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EMORY METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1837, 1887

Private

Ellicott City

Built on land acquired by deed on December 19, 1837 from Samuel Ellicott to John Forrest and others, the deed stipulated that the land be used "to preach and expound God's Holy Word".

A three bay wide, five bay deep granite block, two story, gabled roof (running north-south) structure, Emory Methodist Church features hexagonally shaped frame shingles in the A insets added in 1887 to its north and south elevations. These walls hold a rectangular window featuring geometric and curvilinear forms surrounding a cross within a circle surmounting a quatre partite roman arched window on the north elevation and a sun flower or rose window in a gabled roof bay window on the south elevation.

An original west entrance has been replaced by twin rectangular entrances on the north wall surmounted by single lite transoms and decorated with closed pediments.

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### MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

#### NOMINATION FORM for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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|   |  |   |                    |   |
|---|--|---|--------------------|---|
| <b>1. NAME</b>  |  |   |                    |   |
| COMMON:<br>Emory Methodist Episcopal Church   |  |   |                    |   |
| AND/OR HISTORIC:<br>Methodist Episcopal Church of Emory Chapel/ Ellicott City's Mills in Anne Arundel County  |  |   |                    |   |
| <b>2. LOCATION</b>  |  |   |                    |   |
| STREET AND NUMBER:<br>Church Road   |  |   |                    |   |
| CITY OR TOWN:<br>Ellicott City  |  |   |                    |   |
| STATE:<br>Maryland  |  |   | COUNTY:<br>Howard  |   |
| <b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>  |  |   |                    |   |
| CATEGORY<br>(Check One)   |  | OWNERSHIP   |                    | STATUS  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District<br><input type="checkbox"/> Site<br><input type="checkbox"/> Object<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building<br><input type="checkbox"/> Structure |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Public<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private<br><input type="checkbox"/> Both   |                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied<br><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress           |
| PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)  |  | Public Acquisition:   |                    | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural<br><input type="checkbox"/> Commercial<br><input type="checkbox"/> Educational<br><input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment                              |  | <input type="checkbox"/> In Process<br><input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered  |                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Restricted<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted<br><input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government<br><input type="checkbox"/> Industrial<br><input type="checkbox"/> Military<br><input type="checkbox"/> Museum  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Park<br><input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious<br><input type="checkbox"/> Scientific |                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)   |
| <b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>   |  |   |                    |   |
| OWNER'S NAME:<br>Ellicott City United Methodist Parish  |  |   |                    |   |
| STREET AND NUMBER:<br>21 Church Road  |  |   |                    |   |
| CITY OR TOWN:<br>Ellicott City  |  |   | STATE:<br>Maryland |   |
|   |  |   | 21043              |   |
| <b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>   |  |   |                    |   |
| COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:<br>Hall of Records  |  |   |                    |   |
| STREET AND NUMBER:<br>3540 Courthouse Drive   |  |   |                    |   |
| CITY OR TOWN:<br>Ellicott City  |  |   | STATE:<br>Maryland |   |
|   |  |   | 21043              |   |
| Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Tax Map 25A p.299   |  |   |                    |   |
| <b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>  |  |   |                    |   |
| TITLE OF SURVEY:<br>Howard County Historic Sites Inventory  |  |   |                    |   |
| DATE OF SURVEY: 1977  |  |   |                    |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federal<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State<br><input type="checkbox"/> County<br><input type="checkbox"/> Local  |  |   |                    |   |
| DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:<br>Howard County Historical Trust  |  |   |                    |   |
| STREET AND NUMBER:<br>21 State Circle   |  |   |                    |   |
| CITY OR TOWN:<br>Annapolis  |  |   | STATE:<br>Maryland |   |
|   |  |   | 21401              |   |

