

Capsule Summary

Survey No.: T-1112

Name: 234 Dodson Avenue

Construction Date: early-twentieth century

Town/Vicinity: St. Michaels

County: Talbot

Access: Private

Summary Description:

This small, one-story, wood frame residence is located at 234 Dodson Avenue. It has a rectangular plan (3 bays X 2 bays) and a gable fronted roof similar to its neighbors. The facade is three bays wide and is spanned by a full width, hip roofed, screened porch. A shed roofed addition has been attached to the rear elevation. The building is clad with asphalt (insul-brick) siding, and the cornice has been boxed with aluminum.

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. T-1112

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 234 Dodson Avenue

2. Location

street & number 234 Dodson Avenue

not for publication

city, town St. Michaels

vicinity of

congressional district First

state MD

county Talbot

3. Classification

Category

Ownership

Status

Present Use

district

public

occupied

agriculture

museum

building(s)

private

unoccupied

commercial

park

structure

both

work in progress

educational

private residence

site

Public Acquisition

Accessible

entertainment

religious

object

in process

yes: restricted

government

scientific

being considered

yes: unrestricted

industrial

transportation

not applicable

no

military

other:

4. Owner of Property

(give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Emerson & Bertha Watts

street & number P.O. Box 1161

telephone no.:

city, town St. Michaels

state and zip code MD 21663-2128

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Courthouse

liber 413

street & number Washington Street

folio 670

city, town Easton

state MD 21601

6. Representation in Existing

Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved

date of move _____

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

Contributing Resource Count: 1

This ca. 1930-1940s building is a one story, wood frame residence located at 234 Dodson Avenue. Similar in form to its neighbors, it has a rectangular plan (3 bays X 2 bays) and gable front roof. The facade is three bays wide and contains an entrance in the easternmost bay and one-over-one, double hung windows in the remaining two bays. A full width, hip roofed, screened porch shelters the facade. A small shed roofed addition has been attached to the rear elevation. The entire building is clad with asphalt sheeting (insul-brick); and the cornice has been boxed with aluminum. Modern storm windows have been added throughout.

A small plywood outbuilding is located on the property. It does not appear to be 50 years old or older and is in poor condition.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance--Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____ unknown _____

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.

This building is an example of twentieth-century domestic architecture common to the area. Based on its construction date it is associated with the Modern Period (1930-present) context under the theme of domestic architecture. Originally part of the Perry's Cabin farm, the land was sold off and subdivided beginning in 1871 and was referred to as "Dodson's Addition." Many of those lots were sold to "people of color" (Hughes 1998: 46). The 1877 Lake Griffing and Stevenson map of St. Michaels shows the addition; however, this lot was not developed at this time. The house is not indicated on the 1923 *St. Michaels, MD Quadrangle 7.5'* either, therefore, was built sometime after this in the early- twentieth century.

it is modest in scale and possesses simple detailing. Construction of the rear additions has altered its original form and character. The area of Dodson's Addition has become known as an African-American community, yet whites have lived, and continue to live there. It is not associated with significant events or persons and is not significant for its architecture. Given this, it is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, or C.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility not recommended
 Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Comments: _____


 Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Date 4/20/99


 Reviewer, NR program

Date 8/14/00

9. Major Bibliographical Reference

Survey No. T-1112

Elizabeth Hughes. 1996 *Historic St. Michaels: An Architectural History*. Historic St. Michaels-Bay Hundred, Inc.

Lake Griffing and Stevenson. 1877 Map of St. Michaels, MD. In *Illustrated Atlas of Talbot and Dorchester Counties*. Philadelphia.

USGS 1923 St. Michaels, MD Quadrangle 7.5'

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nomiated property 10,000 square feet

Quadrangle name St. Michaels, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM Refernces **do NOT complete UTM references**

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Talbot Count tax map 200, grid SM, parcel 1714.

The boundary encompasses the parcel currently owned by Emerson & Bertha Watts.

