

HA-400

Benjamin Silver Dairy  
3646 Harmony Church Road  
Darlington vicinity  
Private

C. 1856

The Benjamin Silver Dairy is part of the Silver farm complex (HA-398 - 406), an important example of agricultural life and economy in Harford County during the second half of the 19th century. The complex is virtually complete as it existed in the late 19th century. The dairy contained troughs filled with water in which the milk cans were placed for cooling.

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Benjamin Silver Dairy

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

3646 Harmony 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Howard N. Moxley et al.

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

3646 Harmony Church Road

CITY, TOWN

Darlington

 VICINITY OFSTATE zip code  
MD 21034**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 805

Folio #: 398

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

c. 1970

 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

MD

**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		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Benjamin Silver Dairy is a rectangular granite masonry building located immediately northeast of the main house on the present Moxley farm on the north side of Harmony Church Road one half mile west of Darlington Road (MD 161) in Harford County, Maryland. The dairy dates from the third quarter of the 19th century.

The uncoursed stone structure has a slate gable roof with the ridge running north-south.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
REHISTORIC	<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/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" 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		

SPECIFIC DATES      c. 1856      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Benjamin Silver Dairy is part of the Silver farm complex, an important example of agricultural life and economy in Harford County during the second half of the 19th century. The complex is virtually complete as it existed in the late 19th century.

Milk in cans was cooled in troughs of water in this building.

For further information on the Silver complex, see HA-398 - 406.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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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 Dept. of Planning and Zoning

DATE

September 1982

STREET &amp; NUMBER

45 So. Main St.

TELEPHONE

(301) 838-6000, ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD 21014

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

N. R. FIELD SHEET  
1304004505 HA 400

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

NO POSTOFFICE TRAILS  
BOX 1704

ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404 (Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON: Moxley - Silon Milk House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: North side of Harmony Church Road about 0.5 mi

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington West of Darlington 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"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>in use</u>	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Restricted</u>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
	Public Acquisition: In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural  Government  Park  Transportation  Comments

Commercial  Industrial  Private Residence  Other (Specify)

Educational  Military  Religious

Entertainment  Museum  Scientific  Household work

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME: Howard Moxley

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington STATE: MD 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 ST.

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:

