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Garling - Spessard Farm  
Hagerstown Vicinity  
Private

c. 1860

The Garling-Spessard Farm is a good example of a mid-nineteenth century farmhouse and related outbuildings. The house is two stories with an entry porch and an ell with two-tier porches on two elevations. The north end of the house has a one-story addition in stucco painted red to match the brick of the original section. The extension has a polygonal bay window. A frame bank barn, a brick kitchen or wash house, and a shed slaughterhouse are located near the house, forming a complete farm complex.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Garling-Spessard Farm  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
1140 Jefferson Street (MD. 64)

CITY, TOWN Hagerstown  VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE Maryland COUNTY Washington

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Harold Cline Telephone #: 301 - 733-8165

STREET & NUMBER  
1140 Jefferson Street

CITY, TOWN Hagerstown VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 21740

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Court House

Liber #:  
Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER  
West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN Hagerstown, STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Garling-Spessard Farmhouse is a two story brick house with ell and entry porch dating from the mid to late nineteenth century and located on the north side of MD. 64, or Jefferson Street, about one mile east of Hagerstown.

The gable roofed main section has interior end chimneys. The two-story ell has two-tier porches on the north and south elevations. The main section also has a later one-story stucco addition on the north gable end. This section has a three-sided bay on the east.

The main elevation faces east and has three bays on the first floor and two on the second. The window and door openings are arched. The fenestration is 2/2 sliding sash except in the first floor bay to the right of the entry. The original window opening here has been altered for a pair of 1/1 windows. The polygonal bay in the north addition, next to the paired windows, also has 1/1 sash. The first floor windows in this elevation have raised panel shutters. The second floor windows are unshuttered. The entry porch has slender chamfered posts and scroll-sawn brackets.

The exposed south elevation has two irregular bays: the west bay has two windows on the first and second floor and the east has one on each floor. The second floor windows have louvered shutters. One single shutter remains on the first floor east bay.

The foundation is stone and the brick masonry is 2-course American bond. The roofs of both the house and the porch are covered in modern roofing material. The simple cornice has returns on the gable ends.

North of the house is a frame bank barn with vertical siding. Immediately west of the house is a brick kitchen or wash house which has a large fireplace, currently boarded up. Further west is a small building which is now used as a slaughterhouse. All of these outbuildings appear to date from the same period as the house.

**CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY**

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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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/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES            c. 1860    BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Garling-Spessard Farm is a good example of a mid-nineteenth century farmhouse and related outbuildings, showing gradual adaptations in function and form over a long period of existence.

William's History of Washington County (1906) contains information on the Garling family, but none on "S. Garling," the owner as shown on Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson's 1877 map of Washington County. Samuel O. Spessard bought the farm, including 44 acres in 1903. Spessard was a prosperous farmer and Williams described the farm as "well-improved" with a fine residence, a model home."

## Notes:

1. Williams, History of Washington County, V. 2., P.1004.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Lake, Griffing and Stevenson, Atlas of Washington County, 1977.

Williams, T. J. C., History of Washington County, 1906.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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STATE

