

Ho-407  
Invasion  
West Friendship  
Private

circa 1771

This picturesque cottage facing east on the south side of route 144 three miles west of Route 32 is hidden by its lovely new neighbor, Dawn Acres in whose living room we find the exceptionally fine original mantle piece which once graced the gambrel cottage home of James Barnes, son of Adam.

Located on a tract of land patented in 1747 by Adam Barnes, the cottage is representative of the early Ann Arundel County gambrel roofed, one and a half story, three bay wide, one room deep frame structures which served as homes for the early planters. A wide stone and brick exterior chimney resting against its north wall is now encased in a narrow gabled roof, two story high enclosure.

An early to mid-nineteenth century shed roofed addition slopes downward from its west wall, creating a New England salt box. A wide stone and brick exterior chimney rests against its north wall, creating with the neighboring chimney of the original structure a one story, shed roofed pent which holds a rectangular vestibule entrance and six light casement window.

The original entrance in the south bay of the east wall is now hidden by an appendage, while its west entrance enters into the addition.

An old double log cabin with central chimney may once have served as the original slave quarters and kitchen. Its north wall meets the south wall of the salt-box extension, half of which now serves as a pine paneled dining room. An addition on its east wall provides a modern kitchen and completes this architectural complex, which is augmented by the old log smoke house, now covered with clapboard, standing west of the slave quarters.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Invasion  
AND/OR COMMON Dawn Acres

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Route #144, Frederick Road  
CITY, TOWN West Friendship VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6th  
STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input 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	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input 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 Mr. and Mrs. James Moxley, Jr. Telephone #: 489-4463  
STREET & NUMBER 13155 Route #144  
CITY, TOWN West Friendship VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 21794

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, Tax Map 15 p. 8 Liber #: 414  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records Folio #: 758  
STREET & NUMBER Howard County Court House Land Access: \$36,600  
CITY, TOWN Ellicott City Building Access: 83,400  
STATE Maryland Total Access: \$120,000

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE Howard County Historic Sites Inventory  
DATE 1977  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust  
CITY, TOWN 21 State Circle, Annapolis STATE Maryland

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**

This eighteenth century home, located on the south side of route 144 was once located on a large tract of land called Invasion, laid out by Adam Barnes.

The original building faces east. It is a three bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story, gambrel roof (running north-south) frame building resting on a stone foundation. Two shed roofed dormer windows hold rectangular, double-hung windows with four-over-four lights. A wide central brick exterior chimney rests against the north wall of this house. Almost two stories of this chimney are encased within a narrow gabled roof (running north-south) frame structure which holds closets on each side of the brick chimney. The closet on the east side of the very deep chimney is most noteworthy as it holds a rectangular, double-hung window with nine-over-six lights, matching the other two first floor windows south of it and creating a fourth first floor bay on the east elevation. A one story high, shed roofed as well as hipped, open porch extends along the entire east elevation. The south bay of the east elevation held the original rectangular entrance door which now enters a bath room constructed circa 1967 which now encloses the south side of the open porch. A rectangular, double-hung window, holding six-over-six lights, is located on its east and south walls.

South Elevation of Original House

The south elevation of the original house holds a first and second floor rectangular window with four-over-four lights and a square attic window which has been boarded.

West Elevation:

Early Shed Roofed Addition (circa 1850)

Very early an addition was added along the west wall which created an unusual roof line to the west side of the house. The long rear slope, unbroken by dormers, has been referred to as a "catslide" roof or a New England salt box.

On the south bay of this elevation, the shed roof continues its slope downward to provide cover for the rectangular entrance door surmounted by a two lite transom.

Two rectangular first floor windows holding two-over-two lights lie in the central and north bays of this elevation.

A long log cabin meets the south wall of the early addition. Originally it probably served as the kitchen and slave quarters for the main house. It holds a central chimney. The north side of these quarters is now a pine paneled dining room with entrance into the hall of the addition (see plan).

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A modern kitchen is located off its east wall with east rectangular entrance, covered by a one story high screened porch.

North Elevation

The north elevation of this architectural complex is one of the most interesting. The wide stone and brick chimneys create a one story high shed roofed pent with rectangular vestibule entry and six lite casement window. (see accompanying photograph) The dramatic slope of the roof is also most notable at this elevation.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES    circa 1771

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1747 Adam Barnes laid out a large tract of land which he named "Invasion."

