

CARR-1604

1134 Main Street, Hampstead

Summary:

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**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. CARR-1604

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**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic J. Frank Switzer House

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 1134 South Main Street  not for publication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 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Byrum & Carol Cable

street & number 1134 South Main Street telephone no.: (410) 239-7422

city, town Hampstead state and zip code Maryland 21074

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse Annex liber CCC 463

street & number 55 North Court Street folio 479

city, town Westminster state Maryland

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title None

date  federal  state  county  local

pository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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.

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"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<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	C.1925	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria:	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	
and/or		
Applicable Exception:	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance:	<input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

SEE ATTACHED

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 13,280 sq. ft.

Quadrangle name Hampstead

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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	Zone	Easting	Northing

B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kenneth M. Short, Historic Planner

organization Carroll County Planning & Develop. date May 27, 1999

street & number 225 North Center Street telephone (410) 386-2145

city or town Westminster state Maryland

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Description

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The J. Frank Switzer House is located at 1134 Main Street in Hampstead in northeastern Carroll County, Maryland. The house is located on the west side of the street and faces east toward the street. The house is a 2 ½ story three bay by three bay brick structure with a parged foundation; running bond brick walls and a hip roof with standing seam metal. On the east elevation, the first story has a segmentally arched 1/1 sash with a marble sill in the south bay. There is no opening in the center bay. The north bay has a glazed door with a segmentally arched stained glass transom. There is a 1 story three bay porch with brick piers that have marble caps and support fluted square columns. The porch has a half hip roof of standing seam metal. The second story has three segmentally arched 1/1 sash with marble sills. The roof eaves have a deep overhang. There is a gabled wall dormer that spans from the south corner to over the north bay. The dormer has slate shingle siding and paired 1/1 sash. On the south elevation, the first and second stories each have three typical 1/1 sash. There is a gabled wall dormer over the two west bays and it is identical to that on the east elevation. On the north elevation, the first and second stories are identical to those on the south elevation. There is a central dormer with paired 1/1 sash and a hip roof. On the west elevation, the first story has a shed roofed brick wing on the north half that contains new sash and there is an enclosed porch on the southern half. The second story has nothing to the north; there is a porch with turned balusters and hip roof of standing seam metal. To the south, there is a segmentally arched door that leads out to this porch.

There are several out buildings also on the lot. There is a privy with German siding and a gable roof of standing seam metal with a north/south ridge. It has a door on the north elevation of beaded-edge-in-center vertical boards. There is a shed or poultry house that is set on concrete piers and has beaded-edge-in-center vertical board siding. It has a gable roof of standing seam metal with an east/west ridge. There is a 1-light sash on the west end and a 6-light sash on the east end. At the west end of the lot is a carriage house. It is a 2 story two bay by two bay frame structure with beaded-edge-in-center vertical board siding and a gable roof of standing seam metal with a north/south ridge. The east elevation has wagon doors on rollers on the first story and two small doors on the second story. The north elevation has two 2/1 sash on the first story. There are no openings on the second story, but the gable end has a 2/2 sash. The window openings have pedimented trim. The west elevation has two 2/1 sash on the first story and no openings on the second story. Contributing resources 4.

Significance

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Like most houses in Hampstead built after the turn of the century, the Switzer house is not a traditional building type, but reflects national influences in middle-class housing. The house has certain affinities with the American four square, but the slate-covered gables date back to earlier Queen Anne influences. The house also marks the end of two masonry construction, as the walls are a brick veneer over frame. Into the early twentieth century most brick buildings still had masonry construction, as the walls are a brick veneer over frame. In to the early twentieth century most brick buildings still had masonry load bearing walls, even though there was a long tradition of using brick veneer over frame, which was common by this period in much of the United States, was still slow to gain favor in Carroll County.

**Geographic Organization:**

Piedmont

**Chronological/Developmental Periods:**

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

**Historic Per Theme:**

Architecture

**Resource Type:**

Single Family Dwelling

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Bibliography

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Carroll County Land Records

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, "Hampstead", 1911, 1924, 1924 corrected to 1945.

*Westminster Democratic Advocate*, Supplement Carroll County, Maryland, 1837-1910, p.48.

