

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey # 85A-24

Building Date c. 1903

Building Name Hartke House

Location 12100 Lusby Lane

Open to Public:  Yes  No

Occupied:  Yes  No

Use Private Residence

The Hartke House, constructed c. 1903, is a frame 2-story, 3 bay by 1 bay dwelling with a rear 2-story kitchen ell. It rests on a brick foundation covered with pargetting. The walls are covered with weatherboard siding and the cross gable roof with asphalt shingles. The principal facade, which faces south, has a central entrance with a projecting, 1-story vestibule. The doorway is surmounted by a 4-paned transom and has sidelights.

A 1-story frame cross-gable porch runs across the facade, supported by tapered wooden columns mounted on rock-faced concrete block pillars which are decorated with an egg and dart concrete molding. The floor of the porch is poured concrete and the roof is covered with standing seam metal. Wooden lattice work forms a trim just below the eaves of the porch. The cross gable end of the porch is decorated with a wooden chevron pattern.

The cross gable end of the facade is decorated with diamond-cut shingles painted brown, above a wide plain cornice. The gable ends of the east and west elevations are decorated with weatherboards painted brown.

The east elevation has a 1-story bay. A 1-story hipped roof porch, which has been recently enclosed, covers the entrance into the kitchen ell on the east elevation. Both the bay and porch have pressed metal roofs.

The Hartke House is a good example of a vernacular farmhouse which has had little exterior and interior alterations. The common form of the house has been slightly embellished with some Queen Anne influenced details, including the bay window, the cross gable roof on the main block and facade porch, the use of diamond-cut wooden shingles, and the ornamental trim on the facade porch.

The Hartke House was built in c. 1903 by Georgianna Lusby. In that year Mrs. Lusby, a widow, purchased the 618 acre farm of the late Dr. James Morgan for \$6000.00. In a letter from Mrs. Lusby to the Trustees of Dr. Morgan's estate, Mrs. Lusby mentions that she was "now and for some years past...[a] tenant of said estate..." It appears that Mrs. Lusby built the present house after acquiring the property in 1903.

Priv/res/occ/good

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. PG-85A-24  
Magi No. 1704365704  
DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic  
and/or common Hartke House

## 2. Location

street & number 12100 Lusby Lane \_\_\_ not for publication  
city, town Brandywine  vicinity of congressional district  
state Maryland county Prince George's

## 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 type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Richard Hartke  
street & number 12100 Lusby Lane telephone no.: 301-372-1065  
city, town Brandywine state and zip code MD 20613

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 4836  
street & number folio 688  
city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title M-NCPPC  
date 1978 \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state  county \_\_\_ local  
depository for survey records M-NCPPC - Riversdale Mansion  
city, town Riverdale state MD

# 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" 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			

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

The Hartke House, constructed c. 1903, is a frame 2-story, 3 bay by 1 bay dwelling with a rear 2-story kitchen ell. It rests on a brick foundation covered with pargetting. The walls are covered with weatherboard siding and the cross gable roof with asphalt shingles. The principal facade, which faces south, has a central entrance with a projecting, 1-story vestibule. The doorway is surmounted by a 4-paned transom and has sidelights.

A 1-story frame cross-gable porch runs across the facade, supported by tapered wooden columns mounted on rock-faced concrete block pillars which are decorated with an egg and dart concrete molding. The floor of the porch is poured concrete and the roof is covered with standing seam metal. Wooden lattice work forms a trim just below the eaves of the porch. The cross gable end of the porch is decorated with a wooden chevron pattern.

The cross gable end of the facade is decorated with diamond-cut shingles painted brown, above a wide plain cornice. The gable ends of the east and west elevations are decorated with weatherboards painted brown.

The east elevation has a 1-story bay. A 1-story hipped roof porch, which has been recently enclosed, covers the entrance into the kitchen ell on the east elevation. Both the bay and porch have pressed metal roofs.

All windows are 2/2 sash with plain window surrounds. A few have their original shutters and hardware. The shutters are painted red.

One recent addition is a 2-story ell on the rear, north elevation which is covered with aluminum siding.

