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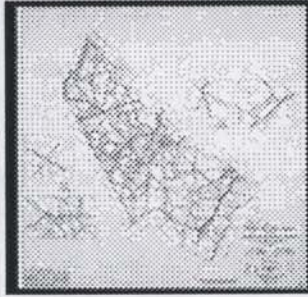
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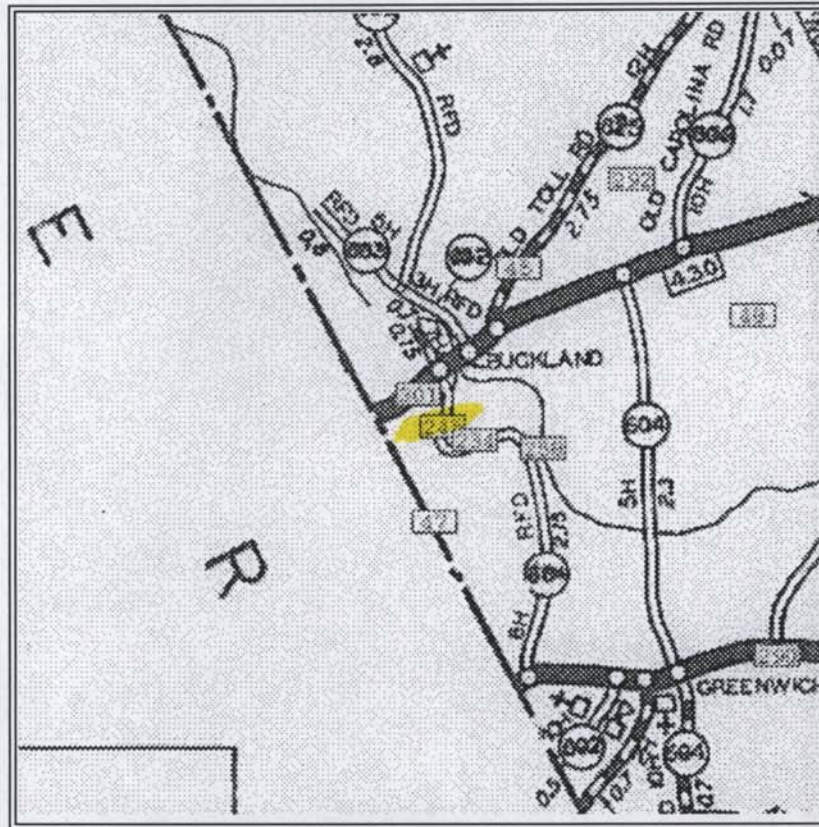
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February 12, 1936.

1. SUBJECT:

The Moss House.

2. LOCATION:

In the village of Buckland, County of Prince William Virginia, turning at a point on the Lee Highway 9 miles north of Warrenton, Virginia.

3. DATE:

4. OWNERS:

This property was sold by Hunton & Bro., to Jane Jackson in 1855, then in 1868 from Jane Jackson to Martha A. Moss; sold for taxes against Martha A. Moss in 1888 by Clerk of the Court to Thomas Moss of Alexandria, Virginia, wife of Thomas Moss (Margaret Moss) sold in 1910 to George W. Calvert. Mrs. George W. Calvert is the present owner.

5. DESCRIPTION:

The architecture of this house is partly colonial and part modern; of yellow frame with an outside stone full-length chimney. There are four large rooms in the old portion and four in the new. It is somewhat improved with a bathroom and electricity. It is a particularly nice site as a summer home, overlooking Broad Run, where there is bathing and fishing.

6. HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

During the Civil War the will of George Washington was brought from Court house at Fairfax, Virginia, to the Moss House by Martha Moss and has since been known as the Moss House. Her husband, who was the Clerk of Fairfax County at that time, expected the Courthouse to be burned and sought to preserve the will in this way. The will can be seen today at Fairfax Courthouse Virginia.

7. ART:

8. SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Informant: Mrs. George W. Calvert and Records, Buckland, Virginia.

Miss J. Delaplane