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## TITLE SEARCH

Property Address: 1134 Main Street, Hampstead

Property Name: \_\_\_\_\_

GRANTOR	HOME COUNTY	GRANTEE	HOME COUNTY	DATE	LIBER	FOLIO	TRANS-ACTION	COMMENTS
Caroline E. Deal et al	Carroll	Cable, Byrum w. & Carol L. (wf)	Carroll	19 Nov 1969	CCC 463	479	Deed fee simple	\$5.00 13, 280 sq. ft. No. 20. S. Main
Charles P. Geiman	Carroll	Caroline E. Deal et al	Carroll	8 Jan 1942	LDM 177	499	Deed fee simple	\$1.00
Caroline E. Deal	Carroll	Charles P. Geiman	Carroll	8 Jan 1942	LDM 177	498	Deed fee simple	\$1.00
Michael D. Leister, exec of J. Frank Switzer	Carroll Carroll	Caroline E. Deal	Carroll	23 Dec 1941	LDM 177	482	Deed fee simple	\$5600 13, 289 sq. ft
Agnes A. & William A. Murray (hus)	Carroll	J. Frank Switzer & wf Lizzie A.	Carroll	23 Nov. 1917	EOC 131	385	Deed fee simple	\$200 13,280 sq ft.
William A. Murray	Carroll	Agnes A. Murray	Carroll	12 May 1899	JHB 89	275	Deed fee simple	\$800 2 contiguous lots back lot-3 roads, 11 sq p. front lot-on w. side main st. 1/2 ac. total 1 ac, 65 sq.p.
Ephrain W. & Margaret Turner (wf)	Carroll	William A. Murray	Carroll	29 Apr. 1889	WNM 69	518	Deed fee simple	\$868
William A. Murray exec. Of Keziah Murray	Carroll	Ephraim W. Turner	Carroll	27 Apr. 1889	WNM 69	522	Deed fee simple	Keziah Murray will 28 Jan. 1888 \$868 1 ac. 1 road, 11 sq. p. 455 sq.p.

