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Circa 1831

ANGELO CASTLE
Private E
Ellicott City

Angelo Castle is a unique Gothic revival style one story high wooden frame castle-like structure built on a stone foundation in a cruciform plan into the slope of a hill which rises on the west side of the Patapsco River and B&O Railroad tracks. The roof line is bordered by a crenelated parapet along the perimeter of the roof of the chapel, the foyer and the kitchen.

The entrance foyer and stairs and a bedroom, bath and hall form the arms of the cross while the chapel, originally two stories high whose ceiling has been lowered to accommodate a second floor room forms the head of the north-south axis. A dining room, sitting room and kitchen spring from the north wall of the hall and complete the plan.

Reputed to have been built in 1831 by a frenchman, Samuel Vaugh, other newly discovered data reveal a Mr. Alfred S. Waugh, an architect and builder may have constructed it in 1833. In either case both men were admirers of Michelangelo. The castle became such a landmark that the B&O Railroad ran excursion trains from Baltimore so that tourists could view it.

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HO-58 District 2

Form 10-300 (Dec. 1968)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME
 Castle Angelo
 AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION
 STREET AND NUMBER:
 3749 Church Road
 CITY OR TOWN:
 Ellicott City
 STATE: Maryland CODE: COUNTY: Howard CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
 OWNERS NAME:
 Peter and Gerta VanRossum
 STREET AND NUMBER:
 3749 Church Road
 CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City STATE: Maryland CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
 Hall of Records
 STREET AND NUMBER:
 Howard County Courthouse 3450 Courthouse Drive
 CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City STATE: Maryland CODE:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
 TITLE OF SURVEY:
 Howard County Historic Sites Inventory
 DATE OF SURVEY: 1977 Federal State County Local
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
 Maryland Historical Trust
 STREET AND NUMBER:
 21 State Circle
 CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland CODE: 21401

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7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One) Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One) Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> (Check One) Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>Angelo Castle is a unique Gothic revival style one story high wooden frame castle-like structure built on a stone foundation into the slope of a hill which rises on the west side of the Patapsco River and B&O Railroad track. It is built in a cruciform plan. See Plan A.</p> <p>The front door is approached by 31 steps which descend from a Church Road parking lot to the cottage. It is on the west and projects out from the west wall of the chapel which rises to a two story height and now actually houses a second floor room.</p> <p>An octagon brick chimney rises on the south side of the foyer against the west wall of the chapel. Octagon pillars are located at each corner of the chapel (see plan) and connected by a crenalated wall along the roof line. Two octagon pillars rise on each side of the west wall of the foyer and they too are connected by a crenalated wall along the roof line. An additional grenatated wall runs along the dining-sitting room and the original kitchen wall which has now been extended, enclosing an original porch and creating a frame shake addition on the north wall. A small enclosed porch with north door rests in the northwest corner. The roof lines give a hipped roof effect.</p> <p>The main entrance door is a double gothic paneled door inset into a gothic arched frame which in turn is inset into a rectangular frame with a triangular side lite on each side of the arched door, which is flanked by a rectangular casement window with six-over-six lites surmounted by a gothic arched transom with three lites featuring two gothic arches.</p> <p>The west wall also holds two rectangular double-hung windows north of the hall (see plan) holding six-over-six lites.</p> <p>The south wall of the chapel holds a tripartite rectangular window, each of the three sections holding two 10 lite casement windows, one resting on top of the other, which takes up almost all of the wall of this central projecting bay of the south wall. The newly added second floor above the Chapel contains the gothic arch of this window, the chapel at one time being two stor-</p> <p>A large fireplace rests in the west wall of the chapel (living room) which is decorated with blue Delft tiles designed and made by the present owner, Mr. Peter VanRossum. A large ornately decorated mahogany mantle and mirror featuring columns and sculpture has been recently installed and fits and also enhances the interior space. Two square stained glass windows hang in the central section of the south window, also designed and created by Mr. VanRossum.</p> <p>Throughout the house are wide random width floors and original woodwork featuring fluted pilasters and lintels around the cross and open bible and cross paneled doors.</p> <p>Off the central hall (see Plan) lies the L shaped dining room whose near north wall holds a wide brick wall with chimney and rough hewn timber mantle which Mr. VanRossum designed and executed.</p> <p>The dining room east wall holds two rectangular double hung nine-over-</p>	

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Description: Angelo Castle

twelve windows. Doors east and west of the fireplace lead into the kitchen and sitting room respectively where small brick corner chimneys are located side by side. The kitchen's north wall has been extended to take in a previous open porch which has been enclosed with west door leading to a small enclosed northeast corner porch.