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

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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date July 28, 1998

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city or town Stone Mountain

state GA 30083

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.

return to:

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DHCP/DHCD
100 COMMUNITY PLACE
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032
(301-514-7600)

Continuation Sheet

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County: Talbot

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

HISTORIC CONTEXT

Geographic Organization: Eastern Shore

Chronological/Development Period(s): Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present

Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building

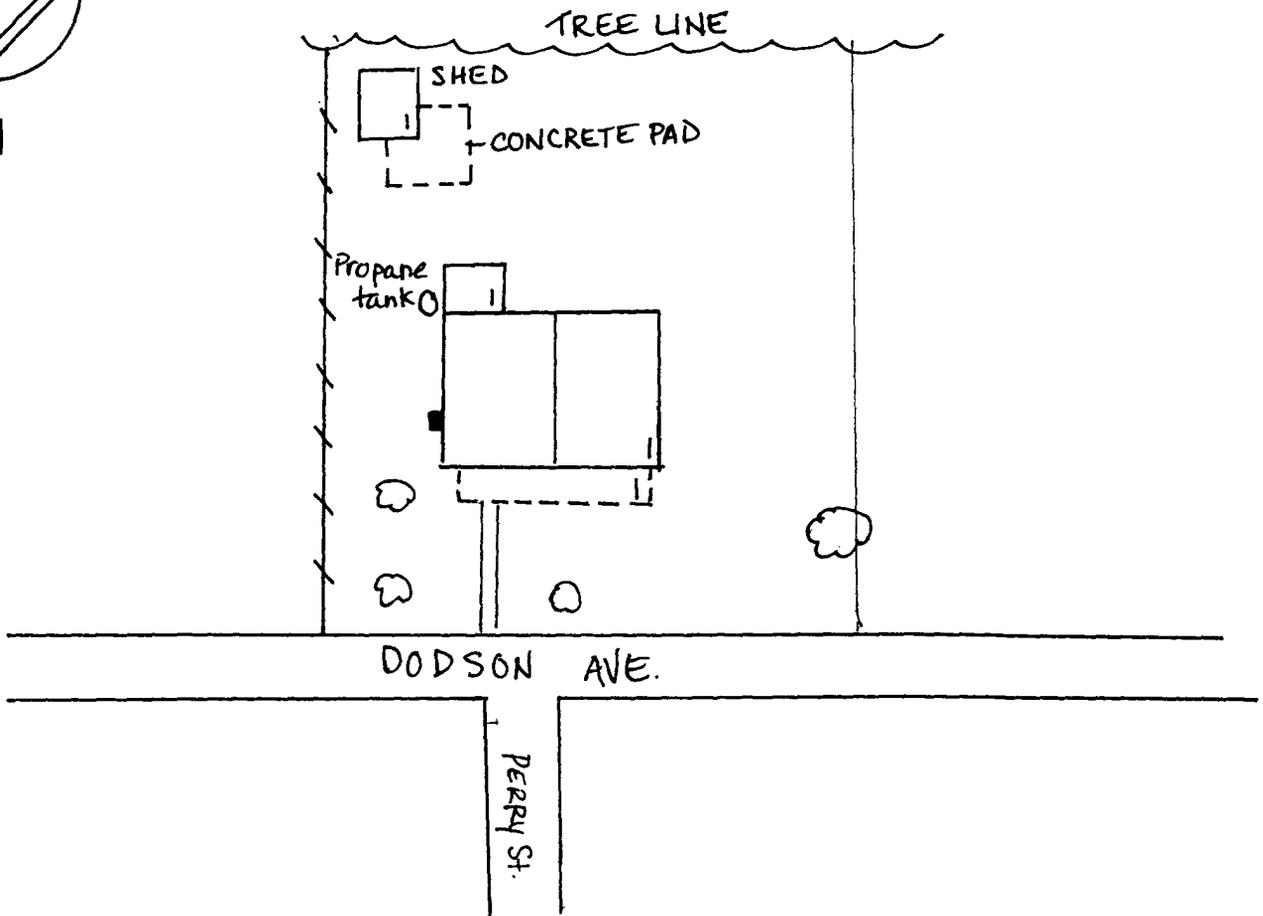
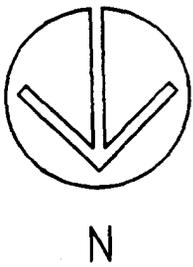
Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Known Design Source: none

