

HA-329

c. 1730

Hopkins-Matthews House  
1839 Trappe Church Road  
Darlington, MD  
Private

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Hopkins-Matthews House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

1839 Trappe Church Road

CITY, TOWN

Darlington

 VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**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 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
	not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Marchant H. Hall

Telephone #: 836-3716

STREET &amp; NUMBER

P.O. Box 146

CITY, TOWN

Darlington

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

MD 21034

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 477

Folio #: 444

STREET &amp; NUMBER

40 So. Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Maryland Historical Trust Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1970

 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

MD

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

## 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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

The Hopkins-Matthews House is a 1-1/2 story frame house, the oldest section of which dates from 1730, which is located on the south side of Trappe Church Road about one-tenth of a mile west of the intersection of Poole Road near Darlington, Harford County, Maryland. The main elevation faces northwest.

The house has three main sections, the central of which is dominant. This part contains the main entrance under a small entry porch in the process of reconstruction. The facade has two bays. The steeply gabled composition roof has a single interior chimney at the south end of the central section. At the rear or southeast side of the enter section are two shed additions. The northernmost section is also 1-1/2 stories, but lower in height than the center section. This section contained the original kitchen and had a large open fireplace in the north end. The fireplace and hearth have been rebuilt, using many of the original fieldstones and retaining the original mantel beam. The roof contains two shed dormers on both front and rear elevations. A former open porch on the rear elevation has been enclosed. The southernmost section also has shed dormers on both elevations and an access drive to the basement level on the south end. This section replaces an earlier wing which, according to the present owner, was used as a school. The date of reconstruction is unknown.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

17-10-17

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES C. 1730

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hopkins-Matthews House is said to have been built about 1730, according to the present owner. It is similar in form to the Rigbie House (HA-4), a National Register site begun about the same period.

A complete title search on the house was not done in this survey; however, the farm was sold to Samuel H. Matthews in 1873 and was described in the deed as "the Home Farm upon which Joshua Hopkins resided at the time of his death." The property includes parts of the tract "Bachelor's Good Luck".

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Jennings and Herrick, Map of Harford County, 1858  
Martenet's Map of Harford County, 1878

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Harford County Department of Planning & Zoning

DATE

March 1983

STREET & NUMBER

45 South Main Street

TELEPHONE

(301) 838-6000 ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST  
BOX 1704  
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404 (Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

**1. NAME**

COMMON: Hall- Matthews House

AND/OR HISTORIC: "Miss Toey"

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: lane enters south of Troppa Church Road about 0.1 mi

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington west of Poole Road

STATE: Maryland CODE:      COUNTY: HARFORD CODE:     

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Occupied</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Restricted</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Unoccupied</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Unrestricted</u> <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Preservation work in progress</u> <input type="checkbox"/>
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/>

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME: Marshall + L. Hall

STREET AND NUMBER: RFD

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington STATE: Maryland CODE:     

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

STREET AND NUMBER: HARFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE 40 S. MAIN :

CITY OR TOWN: BEL AIR STATE: MARYLAND CODE:     

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:     

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:     

DATE OF SURVEY:      Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:     

STREET AND NUMBER:     

CITY OR TOWN:      STATE:      CODE:     

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE:      COUNTY:      ENTRY NUMBER      DATE      FOR NPS USE ONLY

CONDITION

 ExcellentGood Fair (Check One) Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed 

INTEGRITY

 Altered

(Check One)

Unaltered 

(Check One)

Moved  Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Frame house, 1 1/2 stories, in 3 parts.  
Facing north, the ridge line runs east-west.  
In the central section, about 20 x 20, <sup>2 bays wide</sup> a large  
brick fireplace is in the west wall.

Beams, now exposed, are beaded, hand  
hewn. ~~(The north wall is just made)~~

The east section, about 20' x 15' is  
2 bays wide, has a central chimney.

There are two low dormer windows in the  
north roof.

The west section is  
a mirror-replica of this old east part.