There are 2 interior brick chimneys: one in the main block and the other in the kitchen ell.

The house has a central staircase with one room on either side. Architrave moldings are symmetrical with plain corner blocks. Ceilings have been lowered on the first story. The kitchen ell has beaded board wainscoting. A pressed metal ceiling has been covered. A tongue and groove boxed staircase runs to the second floor from the back of the kitchen.

A frame livestock barn and outhouse are also located on the property. A more recent barn is also part of the property.

# 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
<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/
<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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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The Hartke House was built in c. 1903 by Georgianna Lusby. In that year Mrs. Lusby, a widow, purchased the 618 acre farm of the late Dr. James Morgan for \$6000.00.<sup>1</sup> In a letter from Mrs. Lusby to the Trustees of Dr. Morgan's estate, Mrs. Lusby mentions that she was "now and for some years past...[a] tenant of said estate..."<sup>2</sup> It appears that Mrs. Lusby built the present house after acquiring the property in 1903.

In 1912 she deeded 151.37 acres to her son, R. Walton Lusby.<sup>3</sup> On October 1, 1936, R. Walton and Ora Hicks Lusby (his wife) deeded the farm to Anna Bieberbach, who in turn deeded it back to the Lusby's on the same day.<sup>4</sup> In 1945 Ora Hicks Lusby, the widow of R. Walton, deeded the farm to Ernest I. and Elinor L. Mudd.<sup>5</sup> The Mudd's began to divide the property in 1955. By 1972 it was owned by the Potomac Electric Power Company, who deeded 13.352 acres of the Lusby farm, including the house to the present owners Richard and Rosalie Hartke in 1977.<sup>6</sup>

### Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> Prince George's County Land Records, Liber 14, Folio 239.

<sup>2</sup> Prince George's County Probate Records, Equity Case #2998.

<sup>3</sup> Prince George's County Land Records, Liber 82, Folio 343.

<sup>4</sup> Prince George's County Land Records, Liber 451, Folio 415, and Liber 451, Folio 417.

<sup>5</sup> Prince George's County Land Records, Liber 802, Folio 82.

<sup>6</sup> Prince George's County Land Records, Liber 1941, Folio 413; Liber 2535, Folio 272; Liber 3174, Folio 65; Liber 3270, Folio 379; Liber 4164, Folio 438; Liber 4836, Folio 688.



Chain of Title

4836/688 - September 2, 1977

Grantor: Potomac Electric Power Company and the Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C.

Grantee: Richard H. Hartke and Rosalie A. (wife)

Being part of property conveyed by the Washington Gas Light Company to Potomac Electric Power Company in 4164/438, December 20, 1972

Containing - 13.352 acres

4164/438 - December 20, 1972

Grantor: Washington Gas Light Company

Grantee: Potomac Electric Company and the Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C.

Known as the "Property" designated by Washington Gas Light Company as the Merkle, Lusby, Mudd and southern half of the Heiskell tracts.

- (1) In Surratt's = 277.4115 acres
- (2) 71.6048 acres in 2296/205
- (3) 3.0281 acres

Residue of land conveyed by William Herbert Lusby to Washington Gas Light Company, February 18, 1959. L. 2296/205 except 71.6048 acres conveyed as parcel #2 and 2 tracts totaling 5.5445 acres conveyed by Washington Gas Light Company to Potomac Electric Power Company January 22, 1968 in 3563/695

- (4) a. Deed from M. S. Cameron to Washington Gas Light Company in 3270/379 on November 23, 1965
- b. Deed from Ernest I. Mudd, et. ux (Elinor L.) to Washington Gas Light Company in 1941/413 on December 16, 1955.

Containing - 11.7666 acres

3270/379 - November 23, 1965

Grantor: M. S. Cameron

Grantee: Washington Gas Light Company

- (1) 68.8571; being part of same property conveyed by Ora Hicks Lusby, widow to Ernest I. Mudd, Jr., and wife Elinor L. in 802/182 on December 28, 1945.

