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Please Mail report to:

Marla Ker + Michael Cohen

Aric Rudden 23329 Frederick Kol Clarksberg 20871



THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

8787 Georgia Avenue • Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760



Date: 12 8 00

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Robert Hubbard, Director Department of Permitting Services

FROM: Gwen Wright, Coordinator Historic Preservation

SUBJECT: Historic Area Work Permit

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission has reviewed the attached application for an Historic Area Work Permit. This application was:

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Approved with Conditions:

and HPC Staff will review and stamp the construction drawings prior to the applicant's applying for a building permit with DPS; and

THE BUILDING PERMIT FOR THIS PROJECT SHALL BE ISSUED CONDITIONAL UPON ADHERENCE TO THE APPROVED HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT (HAWP).

Applicant: Marla Ker - Michael Cohen Address: 15708 Sycamore Come Cont

and subject to the general condition that, after issuance of the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) permit, the applicant arrange for a field inspection by calling the Montgomery County DPS Field Services Office at 240-777-6210 or online @ permits. emontgomery.org prior to commencement of work and not more than two weeks following completion of work.

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#### 301/563-3400 **APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT** Acie Rull

DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING SERVICES 255 ROCKVILLE PIKE, 2nd FLOOR, ROCKVILL 240/777-6370

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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#### 2. <u>SITE PLAN</u>

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- a. the scale, north arrow, and date;
- b. dimensions of all existing and proposed structures; and
- c. site features such as walkways, drivaways, fences, ponds, streams, trash dumpsters, mechanical equipment, and landscaping.

#### 3. PLANS AND ELEVATIONS

You must submit 2 copies of plans and elevations in a format no larger than 11" x 17". Plans on 8 1/2" x 13" paper are preferred.

- Schematic construction plans, with marked dimensions, indicating location, size and general type of walls, window and door openings, and other fixed features of both the existing resource(s) and the proposed work.
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General description of materials and manufactured items proposed for incorporation in the work of the project. This information may be included on your design drawings.

#### 5. PHOTOGRAPHS

- Clearly labeled photographic prints of each facade of existing resource, including details of the affected portions. All labels should be placed on the front of photographs.
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#### D. INEL SUNVEY

If you are proposing construction adjacent to or within the driphne of any tree 6" or larger in diameter (at approximately 4 feet above the ground), you must file an accurate tree survey identifying the size, location, and species of each tree of at least that dimension.

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#### **EXPEDITED** HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address:	15708 Sycamore Grove Court	Meeting Date:	12/6/00
Applicant:	Marla Ker and Michael Cohen (Aric Rudden Agent)	Report Date:	11/29/00
Resource: T	<b>The Sycamores,</b> <i>Master Plan</i> Site #23/112	Public Notice:	11/22/00
Review: H	IAWP	Tax Credit:	Yes
Case Number	:: 23/112-00A	Staff:	Robin D. Ziek

PROPOSAL: Add new storm windows and storm doors

**RECOMMEND**: Approval

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#### **DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1867**

SIGNIFICANCE: X Individual Master Plan Site

 Within a Master Plan Historic District

 Primary Resource

 Contributing Resource

 Non-Contributing/Out-of-Period Resource

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** This 2-1/2 story stone and stucco house with a mansard roof sits on a hill facing south. Views in all directions are possible from the wraparound porch which encircles the house.

**PROPOSAL:** Add storm windows (see Circle 7-9), and two wood storm doors.

**RECOMMENDATION:** <u>X</u> Approval Approval with conditions

Approval is based on the following criteria from Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code, Section 8(b): The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:

X 1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site, or historic resource within an historic district; and

X 2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archaeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site, or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or

and subject to the general condition that **the applicant shall present 3 permit sets of drawings to HPC staff for review and stamping prior to submission for building permits (1 set for HPC files)** and that, after issuance of the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) permit, the applicant arrange for a field inspection by calling the DPS Field Services Office at (301) 217-6240 prior to commencement of work <u>and</u> not more than two weeks following completion of work.