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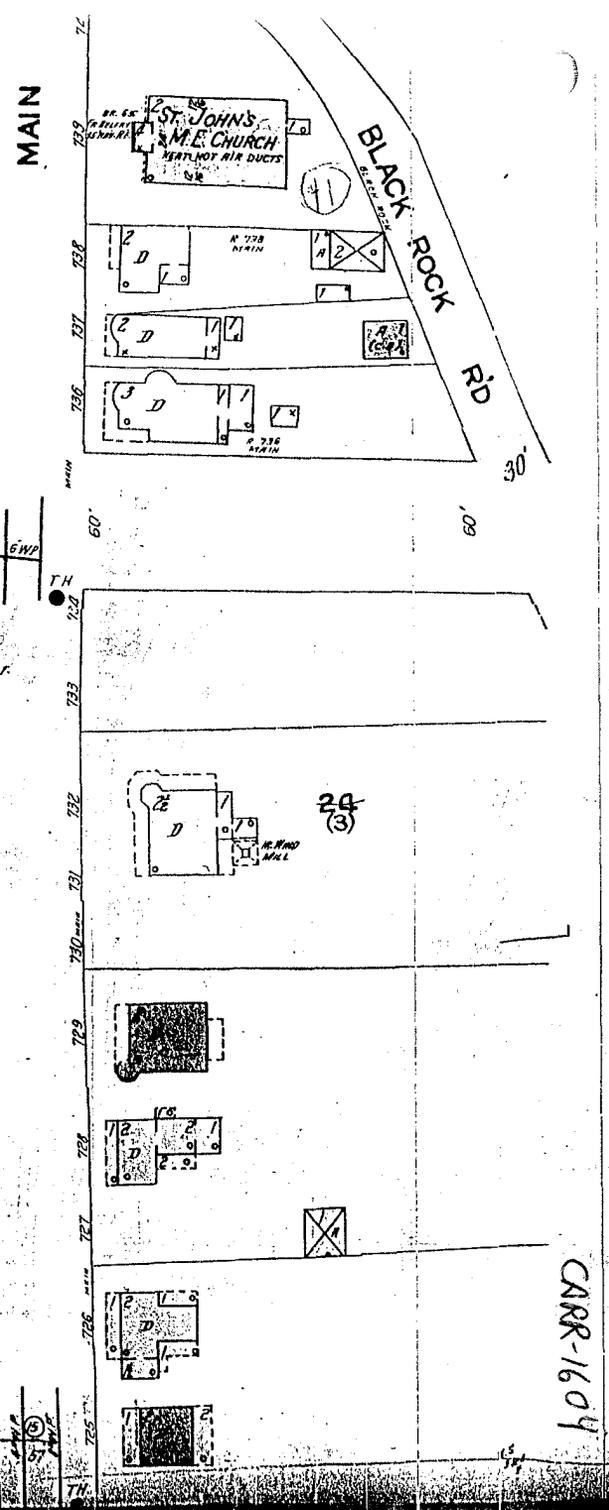
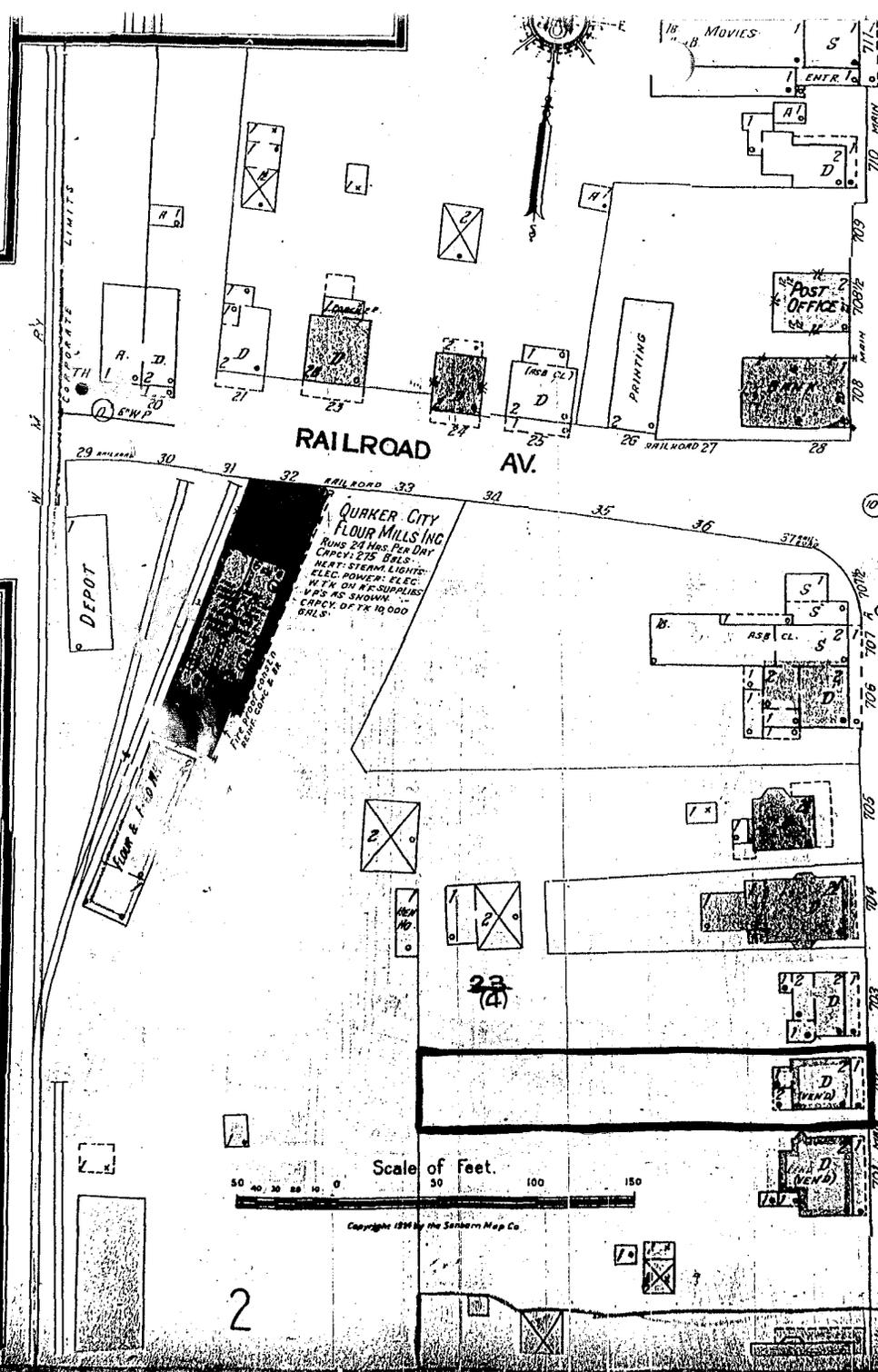
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Mary & John Sykes (hus)		Keziah Murray		26 Apr. 1870	JBB 38	435		

