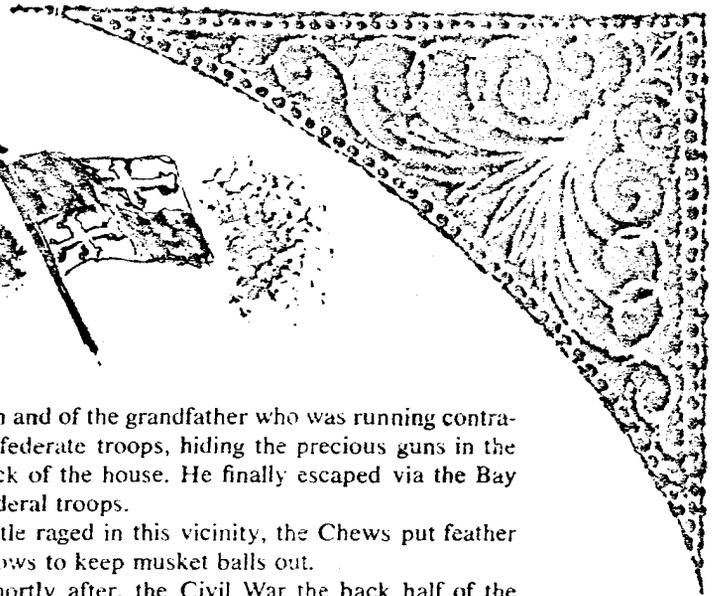
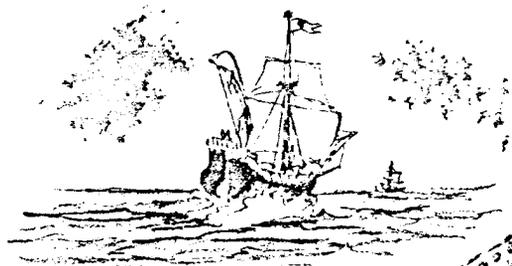
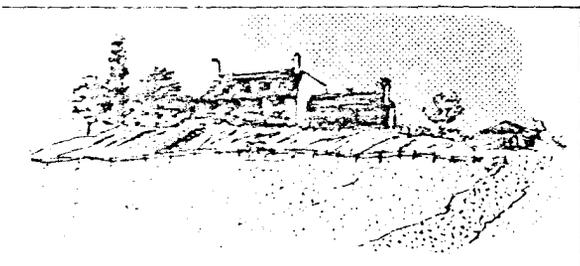
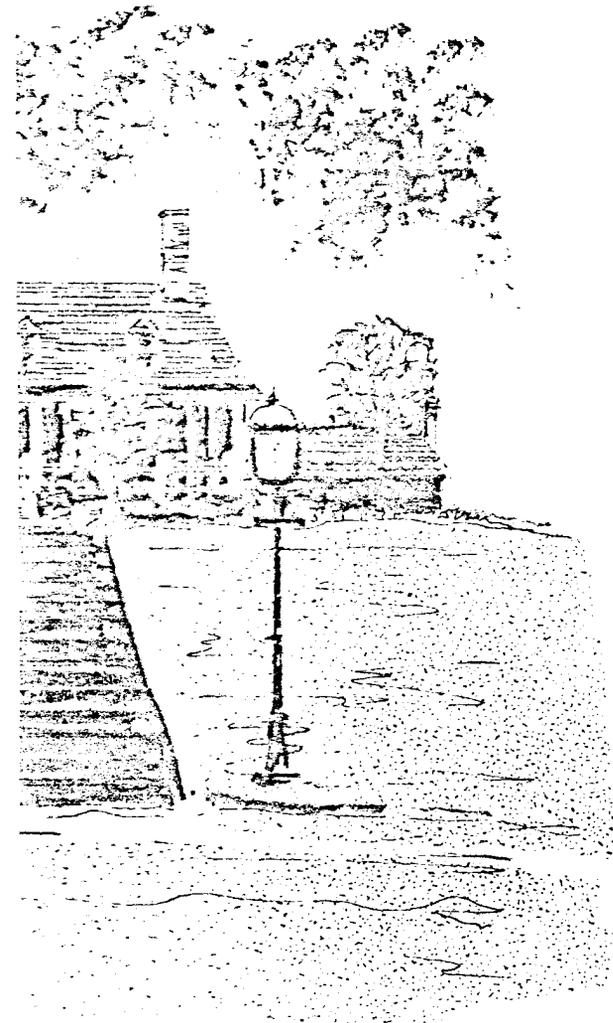
Mr. Baggett didn't.

