

Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maryland	
COUNTY: Prince George's	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON:
Mount Pleasant

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Mount Pleasant Road (Now Mount Pleasant Rd) ³⁴⁰³

CITY OR TOWN:
Upper Marlboro

STATE Maryland	CODE 24	COUNTY: Prince George's	CODE 033
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Ellis J. and Frances Snowden Hill Parker

STREET AND NUMBER:
Mount Pleasant, P.O. Box 2188

CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro	STATE: Maryland	CODE: 24
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Prince George's County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
14735 Main Street

CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro	STATE: Maryland	CODE: 24
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey, Md. 17

DATE OF SURVEY: 1936 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Washington	STATE: District of Columbia	CODE: 11
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STATE: Maryland

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

A small, one-and-one-half-story, brick structure with a gambrel roof, Mount Pleasant is about two-thirds its original length. The eastern section, east of the central hallway, was later removed; the present doorway would have originally been the center bay of a five-bay facade. The house is built of brick laid in Flemish bond with occasional glazed headers, and sits on a high, three-foot, common bond brick base.

The building has twin flush chimneys with two flues in each chimney on the southwest end. There is a four-over-four pent window between the chimneys, high in the loft. In 1967, there were three small windows of the same size as the pent window on the first floor of the southwest side of the house. The northernmost window was removed and replaced with a French door allowing access to a new patio. In a 1936 photograph from the southwest, belonging to the Historic American Buildings Survey, there is no stucco on the gambreled ends and the six windows are very prominent. Both these ends were stuccoed in 1945 to prevent the exterior walls from further deterioration.

A photograph by Henry Chandlee Forman of the same southwest view shows a Victorian one-story, four-columned porch that has since been removed. It has been replaced with a dual approach staircase coming from the east and the west and meeting at a landing to be bordered by an iron rail. A similar new staircase is on the northern end of the same central hall. From the southern side, a clear view of the plastered entrance highlighted by an original fanlight can be obtained.

In addition to these doorways and staircases, the north and south elevations have two narrow nine-over-nine windows with splayed brick lintels and some early sashes. There are two dormers in each side of the English gambrel roof.

The house is undergoing extensive restoration.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1750

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | <u>Local History</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mount Pleasant was patented in 1697 to Richard Marsham, whose wife Anne was the daughter of Leonard Calvert, Governor of Maryland. Their grandson, Marsham Waring, inherited the home from his grandfather in 1713. His son, Richard Marsham Waring, had four sons of whom only one, John, born in 1737, survived and left issue. He inherited Mount Pleasant and built on it the large brick house which is there today (1972). He died in 1813 and is buried at Mount Pleasant. His son, John, Jr., married Elizabeth Margaret Bowie, second daughter of Maryland Governor Robert Bowie. Henry, John Sr.'s younger son, inherited Mount Pleasant from his father. He served as a major in the 34th Regiment in the War of 1812. In 1814, he was promoted to Lieutenant Commander and was commissioned Colonel of the Infantry, 34th Regiment, in 1817. He married Sarah Contee Harrison, daughter of John Harrison and Catherine Contee, in 1802. Catherine Contee's sister Jane had married John Hanson in 1747. Hanson was elected President of the Continental Congress in 1781, and in 1782, he became the first President of the United States under the Articles of Confederation.

Mount Pleasant is a representative example of the continuing gambrel-roof architecture in Maryland.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Forman, Henry Chandlee, Early Manor and Plantation Houses of Maryland. 1934. p. 95.

Rinn, David F., B.A., A Survey of Existing Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Buildings in Prince George, Maryland. D.C. 1968. This is in Maryland Historical Trust Library.

Bowie, Effie Gwynn, Across the Years in Prince George's County.

Lib. 3497, fol. 118 Land Records, Prince George's County.

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 TEN ACRES								
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE						
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds				
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	38	50	42.0	76	°	42	55.8
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	38	50	42.0	76	°	42	38.2
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	38	50	28.0	76	°	42	38.2
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	38	50	28.0	76	°	42	55.8

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 49 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
William Morgan and Ellis J. Parker

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: August 16, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland 21401 CODE: 24

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: Orlando Ridout IV
Orlando Ridout IV

Title: State Liaison Officer for the State of Maryland

Date: Sept. 20, 1972

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date: _____

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#6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS continued
Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks
1970 State x
Maryland Historical Trust
2525 Riva Road
Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Code 24

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY MAP FORM

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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: USGS 7.5 minute map; Bristol Quadrangle			
SCALE: 1: 24 000			
DATE: 1957			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Property boundaries where required. 2. North arrow. 3. Latitude and longitude reference. 			

