

HO - 539

Circa 1860

Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2
Elkridge
Private

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A one story high, gabled roof (running north-south) screened-in porch covers the central bay, rectangular, nine light, St. Andrew's cross paneled north door, and the west bay. A large rectangular one light picture window rests in the east bay, with a smaller three-three light rectangular casement window above. The west bay of the north wall holds a first floor double window, separated by a flat pilaster, each component a six light, rectangular casement window. A smaller rectangular, second floor, three-three light casement window rests above.

The west elevation has received some alteration, but it has been done in such a way that it enhances, rather than detracts from, the general integrity of the building.

The vertical frame siding of this west wall's first floor has swung out to become the north wall of a one bay wide, one bay deep, one story high, flat roofed frame and brick addition to the kitchen. The six light, rectangular, first floor casement window of the original west wall has been placed in the north wall of this addition, whose remaining walls (west and south) are of brick (laid in Flemish bond).

A one story high, one room wide, one room deep, gabled roof (running north-south) frame bath addition, resting on a cinderblock foundation, takes up the east side of the south wall, while the west side of this elevation is taken up by the corbeled brick fireplace wall and a sliding glass door which enters on to a first floor open deck off the kitchen. The entire house features an originality created by the interesting blending and use of new and old materials.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

HO - 539
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MAGI# 1405395504

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Burlap Manor- Morning Choice #2

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

6760 Norris Lane

CITY, TOWN

Elkridge

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

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
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<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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	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. Kenneth Morgen

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

6760 Norris Lane

CITY, TOWN

Elkridge,

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

21227

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE. Tax Map 31 p. 142
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records

Liber #: 649

Folio #: 228

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

___ 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		

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NORTH ELEVATION

A one story high, gabled roof (running north-south) screened-in porch covers the central bay, rectangular, nine light, St. Andrew's cross paneled north door, and the west bay. A large rectangular one light picture window rests in the east bay, with a smaller three-three light rectangular casement window above. The west bay of the north wall holds a first floor double window, separated by a flat pilaster, each component a six light, rectangular casement window. A smaller rectangular, second floor, three-three light casement window rests above.

EAST ELEVATION

The east elevation holds a first floor, double casement window, each component separated by a flat pilaster and holding a five-five light casement window. Two four-four light, rectangular, second floor casement windows are placed in this wall.

WEST ELEVATION

The west elevation has received some alteration, but it has been done in such a way that it enhances, rather than detracts from, the general integrity of the building.

The vertical frame siding of this west wall's first floor has swung out to become the north wall of a one bay wide, one bay deep, one story high, flat roofed frame and brick addition to the kitchen. The six light, rectangular, first floor casement window of the original west wall has been placed in the north wall of this addition, whose remaining walls (west and south) are of brick (laid in Flemish bond). The west wall of this addition holds a large square brick chimney in its southwest corner (rising and terminating in corbeled brick). The flat roof provides a second floor balcony, bordered by a wooden railing on the north and west and a brick wall on the south. A nine light rectangular entrance door is centered on the west wall of the original building. Beneath, in the west brick wall of the addition, is placed a nine light, rectangular, St. Andrews Cross-paneled entrance door, in front of which has been constructed a square brick patio, held by a railroad tie retaining wall. A four light, square, casement, first floor window rests in the north side of the building's west wall.

THE SOUTH ELEVATION

The west side of this elevation is taken up by the corbeled brick fireplace wall from the second floor balcony, which drops down to the first floor below. This wall holds brick recesses for cooking, as well as decoration. A sliding glass-entrance door leads out to an additional first floor open deck constructed along the west side of this elevation. Along the east side, a one room wide, one room deep, one story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame bath addition, resting on a cinder block foundation, holds a laundry and storage space on its ground floor and a large first floor bath, featuring sunken tub and leaden-stained glass south wall.

The east bay of the original building's south wall holds a wide, rectangular door in the foundation and a smaller, second floor three-three light casement window.