The boundaries of this large property extended from Route #32 to Glenelg, and from West Friendship to Cooksville. Land conveyances during this time were made from Adam Barnes to Vachel Dorsey and John Hood to name only a few. From local historian, Dr. J.D. Warfield, we find that his wife's name was Cordelia and that he was a vestryman in 1738 for Queen Caroline Parish when Caleb and John Dorsey, gentlemen, gave and granted two acres of land, called "New Year's Gift" to the Reverend James Macgill, Rector of Queen Caroline Parish and to the Vestry for a parish church.

According to Mr. Moxley, Jr., the present owner of "Invasion", which is now called "Dawn Acres", Adam Barnes cut out some 256 acres of land for his son James Barnes. The property comprised tracts or parts of tracts of land called "Invasion", "Cumberland", and "Hobbs' Rest." (Ann Arundel County Land Record NH#5-400) The land conveyed in 1771 has similar calls or distances to that of the 229 acre tract of land mentioned in the present deed belonging today to James Moxley, Jr. (Howard County Liber 414-758) The Hopkin's atlas of 1878 indicates George Washington Leishear as owner of this house and property. According to Mr. James Moxley who has done some private research on owners of the house, Mr. Leishear raised a large family here. It is the belief of Mr. Moxley that Mr. Leishear was responsible for the two story high, shed roofed addition along the west wall of the original structure sometime in the middle of the nineteenth century.

Architecturally the building is noteworthy as an example of an early planter's home. Its gambrel roof is reminiscent of Cherry Grove, Ho-1 and Round-About-Hills, Ho-9, both early Howard County homes dating from the early to mid 1700's.

In addition, the original mantle piece (now in the living room of Mr. and Mrs. Moxley's new home) and remnants of the lovely chair rail which graced the downstairs living-dining room of "Invasion" tell a story of the good taste and ability to express that taste on the part of the cottage's early owners.

For these reasons "Invasion" should be considered for inclusion to the National Register of Historic places as well as the State's Critical Area program.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Land Records of Howard County, Maryland  
Notes of Bicentennial Committee.  
Interview with Mr. James Moxley, September 23, 1977 at Dawn Acres.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 208.84 Acres

Please see attachment 1, Tax Map 15, p.8

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

"All that piece or parcel of land which by deed dated August 3, 1920, and recorded among the land Records of Howard County in Liber H.B.N. No. 110 folio 494 etc., was granted and conveyed by Howard L. Smith . . . to the said James R. Moxley . . . more particularly described and referred to as containing 129.726 acres of land, more or less.