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITES SUMMARY SHEET

P.G. County Survey # 79-4 Date c. 1750
Building Name Mt. Pleasant
Location Mt. Pleasant Road (east of #301), Upper Marlboro
Open to Public yes no

Mt. Pleasant is a one-and-a-half story brick structure with gambrel roof, laid up in Flemish bond with random glazed headers. The present house consists of two western bays and the original central hallway, the eastern two bays having collapsed around 1900. Twin flush chimneys are located in the west end of the house, with a four-over-four pent between them at attic level.

Mt. Pleasant was patented in 1697 to Richard Marsham, son-in-law of Proprietary Governor Leonard Calvert. John Waring, a descendant of Marsham, built the house ca. 1750 which remains today, and it was the home of his descendants until the late 1800's. One name most prominently associated with Mt. Pleasant in the nineteenth century is General Thomas Fielder Bowie, U.S. Congressman 1854-59, whose first wife was daughter of Colonel Henry and Mrs. Waring of Mt. Pleasant. Although General Bowie built a dwelling house in the village of Upper Marlboro, both he and his wife were buried at Mt. Pleasant. The present owner is a descendant of the Waring family.

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Maryland PG-79-4	
COUNTY	
Prince George's	
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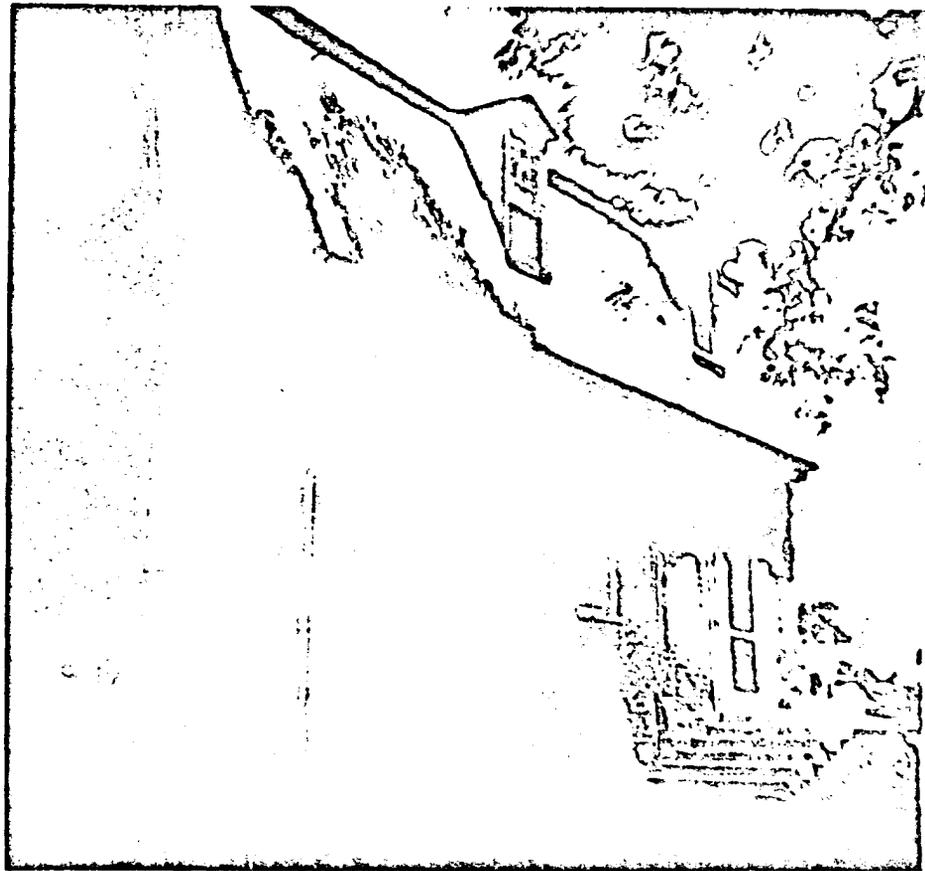
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