Exception: 8.698 acres being part of land conveyed by R. L. McDuff to M. S. Cameron in 3174/65 on March 7, 1961. This in turn conveyed by Cameron to PEPCO in 3248/148 on November 23, 1965

- (2) 1.0023 acres; being part of same property conveyed by Ora Hicks Lusby to Ernest I. and Elinor L. Mudd in 802/82 on December 28, 1945.

Both being part of land obtained from R. L. McDuff in 3174/65 on March 7, 1961, which is part of same land obtained by McDuff from Ernest I. Mudd, Jr. and wife in 2535/272 on March 7, 1961.

1941/413 - December 16, 1955

Grantor: Ernest I. Mudd and Elinor L. (wife)

Grantee: Washington Gas Light Company.  
Part of same land that Mudds obtained from Ora Hicks Lusby in 802/82 on December 28, 1945.

Contains - 1 acre

3174/65 - March 7, 1961

Grantor: R. L. McDuff

Grantee: M. S. Cameron

Parcel I: Part of a larger tract owned by Ernest I. Mudd, Jr. and Elinor L. (wife)  
Containing 68.8571  
Being part of same property conveyed by Ora Hicks Lusby to Ernest and Elinor Mudd in 802/82 on December 28, 1945  
Subject to rights-of-way described in 2535/272 (March 7, 1961)

Parcel II: 1.0023 acres  
802/82

802/82 - December 28, 1945

Grantor: Ora Hicks Lusby (widow - surviving tenant of entirety of R. Walton Lusby)

Grantee: Ernest I. Mudd, Jr. and Elinor L. (wife)  
(As tenants by the entireties)  
151.37 acres  
Together with a road or right-of-way to be appurtenant to the land hereby granted beginning at gate and running south over land of Georgianna Lusby to public road leading from T. B. to Cheltenham.

Being all of same property indeed from Anna Bieberbach, unmarried to R. Walton Lusby and Ora Hicks Lusby (wife) on October 1, 1936 in 451/417.

451/417 - October 1, 1936

Grantor: Anna Bieberbach

Grantee: R. Walton and Ora Hicks Lusby  
Being all of same conveyed by R. Walton and Ora to Anna in 1936. (451/415) with right-of-way.  
Exception: Right-of-way to C&P Telephone Company (207/291).

451/415 - October 1, 1936

Grantor: R. Walton and Ora Hicks Lusby

Grantee: Anna Bieberbach

All of same property obtained by Lusby from Georgianna Lusby, widow on May 27, 1912 in Liber 82, Folio 343.

Containing 151.37 acres with a road from public road.

Exception: Right-of-way to C&P Telephone Company (207/291).

82/343 - May 27, 1912

Grantor: Georgianna Lusby (widow, of Washington, D.C.)

Grantee: R. Walton Lusby (son)

Being part of that farm which was conveyed to Georgianna Lusby by Marion Erwin, Conway Robinson, and F. Snowden Hill, Trustees

Containing 151.37 acres with road leading to property from public road.

14/239 - July 27, 1903

Grantor: Marion Erwin, Conway Robinson and F. Snowden Hill, Trustees

Grantee: Georgianna Lusby

In Equity Case 2998, Eleanor D. Speer vs. James Dudley Morgan and others - the above Grantors are named as Trustees with authority to sell and convey property in will of James E. Morgan (of D.C.) - deceased.

No bid was made at public sale. However, offer made by Georgianna Lusby for \$6,000 on June 18, 1903. Offer accepted.

Consists of: all land under will of James E. Morgan, known as "Piscataway Farm" or the "Eversfield Farm".

Containing 618 acres

Morgan obtained land from:

- (1) Charles E. Eversfield (February 19, 1863) - L. FS No. 1, F. 423;
- (2) Samuel H. Berry, Trustee - (April 18, 1863), FS No. 1, F.516.

(3) Daniel B. Clarke and Annie M. Clarke (wife) - (April 16, 1864) - FS No. 1, F. 812.

