

Capsule Summary  
SM-579  
Goldsborough Race  
Hollywood  
Private

c. 1920s

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St. Mary's County  
Maryland Comprehensive State Historic Preservation Plan Data

Historic Context

Geographic Organization:	Western Shore
Chronological/Developmental Period:	Industrial/Urban Dominance, 1870-1930
Historic Period Theme:	Architecture

Resource Type

Category:	Structure
Historic Environment:	Rural Crossroads
Historic Function and Use:	Dwelling
Known Design Source:	None

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. SM-579

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Goldsborough Race (pref.)

and/or common Greenwell House

**2. Location**

NE corner of Route 235 and Route 245  
street & number

not for publication

city, town Hollywood

vicinity of

congressional district

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state Maryland

county St. Mary's

TM 26, P 179

**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 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 Agnes C. Poe

street & number Star Rt Box 268M

telephone no.:

city, town Piney Point

state and zip code Md 20674

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse

liber EWA 743

street & number

folio 189

city, town Leonardtown

state Md

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

Contributing resource count: 3

The Goldsborough Race is located just west of the intersection of Route 235 and Route 245 in Hollywood, Maryland. Situated on a knoll on the north side of Route 245, the house, tobacco barn, and storage shed are surrounded on three sides by rolling grassy fields and on the south side by the road. Several large trees are also located close to the house. Oriented on a north/south axis, the primary elevation of the house faces a late-nineteenth century crossroads community called Hollywood.

Constructed c. 1920s, Goldsborough Race is a frame, two story, three bay, L-shaped plan dwelling with a gable roof. Situated on a brick pier foundation, the dwelling's walls are covered with lapped siding and the roof is covered with asphalt siding. The roof is pierced by two brick chimney flues.

The south or primary elevation is pierced by a centrally located door flanked on either side by six-over-six, double-hung sash windows. These bays are shaded by a screened-in porch that is decorated with a series of six turned supports with scroll sawn brackets. The second floor is pierced by three, six-over-six windows. Each window features a pair of functional louvered shutters. Over the center bay is a cross gable that frames a four pane fixed sash window. The cross gable is decorated with a decorative vergeboard.

The west elevation consists of the front section's gable end, the rear ell, and a one story addition. The front section's gable end features a six-over-six window on the first and second floor. Interestingly, the end of the south porch has also been sided and is pierced by a one-over-one modern sash window. The rear jone story addition does not feature any openings and the second floor of the rear ell is pierced by a six-over-six window.

The north elevation of the rear ell is pierced on the first and second floor by six-over-six windows. The one story addition is pierced by two, six-over-six windows and a door. The second floor of the front section is pierced by two, six-over-six windows.

The east elevation, consisting of the gable end of the front section and side of the rear ell, is pierced on the first floor by a paired set of one-over-one windows. The second floor is pierced by two, six-over-six windows.

The interior was not accessible at the time of the visit.

The house is accompanied by an frame, cross-axial plan tobacco barn and a frame storage shed. The tobacco barn is constructed on a concrete pier foundation and is sheathed with vertical boards. The roof is covered with raised seam metal. The barn features an east/west carriage way and a pair of doors on its north and south sides. The storage shed is also constructed on concrete piers and is sheathed with vertical boards. It features a single pair of doors on its west side.

The property is currently zoned for town center development and is for sale.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. SM-579

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
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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
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		<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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

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

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Goldsborough Race was originally part of a large 160 acre tract. In 1839 the property was sold by Bennett and May Stone to William and Mary Hayden. This deed notes that Bennett Stone's house had burned in September, 1838. The Hayden heirs eventually sold the tract for \$285 to Charlotte S. and W. Stephen Hayden in 1891. In 1896 the Hayden's subdivided the land and sold 20 acres of the original 160 acre tract to James and Maggie Higgs. The heirs of the couple sold the property again in 1917 to Frank and Lucy Floyd. In 1919 the Floyd's sold the property to Valley I Greenwell.

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreeage of nominated property 20.389 acres

Quadrangle name Hollywood, Md

Quadrangle scale 1:24 000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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**Verbal boundary description and justification**

Same as per deed description.

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

state	code	county	code

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization St. Mary's County Planning and Zoning

date April, 1997

street & number 22740 Washington Street

telephone 301-475-4662

city or town Leonardtown

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

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ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

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St. Mary's County  
8.1 Significance

Chain-of-Title

(All deeds are located at the Land Records Office, St. Mary's County Courthouse, Leonardtown, Maryland unless otherwise noted.)

Reference: Liber EWA 743, Folio 189

Grantee: Agnes C. Poe, et al

Grantor: Agnes C. Poe and James E. Greenwell, personal representatives for Blanche Elizabeth Greenwell

Date: December 29, 1992

Notes: This deed notes that Valley I. Greenwell died on May 9, 1969. He was in turn survived by Blanche Elizabeth Greenwell and children Agnes C. Poe, James E. Greenwell, Evelyn Muzzuco, Ignatius V. Greenwell, Dorothy R. Sickle, Margaret A. Wilson, Kenneth D. Greenwell, and Mary E. McKenny--see also Orphans Court Records, Estate No. 7214. The deed notes that the parcel contains 20.389 acres.