The additions to this elevation create a great deal of interest at this elevation. The south wall of the bathroom addition holds various rectangular leaden paned glass panels placed both horizontally and vertically. This, combined with the open deck and its decorative, outside-corbeled brick fireplace wall, create a charming blend of materials and decorative treatment.

THE INTERIOR

The interior is basically two rooms downstairs, with two rooms above. The living room on the east side of the house is heated by a very wide, deep stone fireplace, whose foundation below also holds a fireplace. A stretcher stone, flat-arched lintel decorates the opening of the living room fireplace. Openings have been cut in the floor above to allow the heat to rise to the bedroom above. The windows on the north, south and east walls provide a sunny, well-lighted room. The twelve inch wide floor boards once used in this previous carriage house remain in the second floor living room and kitchen. This latter has been extended westward, as previously mentioned, to provide an additional large semi-circular, corbeled brick, fireplace of unusual design.

The entire first floor living room and kitchen walls, as well as the stairwell for the stair case, have been paneled with shutters, originally used in the Railroad Station at relay. The brick wall of the living room fireplace provides the east wall of the staircase additional warmth and has been exposed. The combination of brick and paneling creates an unusually pleasing effect.

The second floor appears to have been renovated in the early twentieth century. It features hardwood floors and beaded, five inch wide, wainscotting in the central hall and its two flanking bedrooms. An original sliding stable door has been relocated upstairs for use as a closet door in the hall.

The entire house features an originality created by the interesting blending and use of new and old materials.

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 1894 **BUILDER/ARCHITECT**

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2 is significant to Howard County and the State of Maryland architecturally as an example of a late nineteenth century carriage house, converted into a residence and historically through its associations with Olney and Belmont.

Its architecture is so totally a part of its history that a discussion of the building combines the two areas of significance. As one of the unique dwelling houses in Howard County, it incorporates an interesting blend and utilization of old and new materials. Additions have been made on its north, south and west walls. Please see Item 7, Description of HO-539. Surrounded by the woodland of the Patapsco State Park, it is constructed into a steep slope of land on the west side of the Patapsco River. Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2 was initially used as a carriage house by Dr. Chew, who bought three acres of land in front of Olney in 1894 for \$1000 from Mrs. Richard Norris. Later in the late 1930's, Mr. and Mrs. Addison Worthington converted it into a residence for themselves and their ten year old son, scorning modern conveniences and living here with no heat, electricity, plumbing or telephone. An interesting article appeared in the Sunday Sun Magazine Section on August 2, 1959, telling of their life here. (Heat furnished by a coal stove and fireplace.)

Mr. Worthington was a notable architect, son of an architect who designed Grace Episcopal Church in Elkridge. He was responsible for designing Rokeby, his sisters home, the Stone House on the north side of Norris Lane, west of Banavie and much of the design of the stylistic detail incorporated in the buildings on the University of Maryland campus at College Park. His name for this home was "Burlap Manor".

A one story high, screened in porch addition was made along the building's north wall and was used as a summer dining area.

One of the finest contributions made to the building was the acquisition by Mr. Worthington of the old shutters of the B & O Railroad Relay Station, when demolished. These were used to panel the entire downstairs and staircase, utilized also as kitchen cabinet doors.

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Significance

The building has been fortunate in having owners who appreciated its location and simple design, adding creative touches of their own. Mr. Kenneth Morgen, a psychiatrist now residing in California was responsible for the building's present evolution, an extension of the kitchen, which holds an outstanding semi-circular, corbeled brick fireplace and unique bath on the south, featuring a leaden and tinted glass paneled south wall with sunken bath.

Whether this carriage house once belonged to Olney or previously to Amos Earp, noted on the 1878 Hopkins Atlas is pure conjecture. The wide 12 inch floor boards on the first floor and an interesting stone fireplace in the foundation may point to a previous occupant to Dr. Chew.

Whether dating from 1860 or from 1894, Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2 remains one of the most quaint, unique buildings in Howard County and should be recommended for inclusion to any proposal for either a National Register Historic District in this area or a local historic district, initiated by the citizens of Howard County.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview on November 30, 1979 with Ms. Diane Banford - Reese, present occupant. Interview on December 8, 1979 with Mrs. Greisman at Olney.

Howard County Land Records
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 3.806 Acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map #31

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 649 Folio 228

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

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

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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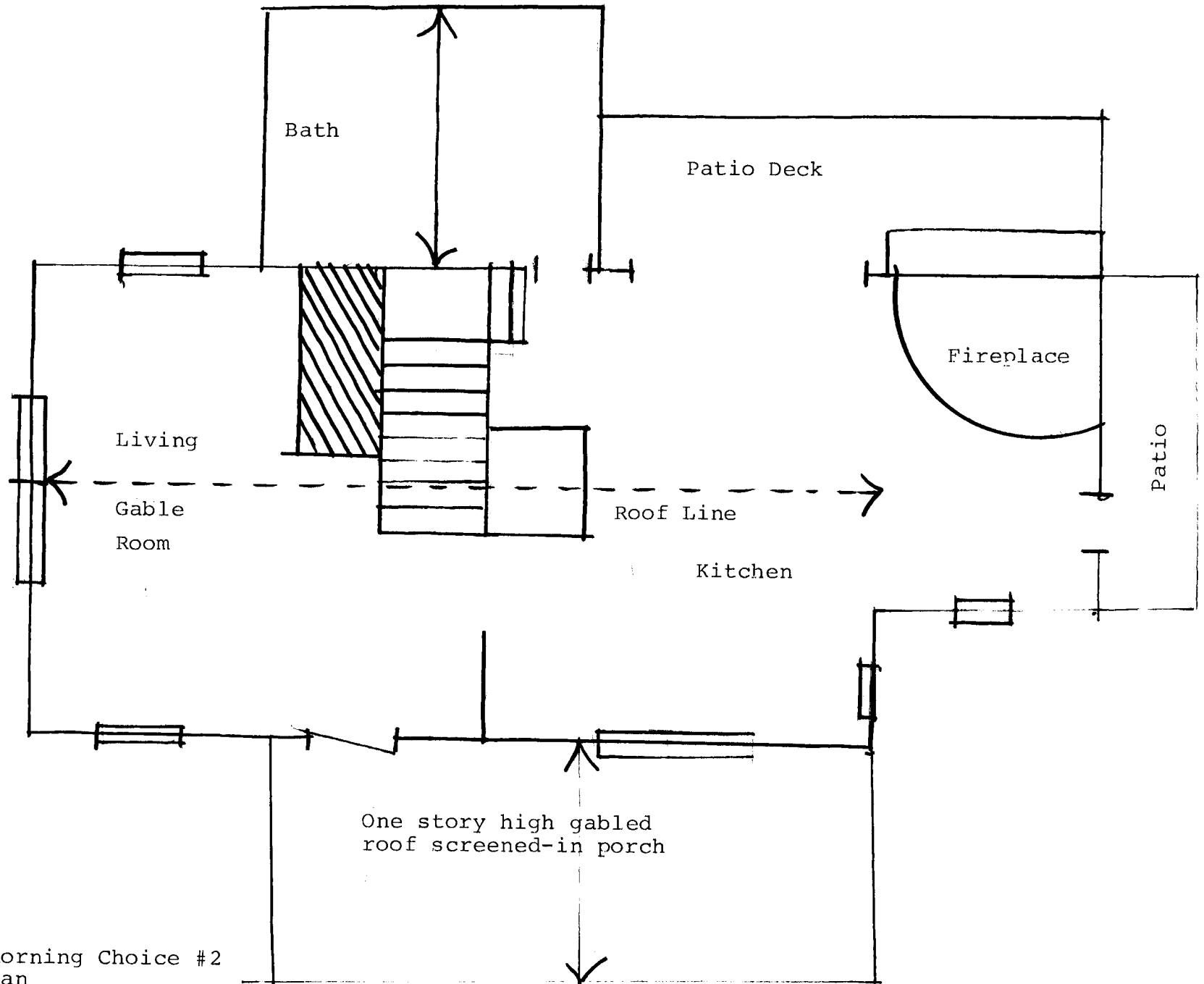
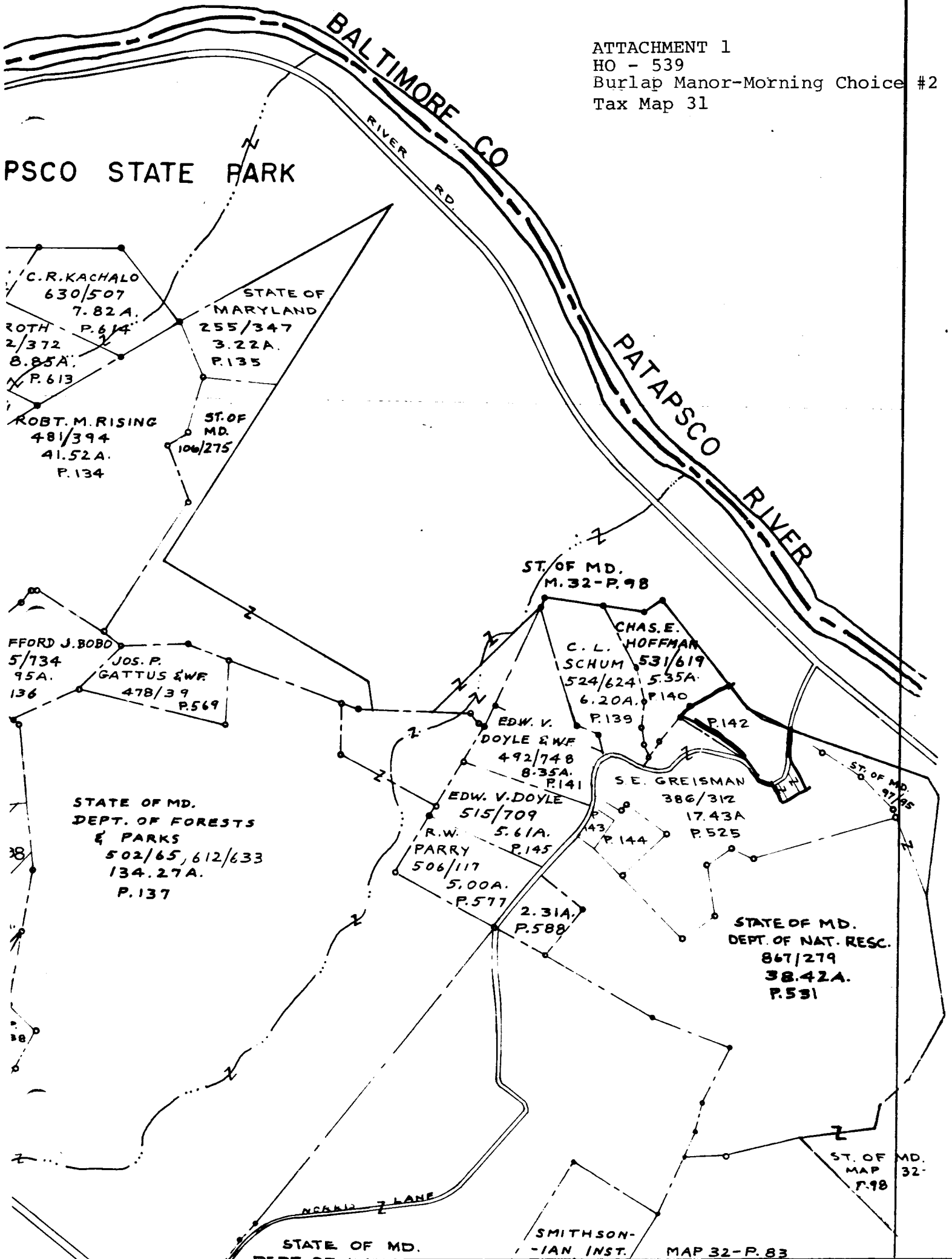
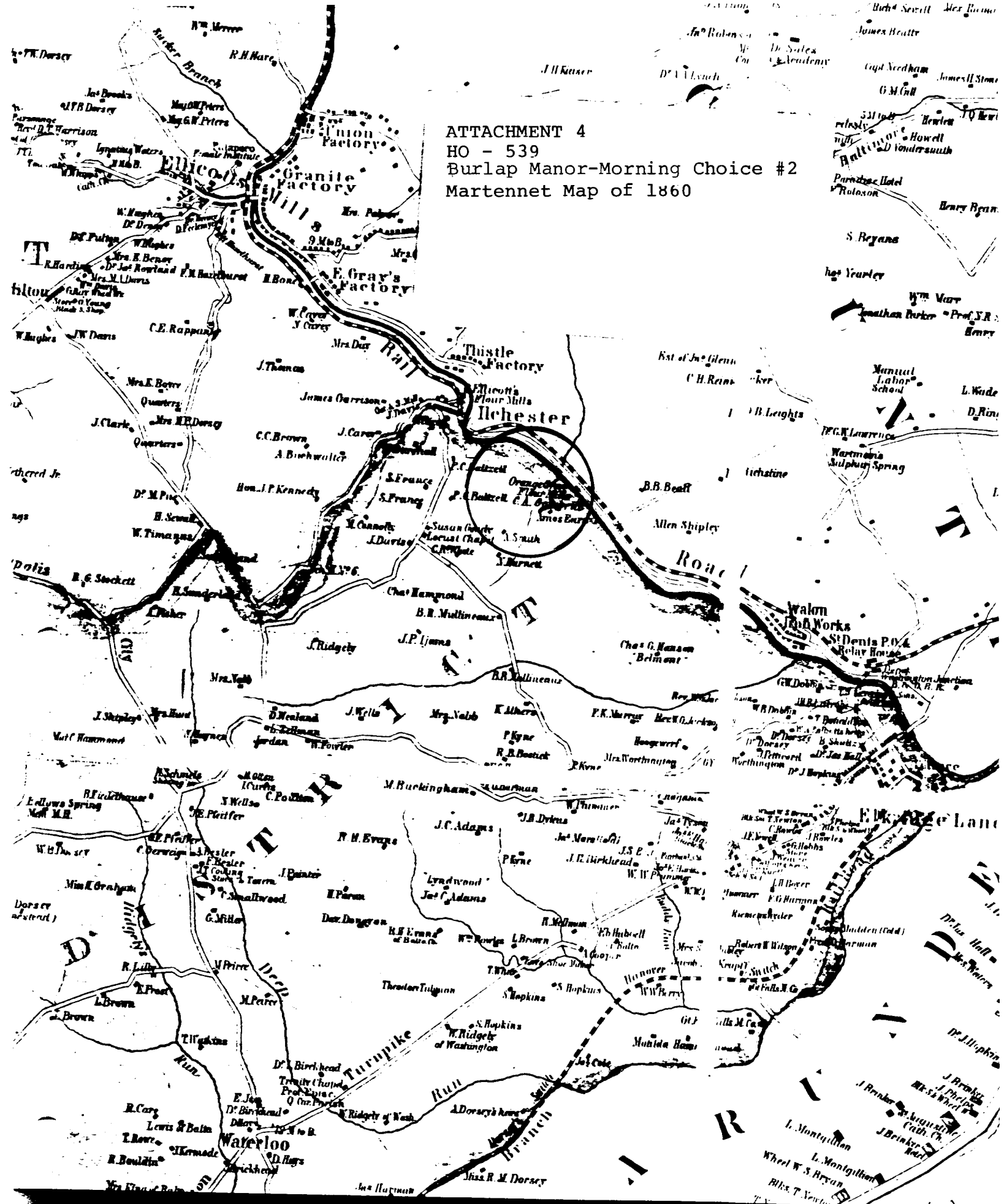