STATE: COUNTY: ENTRY NUMBER: DATE: FOR NPS USE ONLY

7. DESCRIPTION

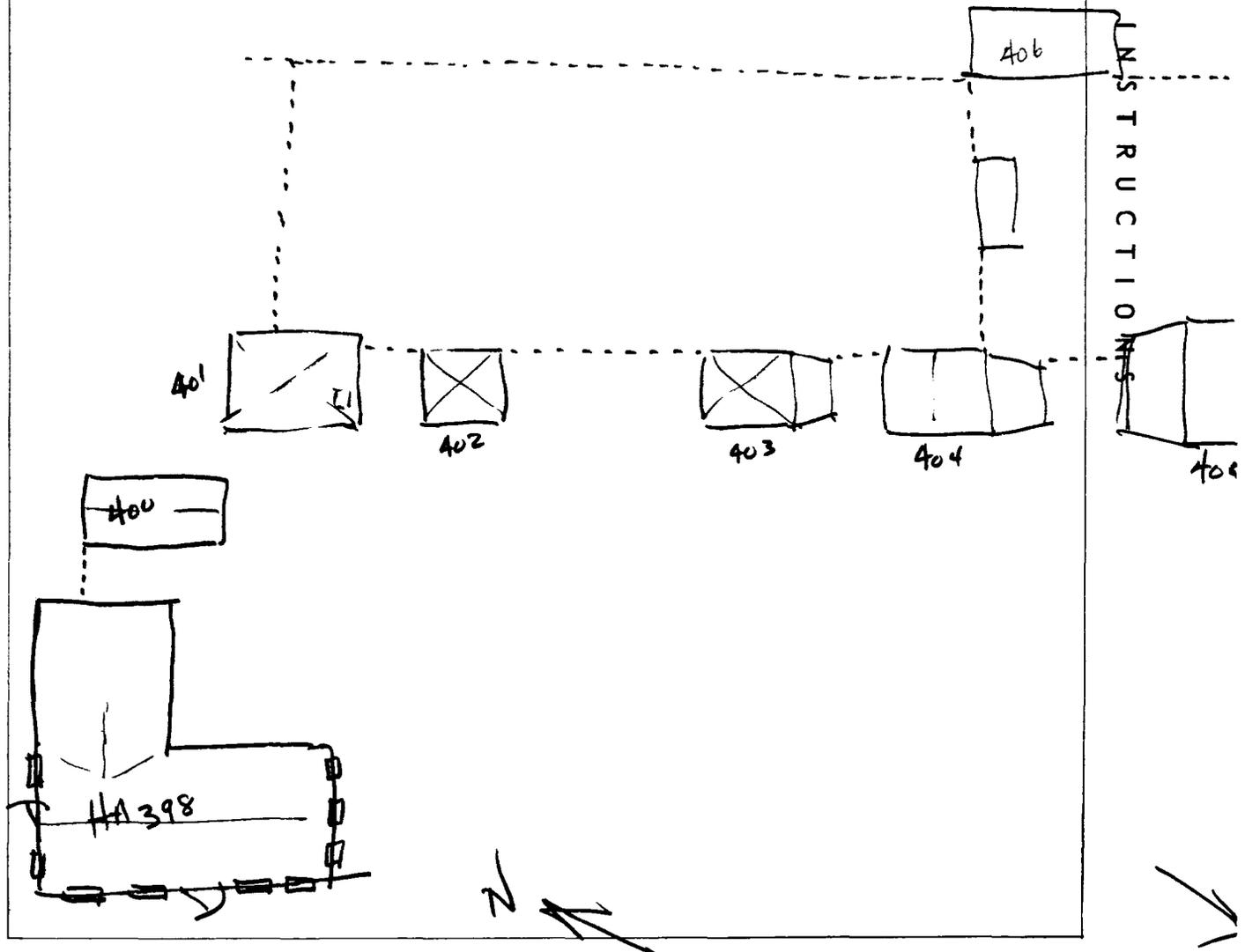
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INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

One of a cluster of out buildings to accommodate the crafts and skills of house keeping and farm her laundry.

This milk house is of granite masonry, part a step from the kitchen. Milk was set out in cans and cooled here ~~by~~ <sup>by</sup> well water in troughs.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

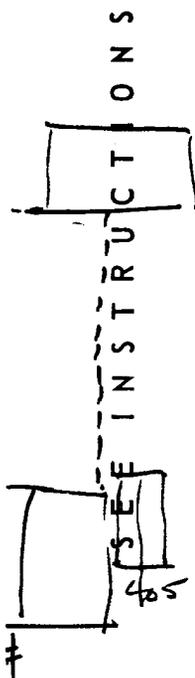
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

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

Household work building.

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to

Barn HA 399

**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

**N. R. FIELD SHEET**

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**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			<b>O R</b>	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
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	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