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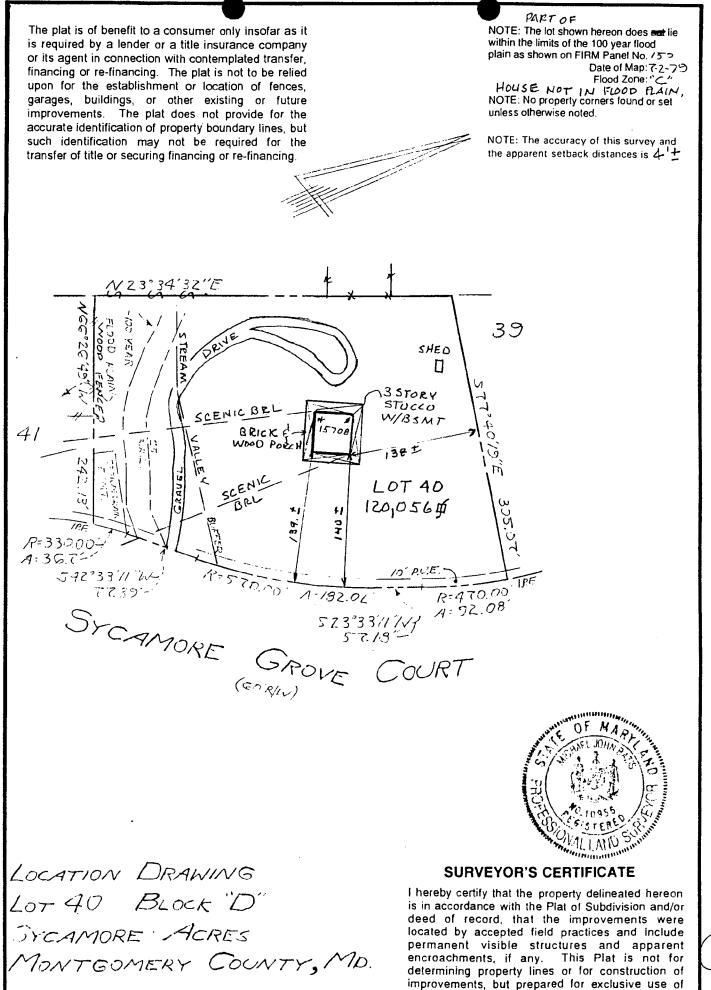
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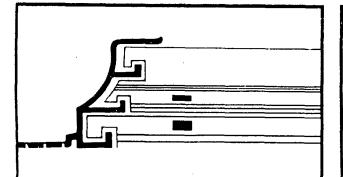
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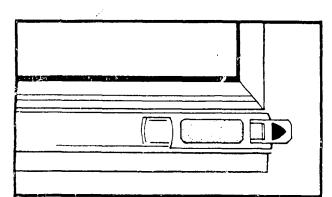
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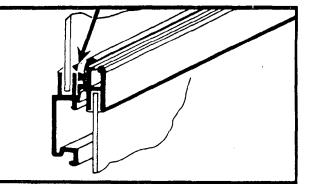
The unique design of the contour-fitted snap-in sill provides greater rigidity, complete drainage, and easier cleaning and maintenance.



#### Extra-heavy-duty hardware

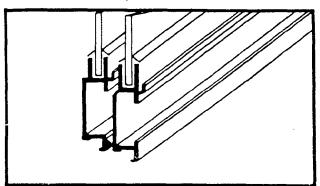
The Starlite Wedge Lock Window features a sturdy two-piece bolt and housing lock set. Self-lubricating zinc hardware has a concealed steel spring with reinforced locking wedge for additional security.





#### Marine glazing

Stronger than conventional glazing, U-channel marine glazing cushions glass securely, sealing out air and moisture and eliminating pressure cracks. Glass is easier to replace.



#### No insect penetration

Built up design on base of top glass insert creates insect barrier. (Glass insert shown in summer position.)

#### Starlite Wedge Lock Window Specification Conformance Test Report

	RESULTS		
TITLE OF TEST	MEASURED	ALLOWED	
Air Infiltration 0.56 psf 1.56 psf	0.22 CFM/FT 0.36 CFM/FT	2.0 CFM/FT	
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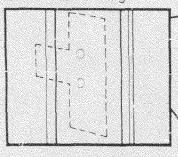
Specially designed to save you more energy and money than ever before.

