

CARR-1575

1110 Main Street, Hampstead

Summary:

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Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. CARR-1575

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Amos & Lydia Armacost House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 1110 South Main Street not for publication

city, town Hampstead vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Carroll

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" 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 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: development site

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

name Town of Hampstead

street & number 1034 South Carroll Street telephone no.: (410) 239-7408

city, town Hampstead state and zip code Maryland 21074

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse Annex liber LWS 1179

street & number 55 North Court Street folio 745

city, town Westminster state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			<u>demolished 1998</u>

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

SEE ATTACHED

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1897 **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.

SEE ATTACHED

STATE OF ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION

Description

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The Amos and Lydia Armacost House is located at 1110 Main Street in Hampstead in northeastern Carroll County, Maryland. The house is located on the west side of Main Street and faces east toward the road. It is 2 ½ story three bay by two bay frame structure with a 2 story one bay by one bay L on the west. It has a foundation of rubble stone; German siding on the east elevation and aluminum siding on the north and west elevations and a gable roof with standing seam metal and a north/south ridge. The ridge on the L runs east/west. Moved elsewhere, there's German siding on the south elevation.

On the east elevation, the first story has a center entrance with a door that has one light of beveled glass and a 1-light transom. On either side of this doorway is a full height 1/1 sash with blinds. There is a three bay 1 story porch with a balustrade covered with sawtooth pattern wood shingles and with turned posts; jigsawn brackets; an apron between the brackets and pendant drops. The porch has a hip roof of standing seam metal. The second story has three 1/1 sash with blinds. There's a wood box cornice with returns. The end bays in the attic have dormers with paired 1/1 sash. The east elevation of these dormers has sawtooth wood shingles with drill holes. The north and south elevations of the dormers have slate shingles. The dormers have gable roof with an east/west ridge and a wood box cornice with a pediment on the east elevation. There's an interior brick chimney on the south.

On the north elevation, the first story has two 1/1 sash; the second story has a 1/1 sash in the west bay. The gable end has two 2/2 sash and has sawtooth wood shingles. The west elevation of the main block has the L attached so only the north bay is exposed. The first story has no opening. The second story has a typical 1/1 sash and there's a wood box cornice.

The north elevation of the L has a 1-light sash in the foundation; a 2/2 double hung sash on the first and second stories and a wood box cornice. The west elevation of the L has a 2/2 sash set north of center on the first story. The second story has a 1/1 sash in a reduced opening set north of center. There's nothing in the gable end. The L is attached to the center bay with a porch in the south bay. The west end of the porch has a door on the first story with four lights. The second story west end of the porch is enclosed with asbestos shingles. The south elevation of the L is two bays. The first story has a 2/2 sash in the west bay and a five paneled door with a 1-light transom in the east bay. The porch has a wood deck and a beaded board ceiling. It also has Champford posts and four straight rails on the second story. The second story has 2/2 sash in the west bay and a five paneled door in the east bay.

The south bay of the west elevation of the main block has no openings. The south elevation of the main block has a typical 1/1 sash in the west bay of the first story. The second story has a new small 1/1 sash in an original opening that has been widened on either side and reduced in height at the top and bottom. The gable end has two 2/2 sash and sawtooth wood shingles.

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There is a cellar under the L only and partially dug out under the north room. The stairs to the cellar are from the south porch. The cellar has circular sawn joists that run north/south and there's bridging between them.

The first story has a center entrance with a vestibule and enclosed straight run of stairs in the center. It has a single pile plan with a one room L. The architrave throughout has beaded-interior edge and bulls-eye corner blocks. The north room has a wood mantel centered on the north wall. There was never a fireplace here. The mantel is varnished and has bracketed pilasters with a rope molding on each side. There are three panels in the freeze. The over-mantel has a beveled mirror in the center with a shelf across the top that has spindle work and panels behind it. There are two small shelves; one on each side of the mirror also with spindles. Turned posts support these shelves. The interior doors have five panels and have mortice locks. The south room has a mantel centered on the south elevation. It was originally varnished wood but is now painted white. There are floor length brackets that support the mantel shelf and the opening has a Tudor arch with a plain freeze. The over-mantel is shorter than that in the north room. It has a mirror in the center with a panel to each side. There is a projecting shelf at the top and is supported by two Champford posts with jigsaw brackets. The west or L room is a kitchen with Circa 1950's cupboards on the west wall. There is a winder stair in the southwest corner with a four paneled door. The east elevation has doors to the north and south rooms and a door in the center to a closet below the stairway.

