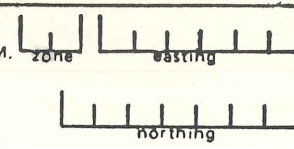


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 PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120

7. Local survey organization
 HISTORIC CARVERSVILLE SOCIETY

8. property owners name and address
 Quinby, H. Byron
 4224 Pipersville Rd.
 Carversville Pa. 18913

9. tax parcel number / other number
 TP#41-4-9

10. U.T.M. zone 

11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)
 Carversville Vil.
 NR Historic Dist.

usgs sheet:

12. classification
 site () structure () object ()
 building
 in N.R. district yes () no ()

13. date(s) (how determined)
 1872 Deeds

14. period
 1860-1890

15. style, design or folk type
 Vernacular Gothic

19. original use
 Residence

20. present use
 Residence

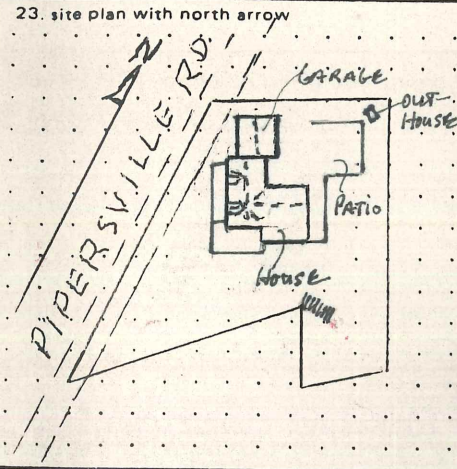
16. architect or engineer
 Fred Martin- 1925
 Mark E. Hall-1872

17. contractor or builder
 Mark E. Hall

18. primary building mat./construction
 Wood Plank-Stucco

21. condition
 Excellent

22. integrity
 Very Good



24. photo notation
 West Front & S Gable End
 Credit: Max Sempowski
 11/14/91 #NS703073/ 16

25. file number
 Erwinna, PA
 KAA, 16 Center Rd.

26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)

The Quinby House is located on the east side of Pipersville Rd. at the top of the hill about 1/3 mile north of Carversville Rd. The front facade faces Pipersville Rd. (At this point, actually facing to south-west). The construction of the original section of the house dates to 1872, and the garage and additions date to 1925. The original section was vertical plank construction with exterior horizontal German siding with wooden quoins, and interior furred and plastered walls. In 1925 the original house and additions were stuccoed on the exterior. The original section is built in a Vernacular Gothic form, three bays wide, 2½ stories high with a slate gable roof with overhanging cornice. Two gable dormers with pointed Gothic 2/2 windows break the cornice on the front facade, outside bays, as well as on the SE facade of the rear original "L".* There are three 2/2 windows on the second floor and two 2/2 windows and continued...

(continue on back if necessary)

27. history, significance and/or background

The Quinby house (originally referred to as the "Hill Top House"), is contributing architecturally to the Historic District of Carversville by representing a 3rd quarter 19th century Vernacular Gothic residence in pristine condition. This middle class house got an upper class treatment in 1925 with its garage*addition and patios and stonework. In 1872, Mark Hall acquired one acre & 31 perches and built the original house. continued...

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28. sources of information
 See Card 2, Side 1.

29. prepared by:
 Max Sempowski
 (rev. K. Auerbach)

30. date
 12/91

revision(s)
 2/93

1. County
 BUCKS

2. municipality
 SOLEBURY TWP.

3. street address or specific location
 (aka Wismer Road)
 4224 Pipersville Road
 Carversville Village Historic District

4. survey code:
 TP#41-4-9

5. present name
 QUINBY HOUSE

6. other name (historic name if any)
 HILLTOP, MARK HALL HOUSE

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: continued

double doors with transom windows and ogge type mouldings over the door in the center bay on the first floor front section. The front section is one pile deep with an original rear 1 3/4 story, one pile gable roofed "L", extending back from the side SE gable wall of the front section. The rear northeast gable end of the "L" has an exposed basement.* The full front porch has a tin roof and appears to be in its original design. The trim on the dormers and the front porch are typical Carpenter Gothic style. The overall condition of the house is excellent and the integrity is very good.

The 1925 addition was comprised of an attached garage to the northwest w/ a 2nd* floor room with wide shed roof dormers both front and back, and various other renovations on the rear which included the addition of a walk-through from the kitchen to a downstairs bathroom and a winding stairway leading to the room over garage plus a large enclosed porch and extension of the walk-out basement on the SE* side. There is also extensive stone and concrete patios with side hill terraces, steps, and walkways. The Gable roof is slate and was replaced in 1975. It has severe over hanging eaves and simple cornice boards extending approximately one and a half feet past the gable ends. The first and second floor windows on the front and both sides have a pair of louvered shutters for each window. The only other windows on the house with a pair of shutters are the second story 2/2 windows on the original rear section of the house. The 2nd story gable end 2/2 windows in the "L" each have a single full louver. The SW front face of the garage has two pair of original 1925 hinged garage doors w/ 6 lites each.* All the windows, front and back, on the garage and porch additions are casement windows and are not shuttered. The lower center section in the rear was remodeled in 1925 to provide a connection between the house and the garage addition, and the original windows were replaced with casement windows.