And then began the period of reconstruction at Upper Bennett, which continues today. The Baggetts worked from a firm foundation, and week by week and year by year continued the rebuilding.

The gracious entrance hall opens on to a study and dining room, where a high simple mantle, supported by fluted pilasters, contains scroll work hand cut of wood. Part of the chimney in this room is hollow and it was there the Chew family hid their silver during the Yankee occupation.

The Baggetts later added a new wing, completing the previous imbalance of the home, which contains a family room and brick walled side, with another cheerful fireplace.

A summer house, a freezing house and other outbuildings were constructed, adding the clean efficiency of a working farm to the restored graciousness of a home which formerly, and again today, reflects all that is fine in Maryland living.



Gantt  
1930's  
photo

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each row

Prince Frederick

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## Upper Bennett

By Betty Briscoe

Upper Bennett continued from last week's "Know Your County" article.

Your columnist and a photographer for the Independent visited there last Wednesday - of course, to photograph the house of to-

We entered the large gates from the Beach road and drove through a breathing long lane, passing ponds in the lower area. The fields and grounds are enhanced by beautiful trees and summer flowering growth. At a distance, high on a slight elevation stands the old house. The fields and grounds around are beautifully dotted here and there with an old barn or out buildings. Unfortunately for the foliage up front of the house (which use to be) and today faces the Bay side, the trees make it too close for a lens.

We browsed around and took our pictures from what used to be the back as access to the house now is facing east. I presume this is the carriage door of the house that was most houses in the area. Time plays a part here.

One really wouldn't know the front from the back as it is so neat and most picturesque. One may stand on the steps here, look over the four terraces below which I have always been told was a veritable fairyland with blooming old trees and flowers in the spring. The fruit trees present the terraces today in a side view of the country speaks to one, as he breathes in the pure air which the odor of the bay.

Last week I left you with the Upper Bennett being sold to

From 1730 "Upper Bennett" had remained in possession of the family and had descended in straight line to Miss Jane Gantt whose mother was Anna Chew. So this brings me up to the charming lady I knew who lived at Upper Bennett in my time. As I look back she never seemed to be too busy to greet visitors with sincere cordiality and hospitality and to linger with them in reminiscence of Upper Bennett's golden past.

Compare this picture with the one in last week's "Know Your County" column.

Next week's article will tell a little of the architecture of the house and what has been changed about the exterior. Oh yes, there are a few folklore stories I must relate also.

A house with a history that has been preserved. "Thank the Lord."

## Birth Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Sheckells of Huntingtown are pleased to announce the birth of their new granddaughter Amy Marie. Amy was born August 5, 1975 at Triples Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii and weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces. Her happy and most proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack K. Thompson of Barbers Point, Hawaii. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Garland Thompson of Belleville, Kansas.



The Neeld Estate Citizens Assoc. held its annual benefit auction at Hilltop House on Sunday, August 31. It was a gala affair with members donating articles for sale, delicious hors d'oeuvres, & money as well as time, all combined to make this a real fun night. Donald King, our own resident auctioneer, was in great form and as a result of his evening's activities, the Association will have funds to refurbish Hilltop House. As usual the citizens of N.E. were more than generous with their own special talents and beautiful articles caused fast and furious bidding. President Jean Paquin and the officers of N.E.C.A. wish to thank everyone who contributed to the success of this function.

The last business meeting of the Neeld Estate Citizens Assoc. for the current season will be held on Saturday, September 20, at 11 a.m. at Hilltop House. At this meeting, officers for 1976 will be elected and a tentative budget for the coming year will be proposed. Please circle the date on your calendar.

Betty Fales is still prone with her broken leg and husband John has really been "ruling the roost". Betty reports that he's most talented in housekeeping as well as the culinary arts.

Guests of the Neeld family this week included Mr. and Mrs. Wes Jaques and daughter Celeste, of Hutchinson, Kas. Mr. Jaques is the brother of Mrs. Viva Neeld.

Barbara and Jim Clericuzio are entertaining guests Rose and Nick Ambizioso from Bloomfield, N.J. Rose is Jim's sister; daughter Carol has returned to Albany Medical College to begin her second year. Carol is a straight A student and tops the Dean's List.