The second story stairway comes up to a cross passage that runs north/south with chambers on the north, south and west. The opening at the top of the stair is arched. The architrave and the doors are the same as on the first story. The doors were originally varnished as was the woodwork here. The south chamber is now divided into two rooms with a bathroom in one. There is a built-in closet on the south elevation set to the east that has been altered, and there is an enclosed stair to the attic on the north elevation that goes up to the west. The west chamber has a stairway coming up from the first story in the southwest corner with a swinging gate at the top of the stairway. The chimney flue is centered on the west wall at the top of the stair. The architrave in this room has plain corner blocks.

The attic has circular sawn rafters that are mitered at the ridge and lap over a thin false plate nailed to the floor. The rafters support lath and slate. The interior brick chimney on the south survives and there was one originally on the north that has been removed above the attic floor. The building is fastened with wire nails.

There is a summer kitchen attached to the west end of the porch and the entrance is covered by this porch. The kitchen has a CMU foundation; is framed with German siding on the east and asbestos shingles on the north and south and has a gable roof with an east/west ridge and with asphalt shingles. It is a 1 ½ story two bay by two bay structure. On the east elevation, the

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south bay has a new 1/1 sash and the north bay has a beaded-edge-in-center vertical board door hung on tee hinges. The gable end has a 1-light sash. The north elevation has a new 1-light sash in the east bay and a new 1/1 sash in the west bay. The west elevation has a boarded over door in the north bay and the south elevation has two new 1/1 sash.

Contributing resources 2.

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Single Family Dwelling

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Amos & Lydia Armacost House

CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR	HOME COUNTY	GRANTEE	HOME COUNTY	DATE	LIBER	FOLIO	TRANS-ACTION	COMMENTS
William F. Wheeler, Robert I. Wheeler & W. Gibbs McKenny, pers. rep. of Olive M. Wheeler	Carroll	William F. & Robert I. Wheeler, and W. Gibbs McKenny	?	6 Nov 1989	LWS 1179	745	Deed Fee Simple	.26571 ac 1) 102 S. Main st. plus 2) 100 S. Main 3) 103 S. Main 4) .636 ac. 5) 105 S. Main
Winifred P. Miller, widow	Carroll	William Leslie & Olive M. Wheeler (wf)	?	1 Nov 1963	CCC 366	308	Deed Fee Simple	\$10.00 11,050 sq. ft
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William H. Armacost, etal, heirs of Lydia F. Armacost	Carroll	Herbert B. & Winifred P. Miller (wf)	Carroll	7 May 1927	EMM 149	88	Deed Fee Simple	\$100 11,050 sq. ft
Amos H. Armacost	Hampstead	Lydia F. Armacost wf of Amos H.	Hampstead	3 Oct 1922	EMM 141	29	Deed Fee Simple	\$1.00 11,050 sq. ft
William A. Abbott & wf Maggie B.	Carroll	Amos H. Armacost	Carroll	28 May 1897	BFC 84	462	Deed Fee Simple	\$225 11,050 sq. ft.
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William A. Burke & wf Anna M.		Harrison H. Lamotte		11 Aug 1879	FTS 52	537		