| 7. DESCRIPTION  |   |
|---|---|
| CONDITION   | <div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed   |
|   | <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered    <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered           </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Moved    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site           </div> </div> |
| <small>DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE</small>   |   |
| <p>The Emory United Methodist Church is a three bay wide, five bay deep granite block and decorative shingled two<math>\frac{1}{2}</math> story church with gable roof running north south and twin east and west bay north double wooden paneled rectangular entrances surmounted by single lite transoms and closed pediments. A simple wooden cornice runs partially along the front facade decorated by a row of dentiles and held by four large fulted brackets which lie on each side of a large central rectangular window section which is flanked by two wooden pillars springing from the cornice brackets. From the interior pillars spring fluted pilasters reaching up to the architrave which features four horizontal rectangular panels surmounted by a simple cornice decorated with a row of dentils, and surmounted by a Roman arched frame decoration whose central panel meets a wooden keystone.</p> <p>The rectangular window features geometric and curvilinear forms which surround a cross within a circle. See Figure 1.</p> <p>A simple wooden panel connects the second floor window with a quatre partite roman arched first floor window. The A formed by the gabled roof is filled around the window with decorative shingles. Built on the slope of a hill five cement stairs on the west become simply two on the east.</p> <p>The west elevation holds four ground floor rectangular double-hung windows with a rectangular ground floor entrance and five vertically aligned first floor tall rectangular double-hung windows which feature Roman arch panels with three decorative quatre foils and curvilinear pattern. A similar arrangement lies on the west wall with the following exceptions: 1) a rectangular ground floor door lies on the second north bay, a shed roof furnace addition lies south of the third bay with a brich chimney lying north of second south bay. The south elevation holds a central gabled roof bay window with a large "sunflower" or rose window on the first floor and a two lite rectangular window on the ground floor. The building is in excellent condition.</p> |   |

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

**PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

**SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)** 1837 & 1887

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

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

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Built on land acquired on December 19, 1837 by deed from Samuel Ellicott to John Forrest and others, the deed stipulated that the property was to be used "to preach and expound God's Holy Word". A committee of three, Jake Timanus stone mason; W.S. Harrison, carpenter; and Jesse Mckinzie, plasterer, built the church which was considered a handsome house of worship.

Originally a west entrance door was used but later the twin entrance doors were placed on the south wall, when the church was rebuilt and the north and south windows added in 1887.

In the early days of the congregation, the men and women were divided into a separate seating arrangement. In 1887 with the general remodeling of the building, this restriction in seating was put aside.

The oldest Methodist Church in Howard County, it has been in continual use since its founding in 1837. In 1972 it joined with Mr. Zion Church to form a parish with one pastor serving the two churches.

Architecturally and historically significant, this building should be considered for inclusion into the National Register of Historic Places.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

American Association of University Women, Mimeographed paper on the history of Ellicott City. Ellicott City, 1972.  
 Holland, Celia. Ellicott City, Maryland 1772-1972. Bladensburg, 1972.  
 Howard County Bicentennial Commission, the Howard County Council of Garden Clubs, and the clergy of the participating churches. Religious Heritage Pilgrimage. Ellicott City, 1976.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES<br>DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY |                         |                         | O<br>R | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES<br>DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY<br>OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES |           |         |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|---|-----------|---------|
| CORNER   | LATITUDE                | LONGITUDE               |        | LATITUDE  | LONGITUDE |         |
|  | Degrees Minutes Seconds | Degrees Minutes Seconds |        | Degrees   | Minutes   | Seconds |
| NW   | ° ' "                   | ° ' "                   |        | °   | '         | "       |
| NE   | ° ' "                   | ° ' "                   |        | °   | '         | "       |
| SE   | ° ' "                   | ° ' "                   |        | °   | '         | "       |
| SW   | ° ' "                   | ° ' "                   |        | °   | '         | "       |

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

**Acreage Justification:**

See Tax Map 25A p.299. .4 acres 129/463 465

**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
Cleora B. Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION: Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER:  
3450 Courthouse Drive

CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City

STATE: Maryland

21043

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

Significance of this property is:  
 National  State  Local

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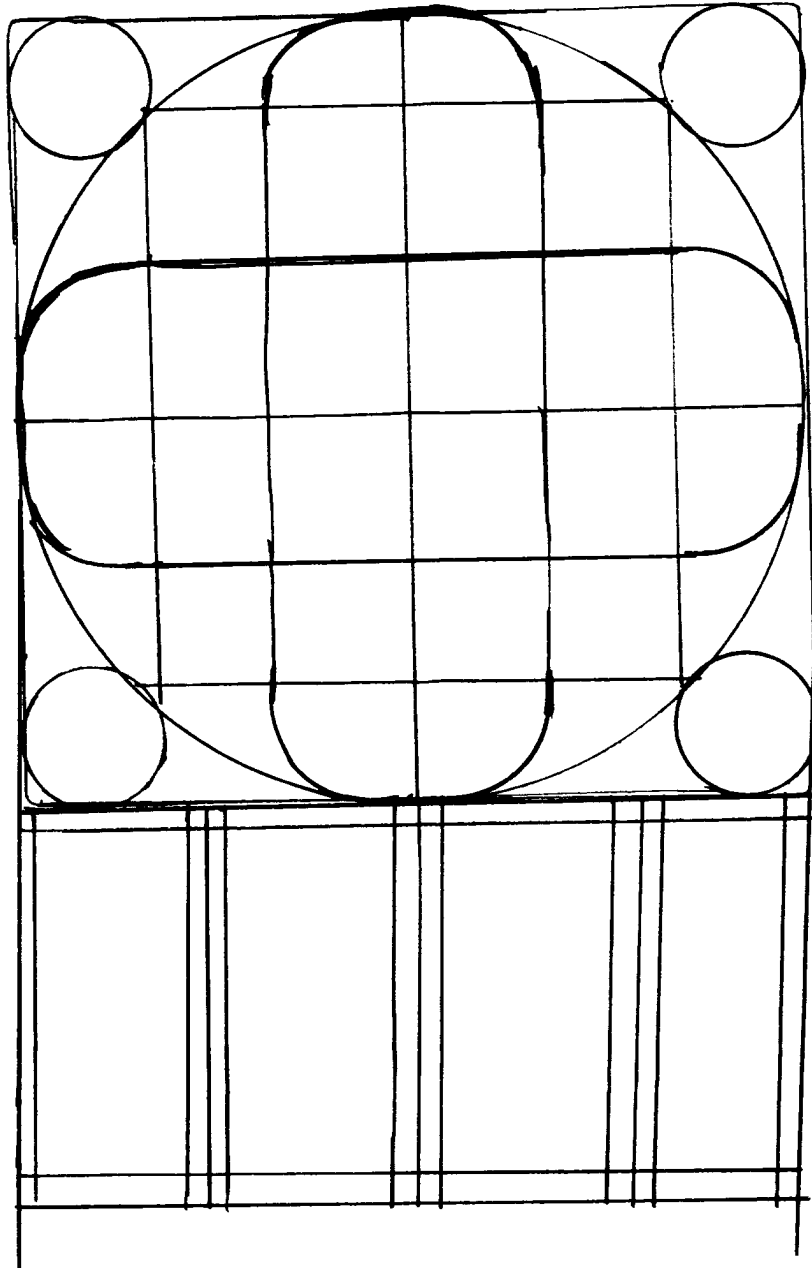


Figure 1.

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HOWARD COUNTY HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY

DISTRICT #3

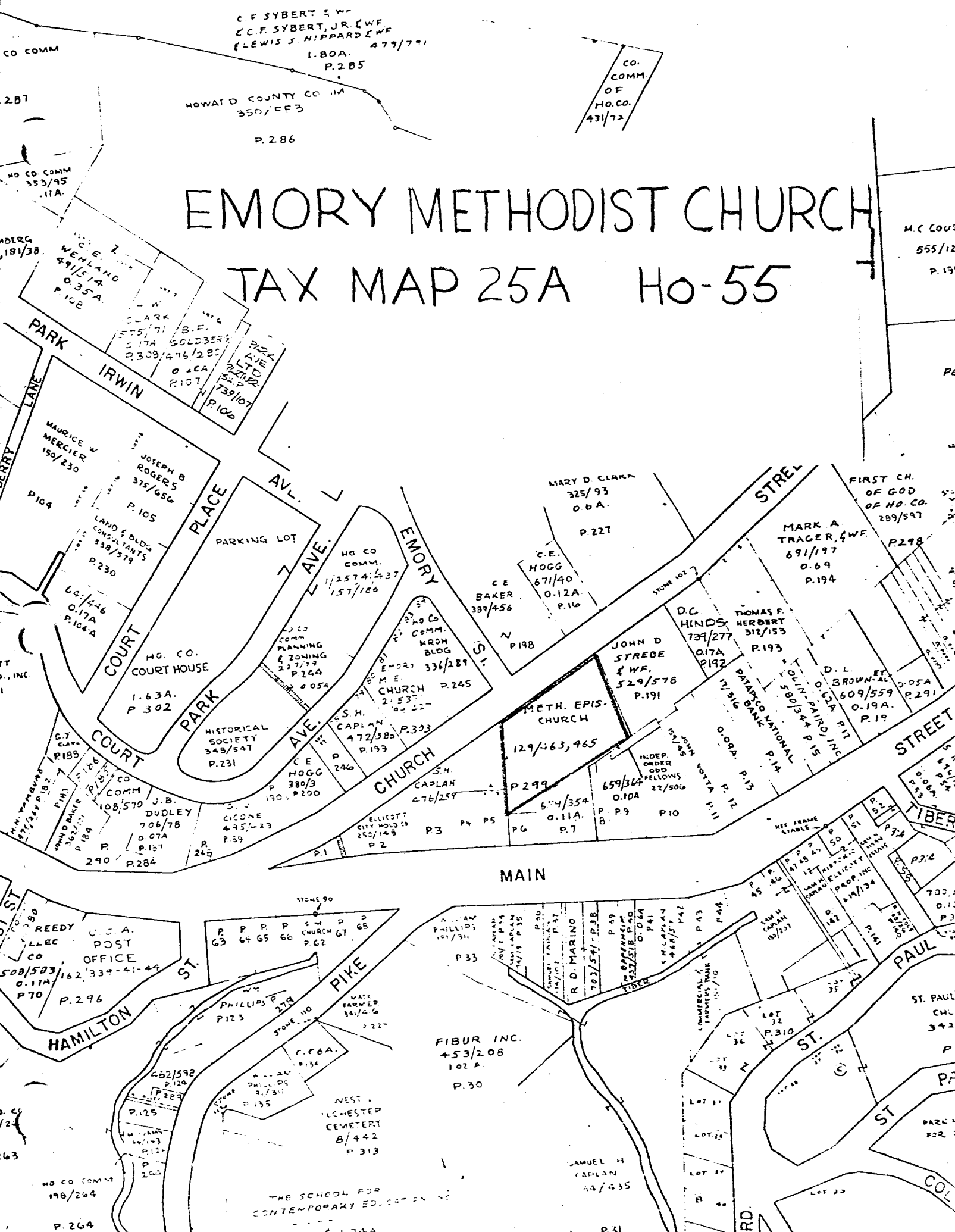
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| 2. Gleneig                               | HO-15  |
| 3. Franciscan Seminary                   | HO-16  |
| 4. Folly Quarter                         | HO-17  |
| 5. Waverly (National Register)           | HO-21  |
| 6. Dougheregan Manor (National Register) | HO-22  |
| 7. St. Barnabas                          | HO-124 |