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

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section 465-5000 x257

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

DATE

TELEPHONE

STATE

Maryland

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.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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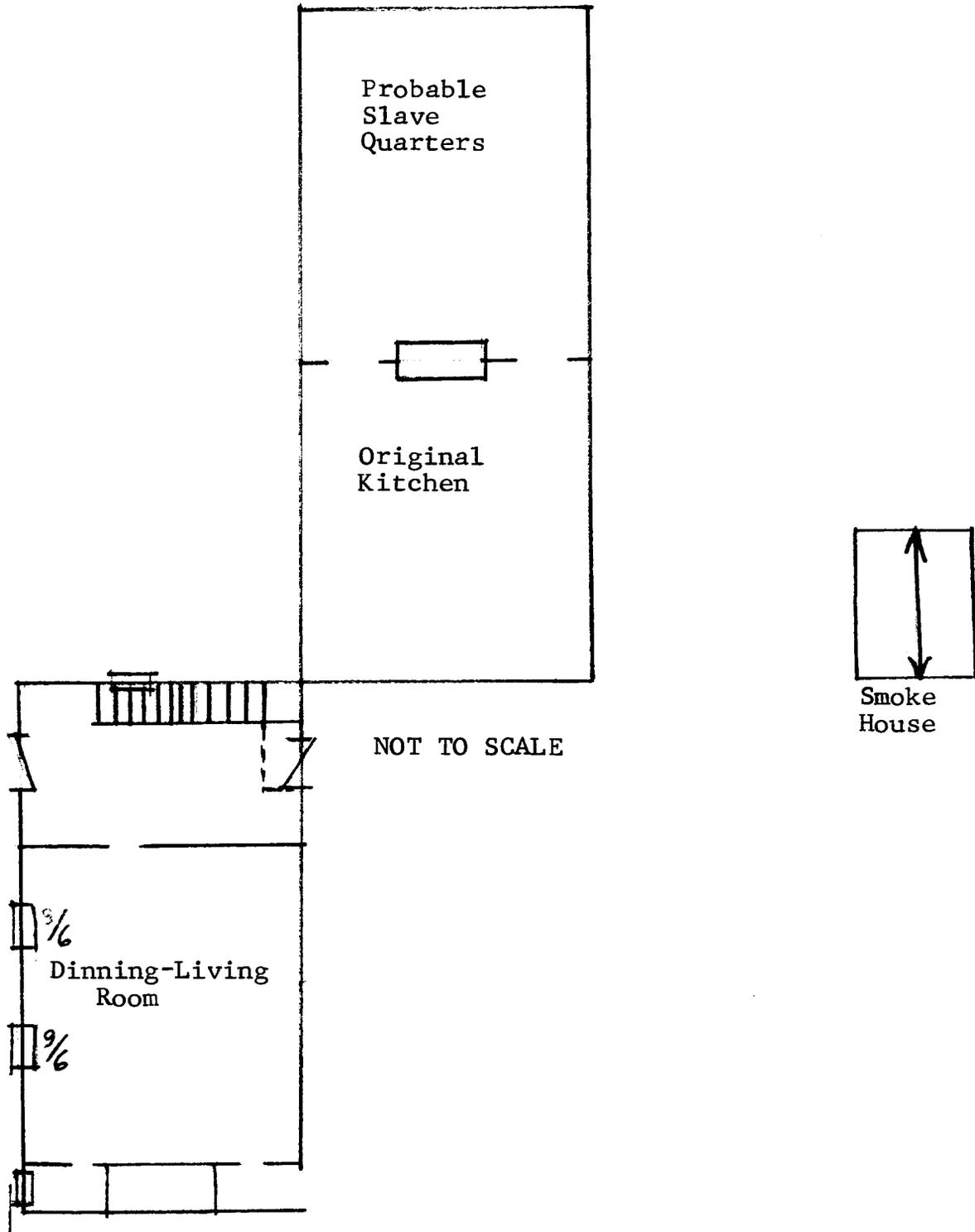


