

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #71A-4 Building Date: 1914

Building Name: Anderson House

Location: 8707 Race Track Road, Bowie, Maryland

Private/Residence/Unoccupied/Deteriorated/Inaccessible

Description:

The Anderson House is an L-shaped frame gable-roofed house, two stories high, approximately 33 by 40 feet. The principal facade faces south; it has a central entrance, with two bays to the east and a semi-hexagonal three-window bay to the west. The boxed cornices are returned at all three (north, east and west) gable ends. There are two interior chimneys, one at the east gable end, and one in the center of the north-south leg of the ell at the ridge. The house was covered with German siding; some of this siding has been removed, revealing the diagonal framing underneath. The doors and windows have plain board surrounds. The roof is of standing seam metal and is partially covered with deteriorating hexagonal asphalt shingle. The high foundation is of poured concrete, and encloses a basement under the (north) kitchen section. Flanking the principal (south) entrance are remnants of two engaged wooden Tuscan columns, marking the location of an original one-story porch. The house also had a large one-story porch which wrapped around the interior of the ell and the east gable end; one turned post from this porch remains attached to the east gable end. On the interior, several floors and partition walls have been removed.

Significance:

The Anderson House, typical of Prince George's County farmhouses, was built in 1914. It stands on part of "Clark's Fancy", a 120-acre farm which Belle Brownell Anderson inherited from her uncle, Van Brownell. In 1914, Mrs. Anderson and her husband, Basil, sold 105 acres of the farm to the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association; their original home was demolished in the development of the Bowie Race Course. The Andersons built a new home, the subject house, on the remaining 15 acres. After Basil Anderson's death in 1957, his heirs brought suit in Equity Court, and the property was sold to the present owners. Since that time, the house has been used as the office of a food company, and the interior has been partially dismantled to allow for storage space. The house is in deteriorating condition, has been posted unsafe.

Acreage: 7.4 acres

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Anderson House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 8707 Race Track Road not for publication

city, town Bowie vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county P.G.

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input 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
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name George O. Russell

street & number 8707 Race Track Road telephone no.:

city, town Bowie, state and zip code Md. 20715

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. P.G. Co. Courthouse liber 2343

street & number Main Street folio 311

city, town Upper Marlboro, state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Prince George's County Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974 federal state county local

repository for survey records History Division M-NCPPC

city, town Riverdale, state Md. 20737

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

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Flanking the principal (south) entrance are remnants of two engaged wooden Tuscan columns, marking the location of an original one-story porch. The house also had a large one-story porch which wrapped around the interior of the ell and the east gable end; one turned post from this porch remains attached to the east gable end.

The interior plan was composed of central stair hall, parlor to the east, and dining room and kitchen to the west and north. Door and window surrounds have bulls-eye corner block molding throughout. Because the building has in recent years been used for feed storage, several floors and partitions have been removed to allow greater storage space. The mantels and staircase also have been removed.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		local history

Specific dates 1914 **Builder/Architect**

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

The Anderson house, typical of many farm houses in Prince George's County, was built c. 1914. It stands on a portion of 120 acres, part of Clark's Fancy, that Belle Brownell inherited from her uncle, Van Brownell, who died intestate in 1902.¹ Belle Brownell married Basil H. Anderson and in 1914 the couple sold 105 acres of Clark's Fancy to the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association. That parcel contained their original dwelling which the new owners demolished to clear the way for construction of the Bowie Race Course.²

A new house (the subject house) constructed on the remaining 15 acres, became the Andersons' "homeplace". Upon her death in 1945, Belle Brownell Anderson devised the property to her husband, Basil Anderson, who died in 1957, leaving no direct heirs, but several sisters and a brother. They found that Anderson's personal estate was insufficient to pay off his debts so they brought suit in equity petitioning for the sale of his real estate.²

By Equity Court decree, trustees were appointed to carry out a sale and at a public auction the present owners, George O. and Dorothy E. Russell, were the high bidders for the house and the 7 acres surrounding it.³ For a time the Russells used the building as the office of a feed business, but it has been standing vacant the past ten years.⁴ The house is in deteriorating condition, has been posted unsafe.