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& LEWIS S. NIPPARD & WIFE  
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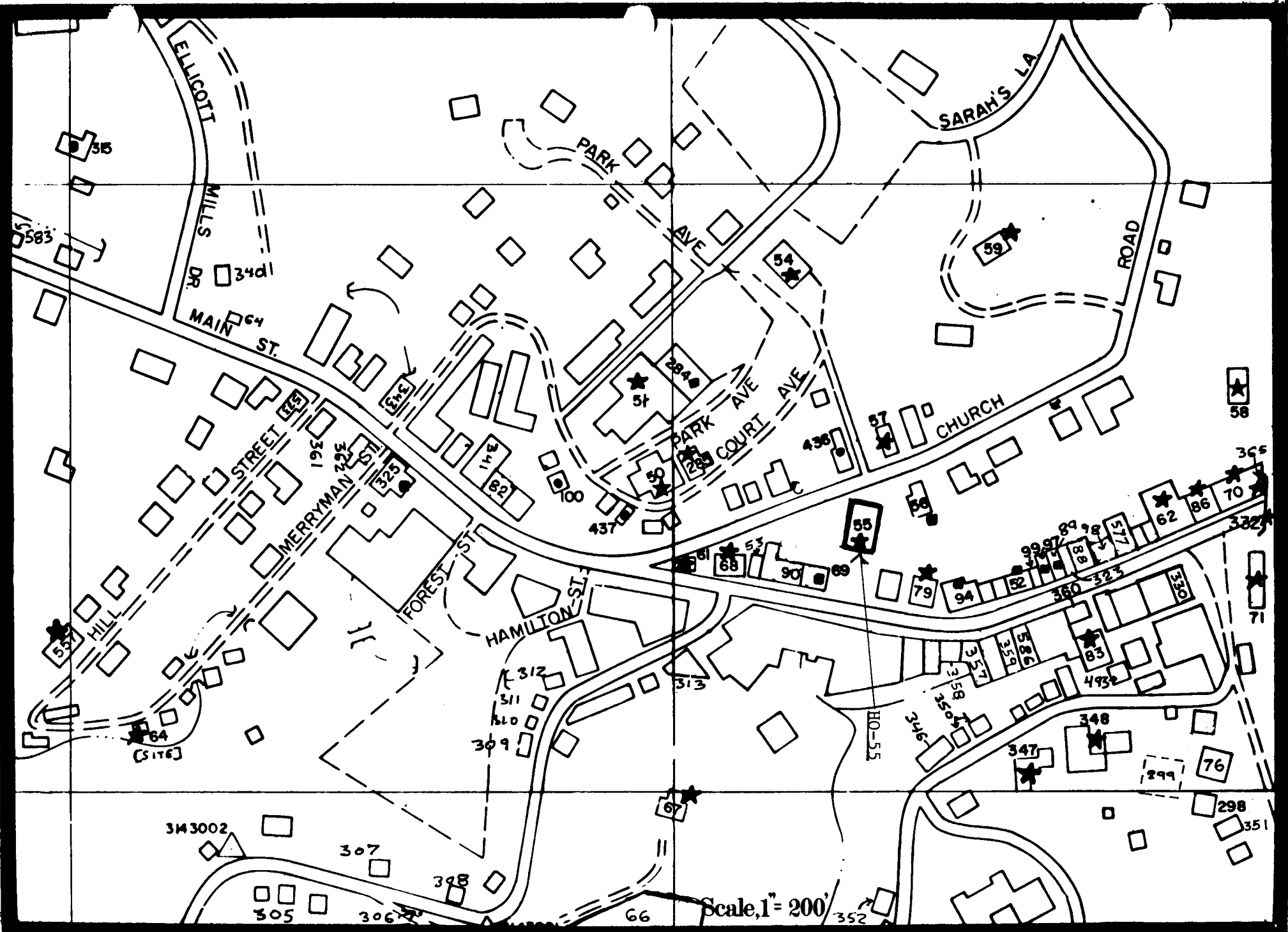
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# EMORY METHODIST CHURCH TAX MAP 25A HO-55







Emory Methodist Church

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**ELKRIDGE LANDING**

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 Emory Methodist Church  
 Martenet's Map of Howard County, 1860