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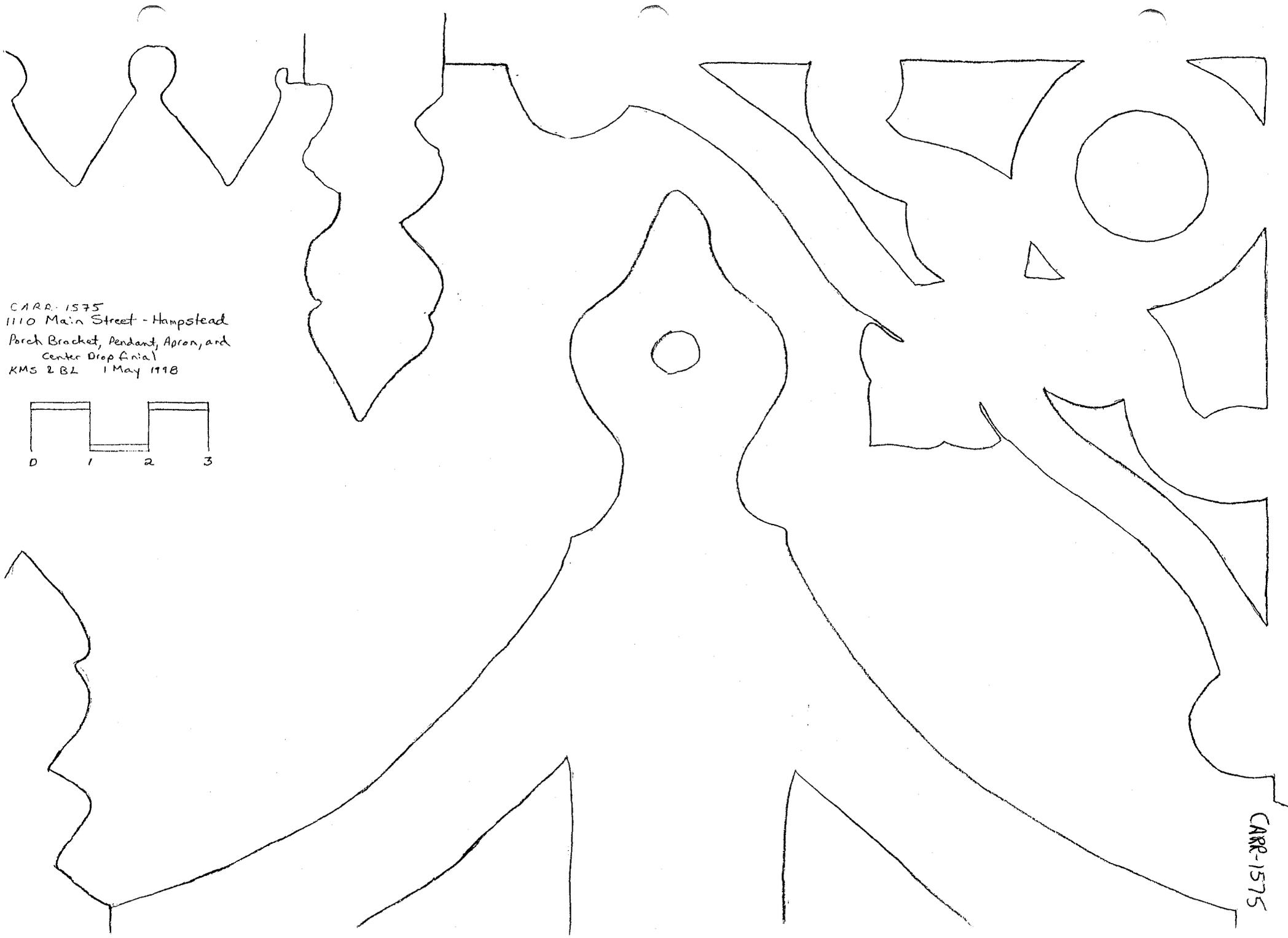
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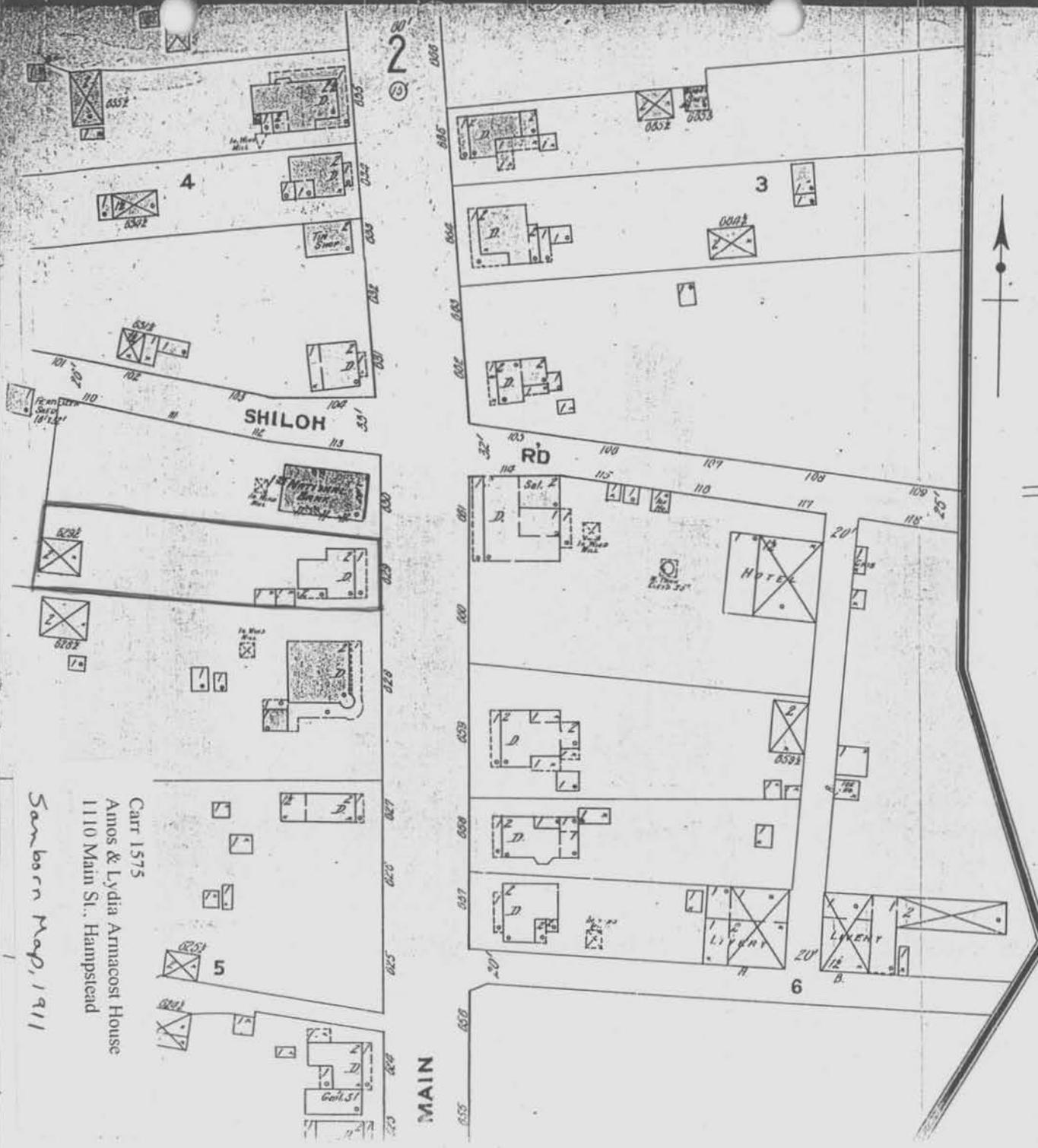
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1110 Main Street - Hampstead
