

Memo to file

December 30, 2003

From: Peter E. Kurtze
Administrator, Evaluation and Registration

Re: M: 23-144
Mable Bronson Milne Property

The property documented in the following MIHP form has not been formally evaluated for eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The comments in the text are those of the preparer of the documentation. The State Historic Preservation Officer has neither concurred nor disagreed with those comments.

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: M:23-144 (PACS 9.37) Construction Date: Circa 1935

Name: Mable Bronson Milne Property

Location: 17119 Old Baltimore Road, Olney vicinity, Montgomery County

Ownership/Present use/Status/Condition/Accessibility

Description:

The Mabel Bronson Milne Property is a 2-story, 3-bay Colonial Revival-style house on the south side of Old Baltimore Road in the Olney vicinity, Montgomery County. Constructed circa 1935, the building is rectangular in plan with a small entry porch on the front elevation, a shed roof porch on the east elevation and an addition on the rear elevation. The structure has a side-gable roof with cornice returns and is covered with asphalt shingles. It is of wood-frame construction with a panel-face molded concrete block foundation, wood siding and wood 6/6 double-hung windows. An exterior brick chimney is located on the east elevation. The house has an entry porch centered on the front elevation. It has a gable roof with small cornice returns, supported by slender Doric columns and pilasters.

Significance:

The lot upon which Mable Bronson Milne constructed her house was once part of a larger tract of land which extended along both sides of Georgia Avenue and was used for agricultural purposes. Ward and Cora Savage bought 28.3 hectares (69.89 acres) of land from William E. Dill in 1921. Ward and Cora Savage began subdividing the land into small residential lots along Georgia Avenue and Old Baltimore Road in the late 1920s. Mable Bronson Milne bought a .5 hectare (1.2 acre) parcel from Ward and Cora Savage in 1933. Milne constructed a house on the property circa 1935. The property was sold to Thomas and Phoebe Harrison in 1958. The property was transferred four times until purchased by the current owners, Guy Gran and Theresa Bordon, in 1985. The lot size remains .5 hectares (1.2 acres).

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 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
 Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term Congestion Relief

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic Mabel Bronson Milne Property (preferred)

and/or common Gran/Borden Property

2. Location:

street & number 17119 Old Baltimore Road N/A not for publication

city, town Olney X vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Montgomery

3. Classification:

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<u> </u> district	<u> </u> public	<u>X</u> occupied	<u> </u> agriculture	<u> </u> museum
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	<u> </u> unoccupied	<u> </u> commercial	<u> </u> park
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> education	<u>X</u> private
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> entertainment	residence
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u>X</u> yes: restricted	<u> </u> government	<u> </u> religious
	<u> </u> being considered	<u> </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> industrial	<u> </u> scientific
	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u> </u> no	<u> </u> military	<u> </u> other:
			<u> </u> transportation	

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

name Guy Gran and Theresa A. Borden

street & number 17119 Old Baltimore Road telephone no.:

city, town Olney state and zip code MD 20832

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County liber 6956

street & number Montgomery County Judicial Center folio 637

city, town Rockville state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

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 type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input 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			

Resource Count: 3

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

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The structure has a side-gable roof with cornice returns and is covered with asphalt shingles. It is of wood-frame construction with a panel-face molded concrete block foundation, wood siding and wood 6/6 double-hung windows. An exterior brick chimney is located on the east elevation. The house has an entry porch centered on the front elevation. It has a gable roof with small cornice returns, supported by slender Doric columns and pilasters.

Within the entry porch, on the north or front facade, is a 9-panel wood door and 5-light fanlight. The first story has two 6/6 double-hung windows, while the second story had three double-hung windows vertically aligned over the first story openings. All of the windows on the front elevation have wood shutters.

The east elevation has a 1-story porch with an asphalt shingle shed roof porch. The porch is supported by two square wood posts on concrete block piers and has a simple wood railing. Located within the porch is a 9-light wood panel door and a 6/6 double-hung window. The first story also has a pair of 6/6 double-hung windows. The second story contains two 6/6 double-hung windows with wood shutters. Within the open gable end is a wood 6-light casement window. The east elevation of the rear addition has a wood door accessed by an exterior wood staircase.