Patapsco Female  
 Institute  
 R. H. Archer, Principal

Alhambra  
 J. H. Elliott

Map Edition  
 3 - FEB 1860

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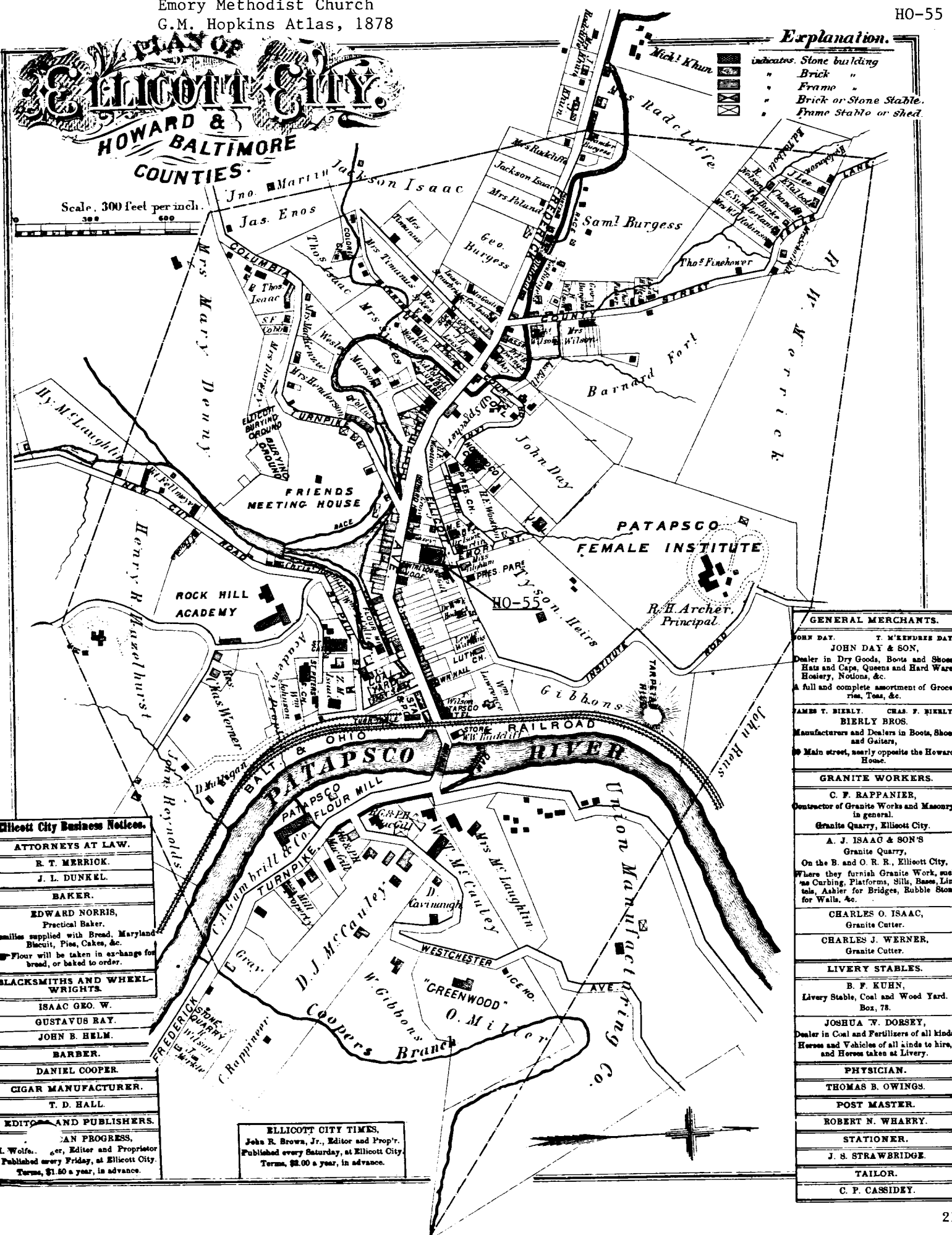
# PLAN OF ELLICOTT CITY

HOWARD & BALTIMORE COUNTIES

Scale, 300 feet per inch.

## Explanation.

- indicates Stone building
- Brick "
- Frame "
- Brick or Stone Stable.
- Frame Stable or shed.