Porch Bracket, Pendant, Apron, and
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Sanborn Map, 1911
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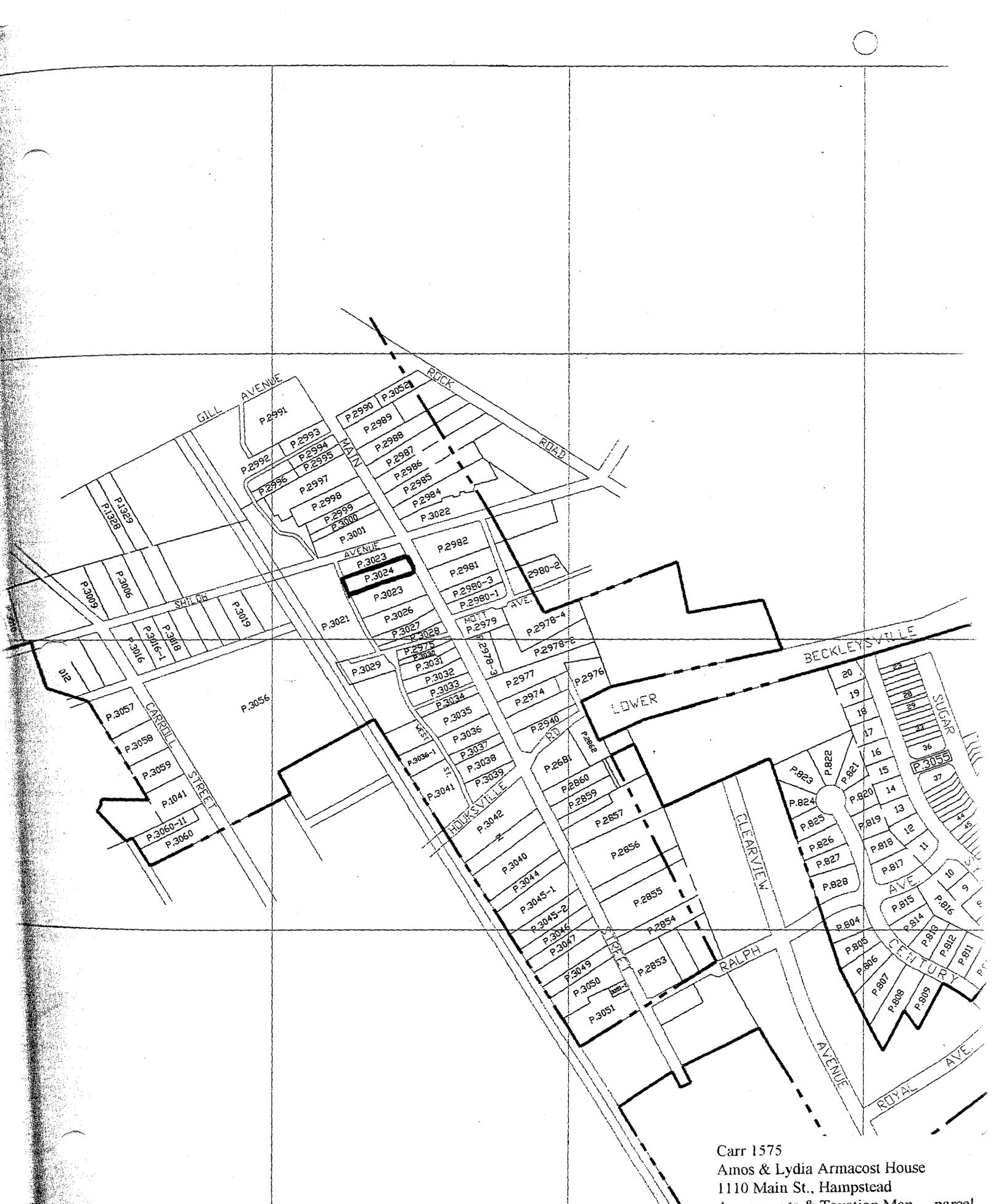
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WATER FACILITIES - None.
 One DEP'S volunteer fire company,
 one chemical engine, two 50 ft
 2 1/2" hose, one motor truck, one
 bell fire alarm.
 Principal streets macadamized.
 Public lighting nil.