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

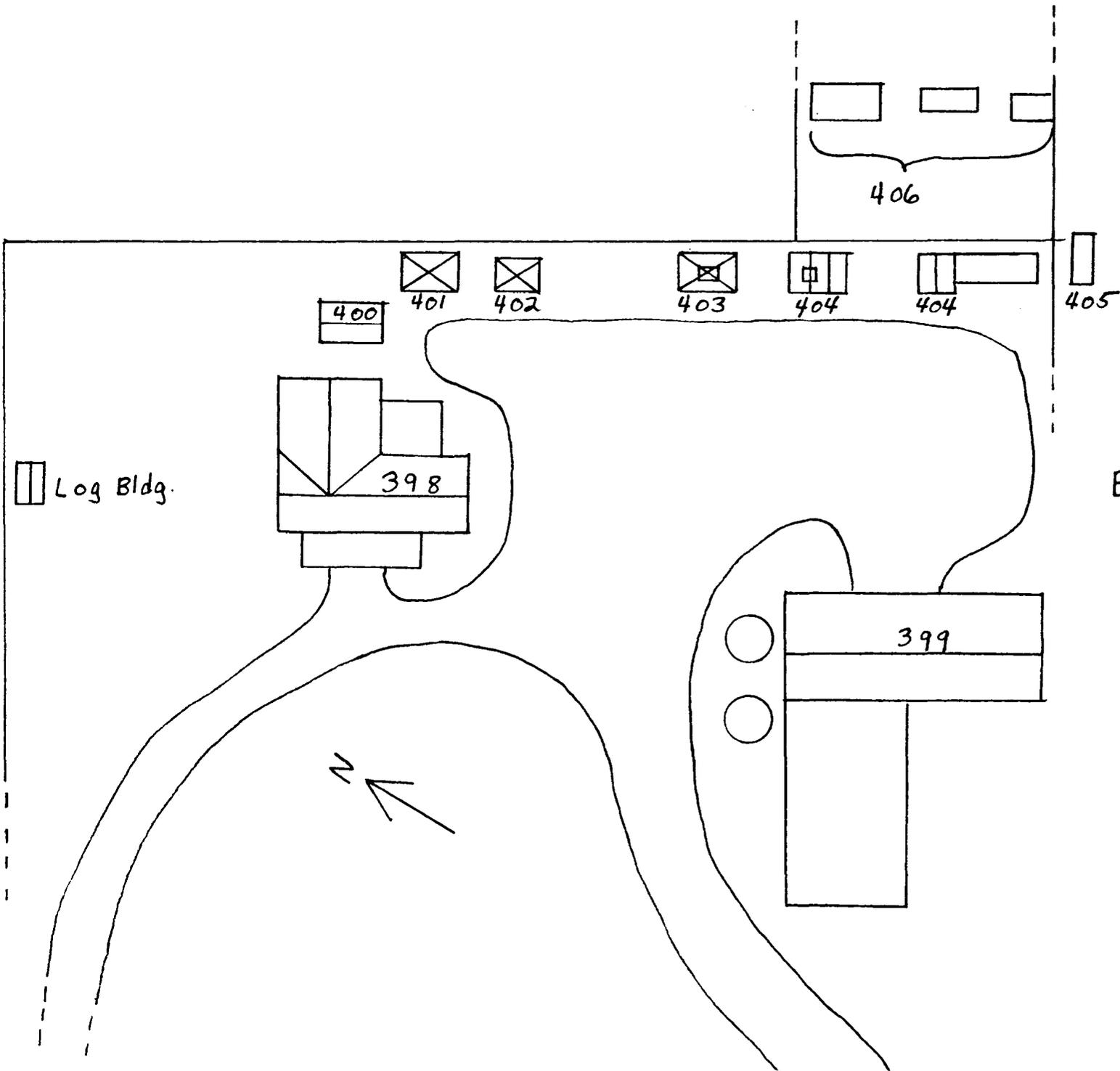
ORGANIZATION: **MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST**      DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER: **50 STATE CIRCLE**

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

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION	NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION
<p>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:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/>      State <input type="checkbox"/>      Local <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Title _____</p> <p>Date _____</p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p>_____ <i>Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</i></p> <p>Date _____</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____ <i>Keeper of The National Register</i></p> <p>Date _____</p>