The interior of the original section maintains the majority of its original features, including double front* doors and a walnut banister on the center stairway in the hallway. The original cupboard and separate storage area under the center stairs exists with their original doors in the front south room. The front north room has the original mouldings with the addition of a center side wall fireplace added in 1925. Cove moldings around the ceiling were added in 1970. The present oak flooring on the floors was installed in 1962 over the original 5 in. wide T&G floor which was laid diagonally over the sub floor planks. All three floors are still in place. All the interior doors in the original section appear to be original. The house was replastered during the 1925 expansion. The second floor layout is the same with the exception of a bathroom retrofit which was done at this time. The kitchen was completely remodeled to present day standards in 1962.

The grounds are impeccably landscaped with stone walls, concrete terraces, and walkways up and down the hillside, which were all part of the 1925 construction. A large patio sits on top of the stone wagon house which contained a 300 gallon air tank and gasoline compressor which blew air into the well casing to supply the 1000 gallon cistern in the basement for household water. This replaced a windmill*, which was novel in its time, but not very successful. The out house still exists behind this structure.

**said to be across the street at Hillside Academy.

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SIGNIFICANCE: continued

He was the town carpenter and builder. In 1873, he acquired an additional 31 perches of land. There were three additional owners between 1908 and 1925 when Warren B. Delong bought it for \$2,500 dollars and then spent \$20,000 dollars on extensive new construction.** In 1928, he bought what was the final .29 acres to settle an encroachment by acquiring a 25 foot strip inclusive of a ret. wall. The house is important because its original construction was vertical hemlock plank type. The lumber came from Honesdale Pennsylvania, was floated down the Delaware and received by the Tinsmen Lumber Mill for Mark Hall. There are at least two other houses in town still standing today that were built by Mark Hall namely, the Leisure and Evleth Houses. Mr. Delong was a major stockholder in Philadelphia Electric, which resulted in his being one of the first houses fully electrified in 1931. The house still contains the original 1000 gallon cistern that is hooked up to a portable generator and pump for emergencies. The closet in the back bedroom has the telephone that was hooked up to the hotel at the foot of the hill, so Auntie Saulter could converse privately with Aunt Sarah to discuss the town gossip!

The overall setting is magnificent, and the very fact that \$20,000 dollars was spent in 1925, for the reconstruction, reveals the intent of the new owner to provide a masterpiece. One additional noteworthy fact is the existence of a boxwood shrub in front of the house which is over one hundred years old.

The house portrays the pride that Mark Hall and Warren B. Delong took in its design and construction. This pride has been well preserved and maintained since the Quinby's acquired the property from Myrtle May Delong in 1960. The ("Hill Top House") still provides the majestic view that Mark Hall envisioned in 1872.

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Carversville Maps 1853, 1876, 1891
Bucks County Tax Records 1870-1879
Personal interviews Nov. 16, 1991 - Mr. & Mrs. H. Byron Quinby
Personal interview Nov. 16 1991- Rob Kling
Personal interview Dec. 20, 1991- Mr. H. Byron Quinby

**DeLong never lived here, he resided at Crystal Spring Farm (Guthrie's); his mother-in-law Annie Saulter lived here. The Quinby's have the original plans by Doylestown architect Fred Martin for the 1925 additions and alterations. Clayton Fell was general contractor, George Tettermer did the heating system and Jake Frater installed the electric. They also have a period painting by Fern Coppedge of the house as viewed from the hotel to the southeast. Martin's changes incorporate prevailing Colonial Revival, Beaux Arts and Arts & Crafts styles in the parlor mantle & fireplace, balustraded patio & casement windows. Original builder Mark Hall's trademarks include the generous room proportions, built-in closets, entrance hall and staircase with double front doors and rear kitchen "L". (K. Auerbach)

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House, SE. gable end & rear "L" (11/14/91)
(NS703073/ 15)



Door & cabinet in Dining Room (11/14/91)
(NS703073/ 10)



House & Garage, West view (11/14/91)(NS703073/ 22)//

Garage, NE rear view (11/14/91) (NS703073/ 7) //

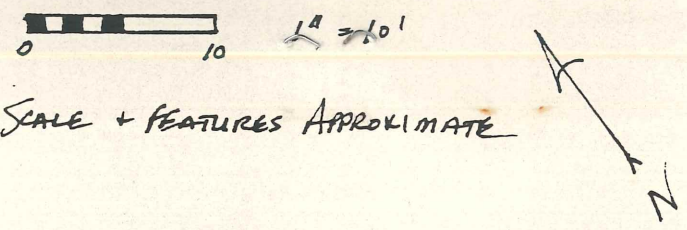


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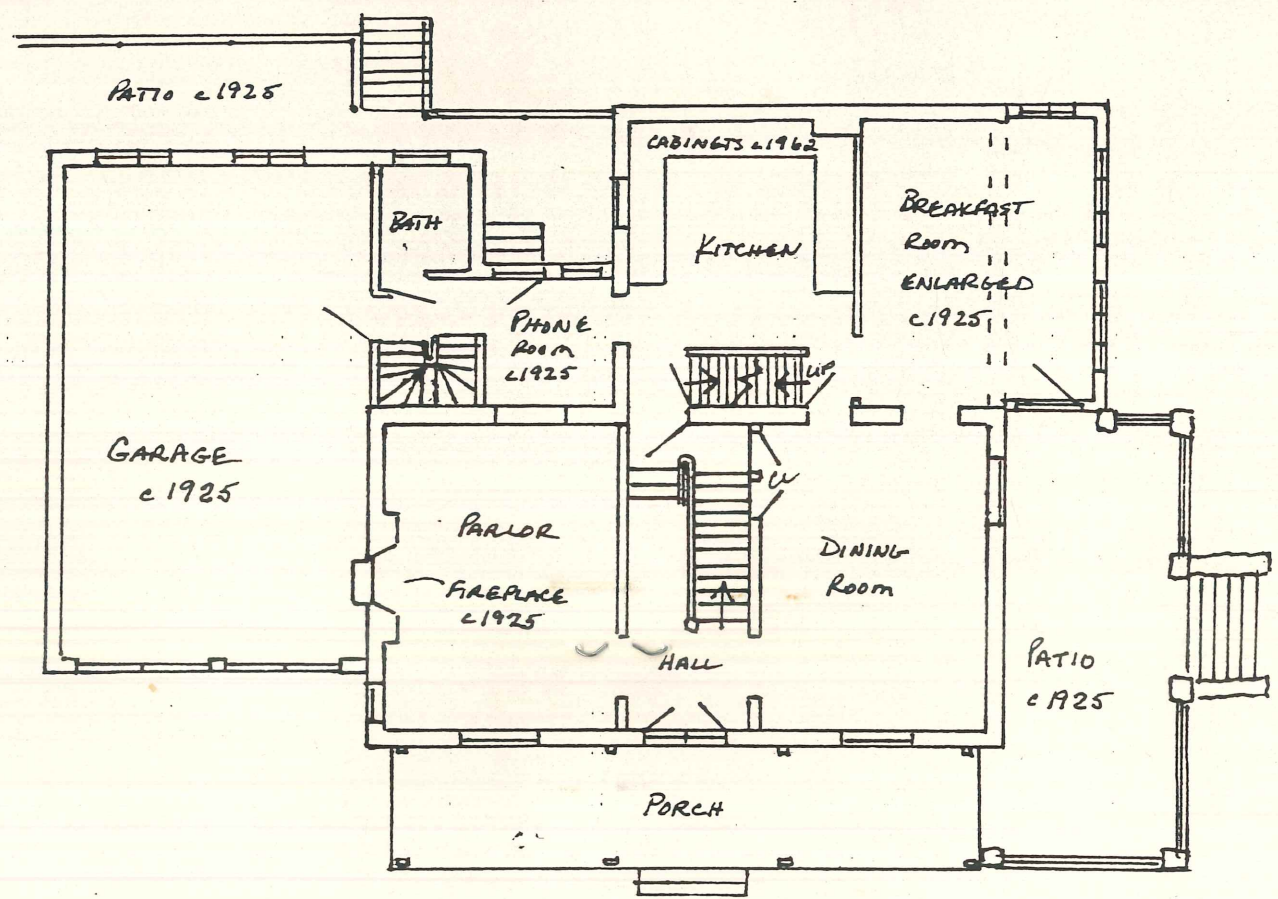
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN:



SCALE + FEATURES APPROXIMATE



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Front, SW facade from Pipersville Rd (11/14/91)
(KAA: 91-14/ 17A-18)

Front, SW & side- SE facades from yard (11/14/91)
(KAA: 91-14/ 18A-19)

Front-SW & p/o side-NW facadês (11/14/91)
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Rear, SE facade of house & garage (11/14/91)
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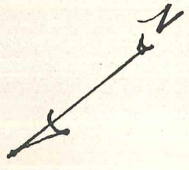