The rear elevation has a single 6/6 double-hung window on the basement level, four 6/6 double-hung windows on the first story, and two 6/6 double-hung windows on the second story. The 2-story wood-frame rear addition has fenestration on the basement level and first story of the house. It has a 4-light wood panel door and a 6-light metal casement window on the basement level. The first story of the addition has a 2/2 double-hung window, divided horizontally.

The west elevation has a symmetrical fenestration pattern. The basement level has three 3-light awning windows on the basement level, while the first and second stories each have three 6/6 double-hung windows. The attic level has a wood 6-light casement window.

There are two outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a garage, with a side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. Constructed circa 1935 and rehabilitated in 1997, it is of wood-frame construction with a concrete block foundation, wood siding, 6/6 double-hung windows and a wood overhead door. The structure is located south of the house.

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The second outbuilding is a shed, with a shed roof covered with metal. Constructed circa 1935, it is of wood-frame construction, on a concrete foundation, with wood siding, 6-light casement windows and a batten door. The structure is located south of the house and garage.

The property is located on the south side of Old Baltimore Road, with a modern residential development to the north, residential property to the east and west and a farmstead to the south.

8. Significance

Survey No. M:23-144 (PACS 9.37)

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archaeology-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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

Specific dates Circa 1935 Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: 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.

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The Mable Bronson Milne Property is located in the vicinity of Olney. The settlement of Olney began before 1800 as a cross-roads village at the intersection of Brookeville/Washington Pike Road (now Georgia Avenue - MD 97) and Sandy Spring/Mechanicsville Road (now Olney-Sandy Spring Road - MD 108). The initial name for the area was Fair Hill, however it soon became known as Mechanicsville, for the large number of craftsman and artisans who settled at the cross-roads. Olney became the official name of the community in 1851. Olney's importance throughout the nineteenth century derived from its ability to provide goods and services to travelers and the surrounding agricultural region. In 1865, Martenet and Bond's Map of Montgomery County, Maryland shows several businesses, a seminary, schoolhouse and Episcopal Church. Most of the structures were destroyed by fire or demolished for road construction during the twentieth century. Two structures which remain of the historic village of Olney are the St. John's Episcopal Church (1842) and the Olney House (1841) (Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet-Nomination Form: Olney Historic District).

The house on the Mable Bronson Milne Property was constructed in the Colonial Revival style. Popular in the years from 1880 to 1955, the Colonial Revival style resulted from a rebirth of interest in the colonial English and Dutch houses of the eastern seaboard coincident with the Philadelphia Centennial. Stylistic details in Colonial Revival dwellings were drawn predominantly from Georgian and Federal styles; secondary influences included Dutch Colonial and English Postmedieval types. Late nineteenth century examples of Colonial Revival were often asymmetrical and exhibited a combination of Queen Anne features, such as turrets and wide porches, and Colonial features such as Palladian windows and Adamesque swags or urns. Examples built from 1915 to 1935 reflected colonial precedents more closely, while those built after World War II simplified the style, with details which only suggested rather than duplicated the original

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examples. Various sub-styles, such as the Dutch Colonial Revival, were popular during the early to mid-twentieth century.

Colonial Revival houses are usually strictly rectangular in plan with few projections and have symmetrical facades. They range from one to three stories with hipped, side-gable, cross-gable, or gambrel roofs. Clapboard is the most popular sheathing material, although brick is not uncommon. After World War II, colonial homes frequently featured a brick-sided first story with an overhanging wood-sided second story. In more elaborate homes, a hipped roof is often topped with a flat deck and balustrade or a cupola. Pedimented doorways and fanlights are common. Some pediments evolved into porticos with slender columns. The typical form of the windows is rectangular with double-hung sash. Palladian windows are common on more sophisticated dwellings. The addition of side porches, terraces and sunrooms are modern features common to Colonial Revival homes (McAlester 1984, 321-6).

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1935, the Mabel Bronson Milne Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state, or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is a ubiquitous building type which lacks architectural significance. The property is common of mid-twentieth century suburban residences that integrated simplified elements of popular styles into basic building configurations. The house is not a significant example of mid-twentieth century Colonial Revival design, as it lacks such characteristic features as a pedimented door surround and dentil molding, and has an addition on the rear elevation. Finally, preliminary studies conducted for this project indicate the need for further assessment of the archaeological potential of this property. Therefore, no evaluation under Criterion D is being conducted at this time.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility Not Recommended _____
Comments _____

Reviewer, OPS: _____ Date: _____
Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: _____

9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. M:23-144(PACS 9.37)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Sandy Spring Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state code county code

state code county code

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state Maryland

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 purposed only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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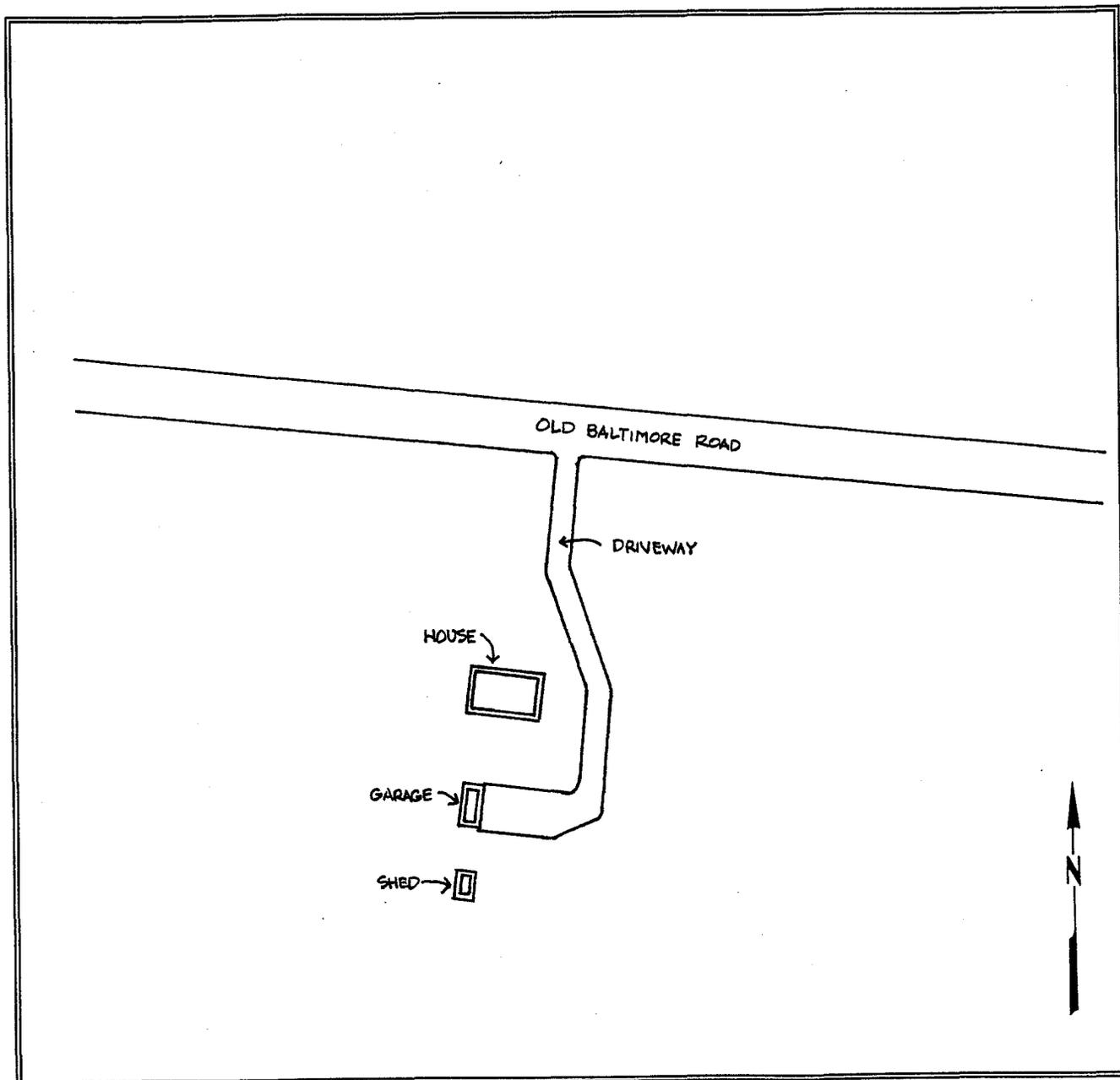
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Private Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

