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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC: Old Methodist Church Site and Cemetery

AND/OR COMMON: Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: Northeast side of Clopper Road near the intersection of Clopper and Schaeffer Roads

CITY, TOWN: Germantown ___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY: Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	__OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
__BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	__PRIVATE RESIDENCE
X SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	X __RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	__YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	X __YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME: Trustees of Trinity United Methodist Church Telephone #: (301)972-3059 (Rev. B. Jones)

STREET & NUMBER: P.O. Box 477

CITY, TOWN: Germantown, Md. ___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code: Md. 20874

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 24
Folio #: 410

STREET & NUMBER:

CITY, TOWN: Rockville, Md.

STATE:

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE: Locational Atlas of Historic Sites, Montgomery County, Md.

DATE: 1976

__FEDERAL __STATE X COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission

CITY, TOWN: 6700 Needwood Rd.

STATE: Rockville, Md. 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED x Overgrown		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

In the late 1800's a Methodist Church stood on the northeast side of Clopper Road, near the intersection of Clopper and Germantown Roads and directly across from the intersection of Clopper and Schaeffer Roads. Nothing is known about the appearance of the building except that it was of log construction. Part of the foundation may still exist, but the site was overgrown (as of October, 1984) and it was impossible to determine whether anything remains.

The Church cemetery is also badly overgrown, but at least one complete gravestone, with the name Leaman inscribed on it, remains. It is thought that there are two or three other gravestones at the site, but it has been difficult to locate them, given the condition of the cemetery site. Members of the German families who settled the area in the mid-19th century were buried in the Methodist Church cemetery.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	X_RELIGION
.1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	__ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X_1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Mid-late 1800's BUILDER/ARCHITECT -

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The old Methodist Church and cemetery consists of approximately 1 of an acre, deeded to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1866 by Soloman Leaman and others so that "said trustees shall erect or build---a house or place of worship for the use of the members of the M.E. Church". The Clopper Road Church was in use until the early part of the century, when the "northern" contingent which had used it after a split in the congregation between "northern" and "southern" factions built a new church in New Germantown. A deed dated February, 1903 conveys the same parcel of land mentioned in the 1866 deed to the "Trustees of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church", incorporated in 1903. The "southern" contingent of the Clopper Road Church built, in 1902, a new church building on Germantown Road, near the intersection of Germantown and Clopper Roads. They used that building (now a medical clinic) until the 1930's, when both factions of the old Clopper Road Church reunited at the Trinity United Methodist Church in New Germantown.

It is interesting to note that Trinity United Methodist intends to erect a new church building in the near future on a site across from the 19th century church, on Clopper Road.

The site of the church and the cemetery are significant because of their relationship to the development of the Methodist Church in Montgomery County and because of its association with the German families who settled in the area in the 19th century and helped to shape its history.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Montgomery County, Md. (L24/F410)
Conversations with the pastor of Trinity United Methodist, Rev. Jones
"A History of Trinity United Methodist Church, Germantown, Md. 1902-1973"

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY $\frac{1}{4}$

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Conveyed in two pieces (Church and cemetery):"Beginning at a stone where the gate now stands---" and "Beginning for the first part at the end of the original Church lot---".

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Lois Snyderman October 29, 1984
ORGANIZATION DATE
Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission
STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE
Department of Housing and Community Development (301) 279-1325
CITY OR TOWN STATE
Rockville, Md. 20850

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.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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Scale 66 Rods to the Inch.

COUNTY LINE

Bethesda M.E.Ch.
Mrs. Purdum
Geo. W. Walker
Mary A. Day
Wm. T. Turner
Samt. Hobbs
Grist Mill
Saw Mill
Race
Bennetts Creek
Samt. B. Watkins
Samt. B. Watkins
Reuben Ingalls Store
Jonathan Jacobs B.S.Sh. & W.W.Sh.
C.W. Browning Res.
Luther Browning
Shop
Stable
Stow Shop
Wm. T. Turner
Wm. Boyer
Wm. Boyer

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Dealer in Dry Goods and Groceries, Hardware, Boots, Shoes, Drugs Notions etc. etc.

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Solomon Leaman
Trinity M.E.Ch.
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J.H.C. Highter Store W.W.Sh.
Mrs. S.M. Leaman
Jac. Snyder
Wm. Stang
Henry C. Hickerson
Henry C. Hickerson
Henry Arnold
GERMANTOWN
Store
Mrs. V. Dorsey B.S.Sh.
Mrs. Rhinehart
Henry Arnold
Res. Jas. T. Leaman 84 a.
Jos. Leaman Res.
Jas. B. Appleby Occupt
J.H. Gassaway Warehouse
Thos. N. Henderson
Wm. Blunt
Warehouse
Harness Shop
Jno. H. Nicholls
Store & P.O. Station
Warehouse
Carpenter Shop
Res.
Nellie Leaman Res.
Wm. L.G. Appleby Occupt
Thos. N. Henderson
Frank D. Hesson Carriage Shop
J. Rhissaway
Wm. Blunt Harness Shop
Warehouse
R.E. Harris Res.
W. W. Blunt

GERMANTOWN STA. & P.O.