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234 Dodson Avenue, St. Michaels, MD
SKETCH MAP - NOT TO SCALE

drawn by: Rachel Mancini
John Milner Associates, Inc.
August, 1998



Portion of the 1877 Lake Griffing & Stevenson map of St. Michaels, MD from: *Illustrated Atlas of Talbot and Dorchester Counties* with property addresses added

ST MICHAELS

ST. MICHAELS DIST. TALBOT CO.



ST. MICHAEL'S BUSINESS REFERENCES.

H. C. DODSON, Dealer in Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Fine Toilet Soap, Fancy Hair and Tooth Brushes, Perfumery and Fancy Toilet Articles, Trusses, Shoulder-Braces, Grass and Garden Seeds, Pure Wines and Liquors for Medicinal purposes, Paints, Oils, Varnishes and Dye Stuffs, Letter Paper, Pens, Ink, Envelopes, Glass, Putty, Carbon Oil, Lamps, Chimneys, &c. Physicians' Prescriptions carefully Compounded.

G. E. HADDAWAY, Insurance Agent and Conveyancer.

JOHN W. DEAN, Collector of Claims, Real Estate Agent and Conveyancer.

JAMES DYOTT, Carpenter, Contractor and Builder, Shop at St. Michael's.

ALFRED E. HAMBLETON, Carpenter and Builder. Shop at St. Michael's.

JAMES BENSON, Real Estate Agent and Collector of Claims.

O. F. SPARKS, Justice of the Peace and Collector.

C. A. SMITHMAN, Boot and Shoemaker. First class work done on short notice. Repairing promptly and neatly done.

JOHN S. HAMBLETON, Proprietor of "Hambleton's Mechanical Shop." Blacksmithing, Wheelwrighting, and all work pertaining thereto. In-