#### The Starlite Wedge Lock Window The most effective barrier yet against air infiltration.

#### Unique Wedge Lock: key to energy savings

All tilt storm window glass inserts bow inward to some degree when wind blows against them. This flexing creates a small but substantial gap through which outside air can penetrate. The Starlite Wedge Lock contains an anti-bowing device which braces the glass

inserts against the master frame track thus providing the tightest seal possible.



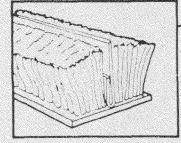
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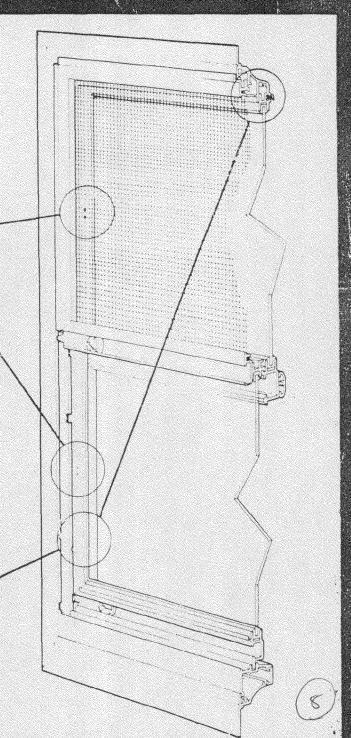
Recent tests conducted by the National Certified Testing Laboratories proves the Starlite Wedge Lock storm window actually *surpasses* federal standards for air infiltration. Subjected to 1.5 psi pressure, a force equal to 25 mile per hour winds, the "Wedge Lock" achieved a rating of .36, exceeding federal standards by 200%.

#### PLUS—additional sealing

All Starlite windows feature tough Fin-Seal® Weatherproofing. This energy efficient insulation has a pat-

ented center fin that forms a solid barrier against wind, moisture and cold.





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## Sycamores

HE massive structure shown below, constructed of stone covered with stucco, was built from 1853 to 1854 of rubble thrown into board forms, into which mortar was poured. When the mortar hardened the forms were moved up to receive another course, and so on. The house was the home of two very interesting families, both with traditional New England roots of education and culture.

The unusual house was built by Adrian Rowe Wadsworth on a farm of 240 acres which he purchased in June, 1853, and made his home for thirty-five years. His successor on the farm was Edward B. Prescott, who acquired the Sycamores in 1888. Both of these families, who trace their ancestry to New England, are examples of the culture and refinement of many who came from northern states to Maryland a century ago.

The Sycamores house stands on a lawn sloping toward the south about 400 feet from the highway, and is surrounded by sycamores from which the name was derived. A few of these trees still line the driveway. When Adrian Wadsworth purchased the farm for \$3,116.50, it consisted of two plots, parts of Bradford's Rest and parts of Resurvey on Batchelor's Forest. The former was an original grant to Major John Bradford in June, 1713, and the second part at one time belonged to Philip Barton Key. The farm sale to Wadsworth was made under a decree of the court, by Richard J. Bowie, trustee, for the estate of Samuel D. Walker, deceased.

In 1813 the land was owned by John Ellicott, and in 1838 by Samuel Ellicott and his sister, Rachel, heirs at law of John Ellicott, of John. Samuel and Rachel sold the place later which at that time contained 723 acres for a consideration of \$880.35, an average price of \$1.25 per acre.

Adrian Rowe Wadsworth, born in Connecticut in March, 1813. After graduation from Yalo studied law at Harvard Law School, was admitted to the bar in Hartford in 1840, and practicod in New York for two years. Because of deafness resulting from scarlet fever, he relinquished this work and settled at the Sycamores in 1853. His first wife was Mørgaret Radcliffe, of Brooklyn, to whom he was married in 1848. In 1861, Margaret Wadsworth died, and in 1870 he married Mrs. Antoinette Mallory, the widow of James S. Mallory, of Connecticut. Upon the death of the first Mrs. Wadsworth Charles Abert, who had just moved into Homewood, came to offer his sympathy to Wadsworth.

A cousin of Wadsworth came down from Connecticut to keep house for him and brought along a widow, Mrs. James S. Mallory, as chapcrone. When the cousin was called back to Connecticut, Wadsworth married Mrs. Mallory, She had two sons, John and James S., Jr., in their teens at that time. James ran away to sea, but returned, worked on the farm, and in due course married Sophie Bache Abert, a daughter of Charles Abert, of Homewood. They moved to North Carolina some time later.