Figure 1. First Floor Plan of Invasion - circa 1771

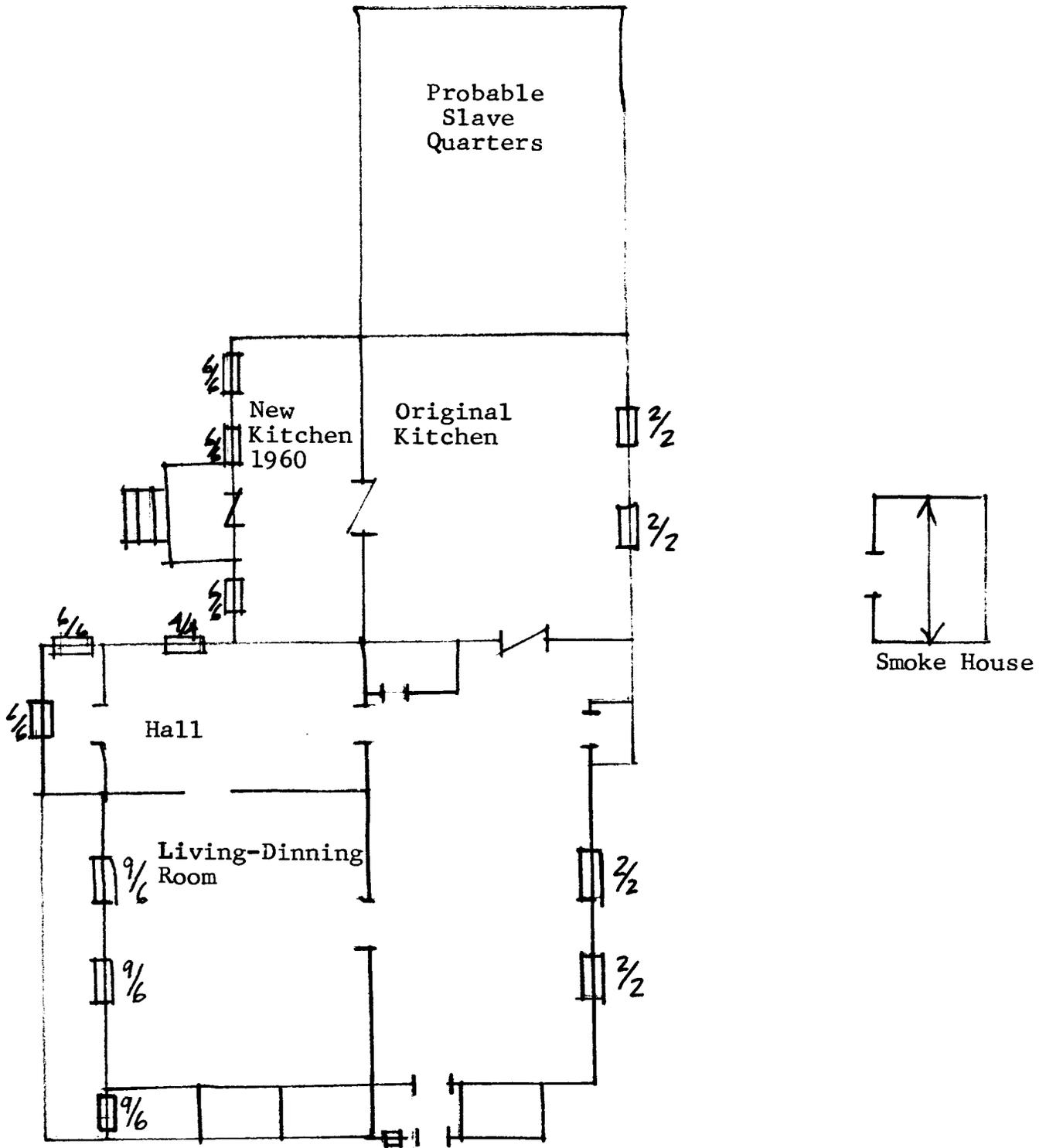


Figure 2: Plan of Invasion - circa 1850  
Note West Wing  
First Floor

Figure 3:  