ST MICHAELS RIVER

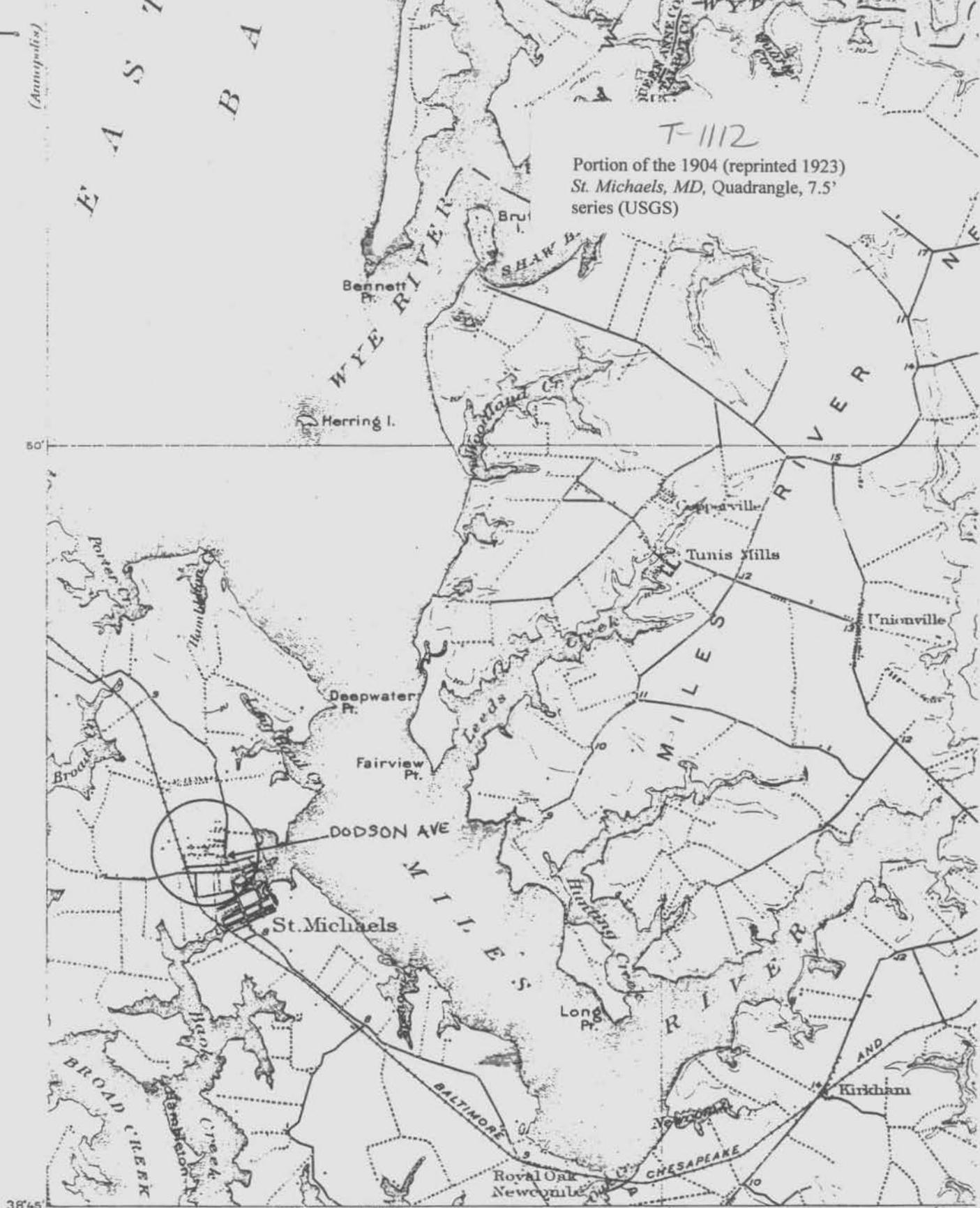
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(Annapolis)

EAST BAY

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Portion of the 1904 (reprinted 1923)
St. Michaels, MD, Quadrangle, 7.5'
series (USGS)



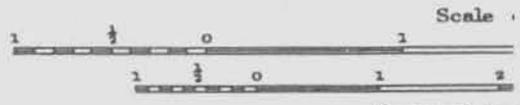
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 Shoreline topography by U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.
 Control by U.S.C and G.S.W. Carvel Hall, W.R. Harper and E.S. Ela.
 Topography by T.G. Basinger.
 Surveyed in 1902 in cooperation with the State of Maryland.