It is reported that when on the farm in those days, James, who was a hard worker, could be heard on an adjoining farm half-a-mile away "cussing" the colored boy, warning him to have the front gate opened for him when he returned from a drive.

Wudsworth, after his few slaves were freed in 1862, gave some of them lots, sold lots to others, and donated the plot on which the colored church and school at Mount Pleasant are located. He complained that after his generosity the slaves proceeded to work for the neighbors instead of for him. He was a "horseback farmer," doing little physical labor himself, but riding around the farm on a sorrel horse which always paced or cantered. The handicup of deafness kept him out of local activities, and he spont much time in his library.

Some years after their marriage, Wadsworth and his second wife travelled in Europe. He brushed up on his French, as Paris was the principal point of interest. "Nettic" Mallory Wadsworth was an accomplished woman of New York society who was able to speak good French. When they returned she amused their friends with accounts of the difficulties she had had to keep Adrian out of trouble with the Paris "cabbies" who could not understand his prononciation, while he could not hear what they said. Amusing situations were frequent along the Boulevards, she recounted.

Wadsworth purchased one of the first selfbinders in the immediate neighborhood. When he was testing it the fence around the wheat field was covered with men atop the rails to watch the new "contruption." It is not known whether this was before or after Roger B. Farquhar bought his first binder on June 10, 1884. Adrian Wadsworth died in September, 1891. in his seventy-seventh year.

On January 3, 1883, the Sycamores with three hundred acres of land was conveyed by Adrian R. Wadsworth to Edward B. Prescott. The new owner was also a man of culture and education and an art connoisseur. He traced his ancestry to Colonel William Prescott, in command of the Colonial forces at the Battle of Bunker Hill, and to William Hickling Prescott, the historian.

Edward B. Prescott and his wife. Mary R., came from Illinois to Montgomery County in 1887, purchased the Sycamores farm, and settled there the next year. Allan McLane Abert, of Homewood, who passed away in April, 1951, at the age of eighty-six, wrote in a firm hand to the author less than a month before his death. giving facts about the Sycamores. Allan stated that when Edward Prescott was looking for a farm in Montgomery, Jacob Poss, a horseman of Rockville, was asked to drive the prospect to see the Sycamores. Poss had a speedy pair of dun-colored horses behind which he drove Prescott to the farm and back in such style and at such an exciting speed that the sale was made with ease.

Edward Prescott had become familiar with the work of artists in the galleries of this country and abroad. He spent nine years in Europe studying there. It was after this that he and his family settled at the Sycamores. He was born in 1844 and died in 1905. His wife, Mary, was born in 1846, and died in 1918.

Alexander Fullerton Prescott, a son of Edward and Mary, was born in Illinois in 1867. He received most of his education abroad when his parents were there. One of the schools he attended was Silligs, in Vevey, Switherland, "Aleck" Prescott, as he was called, was reported by one who knew him well to have been exceptionally well-informed, his statements being always completely reliable. In 1889 he married Miss Edith Stanley Kellog of Washington before he had moved to Rockville. Alexander Prescott died in 1932, his wife in 1929, and both are interred in Union Cometery.

A daughter of Edward B, and Mary Prescott was Daisy, who in 1906 married Harry Beard, a Rockville hoy. Upon the death of Mrs. Beard's and Alexander's mother, the farm was left to the two of them, share and share alike. Later. Mrs. Beard and her husband bought the half share of Alexander, and during their lives operated a duiry farm there.

Daisy Prescott was a tomboy, very popular when she was a youngster in Rockville. She was known to ride her pony right into the old post office for the family mail. When she first moved to the Sycamores with her parents, she was reported by John Muncaster to speak French and German as fluently as English. John, who lived at Milton across the road, was then about eightcen and Daisy, about eight or ton years old. John recalls that, "she nearly scared me to death the first time she saw me by climbing on my lap." Whether she said to him, "Ich Libe dich." or "Je vous adore" John has not reported!

Stedman Prescott is a son of Alexander and Edith Prescott. He was born in the Sycaniores house in 1896. Stedman obtained his law degree at Georgetown University Low School in 1919, and was admitted to the bar in 1924 to practice before Maryland and the District of Columbia Courts. In 1938 he was elected to a fifteen-year term as associate judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, one of the youngest judges ever elevated to that high office in Maryland. The fine minds of Alexander F. Prescott and his son. Stedman, have proven valuable in-



NO. 110 E-0 ADRIAN R. WADSWORTH 1863-'34 STONE RUBBLE FILLED WITH CEMENT MORTAR

heritances from their eminent forelears of New England. Judge Prescott married E. Callander Minnick in 1917, and they have four children.

After Harry Beard died in 1929 and Daisy in 1946, the old home was left to four Beard children, Jocelyn, Harry, Jr., Dale, and Reginald. Since 1948 the other heirs were bought out by Jocelyn Beard who is the wife of Dr. Robert E. Moran, the eminent surgeon of Washington. In 1950, all of the farm except sixteen acres retained with the house was sold to a real estate developer.

The interesting house built of rubble stone walls two feet thick is three stories high, has a full basement and is about sixty-five feet square. It originally had a nearly-flat pyramidal roof, which was blown off in a wind-storm in 1896, and was replaced by the present Mansard roof. There is a hall about eight feet wide on each floor, which runs through from north to south. There are two large square rooms on each side of the halls on each floor and two fireplaces in the whole house.

This unusual house was purchased in 1957, with 19½ acres surrounding it, by Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Morgan Grady. They are the pleased owners in 1961—in a lovely island of past glory —and have beautified the few acres with rustic fence, flowers, trees, and new driveway.

The rare care with which they have redecorated the interior of the startdy house of more than a century in age is indescribably lavish, parlor, dining room, hallway and basement rooms, with two eating units, trophy rooms and bar, tastefully furnished, like a club room. Trophies galore, won by their daughter Mrs. Theodore Kalli, a member of the Goshen Hunt Club, are features.

## Tanglewood

NE hile east of Ashton, on the highway to Electric City, an attractive and commodius topuse can be seen about one hundred yards back on the south side of the highway. It stands in a park-like lawn, surrounded by a forest of hardwood trees.

This house was built into a rare homestead, and occupied for fifty-seven years by one of the most valued and respected citizene of the County, Alban Gilpin Thomas. For third, five years of that time, his wife shared the home with him and they raised a family of two daughter and one son.

Alban G., son of Edward and Lydia Thomas, was born at Ashland in 1843. After establishing himself and his bride at nearby Tanglewood, on part of the parental estate, he began a career notable in the community so full of citizens of the finest type.

His bride was Susanna H. Leggett, both in Flushing, Long Island, in 1846. The Leggetts are an old and well-known Quaker family, still prominent in New York. In 1866 she came to Sandy Spring and lived with her sister Anna Leggett Moore, at Norwood until her marriage in that old home on September 12, 1871. They moved into their new home in that year. The tract on which the house was built, a heavily wooded and well watered part of the Ashland farm containing 60¼ acres. The deed dated September 25, 1871, executed by Edward and Lydi Thomas states that it is granted "In consideration for love and affection we have for our son Alban G. Thomas," and included a pominal sum of cash.

He built up a unique store and merchandising business which he operated for twenty years in the village of Ashton and was an organizer. director, vice president and later chairman of the board of the Citizens National Bank of Laurel, Maryland. He was Treasurer and then President of the Savings Institution of Sandy Spring in 1900 he established the First Naingel Bank of Sandy Spring, and directed its affairs as President until 1928 when he became chairman of the Board. His son Frederic L. Thomas succeeded his father as president.

Alban Thomas left a record in his community that will long by remembered. It was said of him: "He was simple and sincere, held tensciously to what was good of the old, and yet was well abreast of all that was new. He cultivated beauty at home and loved heauty abroad. He was active in every movement that was for the betterment of the community." He died at the age of 85 in October, 1928. His wife had succumbed on January 5, 1906. The death of Suc-Thomas was a source of deep bereavement to



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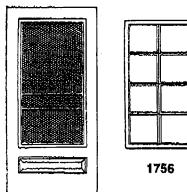
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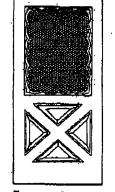
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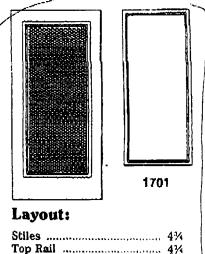
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#### **All Combination Doors:**

Sash Glazed with Tempered Glass. Screens Wired with Charcoal Aluminum Wire Cloth. Wood Life Treated.