Second Floor Plan  
of Invasion  
circa 1771

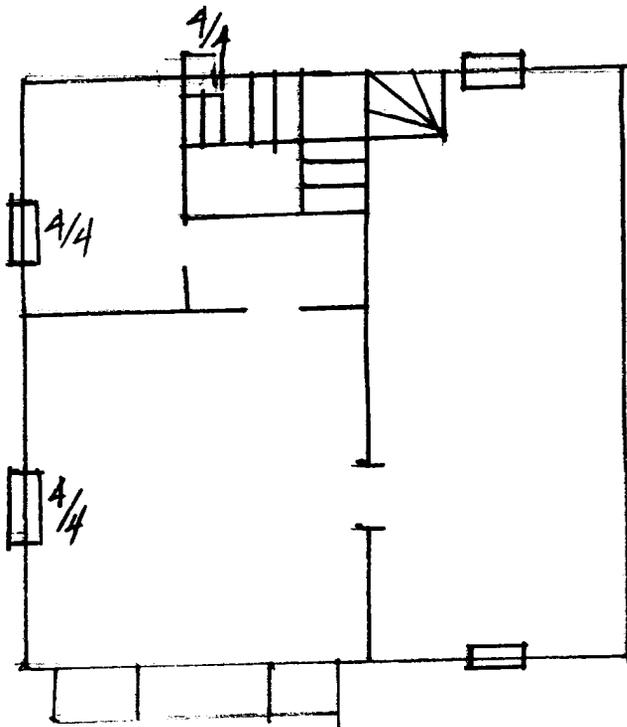
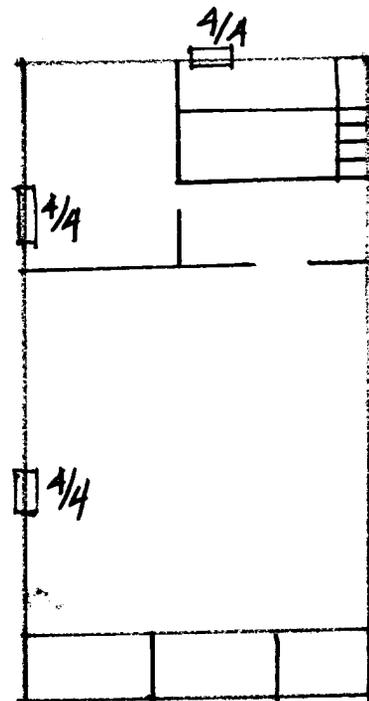
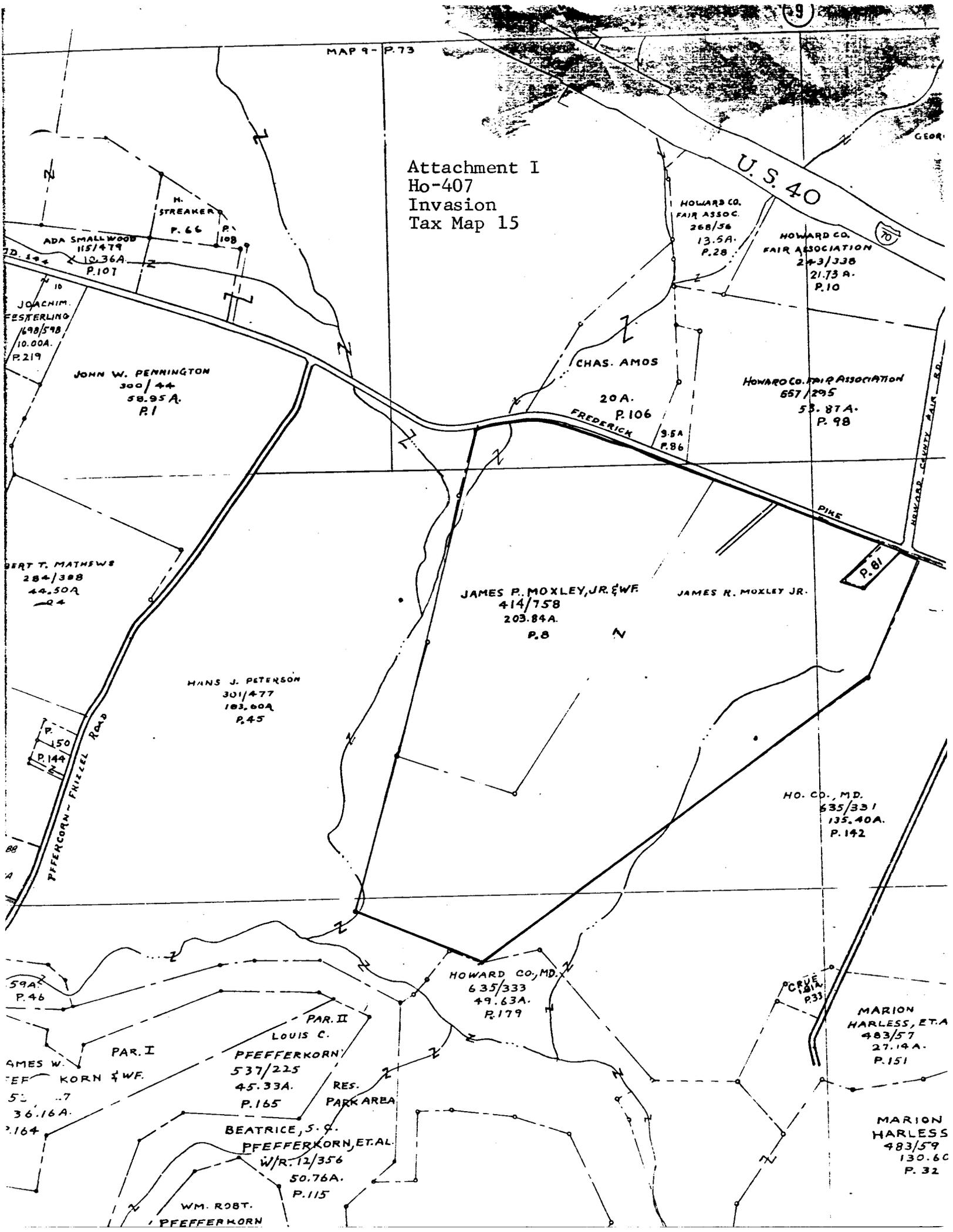


Figure 4  
Second Floor Plan  
circa 1850 of Invasion

# Attachment I Ho-407 Invasion Tax Map 15



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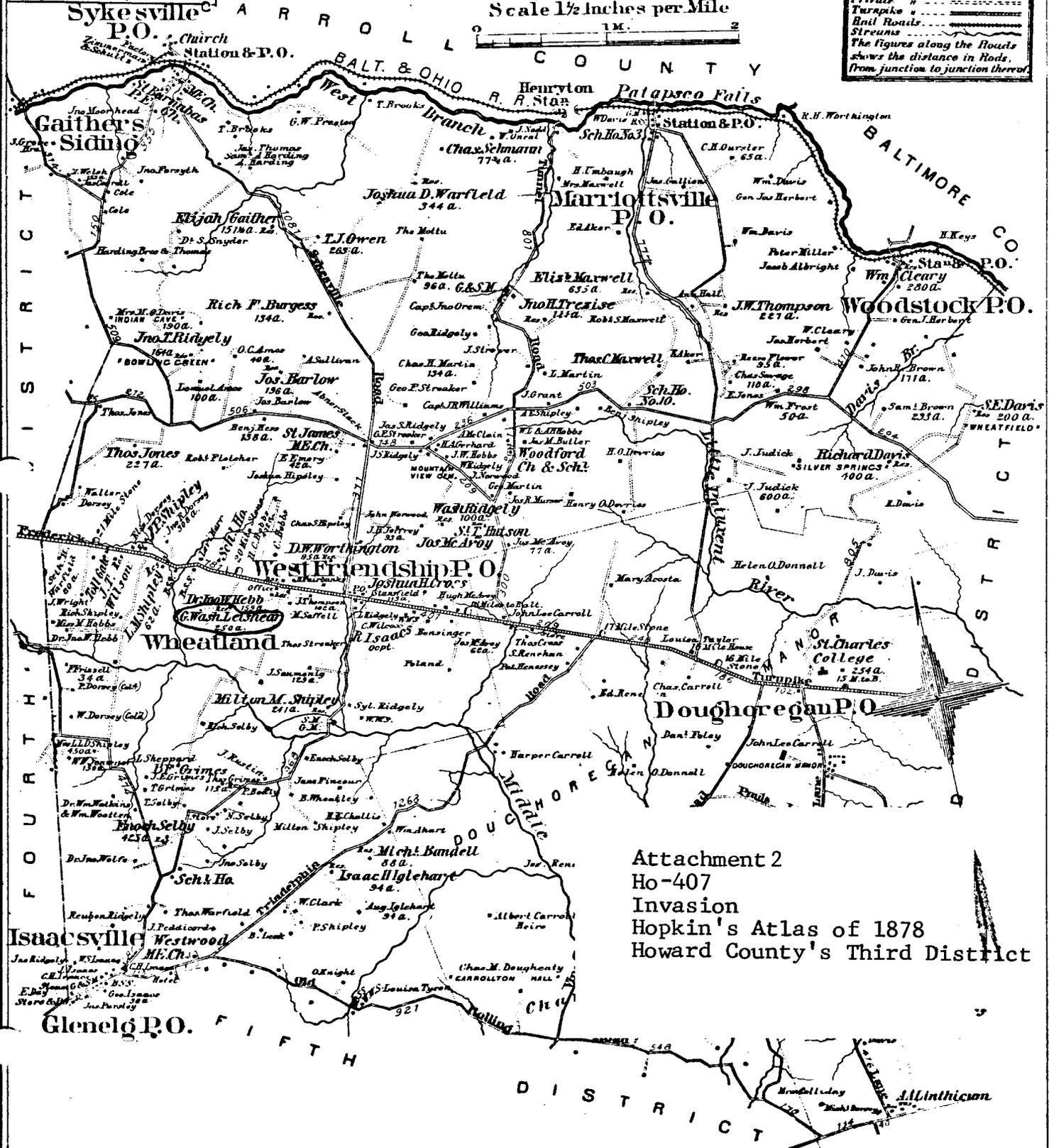
## HOWARD COUNTY

Scale 1 1/2 Inches per Mile



EXPLANATIONS	
Dist. & Co. Lines	-----
County Roads	-----
Private "	-----
Turpicks "	-----
Rail Roads	-----
Streams	-----
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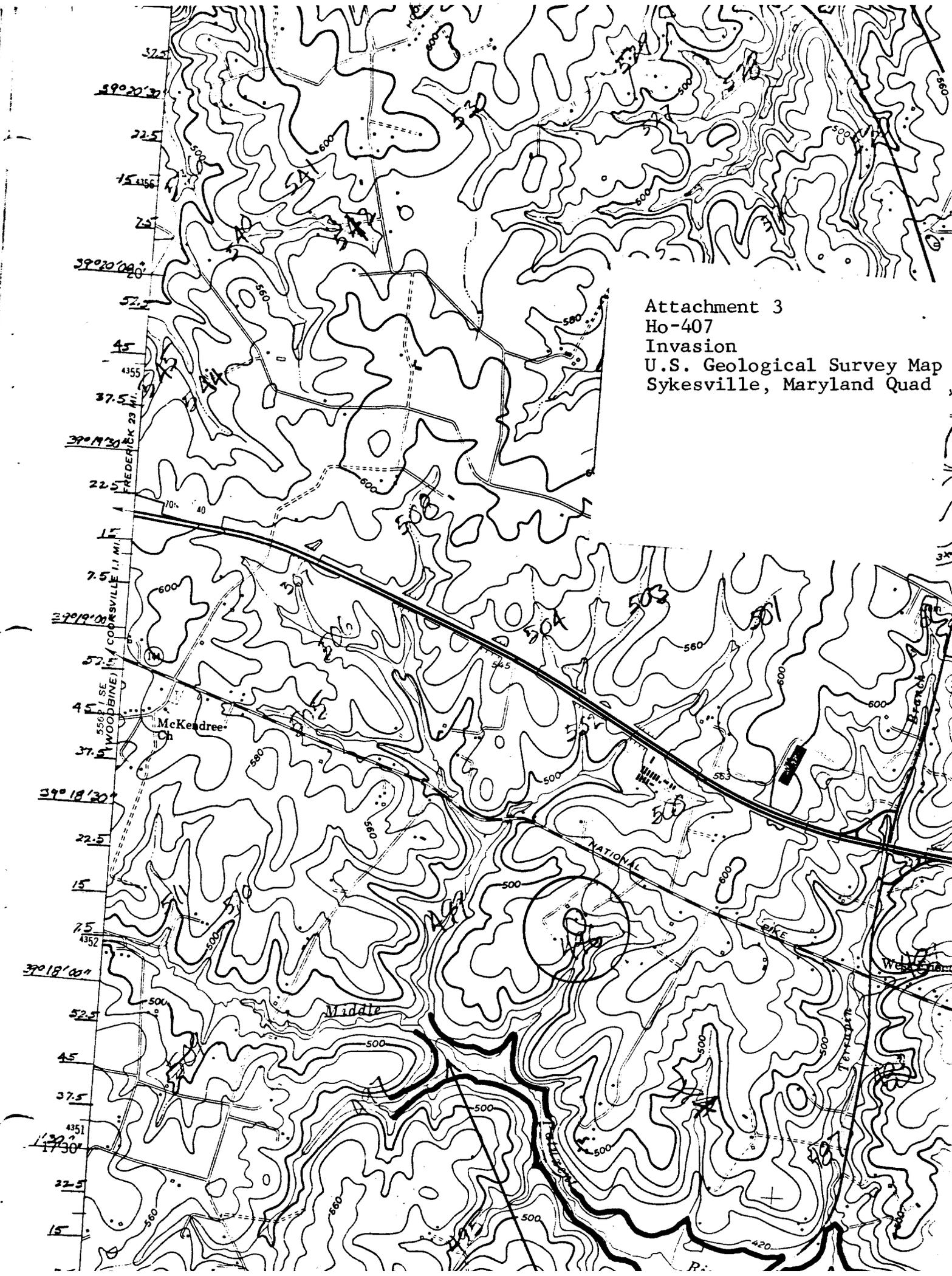
**Third District.**  
**BLACKSMITH.**  
 J. T. ISAAC,  
 Blacksmith in General,  
 Woodstock, Howard Co.  
 Buggies and Carriages on hand and built to Order. Cast Steel Work of every description, and all kinds of Country Work. Machines Repaired.



Attachment 2  
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 Hopkin's Atlas of 1878  
 Howard County's Third District

Entered according to act of Congress in the year 1878 by G. M. Hopkins, in the Office of the Librarian of Congress at Washington.

Attachment 3  
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U.S. Geological Survey Map  
Sykesville, Maryland Quad





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