Polly and Clay Thompson entertained friends last Saturday night and guests later enjoyed a pizza party with the Clericuzios.

and Mrs. Thomas Wilton are receiving congratulations on the birth of their daughter, Belle Smith of Long left Sunday, September 1, 1975 for York College, Pennsylvania for the semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Hundo Kenney and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Sheckells spent Labor Day weekend in Niagara Falls and Canada. Faye and Terry Sheckells, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Sheckells, fled by Airline to Honolulu, August 18, 1975, to spend two weeks vacation with sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jack K. Thompson and family; Terry Mark and Amy. While they visited many places of interest and enjoyed every minute. They returned to Friendship Airport on Friday, September 2, 1975. Faye said it is more beautiful than you would think.

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Mrs. Philip Crifaci, who has been spending two weeks with her parents, Col. and Mrs. Robert Conlyn, has returned to her home at San Francisco. Ensign Mark Conlyn, who has also been visiting his parents, recently obtained a Master's degree from the University of Western Florida. Ensign Conlyn is at present stationed at Pensacola.

Mr. Lee Bradshaw, of Minneapolis, is spending a couple of weeks with his mother, Mrs. Charles Murto, in Prince Frederick. Lee is recuperating from a serious plane accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack O' Ferrell and Mrs. Pat Costello, of Baltimore, visited their sister, Mrs. Herbert Smith, last week end.

## Auxiliary Sponsors Card Party

A card party to be given by the Calvert Memorial Hospital Auxiliary for the benefit of the hospital will be held on Saturday, September 27, at 8 p.m. The affair will be held at Calvert Senior High School on Dares Beach Rd., Prince Frederick, in the cafeteria.

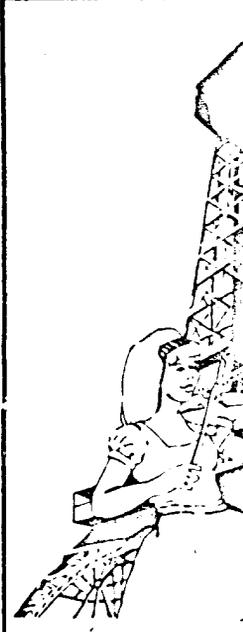
Card games of all types will be played and there will be prizes for the winners.

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# rary Life Styles



Front View of Upper Bennett

This is an old clapboard and brick house which is said to stand on the second highest site in Calvert County, overlooking the wide expanse of the Chesapeake Bay. The back windows look out over the terrace garden and orchard, (which I spoke of last week) and beyond, across the rolling hills to the far distant ancient landmark of All Saints Church.

The architecture of the original part of Upper Bennett which is the center section, is unusual since the front was pink and the back clapboard. (As seen in picture 1 of first issue) The back half was added, I was told, during the Civil War. Wide chimneys stand at either end of the house, used to be covered with ivy and other vines. The roof which is steep, stands out over the front porch and into, are set 4 dormer windows. This house rests on a sturdy native stone foundation.

After Miss Jane Gantt left Upper Bennett it was vacant for a while and then acquired by Mr. Jesse Claggett of Prince George's County.

He restored more or less the old part of the house but added a wing to each end, North and South. The wings do not conform to the old pink brick but are more or less of a sand color and set the time. Vines were taken from the house in order for renovation. The original Magnolia tree which has stood the test of time is still flourishing.

Other shrubs and trees were replaced.

Even though some of the exterior architecture may not conform, I feel the house and grounds are a show place of its own. The preservation of the original house which like all early houses of Calvert was 1½ stories and time played a part for the additions as all old houses in Calvert.

The room Miss Gantt used as a living room during her time, is on the left of the entrance hall which runs straight through the house and is one of the two original rooms down stairs. Here you could find a high simple mantle supported by fluted pilasters. The scroll work on the mantle was in the shape of little diamonds which were cut out and applied by hand. Part of the Chimney in the room is hollow and it was here the Chews hid their silver during the Yankee occupation. On the upper floor, boards by the chimney could be removed and the silver dropped down the hollow part of the opening. Replacing the boards, no one who did not know the secret, could tell anything about it.

Beyond this living room on the same side of the hall was the dining room. Although this part of the house was built a few years later, the mantle and woodwork were quite similar. The mantle was a little lower and had none of the scroll work which

characterized the other. This as I remember it inside, from the words of the lady who graced the setting for many years.

She also loved to tell the story of Samuel Chew, during the Revolution, who was a renowned patriot, loaned a spirited Arabian horse to his cousin, Joseph Blake, who promised to use it in recruiting men for the army, instead of using the horse as a portable recruiting office, the wily Mr. Blake entered him in a number of races. The owner soon got word of this and sent for his prized Arabian to be returned to him without further ado.