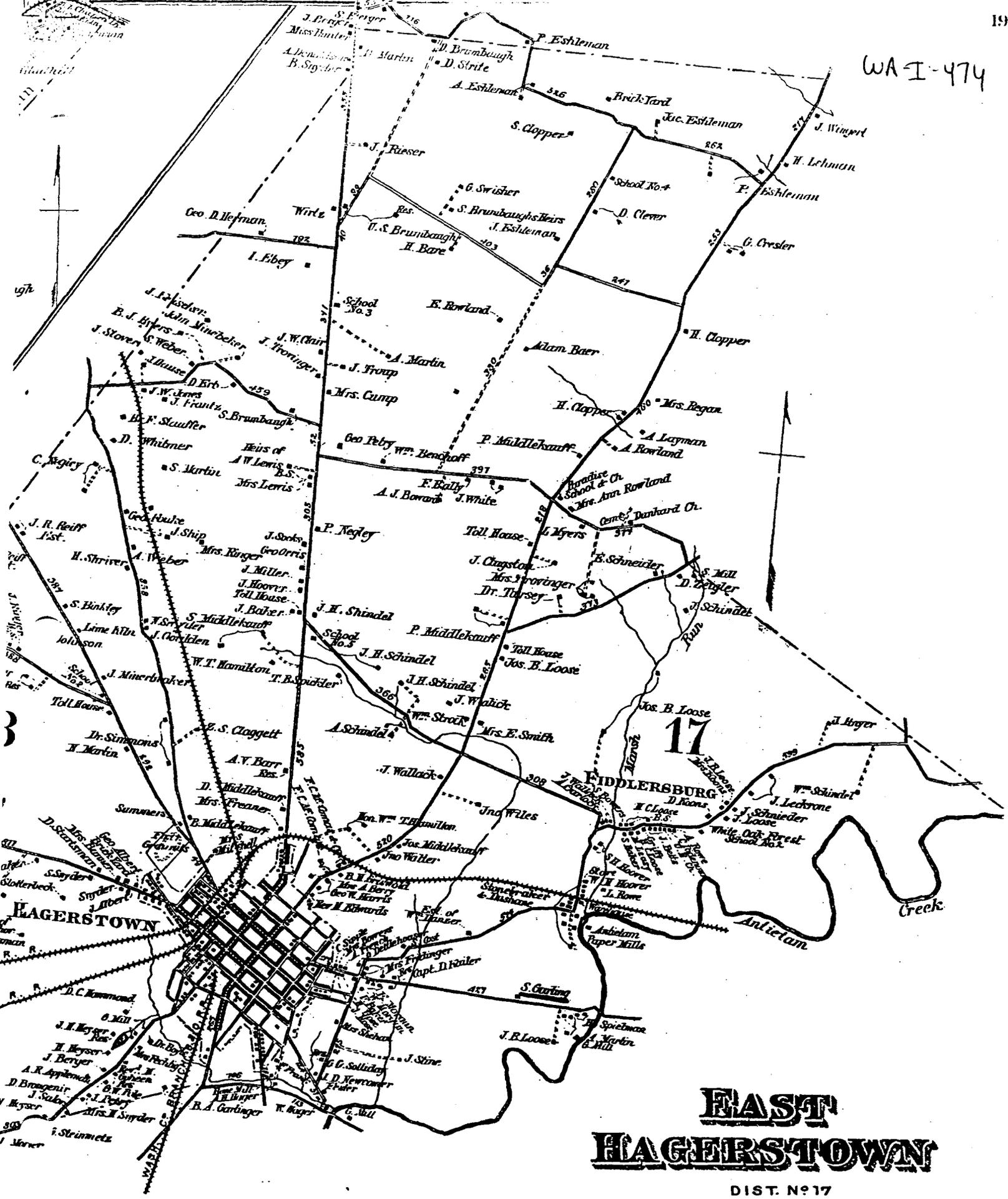
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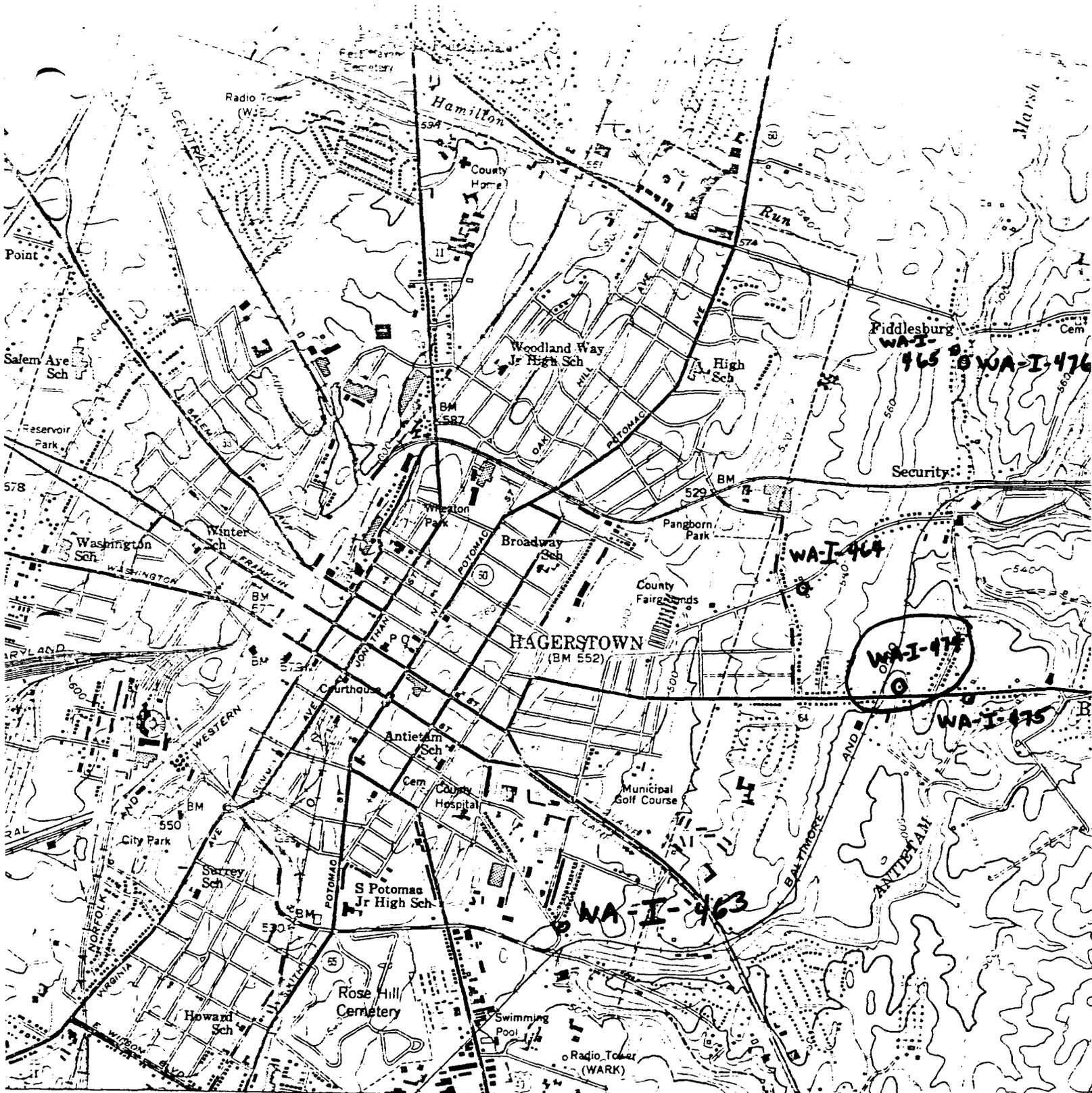
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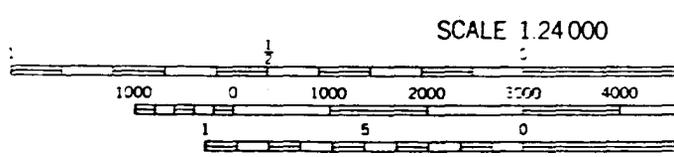
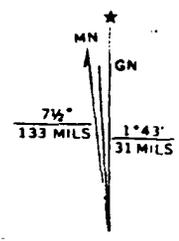
# EAST HAGERSTOWN

DIST. No 17  
Scale 2 Inches to the Mile



765 (MD.) 766 769 (FUNKSTOWN) 5463 II SW  
 3 1/2 MI. 19 MI. FUNKSTOWN 1.3 MI. FREDERICK 24 MI. 42'30" FREDERICK 22 MI. BALTIMORE 67 MI.

Engineers, U.S. Army  
 Geological Survey  
 GS. and USCE  
 photographs by stereophotogrammetric  
 methods taken 1943  
 Geological Survey 1953  
 27 North American datum  
 in Maryland coordinate system  
 state system, south zone



# Hagerstown Quad

SCALE 1:24 000  
 CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEE  
 DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL