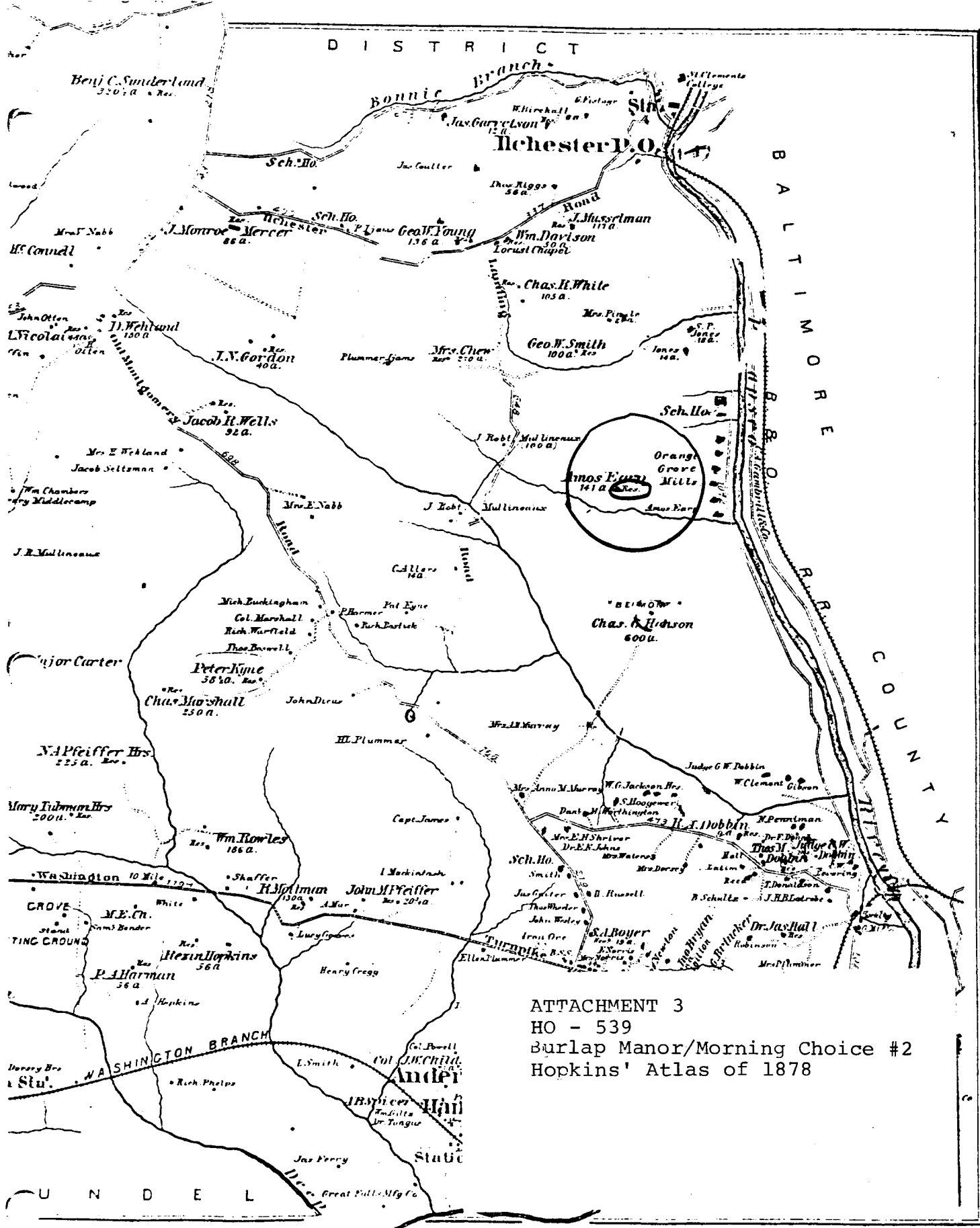
Figure 1
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 Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2
 First Floor Plan