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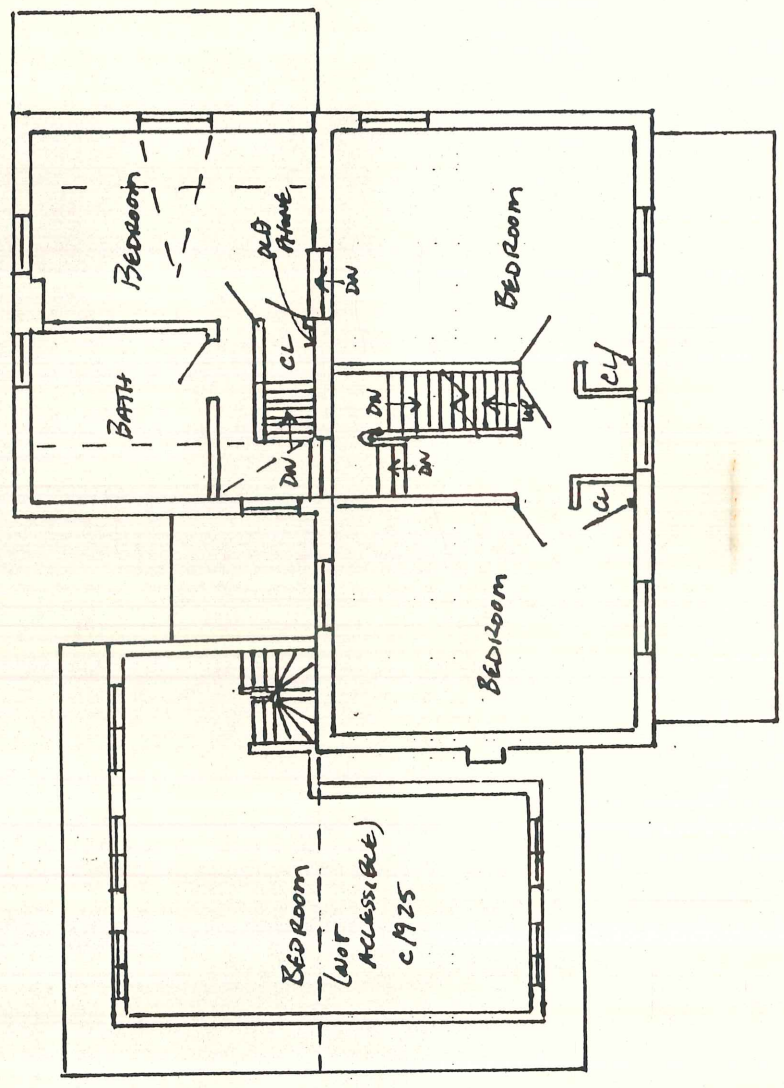
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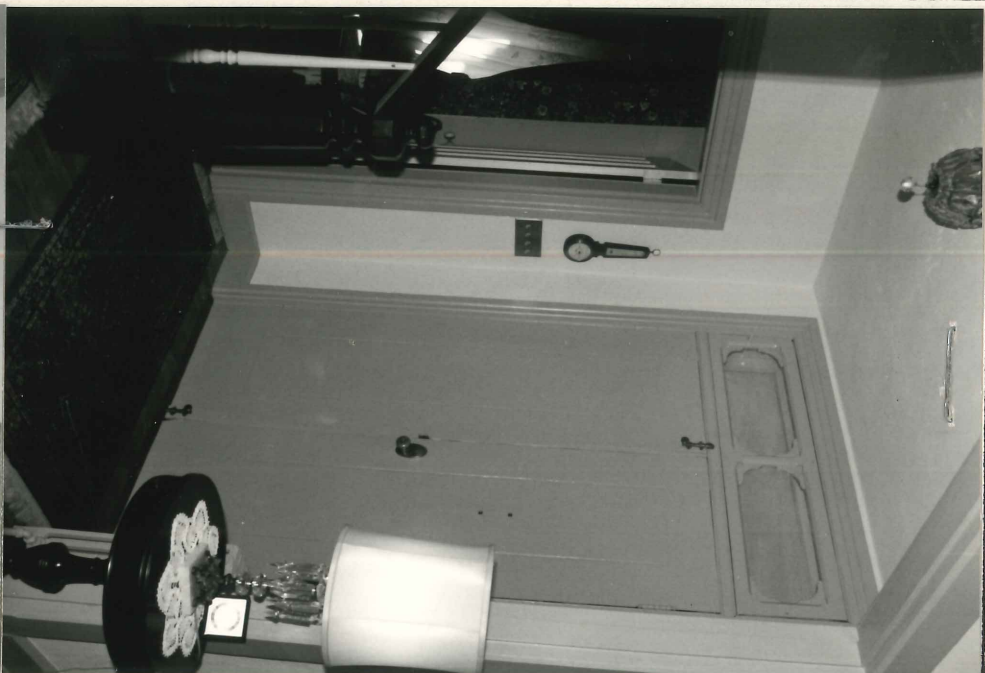


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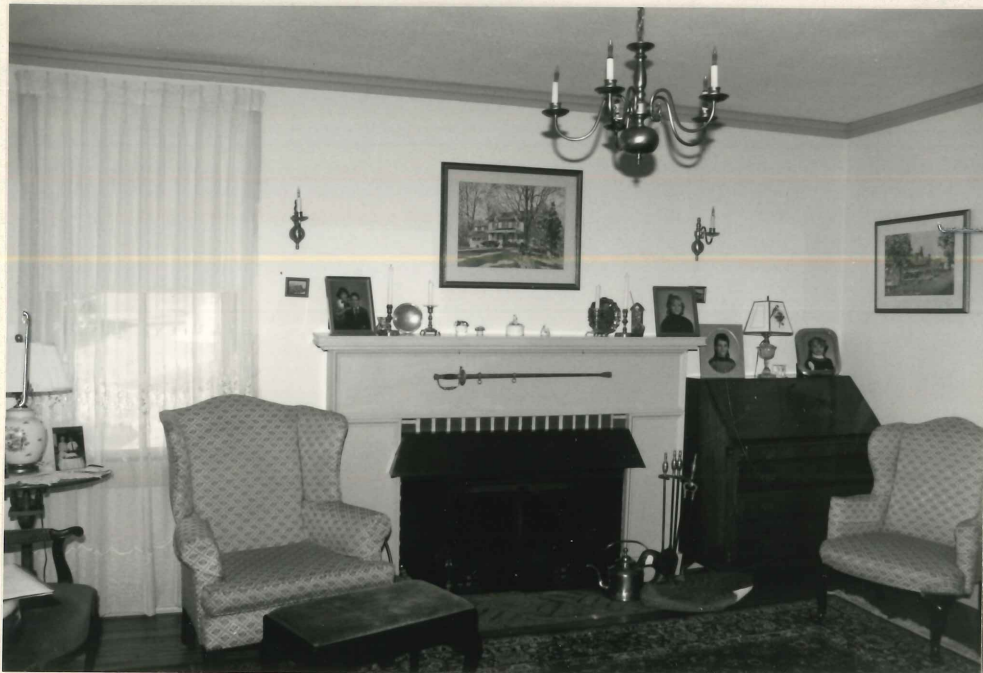
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Int., 1st fl., center hall, orig. double front doors (11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 2A-3)
Int., 1st fl., center hall staircase (11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 1A-2)



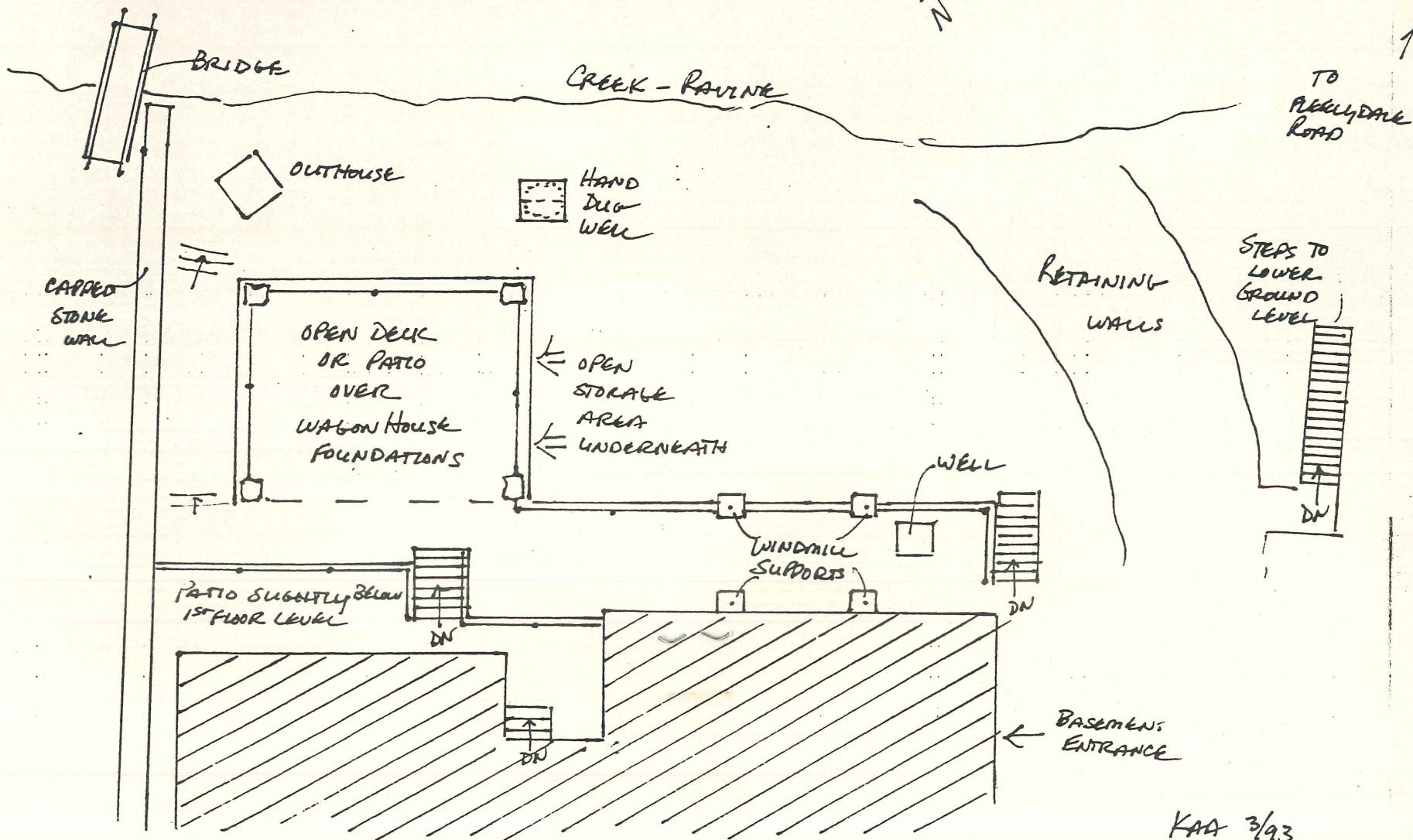
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SITE PLAN:

FEATURE LOCATIONS APPROXIMATE



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Oil painting, SE side of house c1930 Fern Coppedge // (11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 4A-5)

Int. 2nd fl., center stair hall (11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 6A-7)

Outhouse in rear yard, SW facade (11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 13A-14)

// Int., 2nd fl., rear bedroom closet, phone to hotel (11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 5A-6)





Carriage Hse. walls under deck, air pressure tank
(11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 11A-12)



// Rear yard, stone retaining wall & bridge
(11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 12A-13)

View of E corner of house from property below
(11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 8A-9)

// Land at bottom of hill by Fleecydale Road
(11/14/91) (KAA: 91-14/ 7A-8)