Ashward addition, "mistaken" ~~remodeling~~  
remodeling such as the three-sash front  
window in the central part, and even the  
improbable symmetry of the west addition  
can do little to detract from the appeal

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian  16th Century  18th Century  20th Century   
 15th Century  17th Century  19th Century  *unknown*

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/>     | Education <input type="checkbox"/>    | Political <input type="checkbox"/>                      | Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>    | Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>  | Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/>            | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input type="checkbox"/>       | Industry <input type="checkbox"/>     | Science <input type="checkbox"/>                        | _____                                    |
| Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>    | Invention <input type="checkbox"/>    | Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>                      | _____                                    |
| Art <input type="checkbox"/>            | Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>    | Social/Humanitarian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | _____                                    |
| Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>       | Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater <input type="checkbox"/>                        | _____                                    |
| Communications <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature <input type="checkbox"/>   | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>                 | _____                                    |
| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>   | Military <input type="checkbox"/>     |   | _____                                    |
|   | Music <input type="checkbox"/>        |   | _____                                    |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

Mr. Hall, an engineer, commutes many miles to work daily; hence this little farm house <sup>now</sup> has become outer suburbia in the East Coast Megalopolis. He and his son and one farmer work a farm composed of three farms acquired within fifteen years.

of this tiny peaked-roof house perched on a well wooded knoll south of the Deer Creek valley. The setting even surpasses the house itself.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **JEAN S. EWING**

ORGANIZATION: **MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST** DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER: **50 STATE CIRCLE**

CITY OR TOWN: **ANNAPOLIS** STATE: **MARYLAND** CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation*

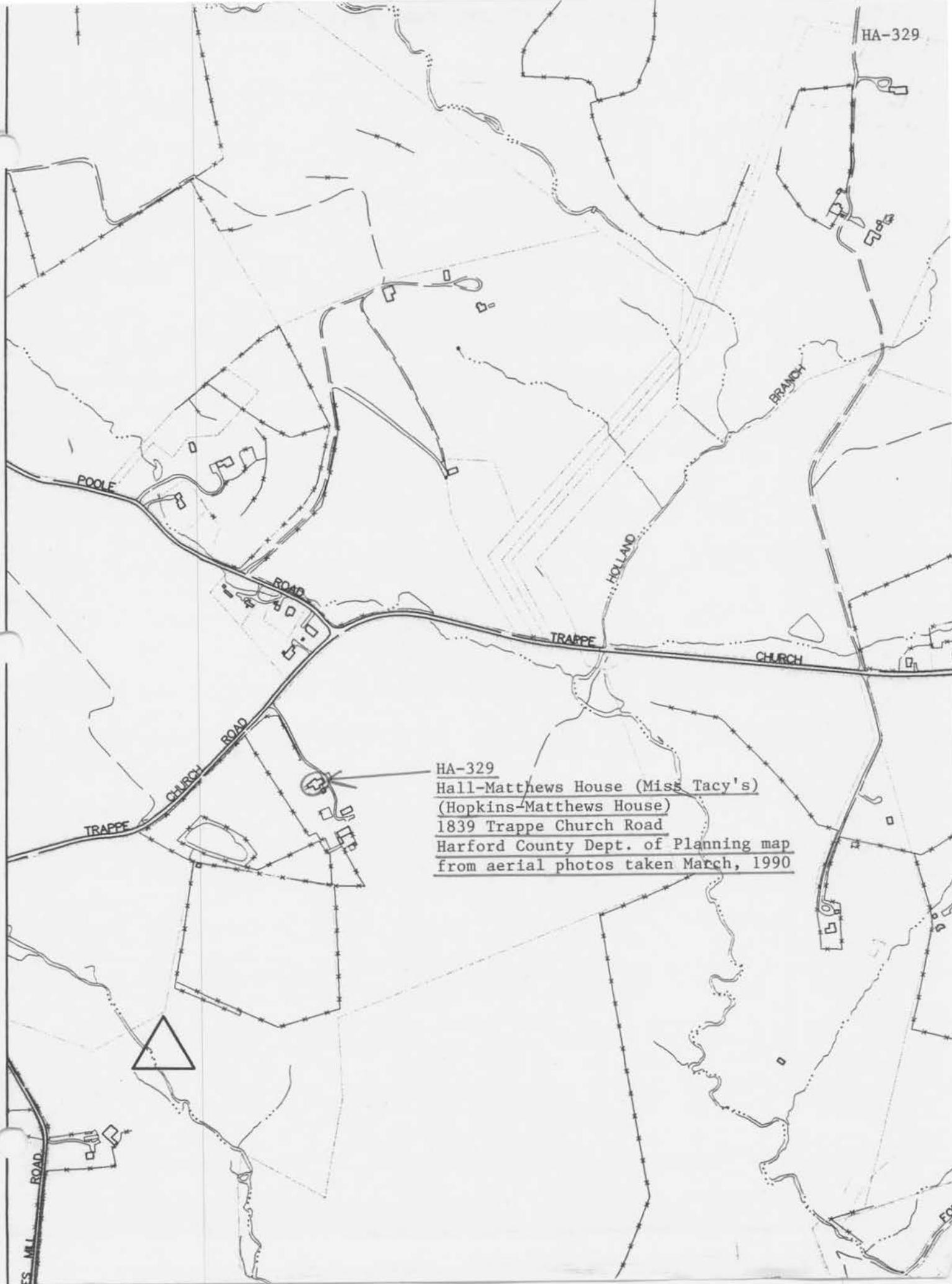
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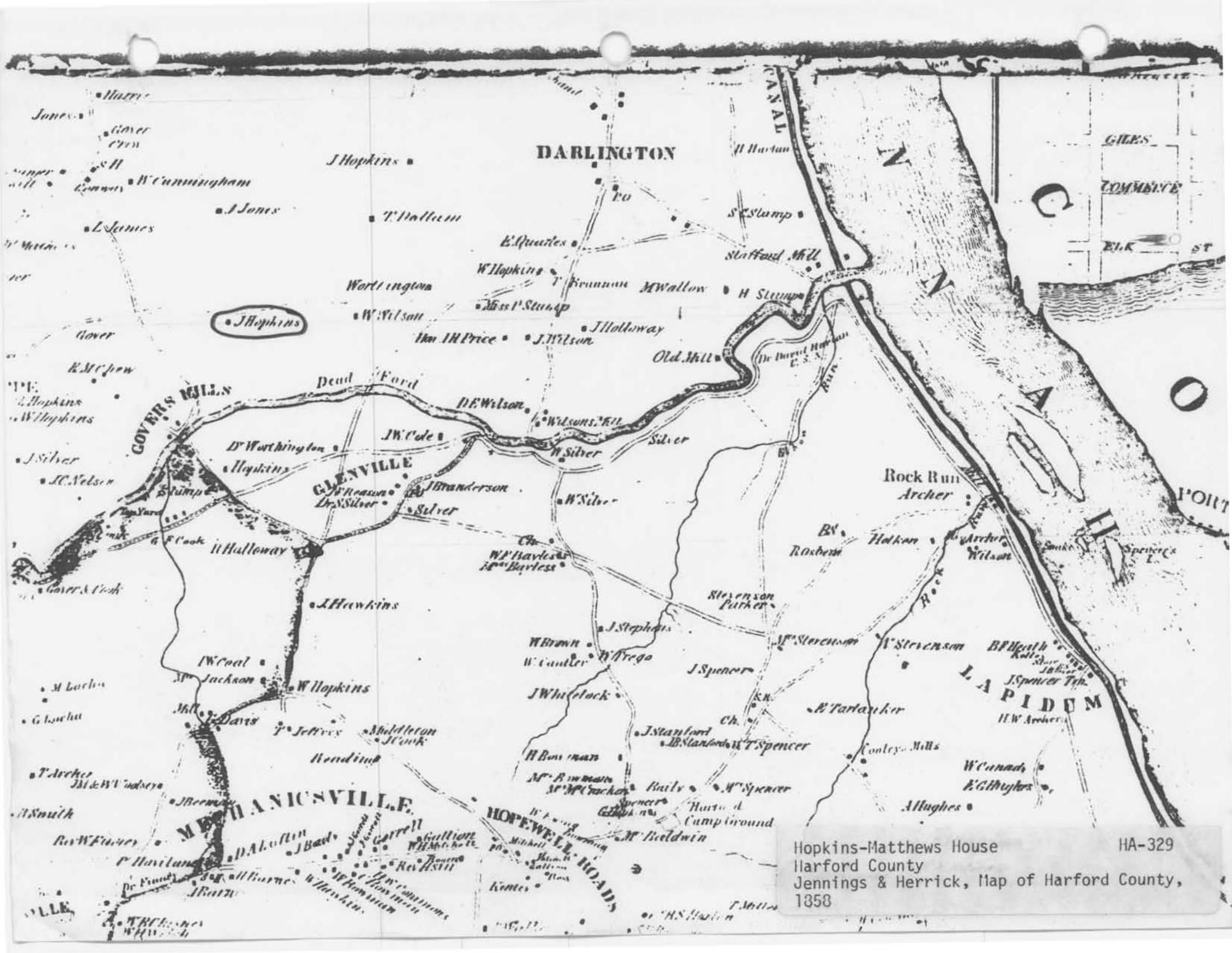
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*Keeper of The National Register*

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Hall-Matthews House (Miss Tacy's)  
(Hopkins-Matthews House)  
1839 Trappe Church Road  
Harford County Dept. of Planning map  
from aerial photos taken March, 1990



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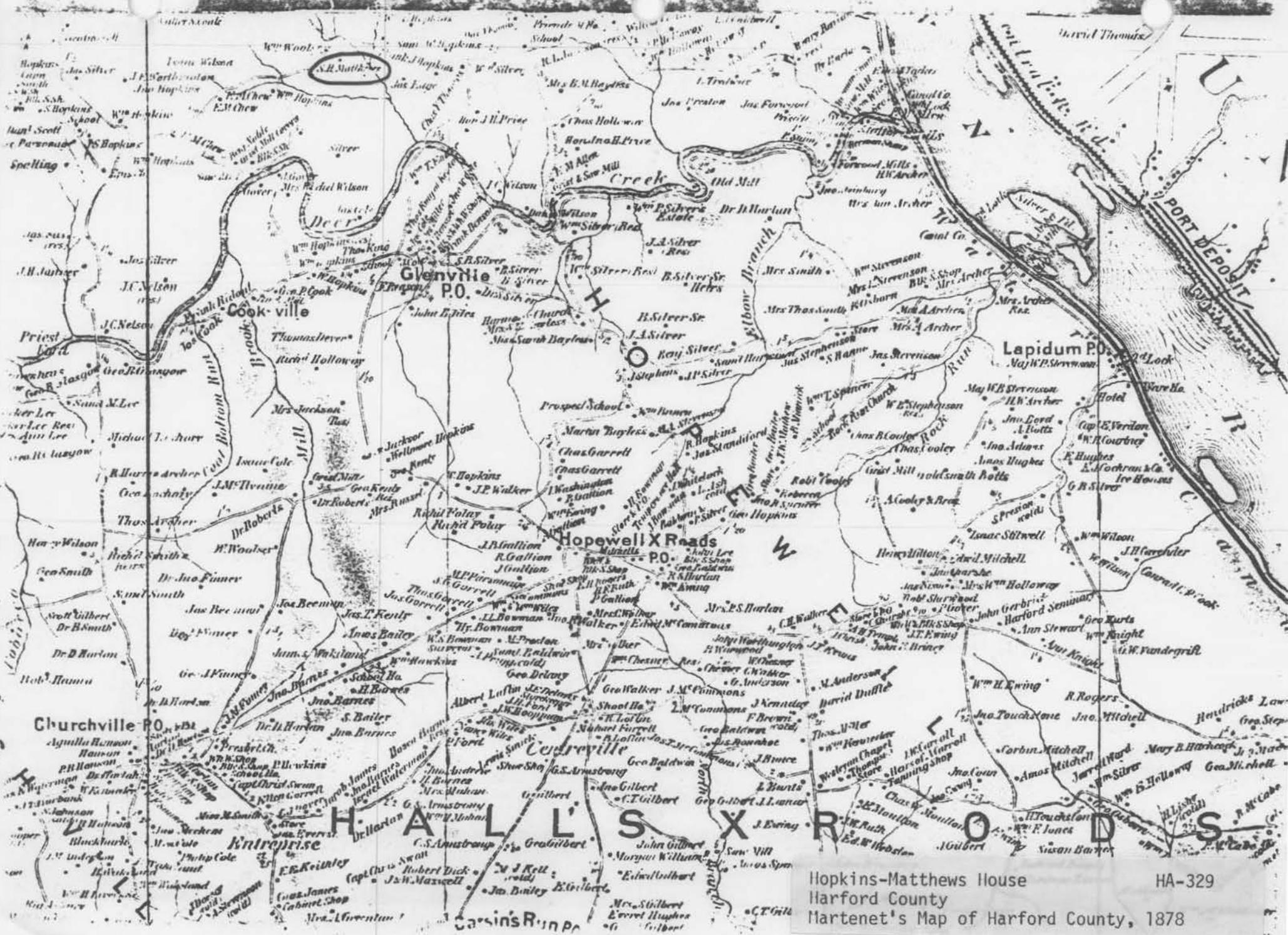
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LAPIDUM

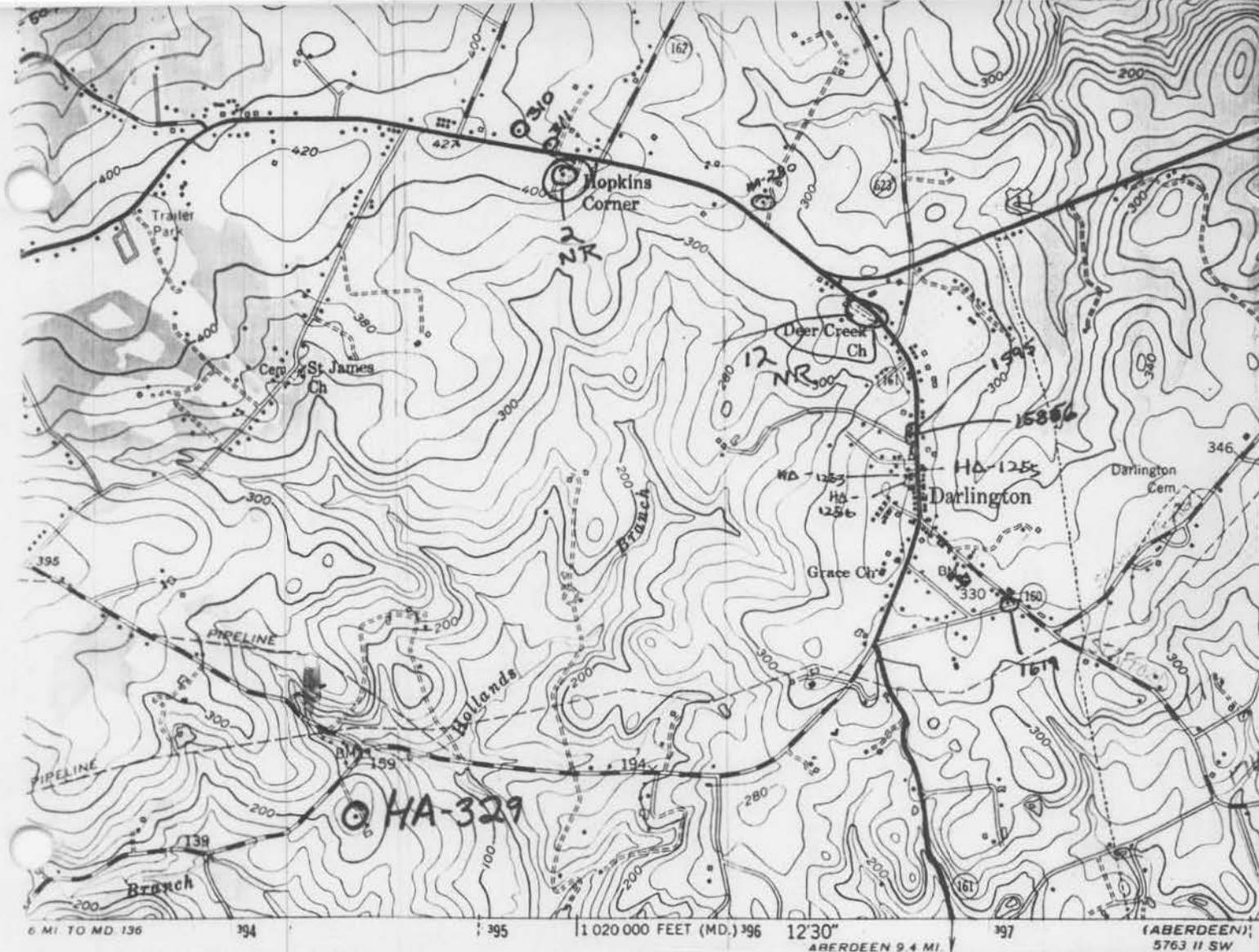
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 Scale: 1:24000

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UTM GRID AND 1970 MAGNETIC NORTH  
 DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATION  
 FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL  
 A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS



Hopkins-Matthews House  
Harford County  
Photo: Janet Davis  
March 1983  
Northwest elevation  
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Hopkins-Matthews House

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Harford County

Photo: Janet Davis

March 1983

North elevation

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