Equity Case #2998 - July 1, 1903

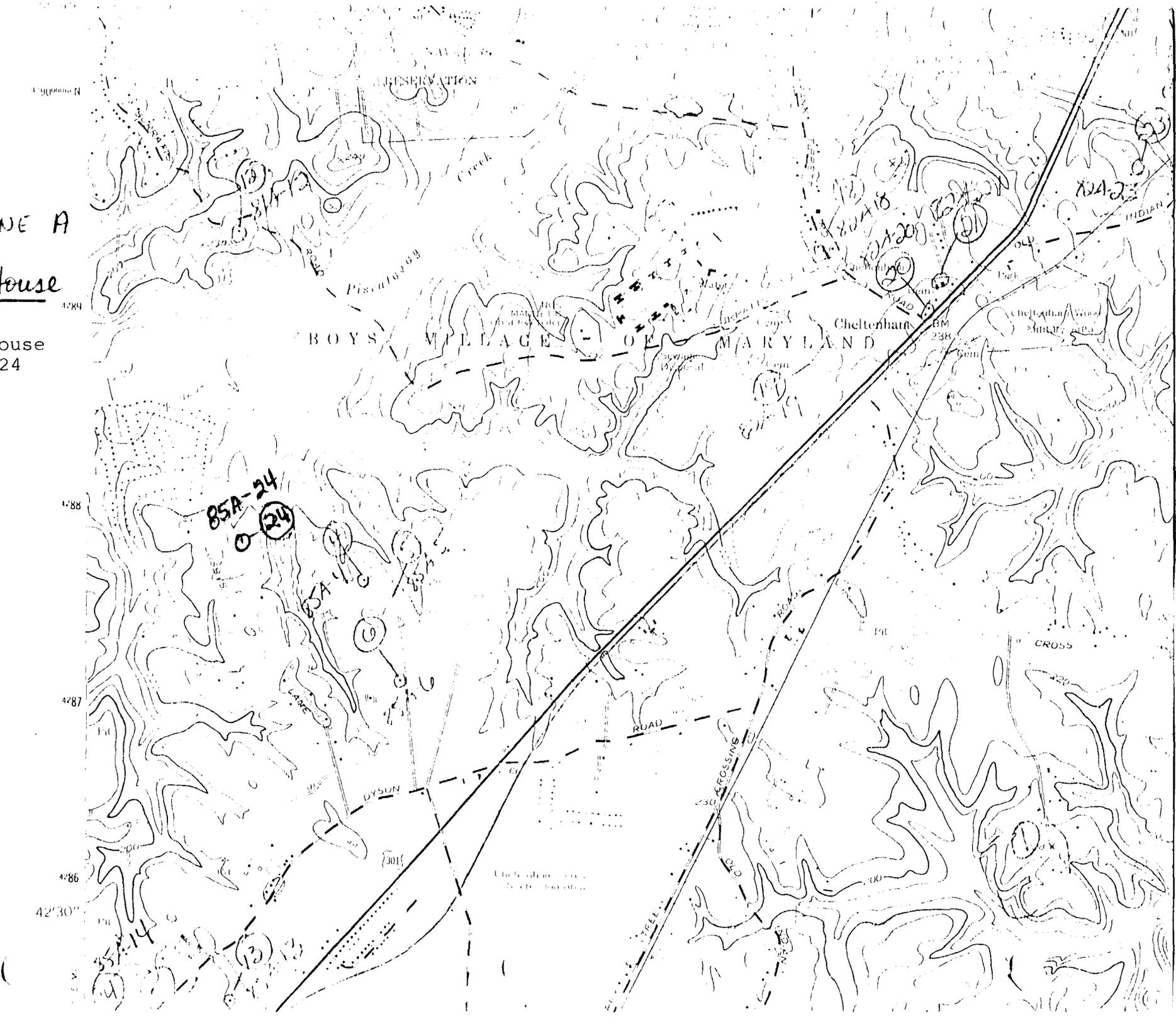
RE: Sale of Real Estate of the late Dr. James Morgan

Georgianna Lusby - letter written to Trustees on January 22, 1903  
"...now and for some years past I have occupied as tenant of said estate."

She makes an offer of \$6,000.00 for the 618 acres. It is accepted.

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Hartke House

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Hartke house

Prince George's County, MD

Susan G. Pearl

May 1984

Northwest 3/4 elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



P.G. #85A-24

Hartke house

Prince George's County, MD

Susan G. Pearl

May 1984

South elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD