

HO-469

The Keilholtz Residence  
Clarksville  
Private

1917

This house is located on the north side of Route 108, three tenths of a mile west of its intersection with Route 32. It is a two bay wide, three bay deep, two and a half story high, tent roofed, square, double oak shingled structure, resting on a stone foundation.

The building features a rectangular south entrance in the east bay, covered by a gabled roof portico supported by two square posts with a double window composed of two rectangular, double-hung windows with one-over-one lights resting west of the entrance.

The east and west elevations of the house are symmetrical, featuring two first and second floor windows which are vertically aligned and proportionally scaled, separated on the west elevation by a six light second floor casement window and on the east elevation by a staircase window underlined by a three light first floor window. The east and west elevations, each have a jerkin roofed dormer centered into its roof line, holding a double-hung window with six-over-six lights. A stand of mature trees protects the house from heavily traveled Route 108.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

The Keilholtz House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

12670 Clarksville Pike (MD 108)

CITY, TOWN

Clarksville

\_\_\_ 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	<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 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. Dennis K. Keilholtz

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

12670 Clarksville Pike

CITY, TOWN

Clarksville

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21029

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, Tax Map 34, p. 87  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records

Liber #: 743

Folio #: 4

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978

\_\_\_ 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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 Keilholtz House, known as "Live Oak Farm", is located on the north side of Route 108, three tenths of a mile west of its intersection with Route 32. Route 108 runs a slight curve in front of the property and is bordered on its south side by a slight slope of land, creating a sense of narrowness at this point. The house is sheltered on its south elevation by large trees which form a shelter from Route 108 which runs very close to the house.

Live Oak Farm is a two bay wide, three bay deep, two and a half story high, tent roofed, square double oak shingled structure, which rests on a stone foundation, the southeast corner of which is solid rock.

The main entrance is rectangular in shape and located in the east bay of the south elevation. It is fronted by a brick stoop composed of three brick steps and covered by a gabled roof portico, supported by two square posts. A double first floor window rests in the west bay composed of two rectangular double hung, one-over-one light windows, separated and flanked by flat pilasters and surmounted by a single flat lintel with rain withholder. This window and all the windows of the east, west and south elevations are decorated with green wooden shutters. Two second floor windows, similar to the components of the double window, but holding two-over-two lights, rest above. A wide brick exterior chimney is centered between the entrance and the double window.

The east elevation is perfectly symmetrical, holding two first and second floor windows, vertically aligned and proportionally scaled, similar to the second floor windows on the south elevation. They are divided by a staircase window, similar to the others, beneath which rests a first floor three light window.

Jerkin roofed dormers are centered in the roof line of the east and west elevations. Each holds a rectangular, double-hung window with six-over-six lights.

The west elevation is similar to the east elevation in its symmetry with these exceptions.

- 1) The two first floor windows are double windows, similar to that found on the first floor west bay of the south elevation.
- 2) There is no staircase window, but a central six light second floor casement window.

A three-over-three light, double-hung, cellar window rests in the north bay of the stone foundation which holds a basement cellar door in its south bay. Written in the cement, on the north side of the cellar staircase is "John Asterburn, Laurel, Md., August 1917 & 18.

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Off the north wall of the house, which holds two second floor windows, similar to those on the east and west elevations, rests a one story high, hipped roof, double oak shingled kitchen addition which rests on a cinder block foundation. The cinder block foundation creates a vestibule for the rectangular north entrance of the basement. It holds a four-light rectangular outer entrance flanked by twelve light windows and may at one time have been utilized as a green house. The north wall of the original stone basement holds a six light window west of the entrance door. This basement is particularly noteworthy for it indicates that an older structure existed. Logs, some 8 inches in diameter are placed north-south as supporting beams in the southwest corner of the basement. They run into solid rock almost in the center line of the south wall. The remaining basement has two by four ceiling joists as support and a staircase at the mid point of the east wall which runs east-west. A deep channel along the east wall of the basement was used to absorb any water flooding the basement, sending it northward. A three light basement window is located on this wall. A toilet, reputed to be the first in Howard County, is located in the middle of the west wall of the basement.