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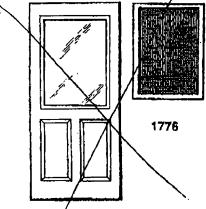
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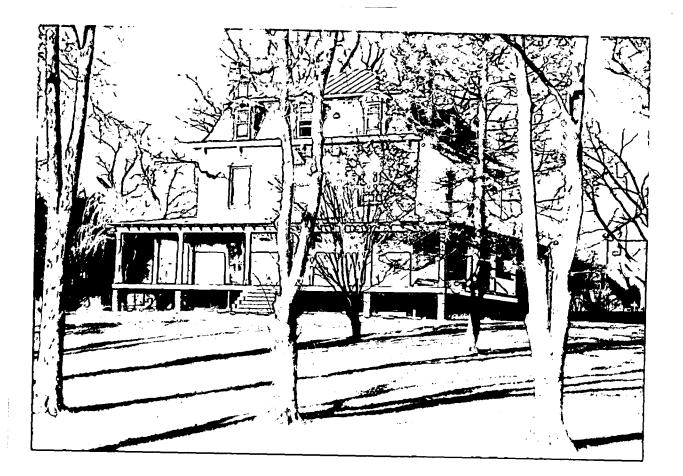
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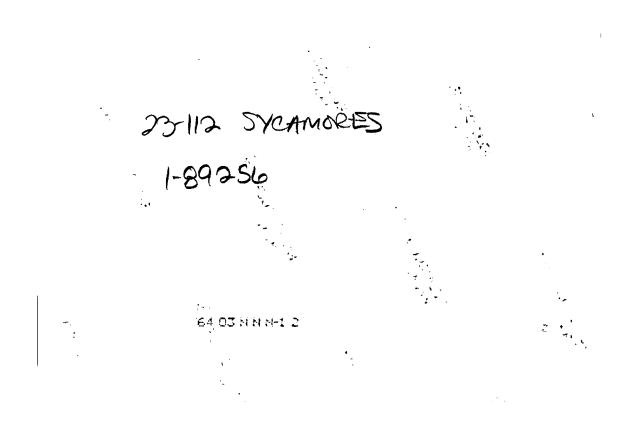


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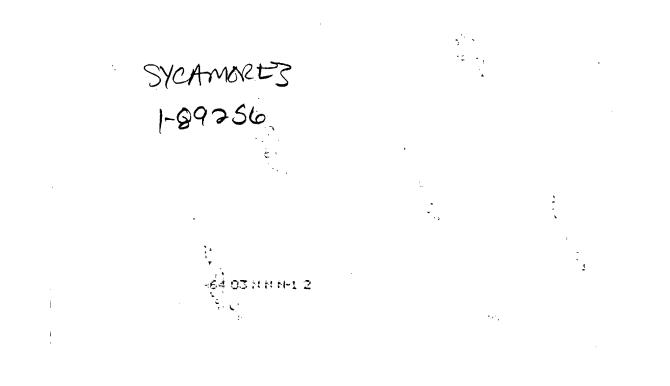
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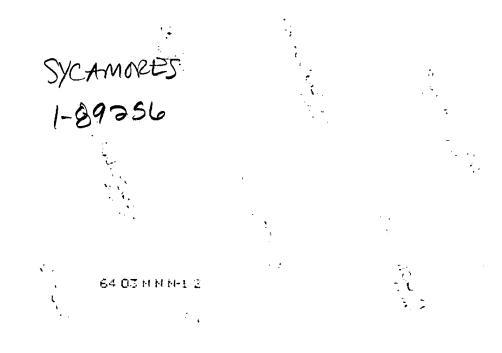