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Johnsonville
Sugar Loaf Chapel
Wm. Kenna
Louis Sellman
Caleb Key
Jno. P. Sellman
J.H. Gibson
Jno. Nick
Store
Sch. Ho.
Chas. Hershey
Jerome Thompson
Clarksburg
High Thompson
David Thompson
Lydia Hershey
J.T. Knott
Horace Thompson
A.J. Tabler
Fred. Linthicum
Frank Knott
Jno. Curtin
Jno. Hawkins
Clark
Jno. W. Knott
Jno. Curtin
Creek
Wm. Reid
Jno. Austin
Plummer Pyles G.&S.R.
Frank Pyles
Cephas Summers
Geo. Walter
Jas. Smith Res.
Jas. Cooley
Thos. Mills
Thos. Howard
Wm. O. Kingsbury
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Jas. Gantley
Sch. Ho.
Tan Yard
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Jas. F. Williams Store & P.O.
Res.
Cabin
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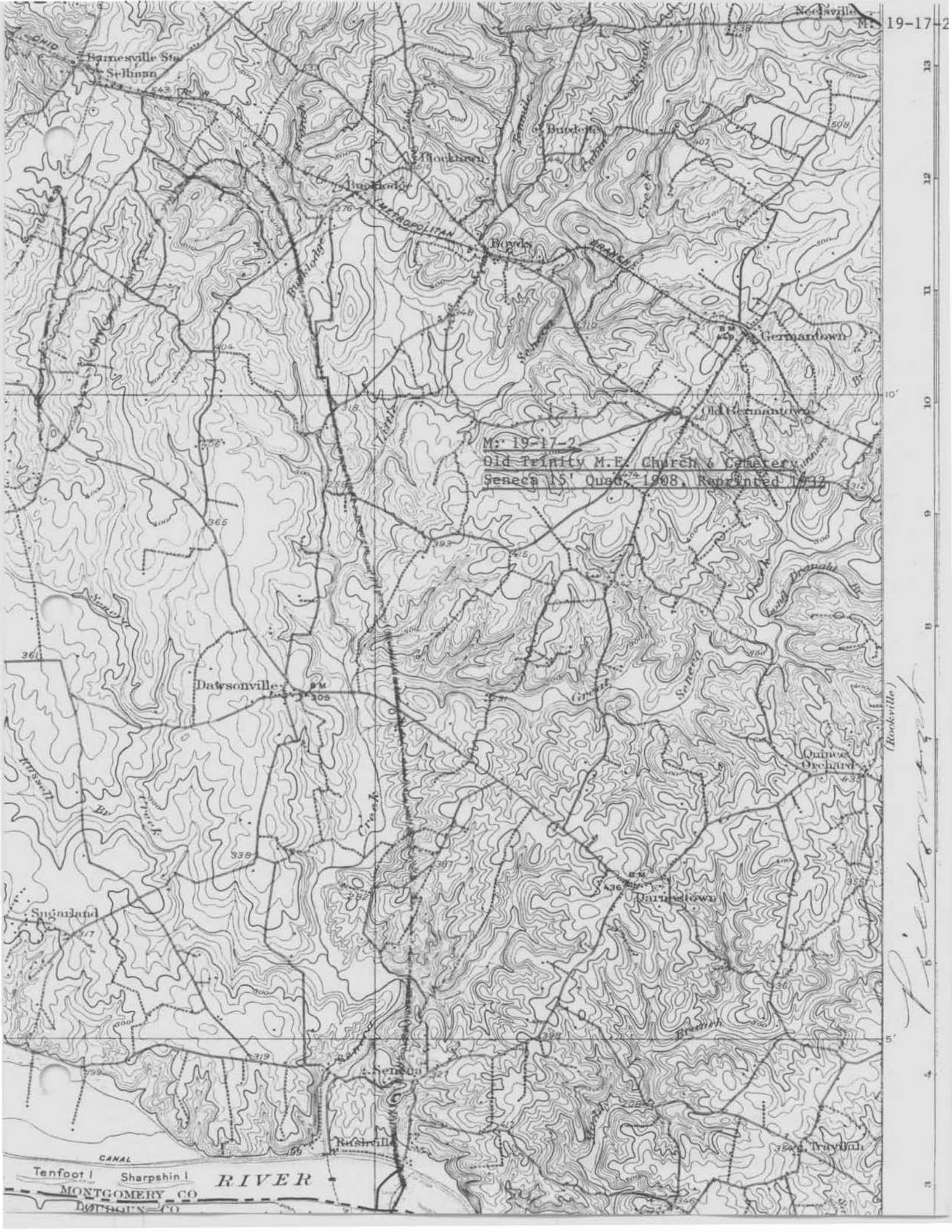