The kitchen addition holds two rectangular, double-hung windows with six-over-six lights. A tall rectangular, one-over-one light window has been blocked, which is located on the east corner of this section. A shed roofed, vestibule for the rectangular kitchen door located on the north side of the east wall has an enclosed north wall and semi-screened-in east wall with screen door entrance approached by wooden steps on its south elevation.

A garden divided by a small brook is located north of the house which is flanked on the east and west by some five acres of pasture.

**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			

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SPECIFIC DATES      1917      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Keilholtz Residence is significant architecturally and historically.

Architecturally it is representative of early twentieth century domestic architecture found in the Clarksville area of Howard County, Maryland. Its square, two and a half story high, double oak shingled frame is crowned by a tent roof. This tent roofed square frame is found in the Zepp-Johnston Residence, HO-470 and also reflected in the Langenfelder Farm house, HO-472, both located on Route 108, near Clarksville.

It is simple in form but thoughtful in detail with the east and west elevations symmetrical, featuring central windows which add interest, such as the staircase window, underlined by a three light window on the east elevation and the second floor six light casement window on the west elevation.

Historically it is associated with the Groomes family who kept race horses on the farm.

An old photograph shows this house and a big barn with the dirt road, present Route 108, passing by south of the house. Built all together in the days when neighbors and friends helped in the construction of new homes, it stands today as an example of solid construction and thoughtful execution.

Any future plans for widening Route 108, which are presently under study by the State Highway Department, should be examined to insure that the integrity of this house and its site remain intact.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Howard County Land Records

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 5.27 Acres

Please see attachment 1, p. 87.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records Liber 743, folio 4.

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

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

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

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

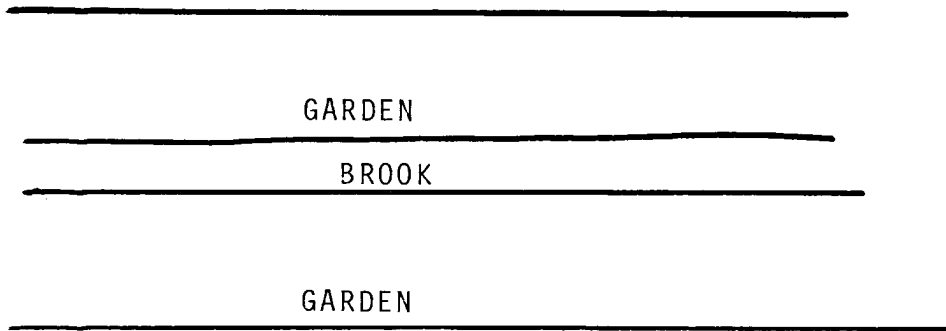
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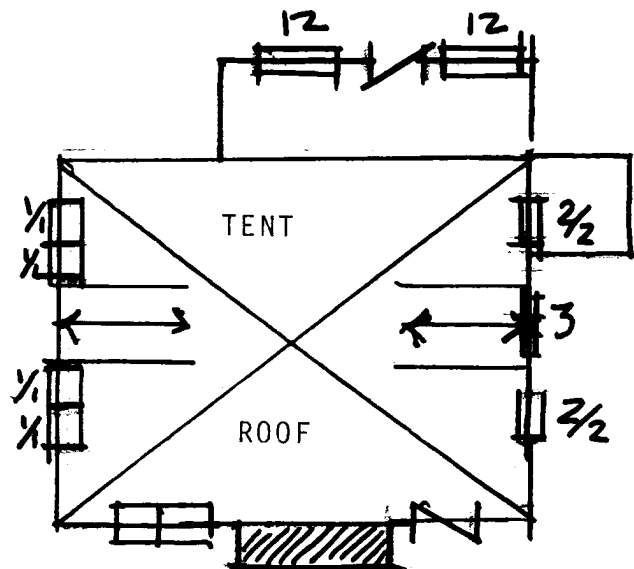
The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438



OUTBUILDINGS



DENSE TREES

Route 108

FIGURE #1  
 H0-469  
 The Keilholtz House  
 Site Plan

RAL  
NATIONAL

7/349  
7-36A.  
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SUSAN M. ZEPP  
182/26  
146.76 A.  
P.160