The basement or foundation of the building was not finished off until the present owners who also installed central heating and have worked on exposing the original wood of the floors, doors, and woodwork. A lovely staircase in the foyer has also been opened up in the restoration process. Excellently maintained and restored with a sensitivity to what formerly existed, Castle Angelo stands as one of Ellicott City's most outstanding and unique landmarks.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1831

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| Aboriginal | Education | Political | Urban Planning |
| Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> | Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Industry <input type="checkbox"/> | Science <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Architecture</u> |
| Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> | Invention <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Art <input type="checkbox"/> | Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> | Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Communications <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/> | Military <input type="checkbox"/> | | _____ |
| | Music <input type="checkbox"/> | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

Castle Angelo was built in 1831 by a Frenchman, Monsieur Samuel Vaughn. It is supposedly a copy of a miniature of a French castle but the use of the octagonal towers gives it a more English renaissance air than a French one. The Gothic arched windows flanking the Gothic arched front entrance are representative of the Gothic revival style.

Architecturally Castle Angelo is unique in Howard County. Historically it is tied to St. Paul's Church, the first Roman Catholic Church, in Ellicott City when it served as a rectory for the first two Catholic priests stationed here. Mass was first said in the Chapel of the Castle.

Angelo Castle was also pointed out by conductors of the B&O railroad when passenger service brought tourists to Ellicott City in the 1800's. Trains would stop to allow passengers a chance to gaze on this unique building and fantasize. Legend has it that whenever the original cruciform plan is destroyed, there has been a fire which recreated the original cruciform plan. However, that may be architecturally, historically and religiously Castle Angelo stands in its own right. It should be considered for inclusion into the National Register and any future landmark legislation as well as a site to be designated on the critical areas survey for Howard County.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Holland, Celia, Ellicott City, Maryland 1772-1972. Bladenburg, 1972
 American Association of University Women, Howard County Chapter. Mimeo-graphed paper on Ellicott City History. Ellicott City, 1972.
 Map of Historic Ellicott City, compiled by Mrs. Jean Hannon, 1972.
 Interview with Mrs. Peter Van Rossum at Angelo Castle, February 1, 1977.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:
 Please see Tax Map 25A, p.18 551-84
 1.03 acres

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION: DATE
 Howard County Office of Planning & Zoning

STREET AND NUMBER:
 3450 Court House Drive

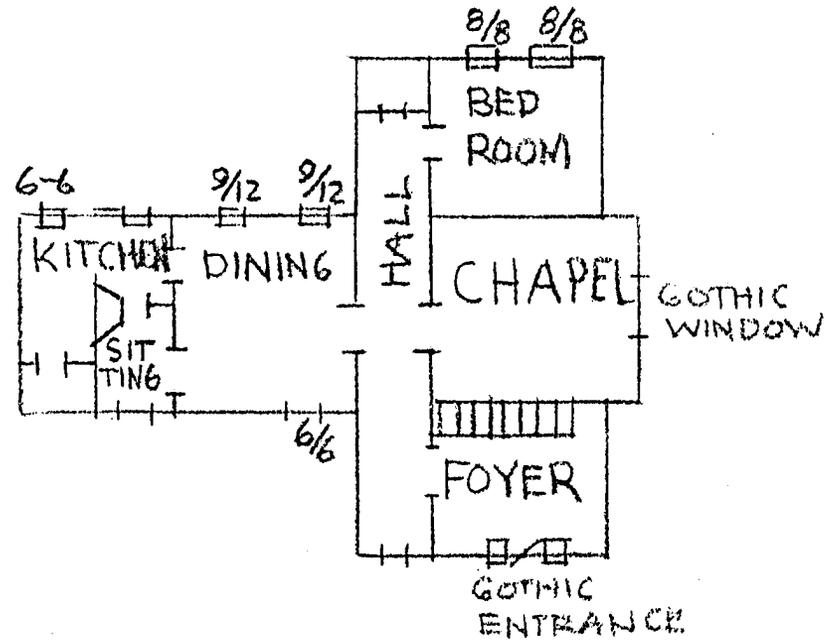
CITY OR TOWN: STATE 21043
 Ellicott City Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