Notes:

- 1 Administration #1872.
- 2 Equity B-1317. Will, WEC #1:205.
- 3 Deed, #2343:311.
- 4 Interview with owners, November 1984.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See notes item #8
and chain of title

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 7.427 acres

Quadrangle name Odenton, section G

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan G. Pearl, Shirley Baitz, research historians

organization Historic Preservation Commission date November 1984

street & number c/o County Planning, M-NCPPC telephone 952-3521

city or town Upper Marlboro, 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.

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NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME						
COMMON:						
AND/OR HISTORIC: Perkins House						
2. LOCATION						
STREET AND NUMBER: Racetrack Road						
CITY OR TOWN: Bowie						
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Prince George's			
3. CLASSIFICATION						
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC	
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <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 type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input 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 type="checkbox"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>VACANT</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY						
OWNER'S NAME: Beatrice P. Curtin						
STREET AND NUMBER:						
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:			
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION						
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Prince George's County Courthouse						
STREET AND NUMBER:						
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro			STATE: Maryland			
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):						
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS						
TITLE OF SURVEY: None						
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local						
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:						
STREET AND NUMBER:						
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:			

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input checked="" 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

The house is a two-story, frame building with a four-bay facade. The two south bays are windows with 2/2 double hung sash. The north bay is a two story, semi-hexagonal bay window. There is an internal chimney on the south gable end.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Blank area for the Statement of Significance.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC

DATE: 27 Sept 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring

STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature _____

Chain of Title

Anderson House
P.G. #71A-4

#2343:311 6 June 1959 Deed	Marvin I. Anderson and Edward C. Bell, trustees to George O. Russell and Dorothy E. Russell, his wife; 7.427 acres lying on the north side of Race Track Road, part of the land ordered sold in Equity #B-1317.
Equity #B-1317 1957	Marvin I. Anderson and Edward C. Bell, administrators of Basil H. Anderson, vs. Rose Keys, et al; Basil Anderson d. intestate 1/3/57 leaving a personal estate insufficient to cover his debts. Suit brought petitioning for sale of his real estate. Under decree dated 8/12/57 the trustees sold 7 acres containing the dwelling house, as one parcel; same which Basil Anderson received by the will of his wife, Belle Brownell Anderson, recorded WEC #1:205.
WEC#1:205 6/19/45 Will	Belle Brownell Anderson, d. 4/23/45, devising to her husband, Basil H. Anderson, "the home property;" part of 120 acres Belle B. Anderson acquired under Admin. #1872, estate of Van Brownell.
Admin. #1872 1903	As the only heir of her uncle, Van Brownell, who died intestate in 1902, the then Belle Brownell acquired 120 acres; same which deceased acquired by JWB#35:186.
JWB#35:186 2 Jan. 1896 Deed	Mary B. Marypenny, widow, to Van Brownell of Washington, D.C.; (no acreage given) part of Clarke's Fancy; same which grantor acquired by JWB#16:741.
JWB#16:741 28 Jan. 1891 Deed	Frannie Hollis Zug and her husband, John E. Zug, to Mary B. Marypenny; 120 acres, part of Clarke's Fancy; same which grantors acquired by JWB#7:651.