Attachment #1  
HO-469  
The Keilholtz Residence  
Tax Map 34

DONNA R CLELLAND +  
BARBARA J. PALMER  
793/171  
118.37A.  
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D.K.  
KEILHOLTZ  
743/04  
5.27A.  
P.87  
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JAMES J.  
TIERNEY  
232/220  
88.2A.  
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ST. LOUIS  
CHURCH  
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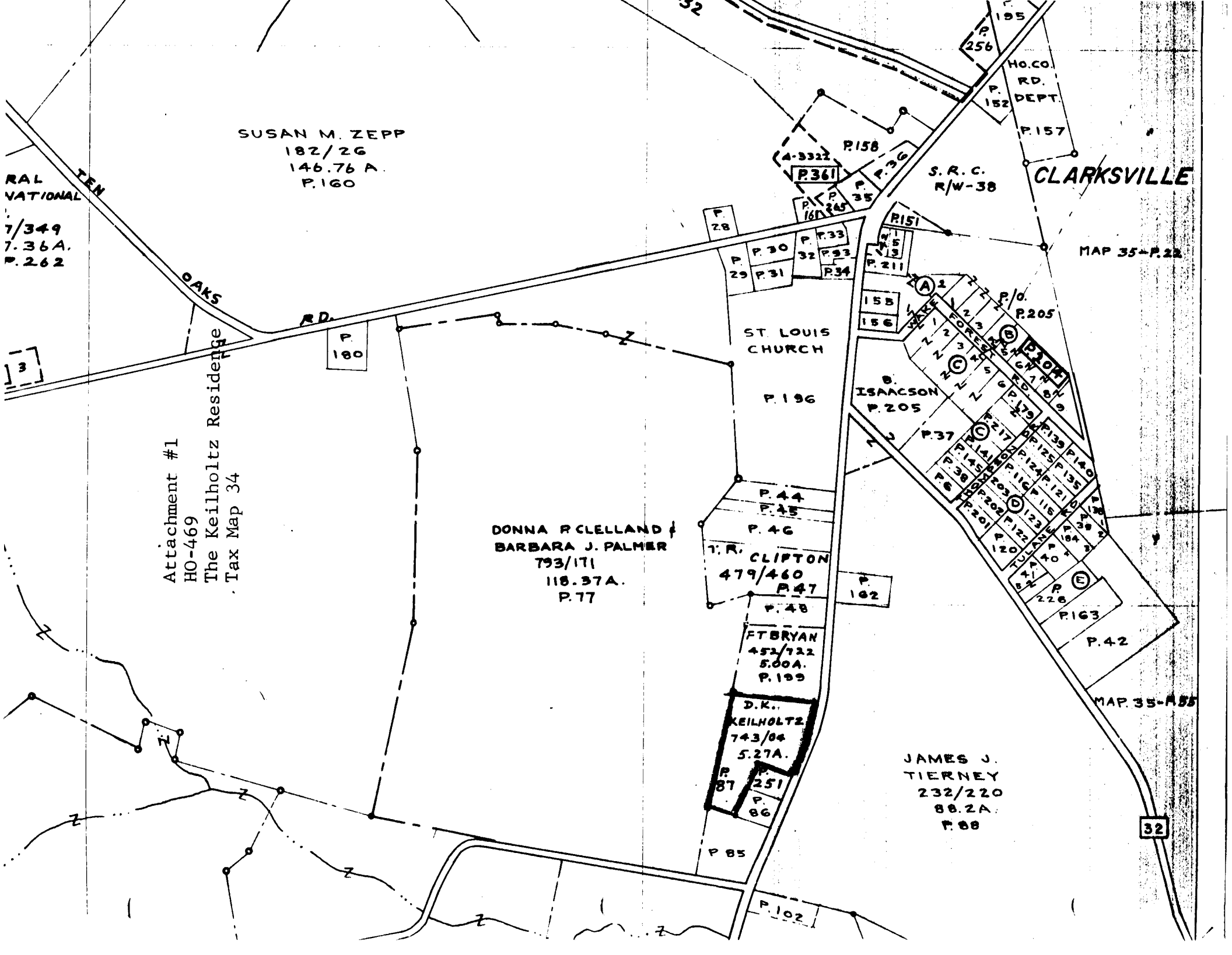
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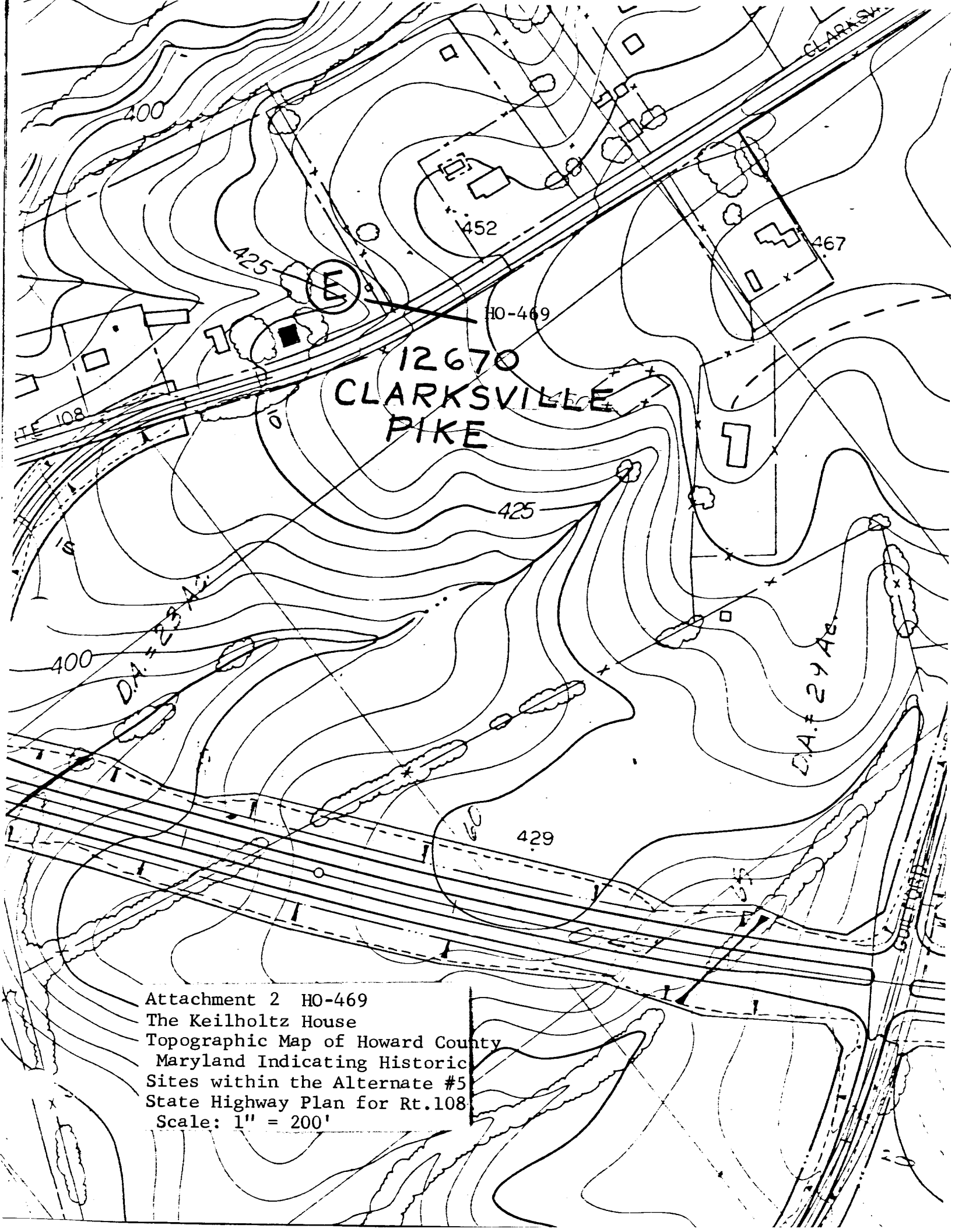
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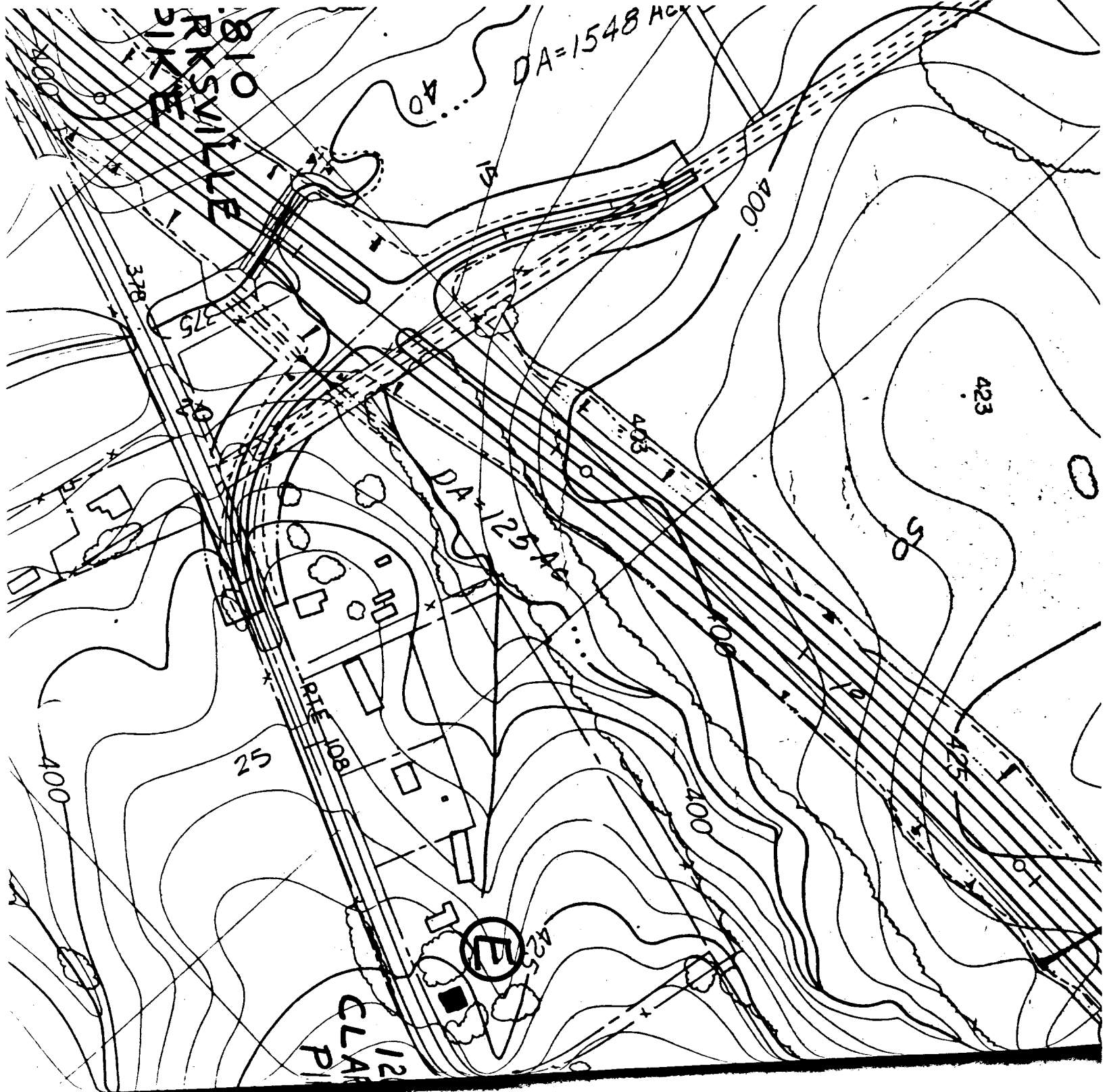
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Attachment 2 HO-469  
The Keilholtz House  
Topographic Map of Howard County  
Maryland Indicating Historic  
Sites within the Alternate #5  
State Highway Plan for Rt.108  
Scale: 1" = 200'



Attachment 3  
HO-469 (B)  
The Keilholtz House  
Topographic Map of Howard County, Maryland  
Indicating Historic Sites Within the Alternate  
#6 State Highway Plan for Route 108  
Scale: 1" = 200'



HO-469  
THE KEILHOLTZ HOUSE  
(LIVE OAK FARM)  
SOUTHEAST JUNE 1978  
CB THOMPSON, AIP