Reference: Liber EBA 18, Folio 272

Grantee: Valley I. Greenwell

Grantor: Frank F. and Lucy R. Floyd

Date: September 2, 1919

Reference: Liber EBA 16, Folio 33

Grantee: Frank F. and Lucy R. Floyd

Grantor: Rosie M. Magill, A. F. Strauss, James D. and Grace E. Higgs

Date: January 5, 1917

Reference: Liber JJG 3, Folio 422

Grantee: James R. and Maggie C. Higgs

Grantor: William S. and Charlotte E. Hayden

Date: April, 1896

Notes: The deed lists the property as containing 20 acres more or less.

Reference: Liber JFF 12, Folio 463

Grantee: Charlotte S. and W. Stephen Hayden

Grantor: Alexander Abell and children Mary Inez Hebb, Stephen A. Abell, Flora J. Abell, and William Henry Abell

Date: April 21, 1891

Notes: Here the property contains 160 acres. It was purchased by the Haydens for \$285.

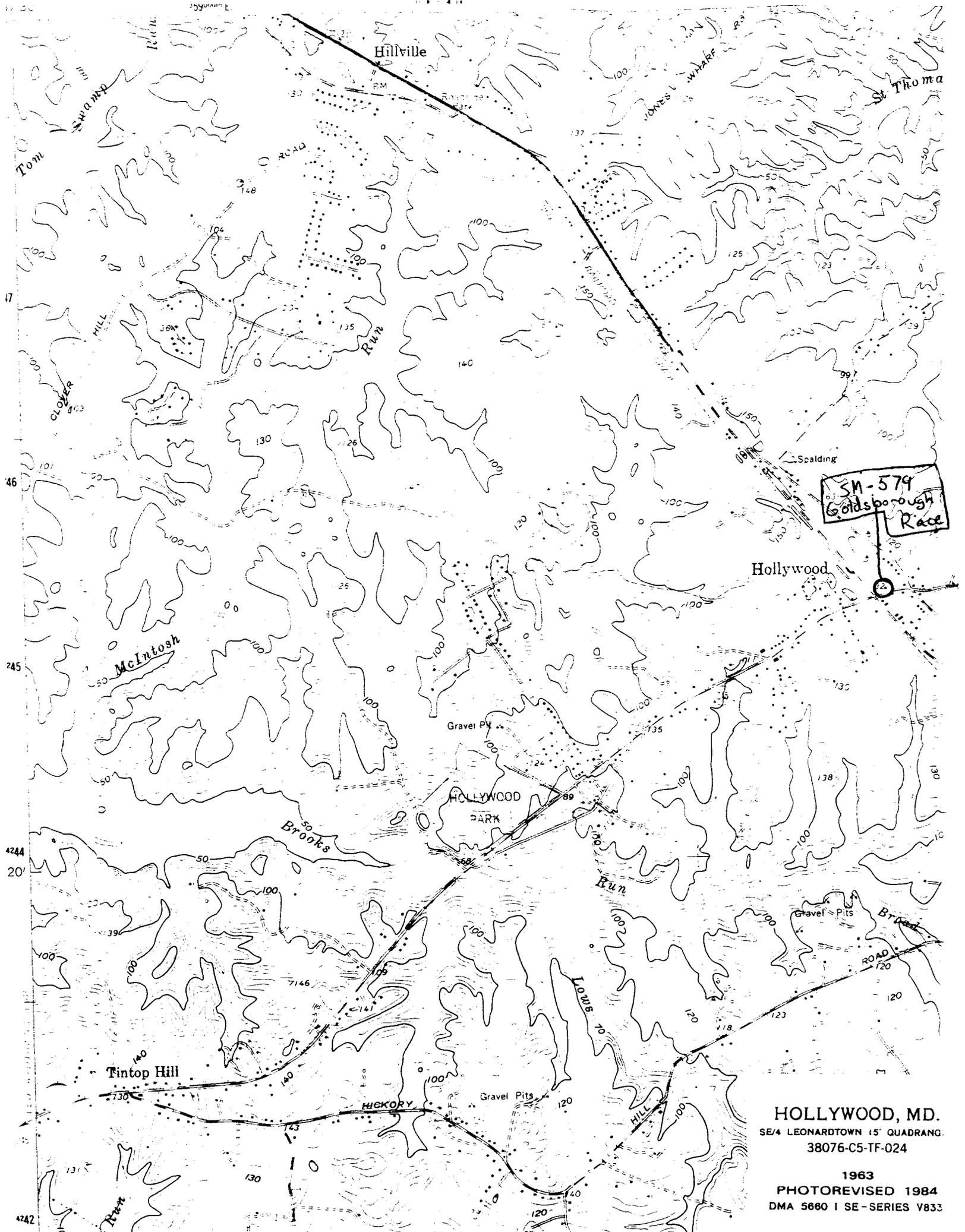
Reference: Liber JH 11, Folio 479

Grantee: William and Mary Hayden

Grantor: Bennett and May Stone, et al

Date: November 12, 1839

Notes: Called "Goldsborough Race," the property is further described as adjoining William Brewer's Plantation. It also notes that Bennett Stone's house burned on September 1838.



SM-579  
Goldsborough  
Race

**HOLLYWOOD, MD.**

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SM-574

Goldborough Race  
St. Mary's County, Md

Nick Bonzetta

Feb, 1997

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SM-579

Goldborough Ranch

St. Mary's County, Md

Kirk Ranette

Feb, 1997

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