Another prize story was Samuel Chew married a Miss Weems, and following her death Miss Priscilla Claggett, daughter of the Rev. Samuel Claggett and sister of Maryland's first Bishop. One of the letters that was in possession of Miss Gantt years ago was from Bishop Claggett to his daughter Patsy, asking her to "be pleased to make Ned call at the store and get him a loaf of sugar and a pound of snuff". Apparently a Maryland Bishop enjoyed life as much as his parishioners. Another prize document at Upper Bennett was a certificate of confirmation of Mary Ann Claggett by her father, the Bishop.

If the old part of the house could talk, many tales could be carried away from its enclosure. I used to love to listen to her reminisce. I only wish I had made notes of many more.

Your columnist does have some love tokens from Upper Bennett. An old rose bush which thrived there. I took a small root and have grown it. Today after pruning and transplanting it in the spring, it is thriving, a hand made wooden rolling pin, several handmade spoons and a wooden potato masher, these I treasure.

The grounds at Upper Bennett like the old house itself are characterized by the old world charm and simplicity even though it has in the past a bit of a face lifting. The remoteness and security here which is unusual in this present day of developments make it stand out in glory. Although Upper Bennett is close to the bustle of the Bay it stands commanding today all it surveys. A place of beauty and a historic landmark, now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ward, Jr.

## Help! Help! Help!

Calvert County Homemakers need your help. Can you spare a few hours to work in the Snack Bar at the County Fair. Help is needed from 10 to 2 on Wednesday, October 1; Thursday, Friday and Saturday (October 2, 3, 4) help will be needed from 10 to 1; 1 to 4; and 4 to closing. Breakfast will be served each day from 6-7 A.M. if any "earlybirds" would like to help out.

Call either Mary Gross, 535-0446, or the Extension Service Office, 535-1480 to sign up. This is the Homemakers Council only money making project for this year.

Extension programs are open to all regardless of race, color or national origin.

## Calverton Mothers Set Country Fair And Supper

Plan now to attend the 9th Annual Calverton School Country Fair and Supper sponsored by the Calverton Mother's Club on October 11 from 12 Noon until 7 P.M. The new location this year is the National Guard Armory on Armory Road in Prince Frederick.

A delicious family-style oyster and ham dinner with all the trimmings and dessert will be served continuously from 12 Noon until 7 P.M. Carry out dinners will also be available. Supper prices are \$4.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 years and under.

Browsing through our many bazaar booths will add a pleasant note to your afternoon. Some of the highlights of the Fair include: A Pink Sleigh Christmas Boutique, featuring a "Handmade Gingerbread House", an old-fashioned ice cream parlor, a country store, a stitchery booth, arts and crafts center, a sweet-tooth shop and children's games, plus a fantastic raffle.

We are looking forward to seeing you on October 11th!

## 1970 Class Reunion

All dinner reservations for Calvert's 1970 Class Reunion on September 20, Rod 'n' Reel Club received no later than noon on Friday, September 19, 1975. Those who cannot attend the dance pay at the door 9:00 p.m. Contact 535-1642 weekdays 8:30 and 4:30 or 586-0657 any time p.m. for further information.

## Women's Luncheon

The United Women's Clubs of Calvert County 4th Quarterly Meeting will be held at the Inn, Routes 40 & 20, Poolesville, Maryland on Thursday, September 19, 1975.

Congressman Byron, Representative of the 6th Congressional District will be the guest speaker at the luncheon.

Executive Board of Governors will convene at 11:00 a.m. on tickets can be purchased from club president chairpersons or the Executive Board Chairman, 4815 Delaware Avenue, Poolesville, Md. 20740.

## Ms. Smith Enters York College

Bonnie Belle Smith, 21, of Calvert County, is a student at York College, Pennsylvania this September.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Smith, a graduate of Calvert School. Her major study will be in psychology.

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GREAT ELTONHEAD are two mansions of the same type: typical two-storey early Eighteenth Century brick buildings with string courses and moulded bases.

The MANOR OF GREAT ELTONHEAD was a five thousand acre estate surveyed in 1652 for Edward Eltonhead.<sup>4</sup> Samuel Bourne, who was the son of Capt. Thomas Bourne of the Grosses Guild, owned the entire "Eltonhead Manor" and lived in the first manor-house before he died in 1693. He left to his son Samuel Bourne (Jr.) two thousand acres with the plantation (dwelling) *by Drum Point*. This would place the first manor-house near the present

<sup>4</sup>"Eltonhead Manor" was originally 2000 acres surveyed in 1648 for William Eltonhead and later possessed by Nicholas Sewall, Edward Digges, Ignatius Taylor, and Charles Sewall. At another time Nicholas Causine of "Causine's Manor" was Lord of "Eltonhead Manor".

"Rousby Hall". The second manor-house stands at Little Cove Point and is clearly a middle Eighteenth Century mansion. Its panelling was burnt out about fifty years ago. Some of the original small-paned windows are remaining on the side toward the Bay.

CAPTAIN CLARK'S HOUSE, from which the panelling was taken for the Baltimore Museum of Art, stands at Little Cove Point, *four miles or more from the site of the first manor-house*. The panelling of CAPT. CLARK'S HOUSE is clearly Eighteenth Century work in the sophistication indicated in the refinement of the mouldings, the breaking-out of cornices, running-wave ornaments, thin fluted pilasters, stump pilasters, balusters set diagonally instead of straight, and other features.



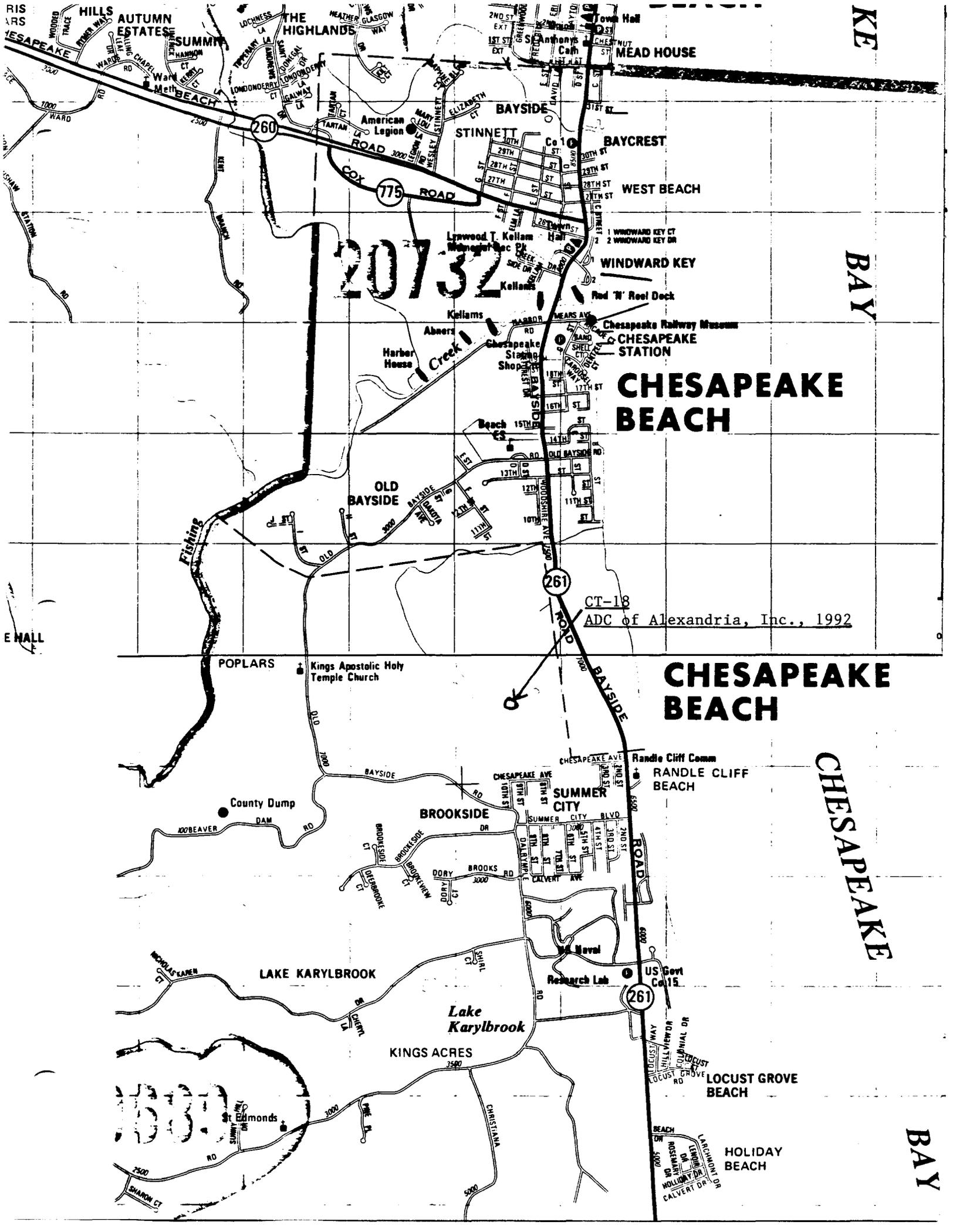
UPPER BENNETT

was granted in 1650 as 1150 acres of land to Richard Bennett. In 1726 it was granted to Samuel Chew of "Herrington", and it has been a Chew place ever since. The house was built about 1658. The first floor has two rooms, and the old stairway has vanished. One side of the house is brick, the other three sides clapboarded. The foundation is stone.

