



VIRGINIA
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
 SURVEY FORM

File no. 272-9
Negative no(s). 4906

Historic name	Common name A.L. Harris House
County/Town/City Occoquan	
Street address or route number 209 Commerce Street, Occoquan, VA 22191	
USGS Quad Occoquan	Date or period c1890
Original owner	Architect/builder/craftsmen
Original use Residence	
Present owner A.L. Harris	Source of name
Present owner address 209 Commerce Street Occoquan, VA 22191	Source of date Architectural evidence
Present use Residence	Stories 2 stories
Acreage 1 lot.	Foundation and wall const'n Brick and cinder block foundation; frame wall construction.
	Roof type Asphalt shingle-covered gable roof.

State condition of structure and environs House and environs are in good condition.

State potential threats to structure
 Note any archaeological interest

Should be investigated for possible register potential? yes ___ no ___

Architectural description (Note significant features of plan, structural system and interior and exterior decoration, taking care to point out aspects not visible or clear from photographs. Explain nature and period of all alterations and additions. List any outbuildings and their approximate ages, cemeteries, etc.)

This three-bay, frame, I-type house has an asphalt shingle-covered gable roof pierced by two brick interior stove flue chimneys, one at either end. The exterior is clad with weather-board siding. The 6.6 sliding sash windows are shuttered (in part) and are surrounded by plain box trim painted dark green. There is a one-story, shed-roofed addition containing a kitchen on the rear, or northeast side. Attached to the one-story rear addition is another small one-story shed or enclosed porch. On the south end is a one-story, hip-roofed enclosed porch.

This house is located on Commerce St., one of the main thorofares in downtown Occoquan. It sits beside another old house which has been converted to a store. Across Commerce St. from this house are several more old houses, three of which could date to the early 1800's when the town of Occoquan was incorporated. A local landmark nearby is the Beechwood Apartment Building, built in the early 1800's as Hammill Hotel. Across Commerce Street from the Harris House is an empty lot, the site of a recently demolished house.

Interior inspected?

Historical significance (Chain of title; individuals, families, events, etc., associated with the property.)

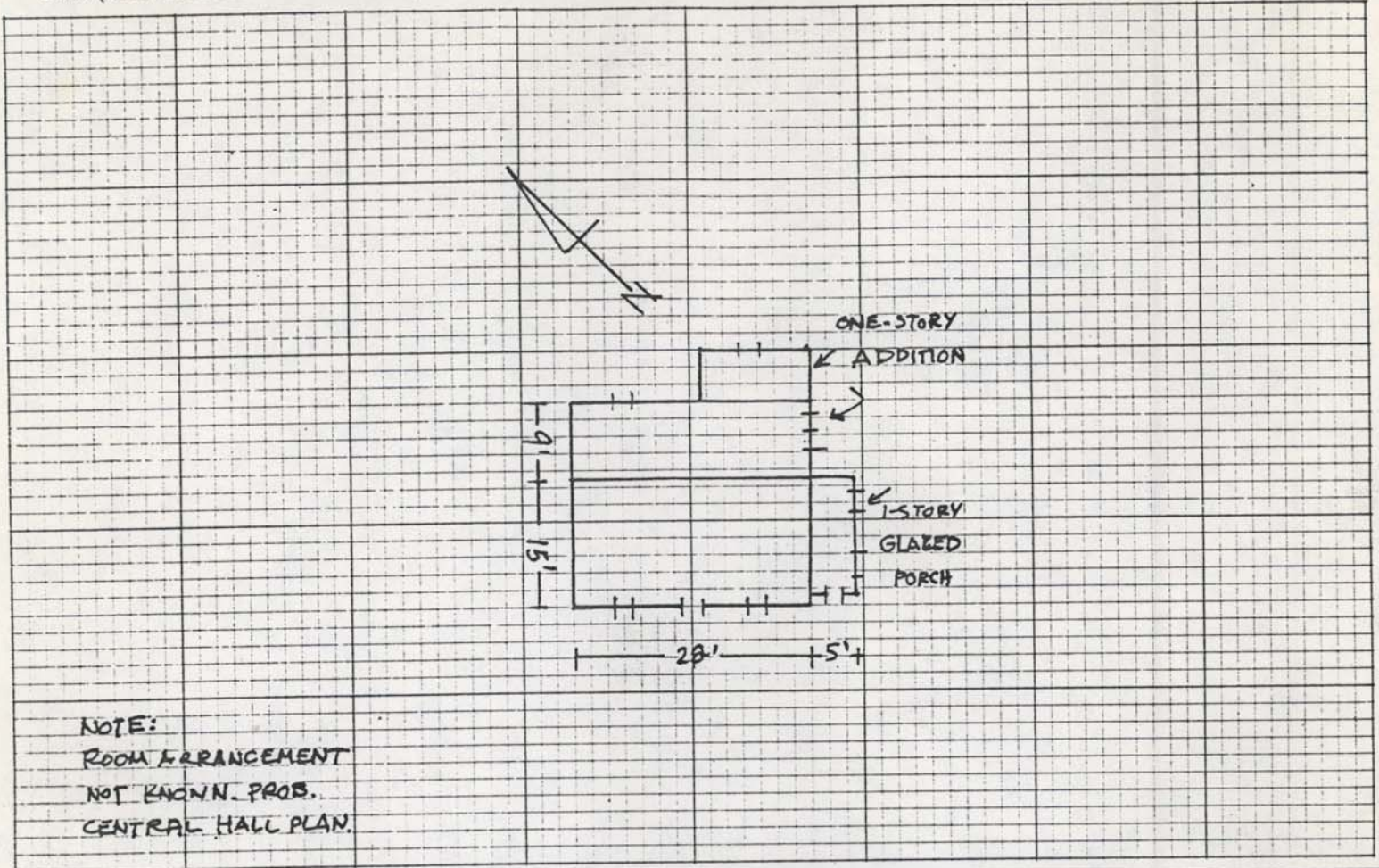
This house has been owned by the Harris family for quite a few years. The present owner inherited the property in 1974.