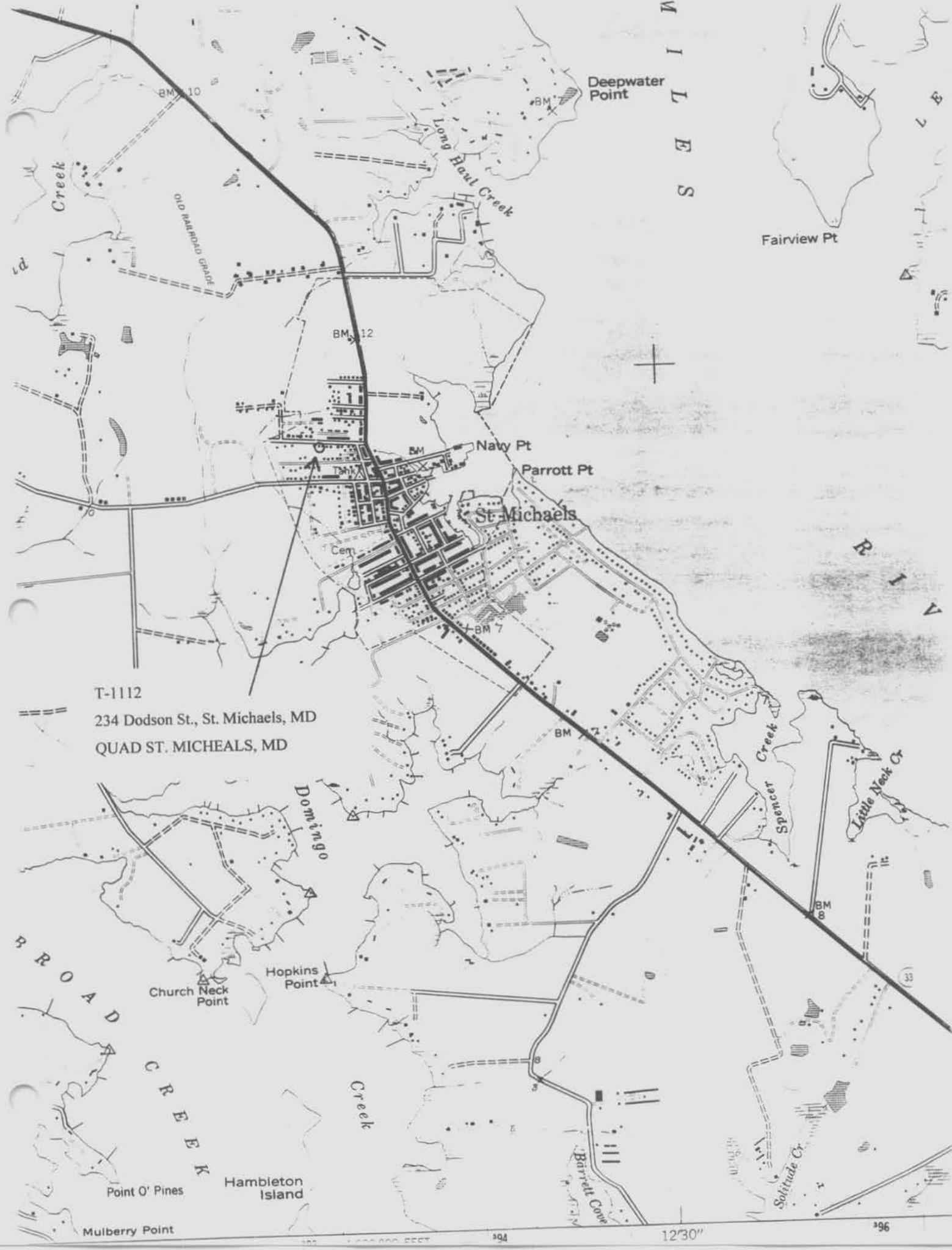
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TRUE NORTH
 MEMORABLE POINT
 APPROXIMATE MEAN
 DECLINATION 1902.



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Datum is m.s.l.

NOTE: Geologic Folio 182, price 6 cents, treats of the geology and the clay, sand, gravel.



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234 Dodson St., St. Michaels, MD
QUAD ST. MICHEALS, MD

Deepwater Point

Fairview Pt

Long Baul Creek

Navy Pt

Parrott Pt

St. Michaels

Domingo

Spencers Creek

Little Neck Cr

BROAD CREEK

Church Neck Point

Hopkins Point

Point O' Pines

Hambleton Island

Mulberry Point

Barrett Cove

Solitude Cr

12'30"

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234 Dodson Ave.

St. Michaels, Talbot Co, MD

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Main house, North elevation

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Main house, East elevation

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neg's → MDSHPO

Main house, South elevation

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neg's → MD SHPO

Main house, West elevation

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Outbuilding, North elevation

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neg's → MD SHPO

Outbuilding, looking SE

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