Preparer
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May 1998

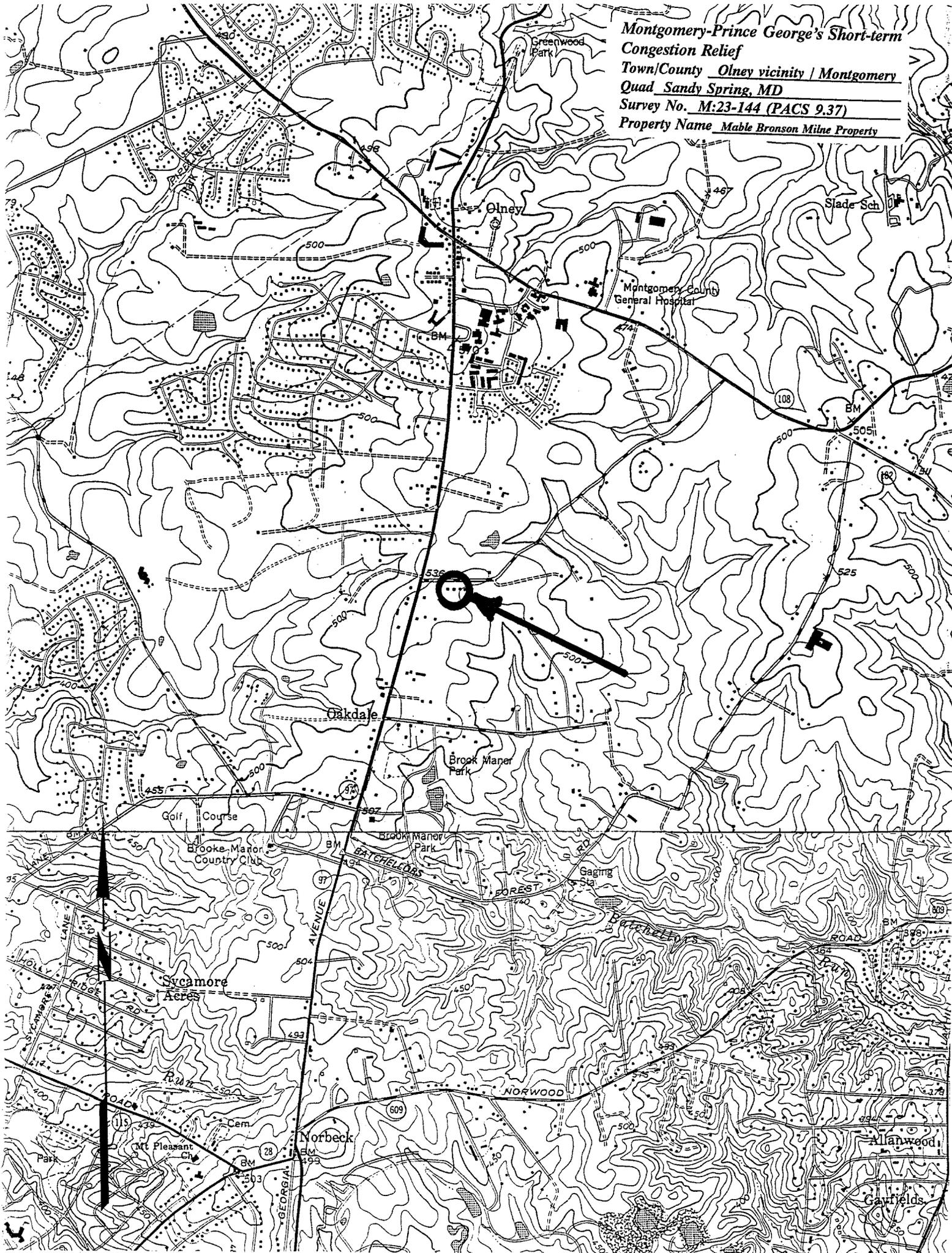
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Quad Sandy Spring, MD

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MABLE BRONSON MILNE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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FRONT ELEVATION

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MABLE BRONSON MILNE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

CB LOTS 11, 14, 15, 16

MARYLAND SHPO

NORTHWEST CORNER

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MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBUCCINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

WEST ELEVATION

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MABLE BRANSON MILNE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTHWEST CORNER

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MABLE BRONSON MILNE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

REAR ELEVATION

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MABLE BRONSON MILNE PROPERTY

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TIM TAMBURKINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

DETAIL OF FRONT ENTRANCE

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MABLE BRONSON MILNE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

GARAGE AND SHED

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MABLE BRONSON MILNE PROPERTY

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MARYLAND SHPD

GARAGE, VIEW FROM WEST

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MABLE BRINSON MILNE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPB

SHED, VIEW FROM WEST

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