Sources and bibliography
Published sources (Books, articles, etc., with bibliographic data.)

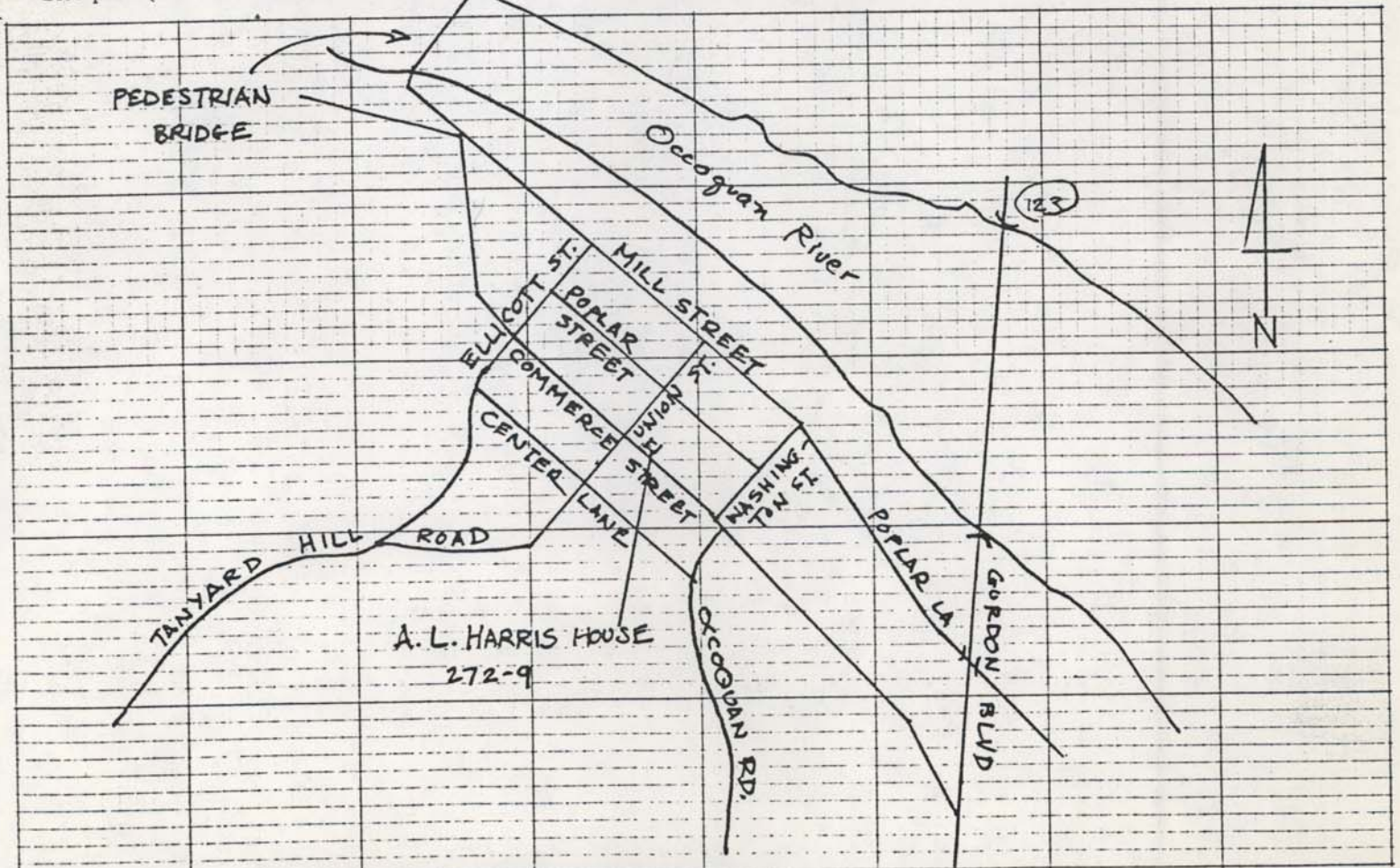
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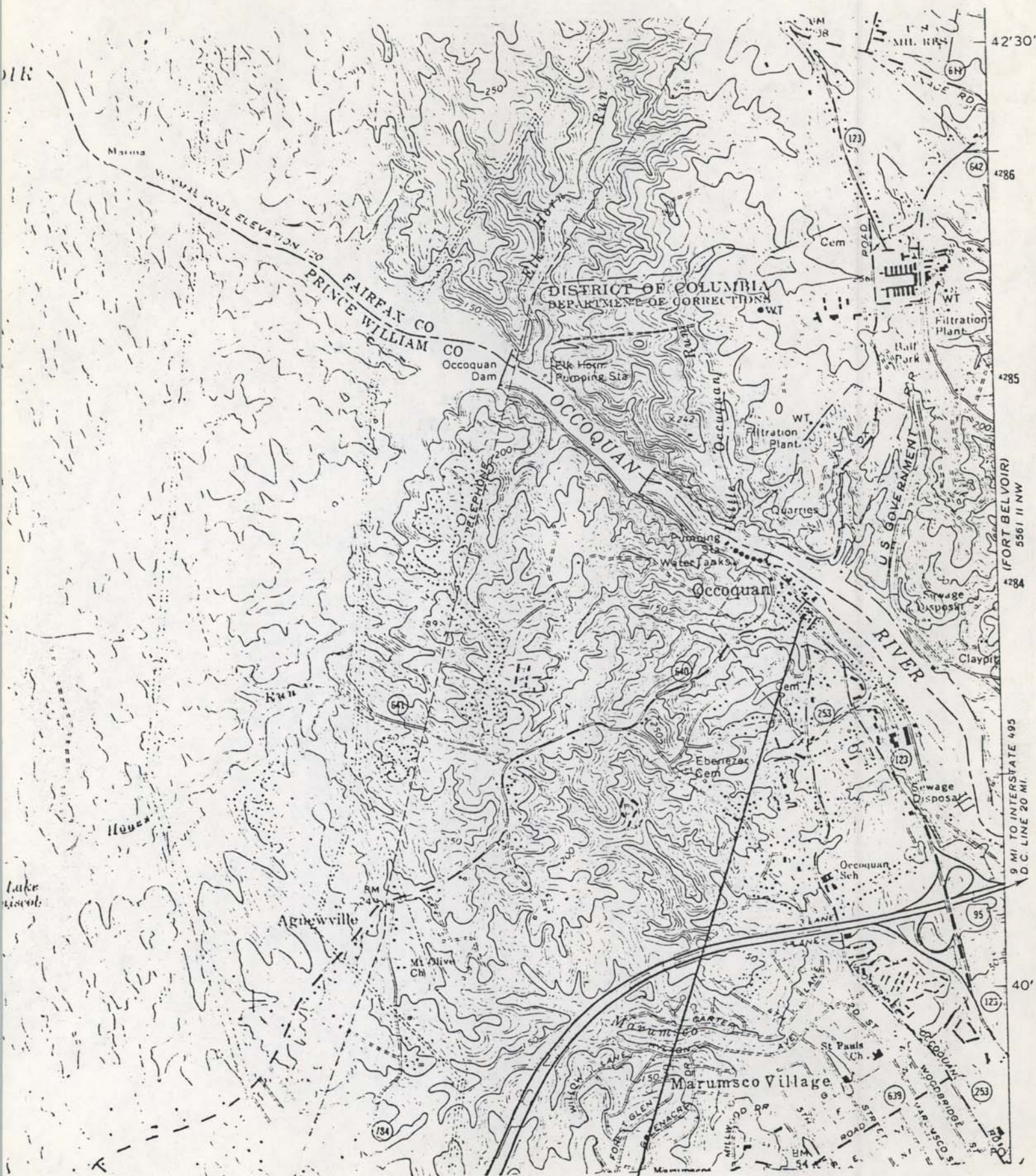
Names and addresses of persons interviewed

Plan (Indicate locations of rooms, doorways, windows, alterations, etc.)



Site plan (Locate and identify outbuildings, dependencies and significant topographical features.)





Occoquan Road.

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