 Signature

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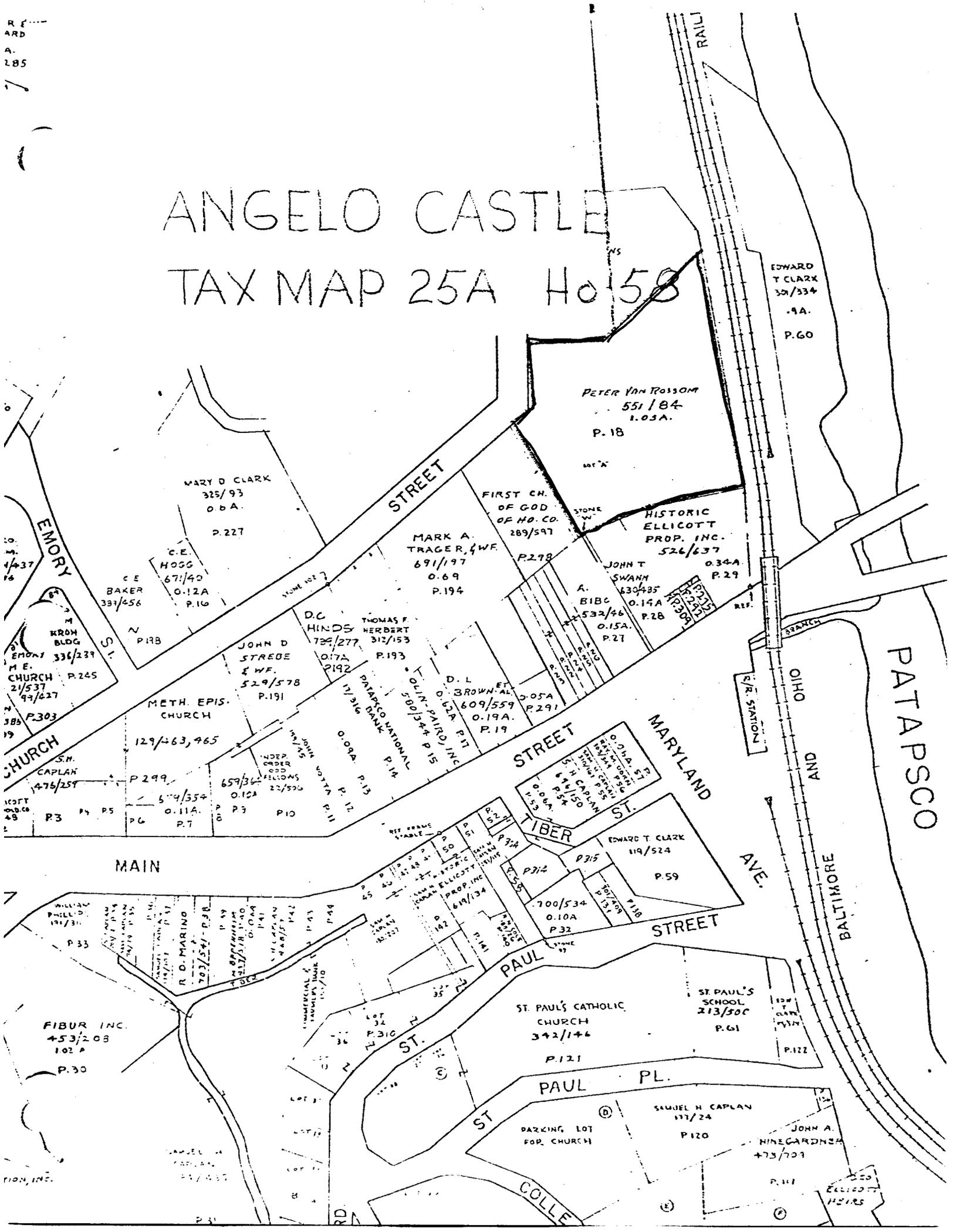


ANGELO CASTLE - PLAN

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ANGELO CASTLE TAX MAP 25A Ho 58



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T CLARK
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-9A.
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PETER VAN ROSSUM
551/84
1.03A.
P.18

MARK A.
TRAGER, & W.F.
691/197
0.69
P.194

HISTORIC
ELLCOTT
PROP. INC.
526/637
P.28

MARY D CLARK
325/93
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C.E.
HOGG
671/40
0.12A
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FIRST CH.
OF GOD
OF HO. CO.
289/597
P.278

JOHN T
SWANN
630/485
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D.C.
HINDS
739/277
0.17A
P.192

THOMAS F.
HERBERT
312/153
P.193

METH. EPIS.
CHURCH
129/463, 465
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JOHN D
STREBE
& W.F.
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D.L.
BROWN ET AL
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MAIN

TIBER
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MARYLAND
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PAUL

STREET

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC
CHURCH
342/146
P.121

ST. PAUL'S
SCHOOL
213/300
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PAUL

PL.