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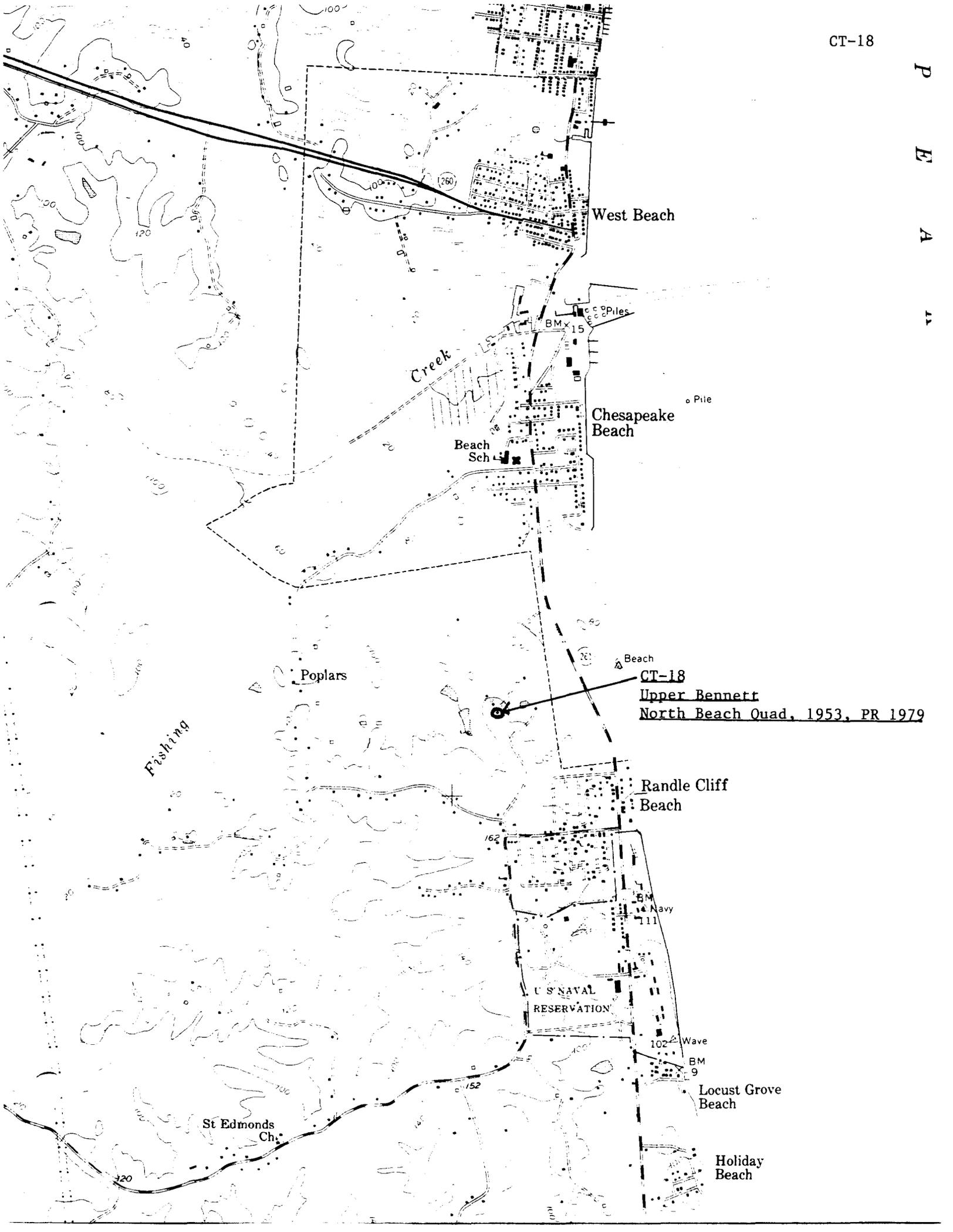
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