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TITLE RECORD

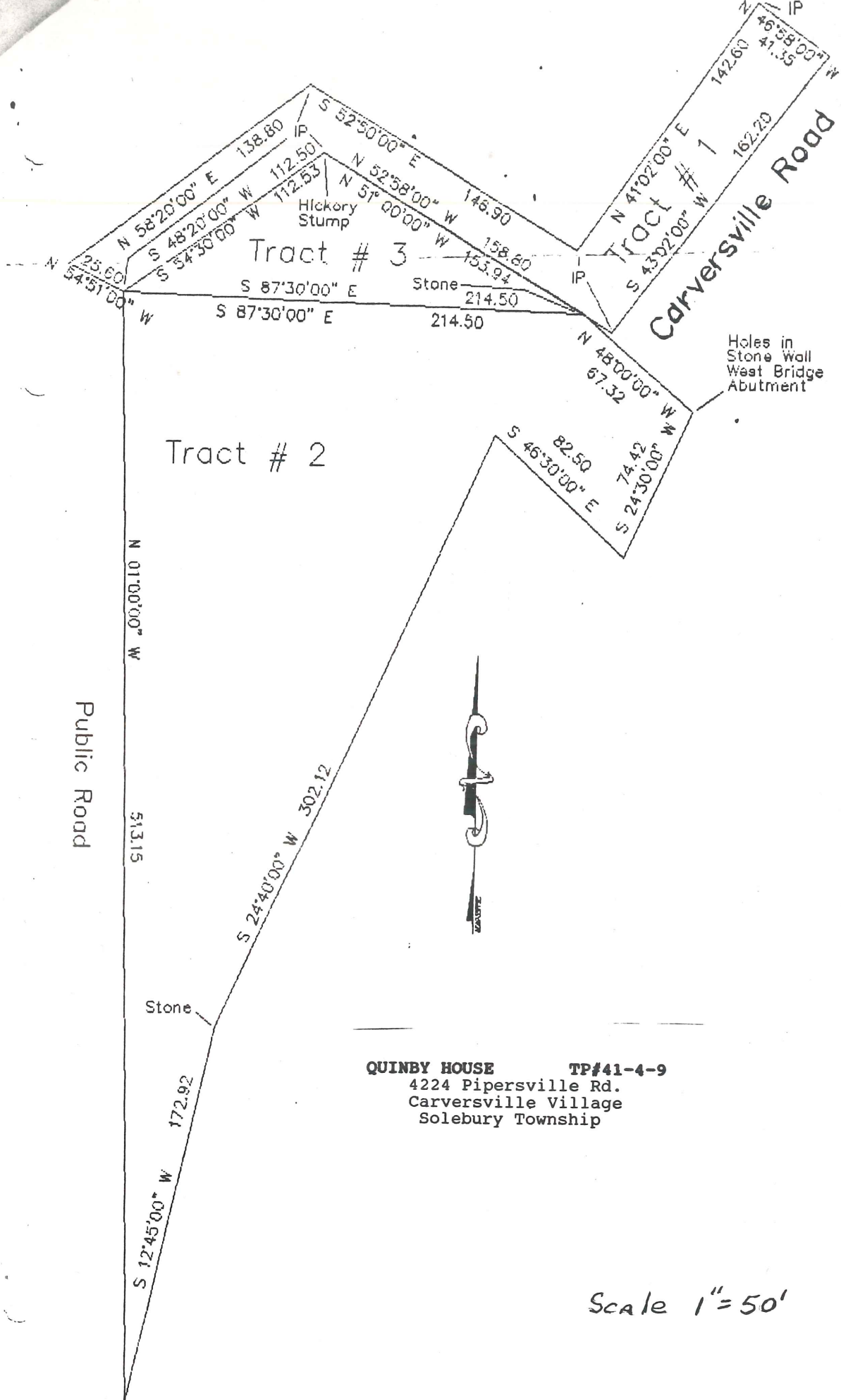
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Delong, Myrtle May DeLong, Marie Louise 1st Penn Bank & Trust, Executor Consideration: \$1.00 Warren B. Delong died Nov. 3, 1955 His last Will and Testament dated Dec. 10, 1951 and probated in the Office of the Register of Wills of Bucks County Pennsylvania on Nov. 15, 1955 stated that the share of said Myrtle DeLong should be distributed to her in the form of such assets " as she, in her sole judgment, shall select", and the said Myrtle May DeLong...has selected the above described property as a part of her distributed share of the estate of the said Warren B. DeLong, deceased. Together with all and singular the buildings...	DeLong, Myrtle May	12\17\1957	1415-42	#1-.29A #2-1A-31P #3- 31P
Underwood, Wm. J. Consideration: \$1.00 All that certain Lot or Tract of Land...	DeLong, Warren B.	9\8\1928	568\272	.29A
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Hall, Mark E. Estate via, Paxton, Albert W. executor Consideration: \$517.00 Highest bidder at auction Being a messuage and two lots of land...containing all together one acre and 62 perches...	Kolbe, Otto	10\2\1908	342/322	#1-1A-31P #2-31P

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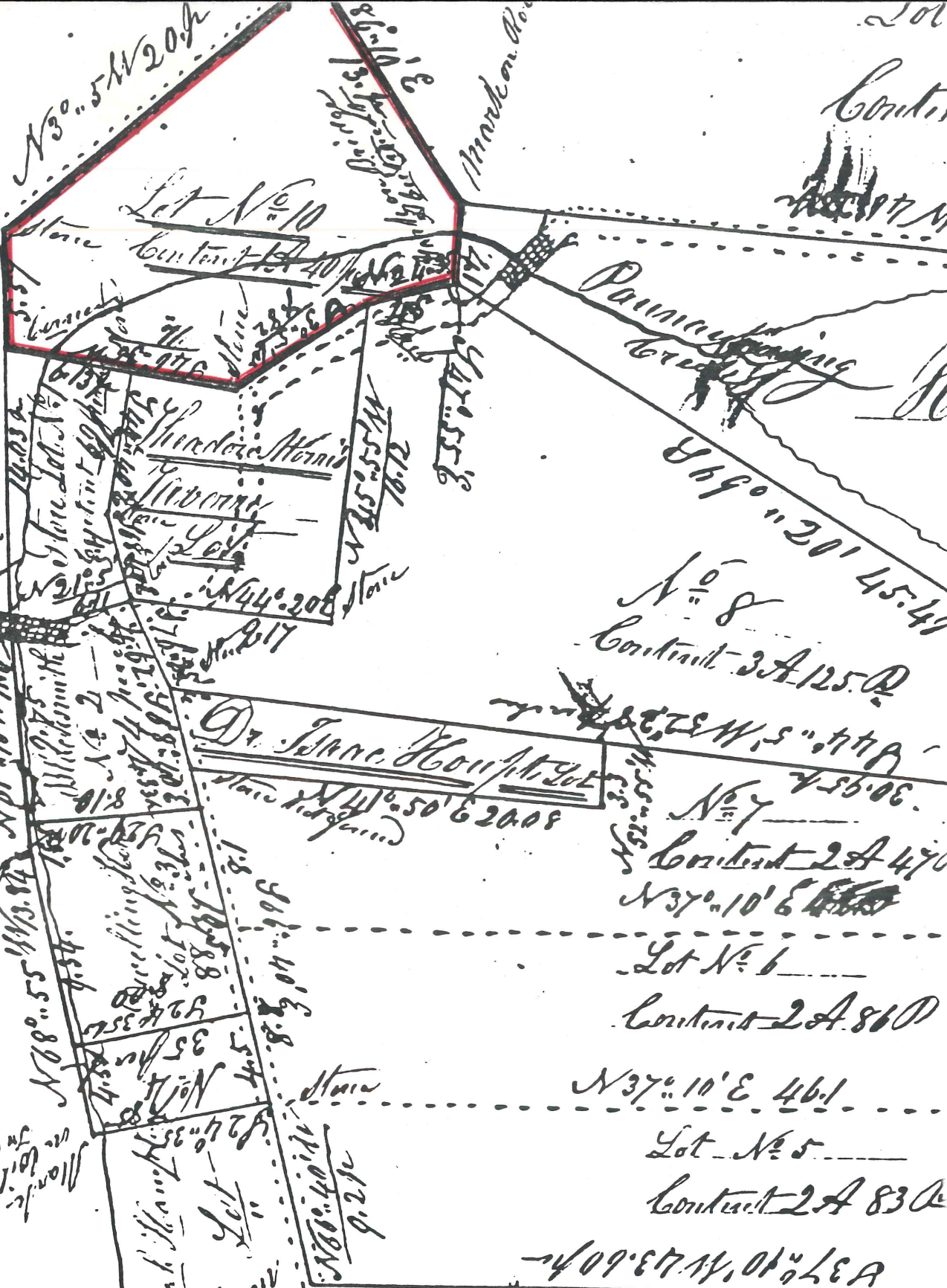