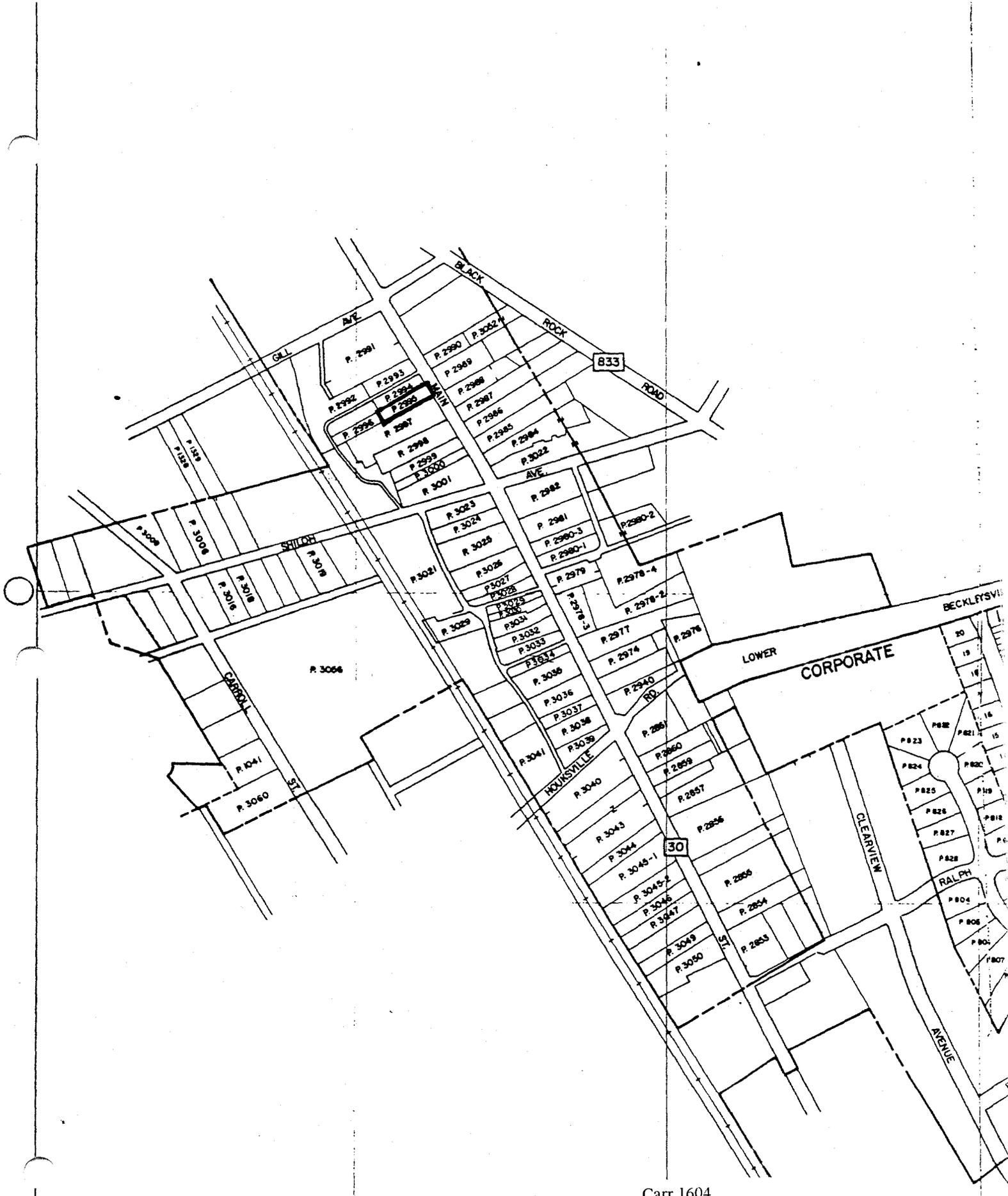
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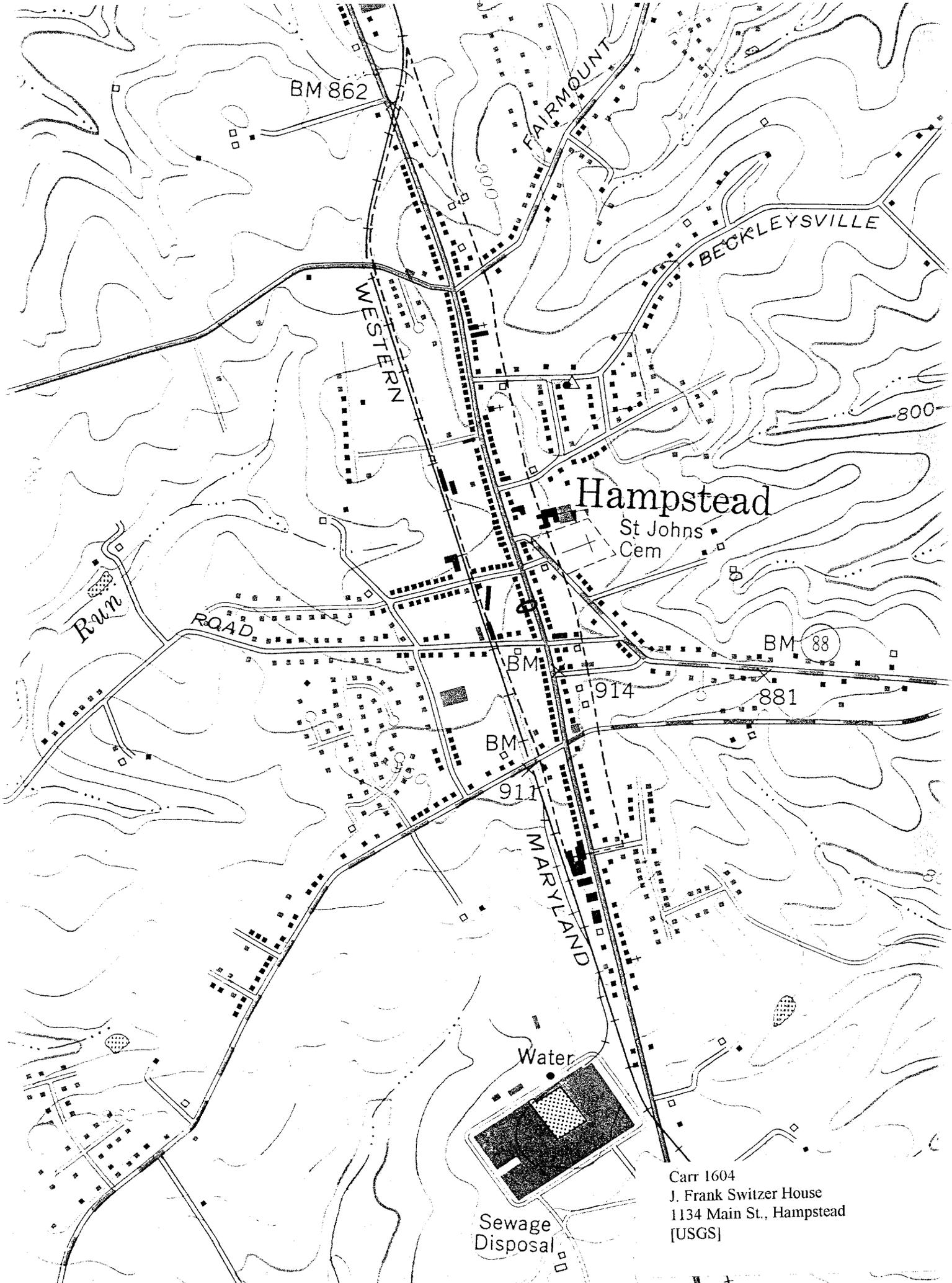
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 J. Frank Switzer House  
 1134 Main St., Hampstead  
 Assessments & Taxation Parcel

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J. FRANK SWITZER HOUSE

1134 SOUTH MAIN STREET

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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