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Mount Pleasant Road			
CITY OR TOWN:			
Upper Marlboro			
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Maryland	24	Prince George's	033
3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Nancy Miller			
DATE OF PHOTO: June 1970			
NEGATIVE FILED AT:			
Maryland Historical Trust, 2525 Riva Rd., Annapolis, Md. 21401			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
south elevation			



UNITED STATES
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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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38°52'30"

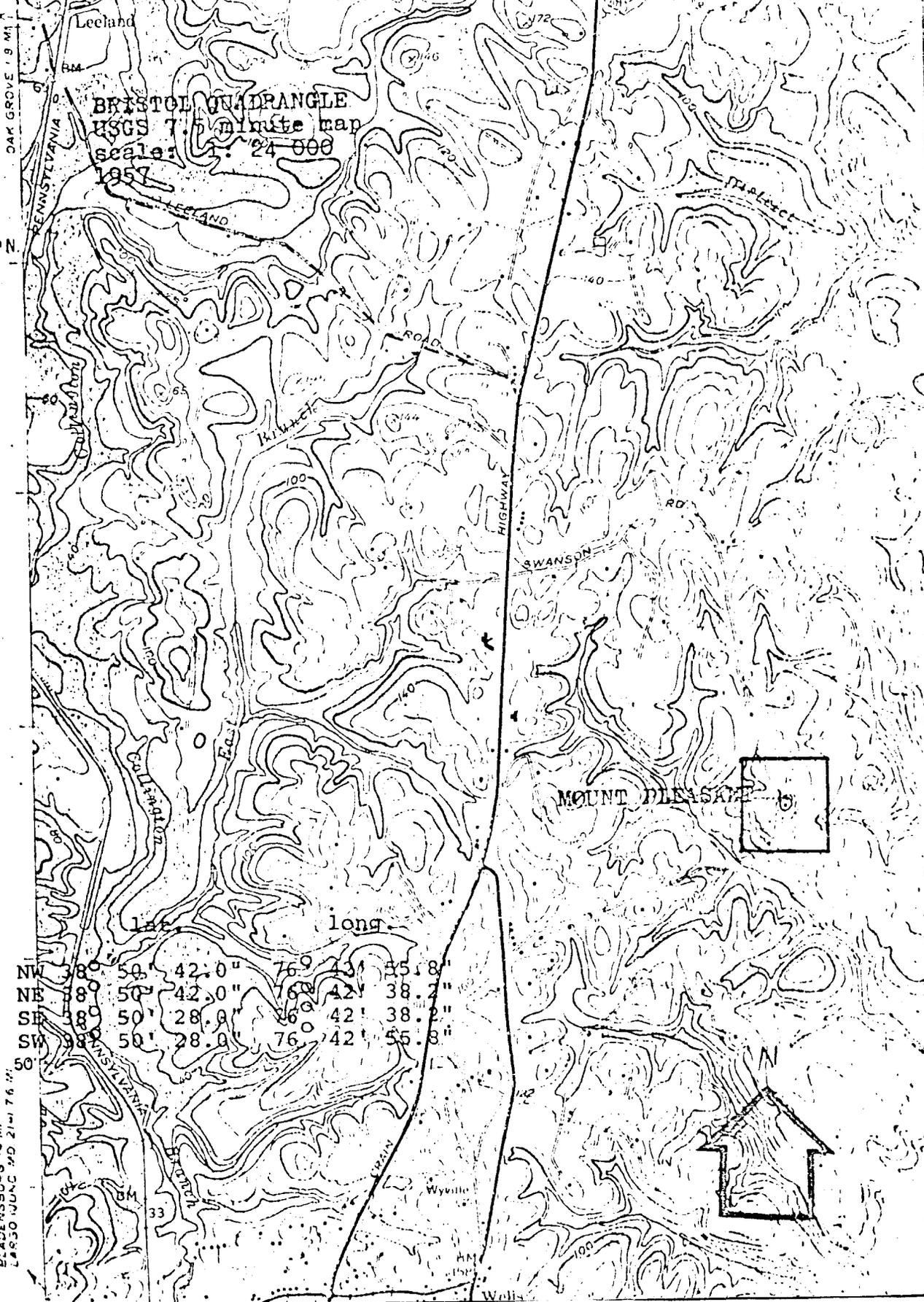
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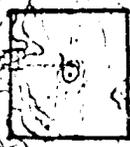
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BRISTOL QUADRANGLE
USGS 7.5 minute map
scale 1:24,000
1957



