

Capsule Summary
SM-870
28255 Briscoe Anderson Lane
Mechanicsville
Private

circa 1940

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Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-870

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 28255 Briscoe Anderson Lane

2. Location

street and number 28255 Briscoe Anderson Lane not for publication

city, town Mechanicsville vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name John and Rebecca Stoltzfus, T/E

street and number 37808 Westham Lane telephone N/a

city, town Mechanicsville state Md zip code 20659-4100

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-8, P-74

city, town Leonardtown liber EWA 1563 folio 166

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: _____

6. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Current Function | | Resource Count | |
|---|---|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district | <input type="checkbox"/> public | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape | Contributing | Noncontributing |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade | <input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture | <u>7+</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> buildings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure | <input type="checkbox"/> both | <input type="checkbox"/> defense | <input type="checkbox"/> religion | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> sites |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic | <input type="checkbox"/> social | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> structures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object | | <input type="checkbox"/> education | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> objects |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> funerary | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress | <u>7+</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Total |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> government | <input type="checkbox"/> unknown | | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> health care | <input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use | | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> industry | <input type="checkbox"/> other: | | |
| | | | | Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory | |
| | | | | <u>0</u> | |

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

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

The house at 28255 Briscoe Anderson Lane is located on the east side of the road near its intersection with Lockes Crossing Road. Situated near Mechanicsville, Maryland the main farm house is oriented on a north/south axis. Situated in the middle of a 46.51 acre tract, the dwelling is accessed via Briscoe Anderson Lane which extends to the south of Lockes Crossing Road. The main farm house is accompanied by at least six early to mid-twentieth century tobacco barns which are clearly visible from the road. Other agricultural buildings may be present on the farmstead, but only about 20 acres of the property was surveyed. The property is bounded by cultivated and wooded tracts to the east, south, and west while Lockes Crossing Road forms the northern boundary.

The house at 28255 Briscoe Anderson Lane is a circa 1940, two-story, three bay, frame house with a hipped roof. Often called a four-square for its overall boxy appearance, the house's exterior walls are sheathed with what appears to be wood weatherboard, while the roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Two interior brick chimneys with corbelled tops pierce the roof.

While the first floor fenestration is obscured by a porch, the second floor features two sets of paired six-over-six windows. This arrangement suggests that the first floor is pierced by a central door flanked on either side by similarly paired windows.

No other elevations were observed during the time of the site visit.

8. Significance

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| Period | Areas of Significance | Check and justify below | | |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> economics | <input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> performing arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology | <input type="checkbox"/> education | <input type="checkbox"/> industry | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> invention | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999 | <input type="checkbox"/> art | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2000- | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage | <input type="checkbox"/> law | <input type="checkbox"/> science |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> communications | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> literature | <input type="checkbox"/> social history |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning | | <input type="checkbox"/> maritime history | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation | | <input type="checkbox"/> military | <input type="checkbox"/> other: |

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

10. Geographical Data

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| Acreage of surveyed property | <u>20 acres</u> | |
| Acreage of historical setting | <u>46.51 acres</u> | |
| Quadrangle name | <u>Charlotte Hall</u> | Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24 000</u> |

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded by cultivated and wooded tracts to the east, south, and west while Lockes Crossing Road forms the northern boundary. A more specific description of the property's boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber EWA 1563, Folio 166.

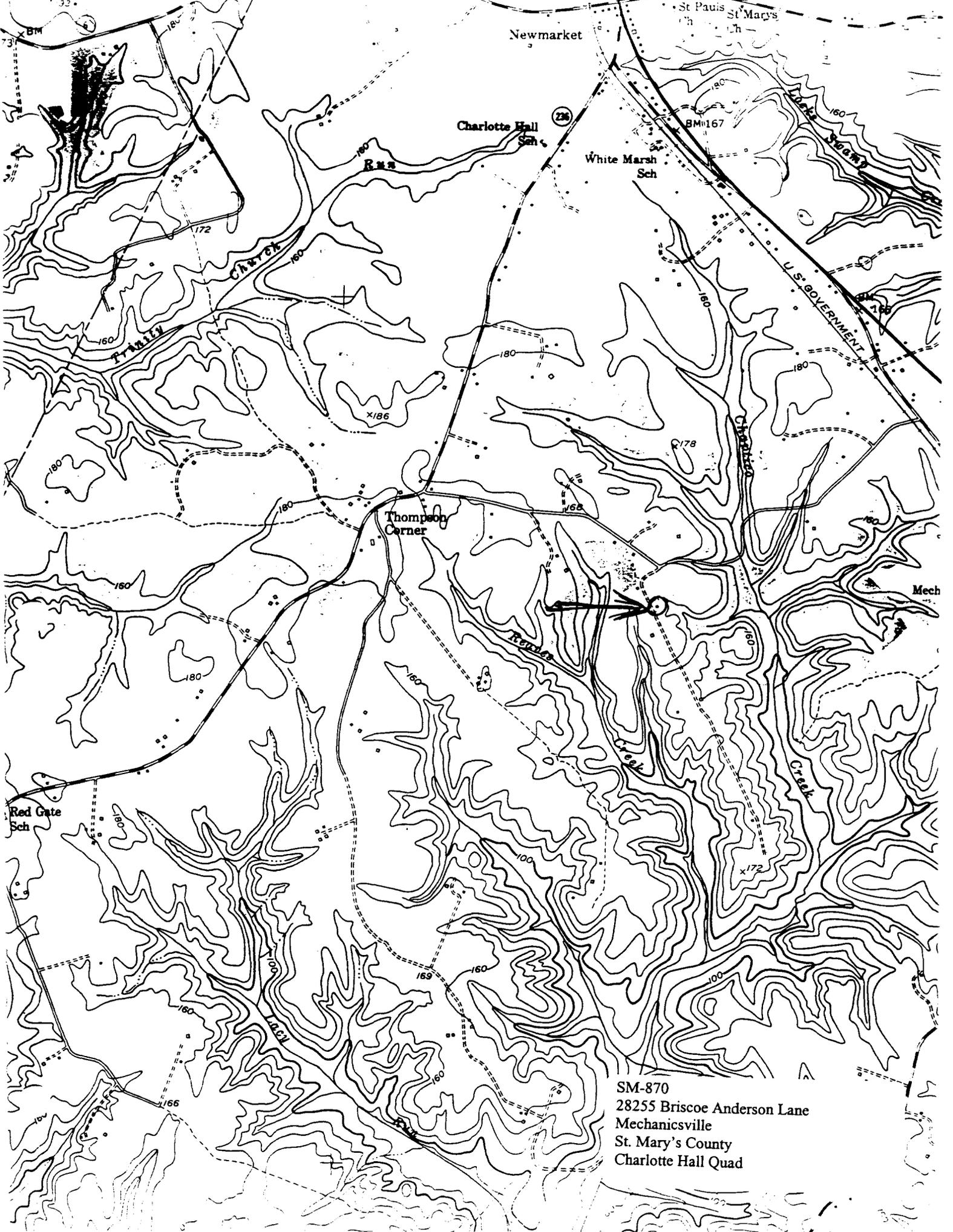
11. Form Prepared by

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| name/title | Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor | | |
| organization | St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning | date | August, 2000 |
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| city or town | Leonardtown | state | Maryland |

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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Charlotte Hall Quad



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St. Mary's County

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