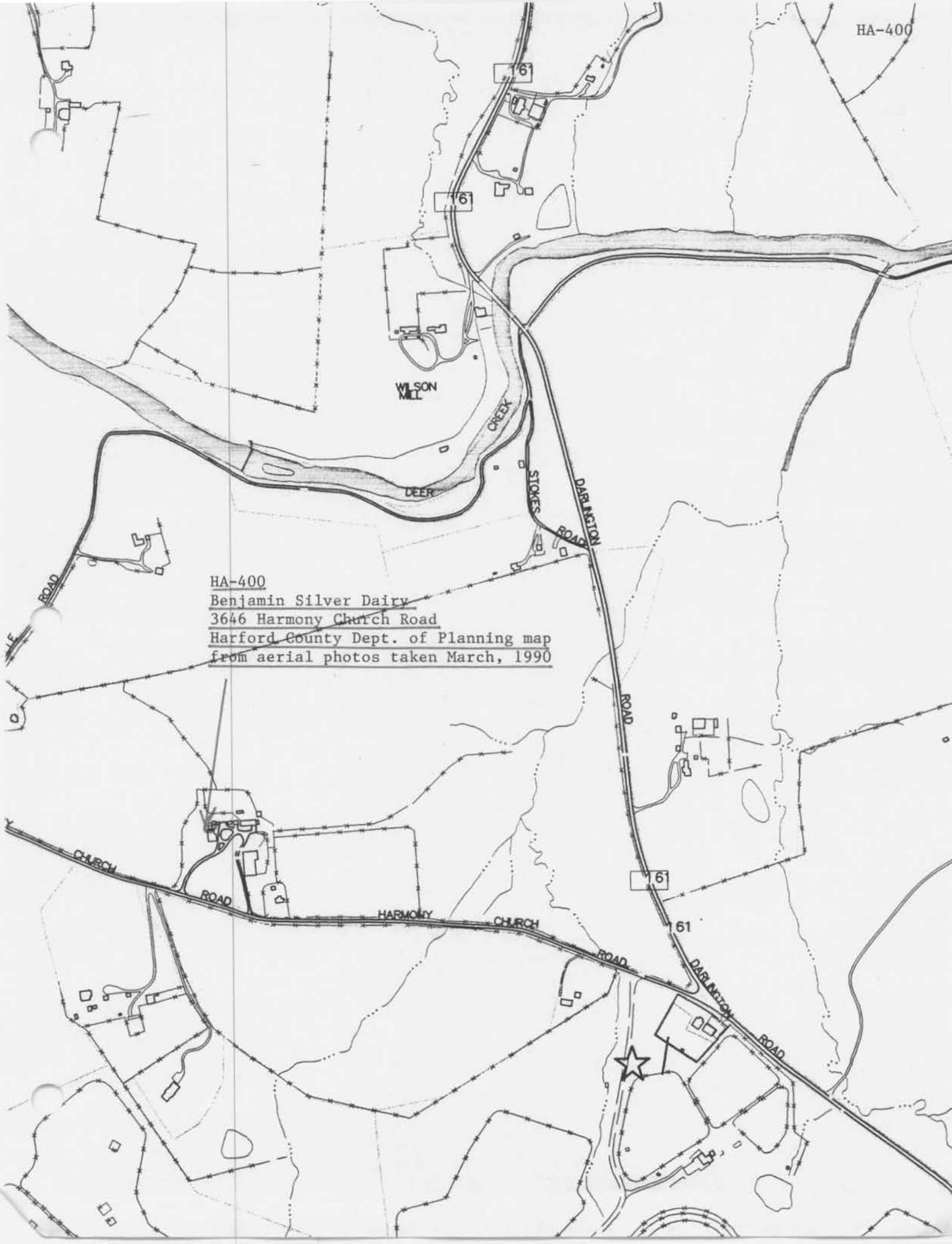
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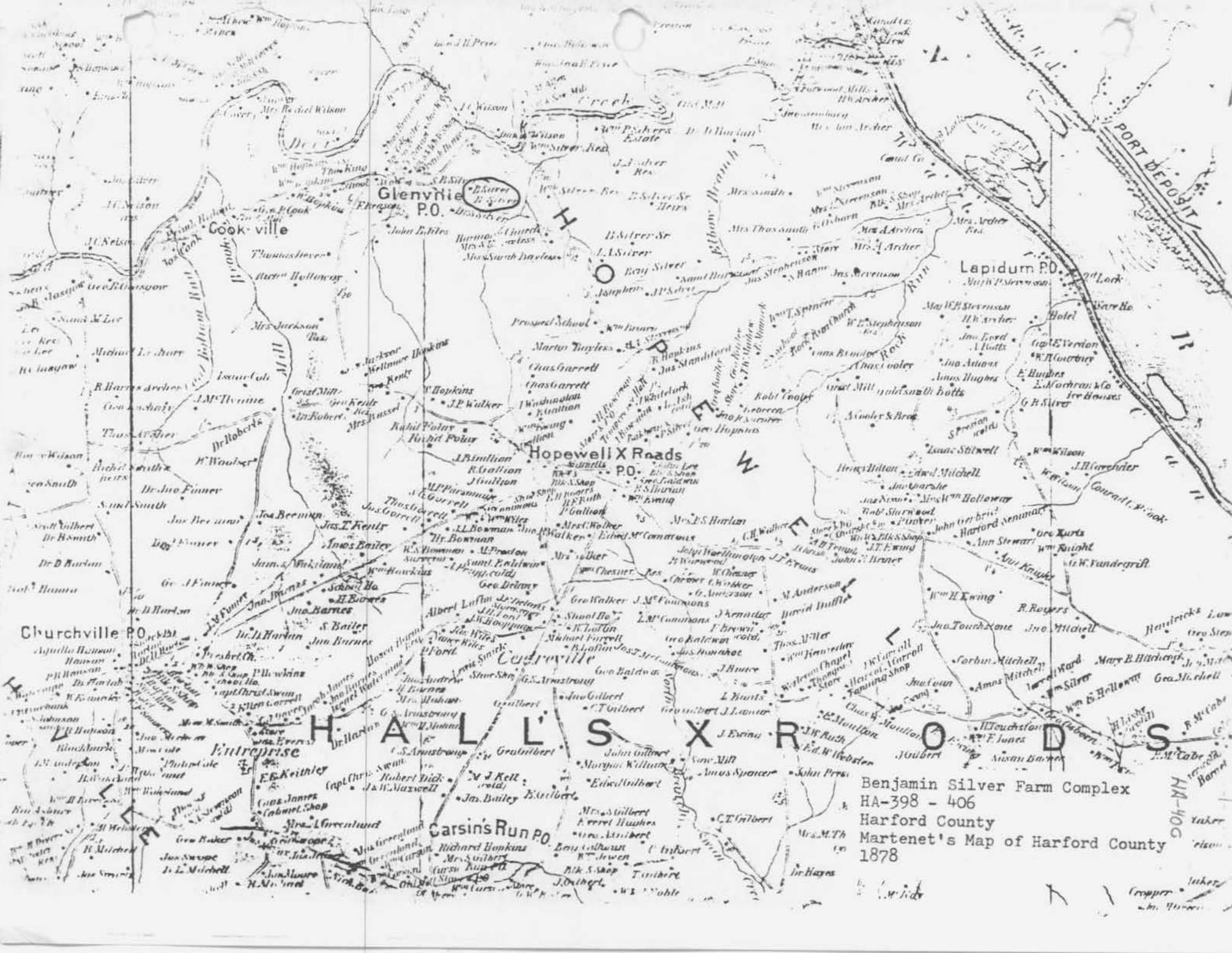
Benjamin Silver  
 Farm Complex  
 HA-398-406  
 Site Plan  
 NOT TO SCALE