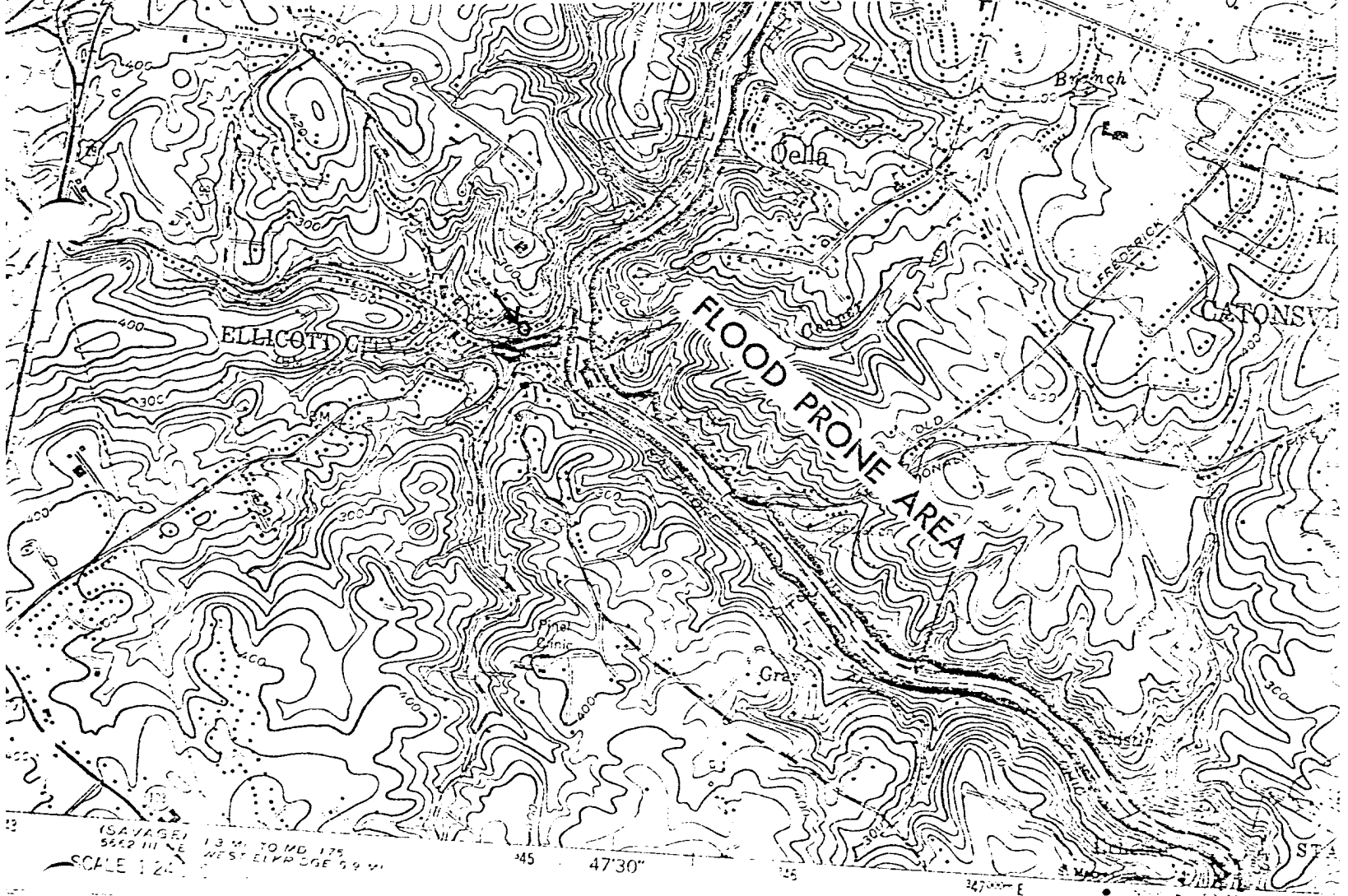
**Ellicott City Business Notices.**

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| <b>ATTORNEYS AT LAW.</b>  |
| R. T. MERRICK.  |
| J. L. DUNKEL.   |
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| Families supplied with Bread, Maryland<br>Biscuit, Pies, Cakes, &c.   |
| Flour will be taken in exchange for<br>bread, or baked to order.  |
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| GUSTAVUS RAY.   |
| JOHN B. HELM.   |
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| DANIEL COOPER.  |
| <b>CIGAR MANUFACTURER.</b>  |
| T. D. HALL.   |
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| AN PROGRESS,<br>L. Wolfe, Editor and Proprietor<br>Published every Friday, at Ellicott City.<br>Terms, \$1.50 a year, in advance. |

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| <b>GENERAL MERCHANTS.</b>   |
| JOHN DAY. T. M'KENNEDY DAY.<br>JOHN DAY & SON,<br>Dealer in Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes,<br>Hats and Caps, Queens and Hard Ware,<br>Hosiery, Notions, &c.<br>A full and complete assortment of Groceries,<br>Teas, &c.               |
| JAMES T. BIERLY. CHAS. F. BIERLY.<br>BIERLY BROS.<br>Manufacturers and Dealers in Boots, Shoes<br>& Gaiters,<br>Main street, nearly opposite the Howard<br>House.   |
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| CHARLES J. WERNER,<br>Granite Cutter.   |
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| ROBERT N. WHARRY.   |
| <b>STATIONER.</b>   |
| J. S. STRAWBRIDGE.  |
| <b>TAILOR.</b>  |
| C. F. CASSIDY.  |

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U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
MAP-ELLCOTT CITY, MD. QUAD



13 MI. TO MD. 175  
WEST ELMRIDGE 9.9 MI.  
SCALE 1:24,000

EXPLANATION

Flood boundaries were  
Regional stage-fre

CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL



EMORY M.E. CHURCH  
HO-55 (NORTH)  
FEB. 1977  
CLEORA THOMPSON