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JAMES
F. ELBEN
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16.04 A.
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GEO. O. RUSSELL
2343-314
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GEORGE RUSSELL
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GENE HOGAN
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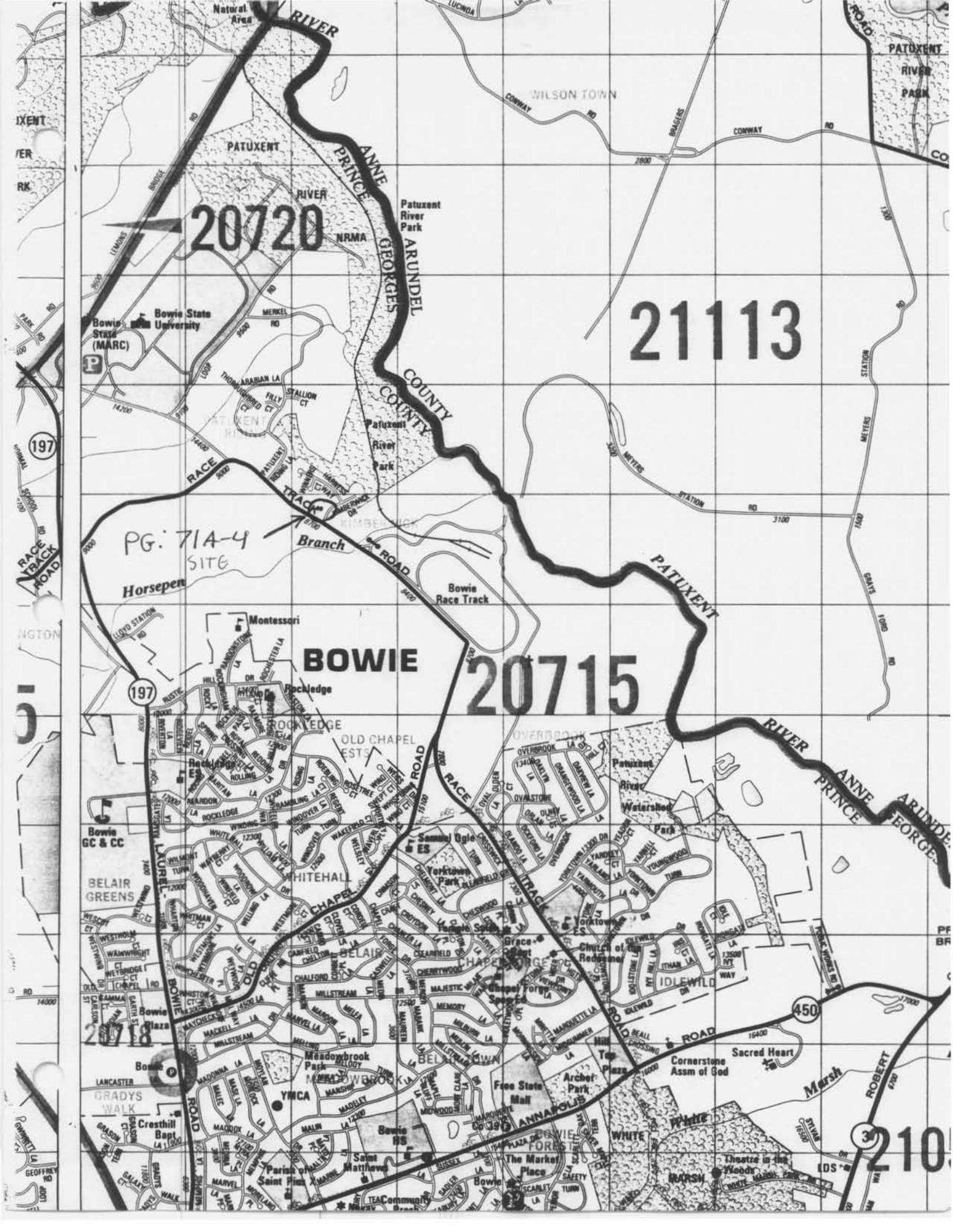
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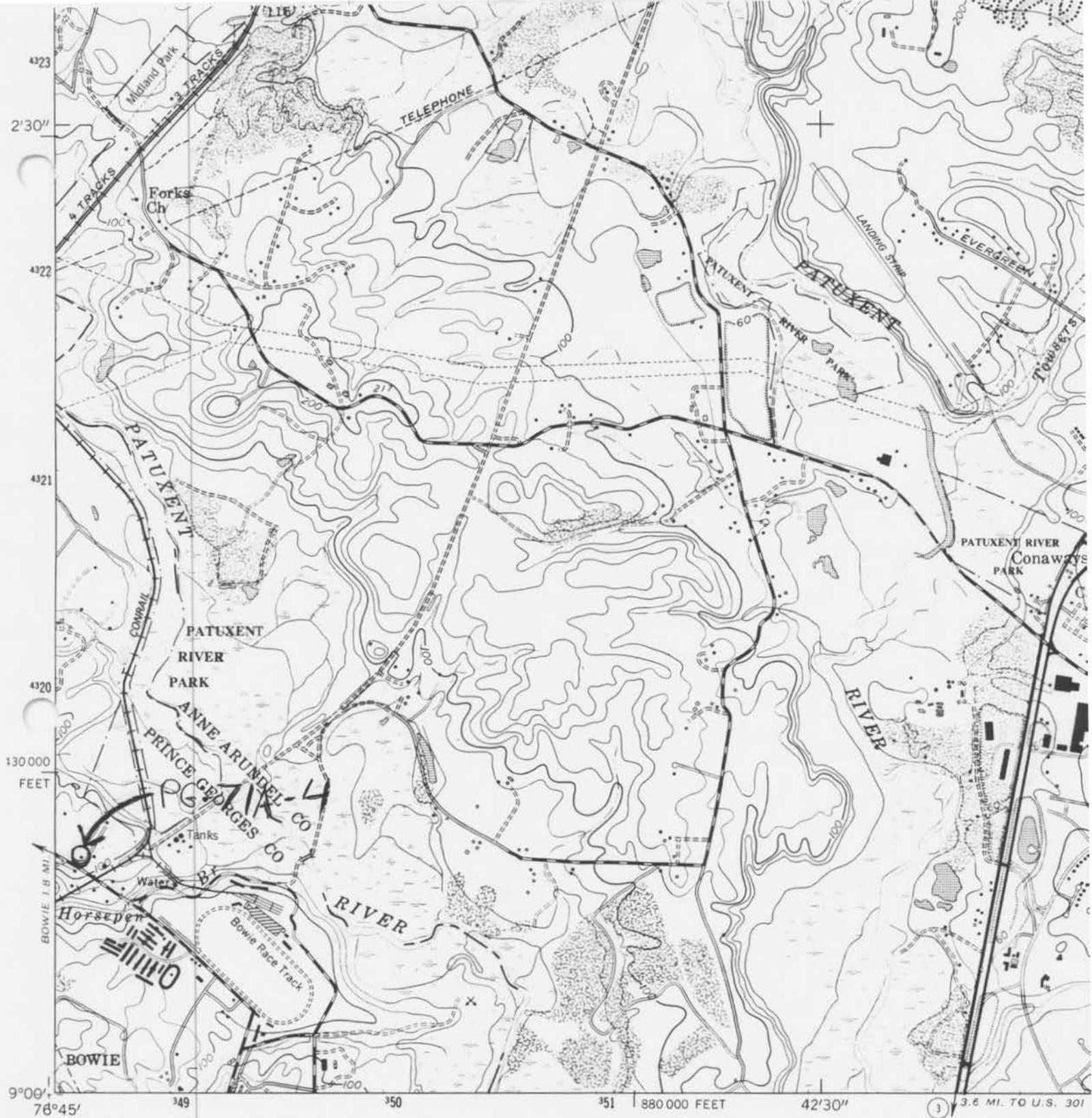
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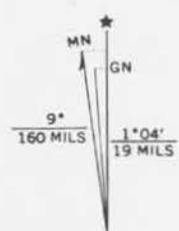
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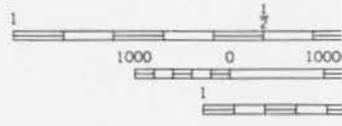
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Anderson House

Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

November 1984

South elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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East elevation

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South elevation, detail

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East elevation, detail

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NAME PERKINS HOUSE

LOCATION RACE TRACK RD JUST PAST OLD R.R. BED BOWIE, Md

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