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ATTACHMENT 4
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Burlap Manor-Morning Choice #2
Martennet Map of 1860



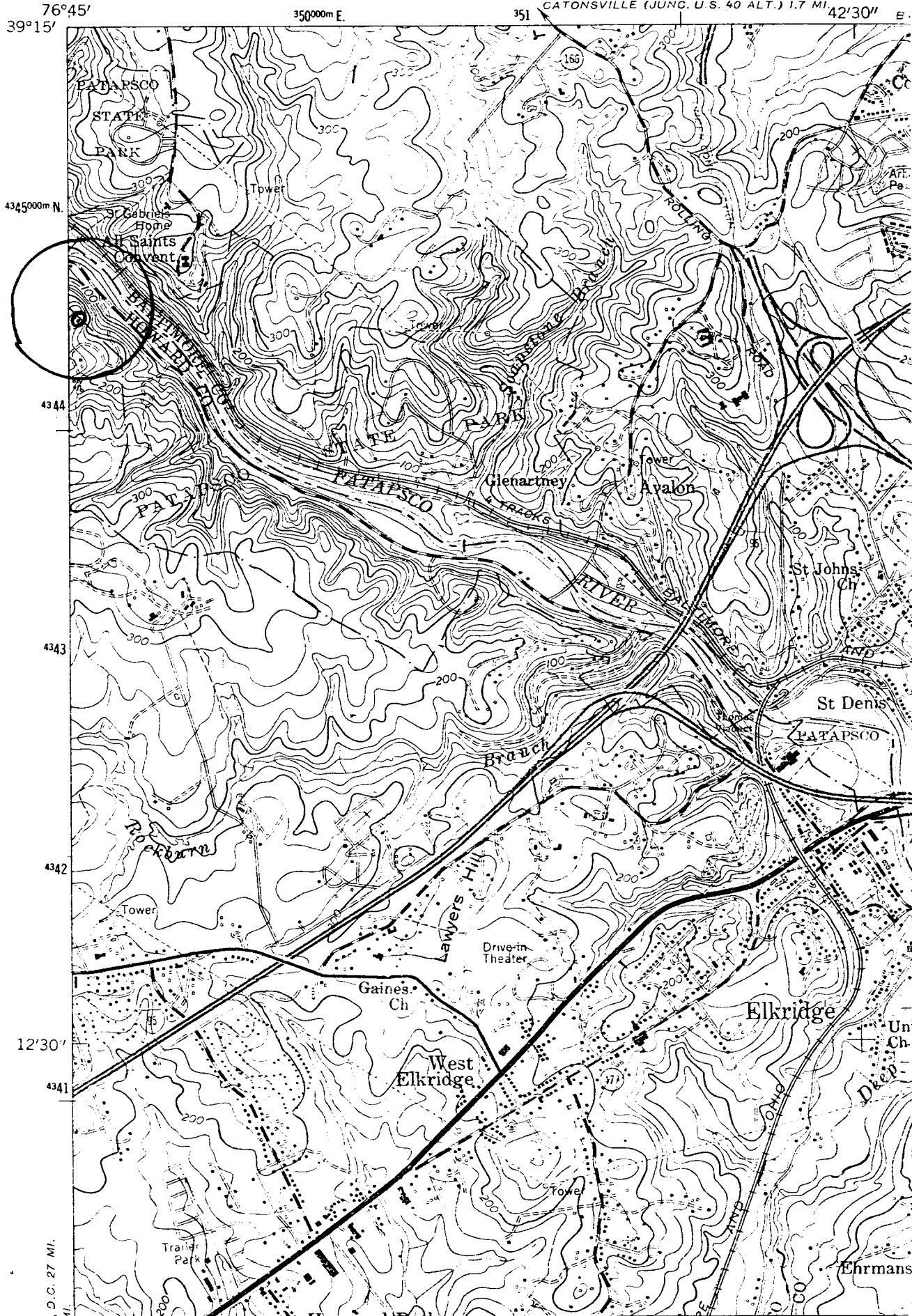


ATTACHMENT 3
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 Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2
 Hopkins' Atlas of 1878

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(ELLICOTT CITY)

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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Attachment 2
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Burlap Manor/Morning Choice #2
U.S. Geological Survey Map
Relay, Maryland Quadrangle



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BURLAP MANOR/MORN'S CHOICE #2

WORTH EAST

DECEMBER '79

CB THOMPSON ALP