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Old Trinity M.E. Church & Cemetery
Seneca 15' Quad, 1908, Reprinted 1932
Barnesville Sta
Sellman
Buckeystown
Mockhorn
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Boyds
Germantown
Old Germantown
Dawsonville
Quince Orchard
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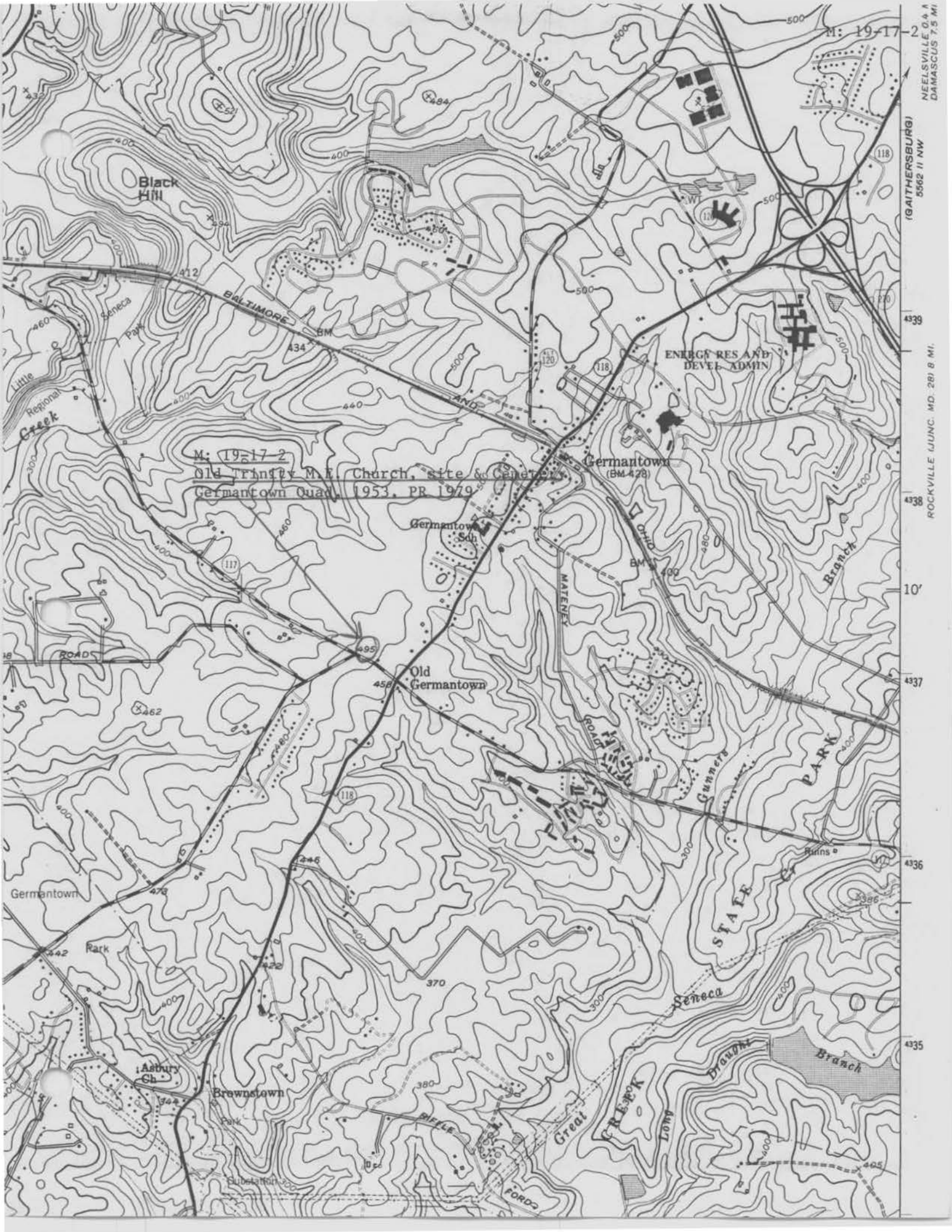

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Old Trinity M.E. Church, site & Cemetery
Germantown Quad. 1953, PR 1979

MY HUSBAND
C. T. LEAMAN

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NAME APPLEBY & LEAMAN CEM - SITE OF TRINITY ME CHURCH

LOCATION CLOPPER Rd AT Rt. 118 GERMANTOWN, Md

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