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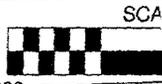
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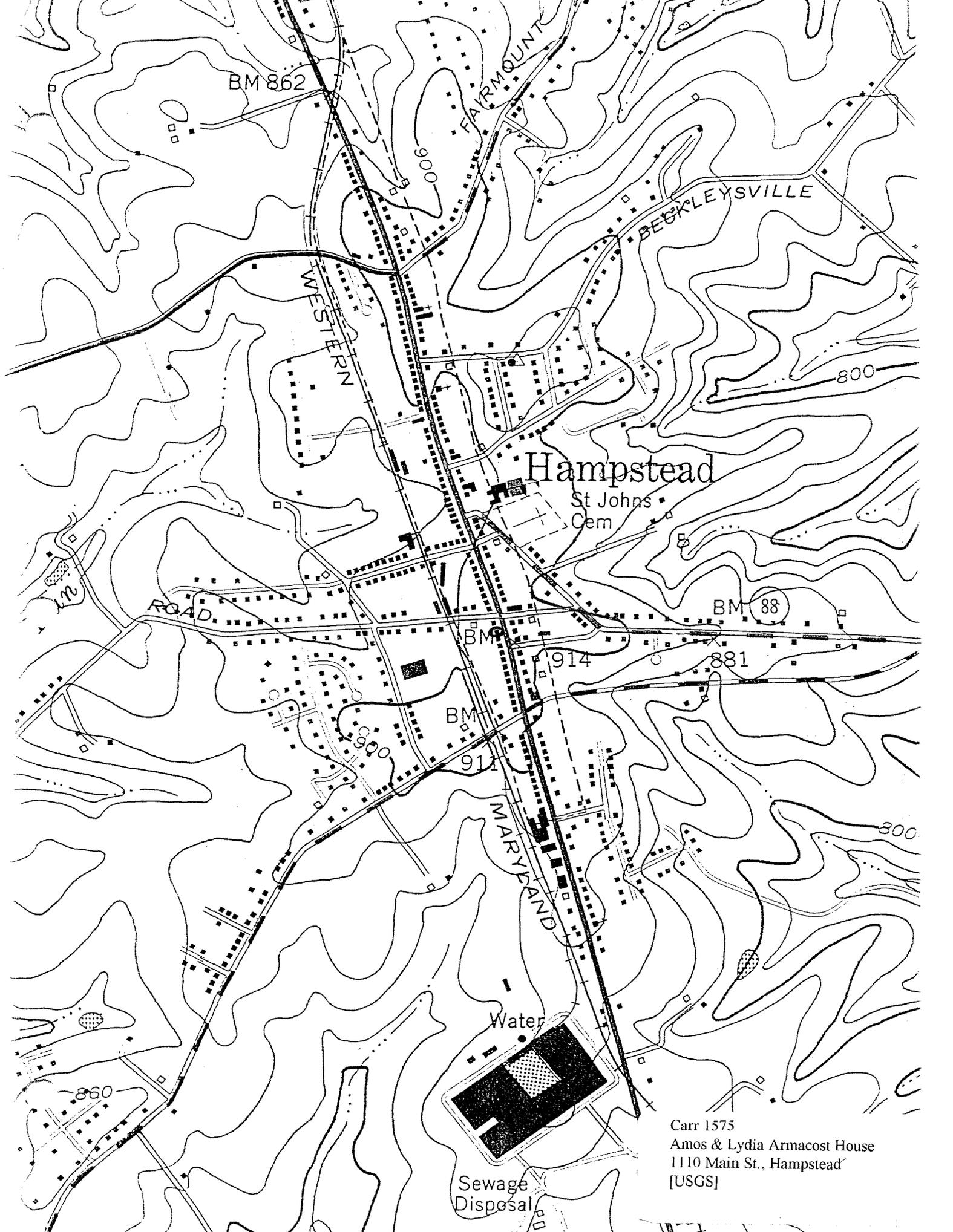
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