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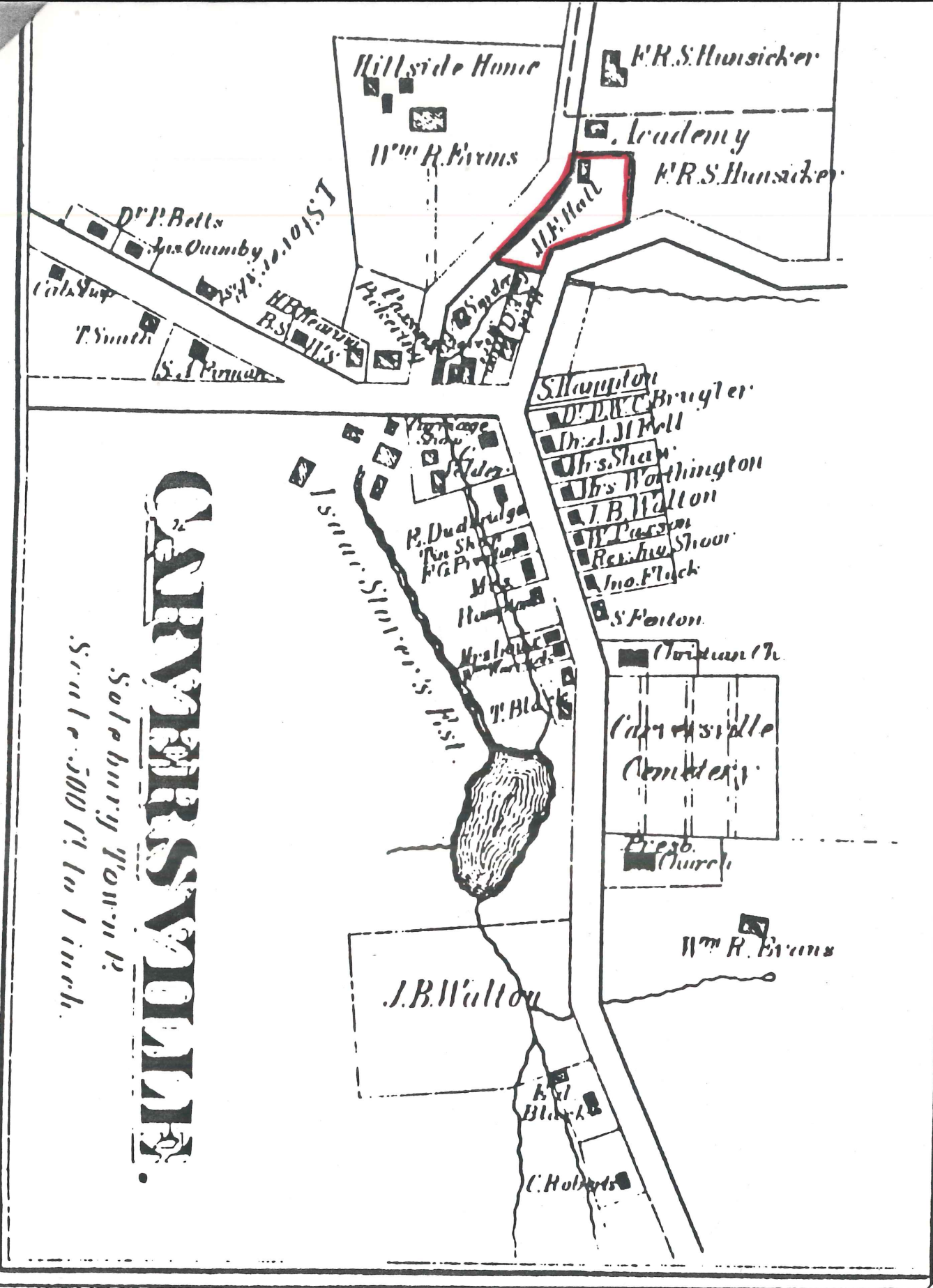
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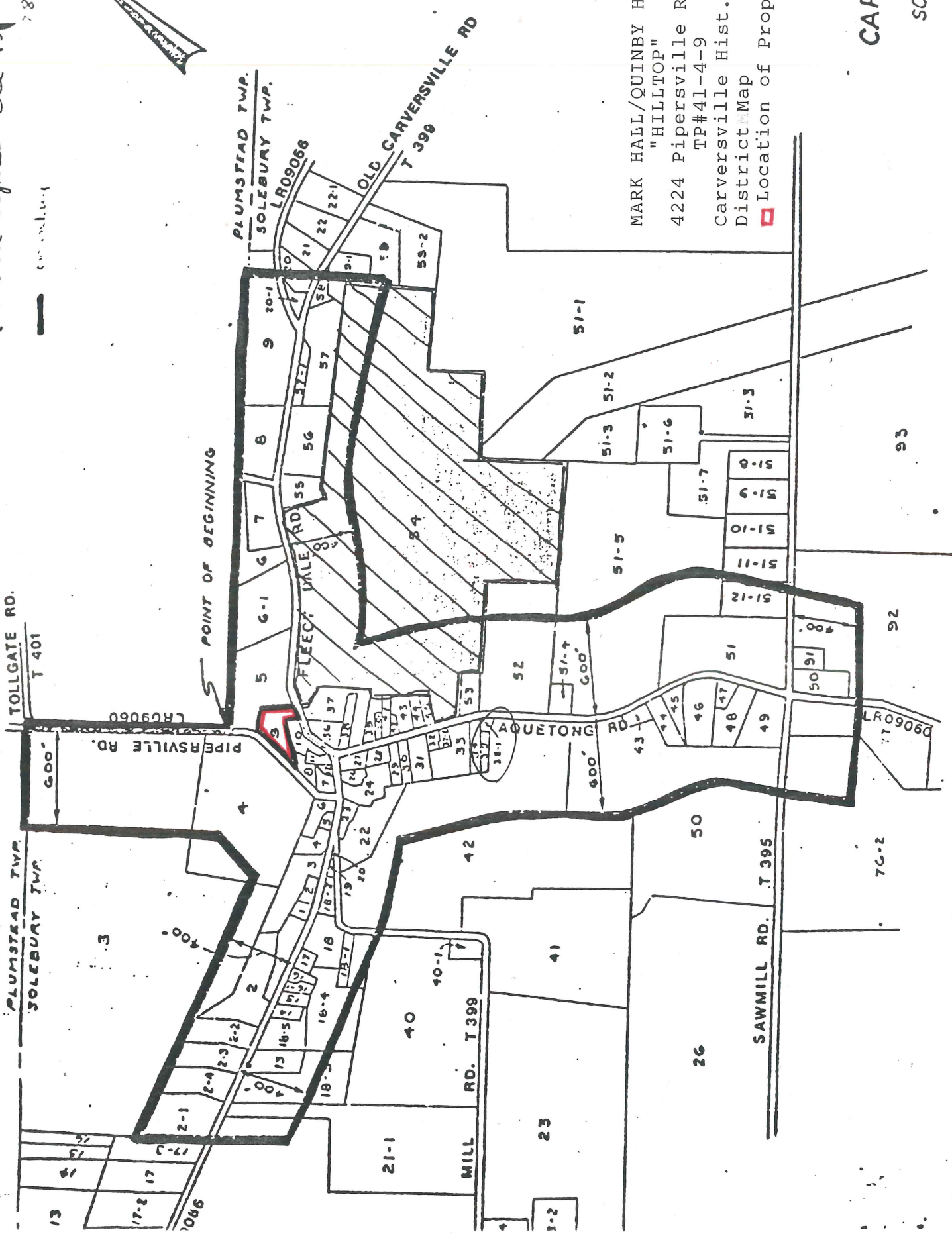


MARK HALL/QUINBY HOUSE
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 Carversville Historic District
 1853 Thomas Carver Estate File #7024

James
 "Hilltop"



MARK HALL/QUINBY HOUSE, "HILLTOP", 4224 Pipersville Rd., TP#41-4-9
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 1876 J. D. SCOTT ATLAS



MARK HALL/QUINBY HOUSE
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District Map
Location of Property

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CARVERSVILLE
SOLEBURY TO
SCALE: 1"=800'