PARKING LOT
FOR CHURCH

SAMUEL H CAPLAN
177/24
P.120

JOHN A.
HINEGARDNER
473/703
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COLLE

PATAPSCO

OHIO
AND
BALTIMORE

R.R. STATION

BALTIMORE

FIBUR INC.
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SAMUEL H
CAPLAN
177/24
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200
RELIEF
HOURS

Richard

Chestnut Hill

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U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY MAP ELLICOTT CITY, MD. QUAD

ELLICOTT CITY

FLOOD PRONE AREA

(SAVAGE)
5652 III NE

SCALE 1:25,000

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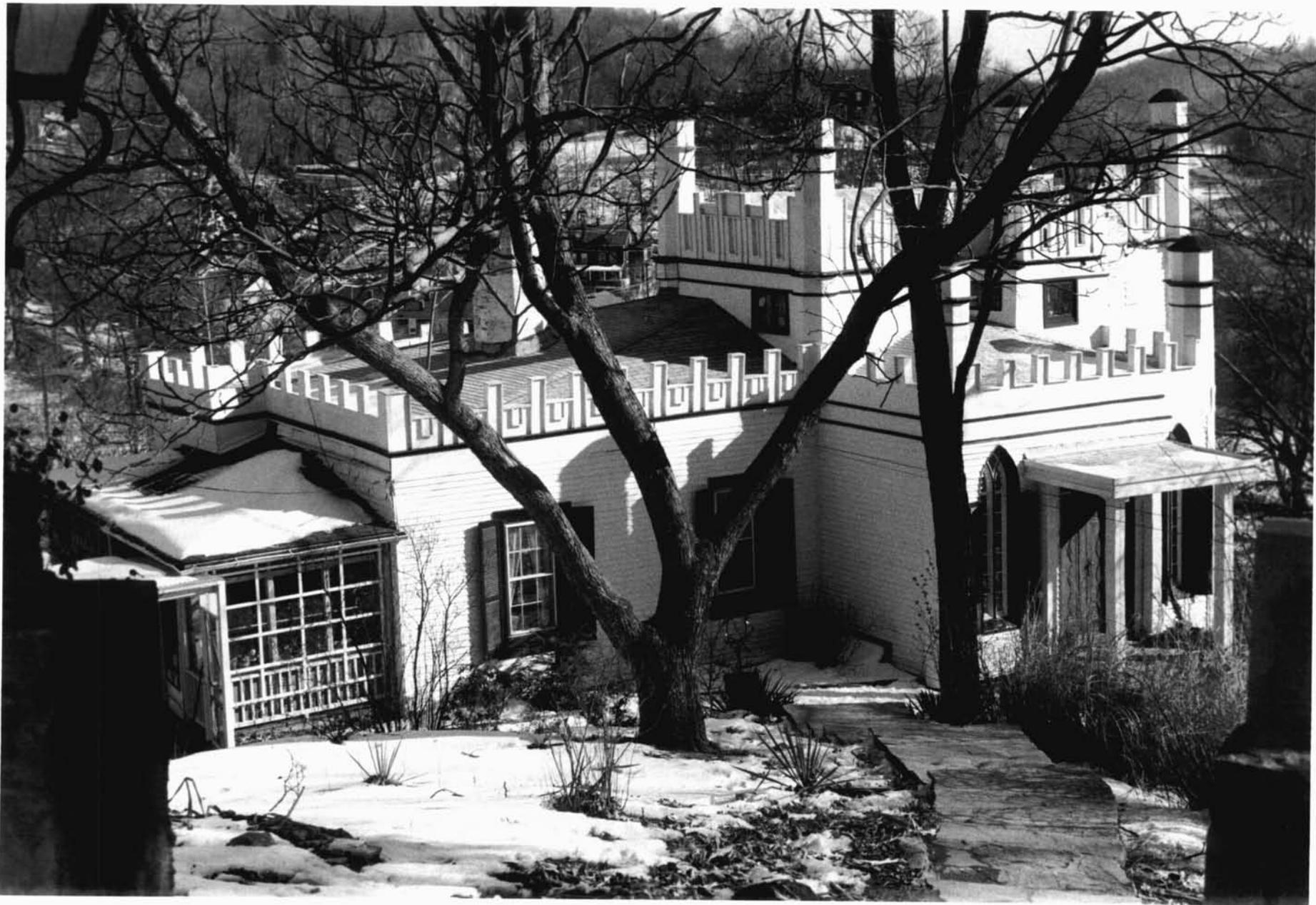
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CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

EXPLAN

Flood boundaries w/



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