MOUNT PLEASANT



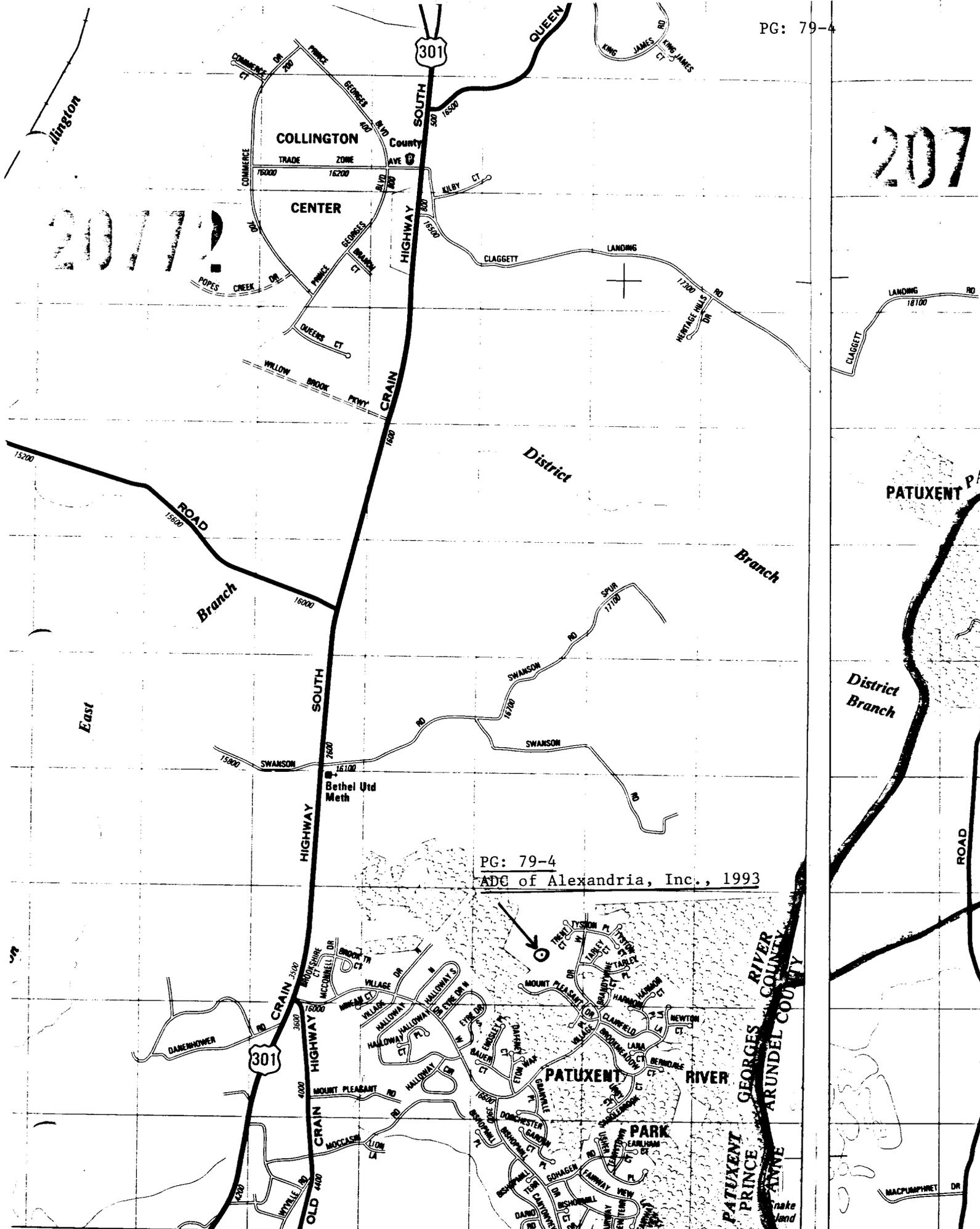
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LARGO QUANC MD 21-1 76 W.