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Benjamin Silver Dairy  
3646 Harmony Church Road  
Harford County Dept. of Planning map  
from aerial photos taken March, 1990



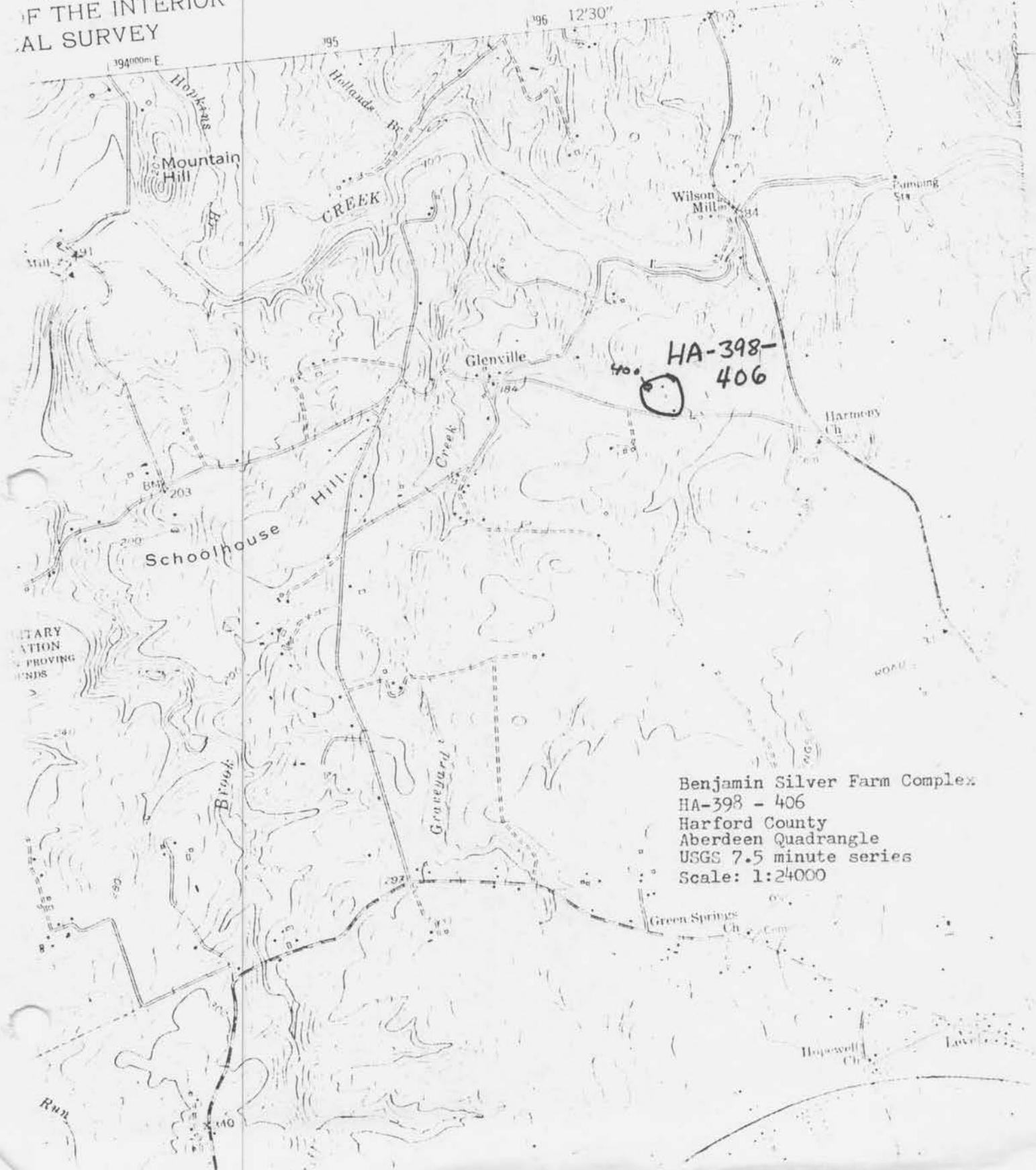
Benjamin Silver Farm Complex  
HA-398 - 406  
Harford County  
Martenet's Map of Harford County  
1878

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1963  
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STATES  
OF THE INTERIOR  
AL SURVEY



Benjamin Silver Farm Complex  
 HA-398 - 406  
 Harford County  
 Aberdeen Quadrangle  
 USGS 7.5 minute series  
 Scale: 1:24000