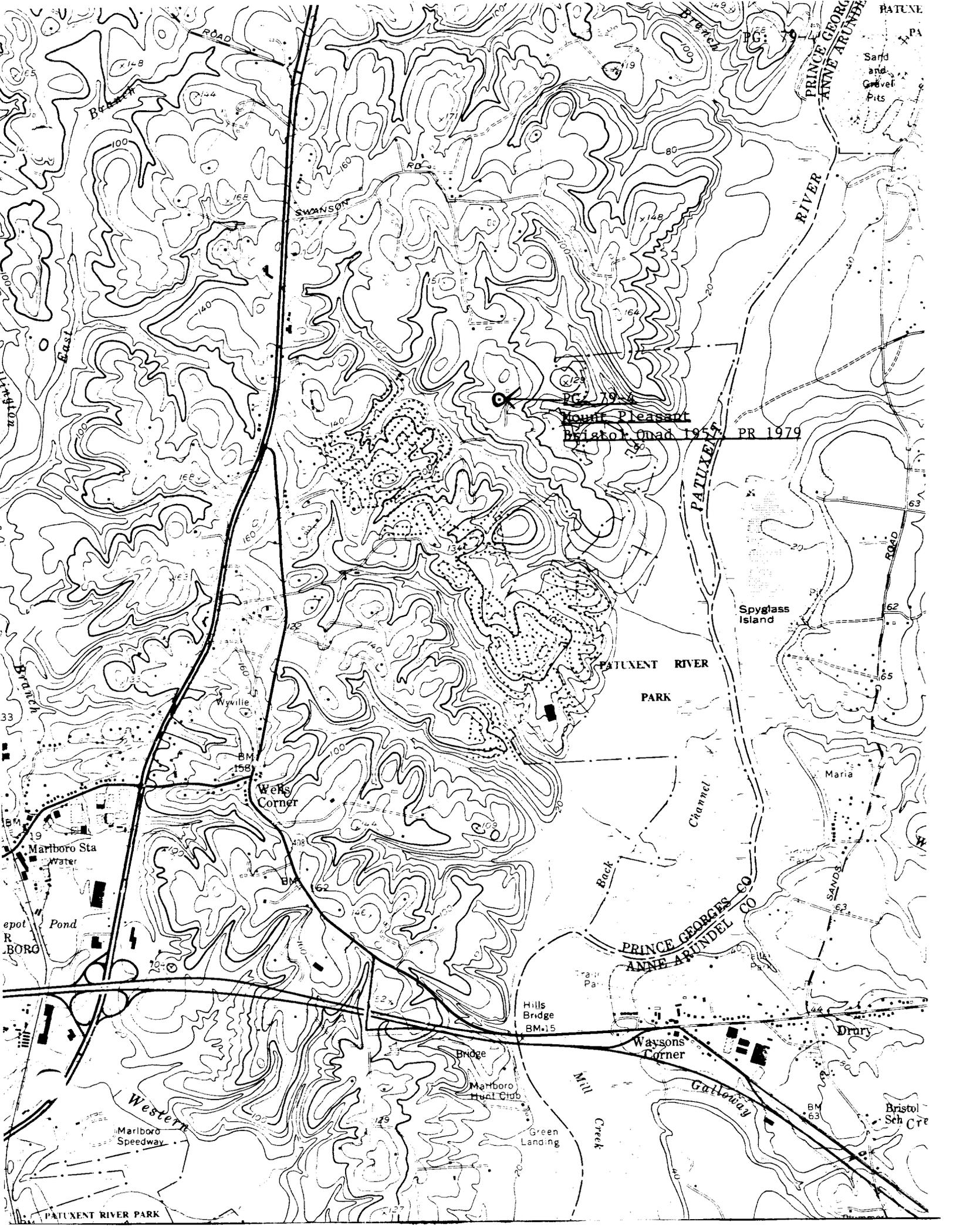


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RATUNE
Sand
and
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Pits

PRINCE GEORGES
ANNE ARUNDEL

RIVER

SWANSON

PG 1979
Mount Pleasant
Bristol Road 1979 PR 1979

Spyglass
Island

PATUXENT RIVER

PARK

Wells
Corner

Marlboro Sta
Water

Maria

PRINCE GEORGES CO
ANNE ARUNDEL CO

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Bridge
BM 15

Waysons
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Speedway

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Hunt Club

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Bristol
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PATUXENT RIVER PARK



Wd. Pleasant

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Upper Marlboro Md

vicinity

John O. Belmont photo

New York S.W.

May 1935

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John C. Bostwick, photo.

1861

May 1861



NAME MT. PLEASANT PG: 79-41
LOCATION OFF Rt 301 UPPER MARLBORO, Md.
ACADE NE
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