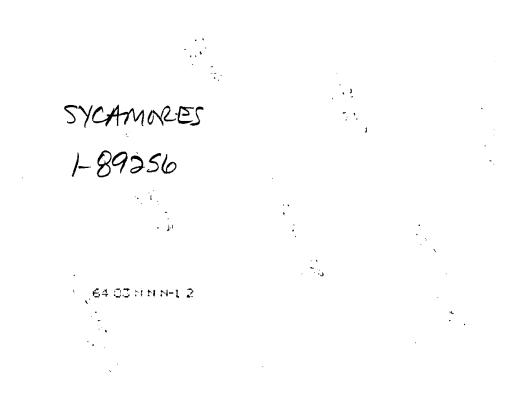




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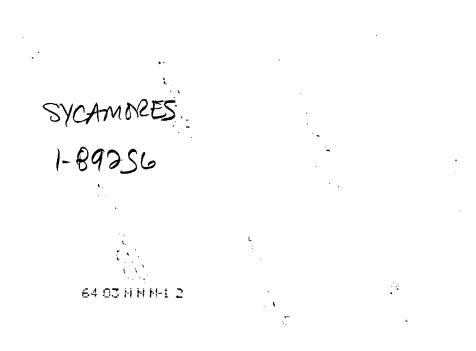




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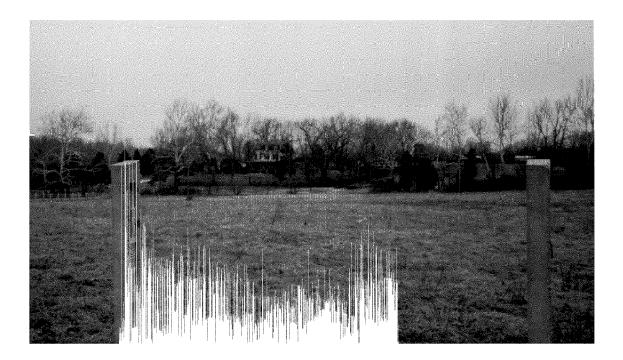
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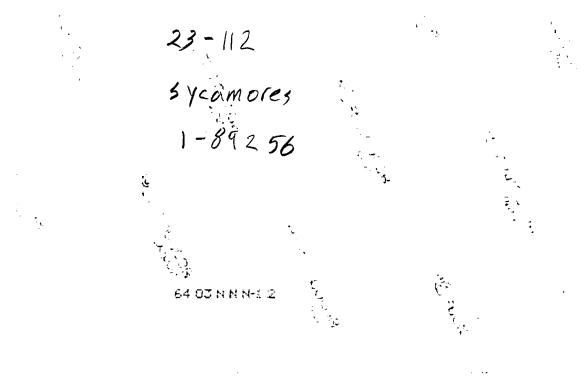












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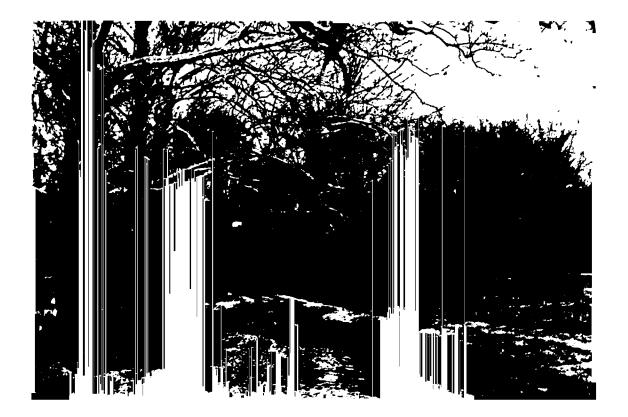
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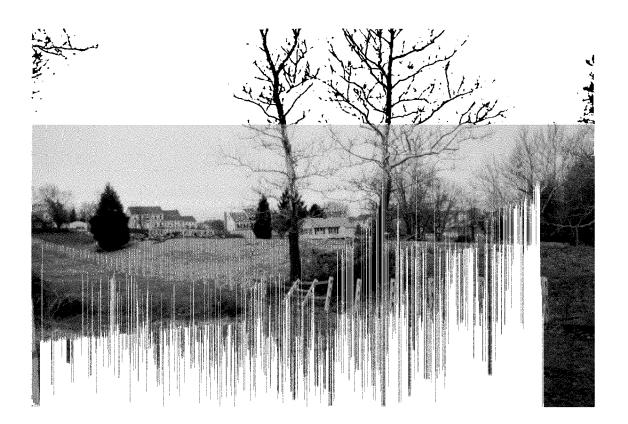
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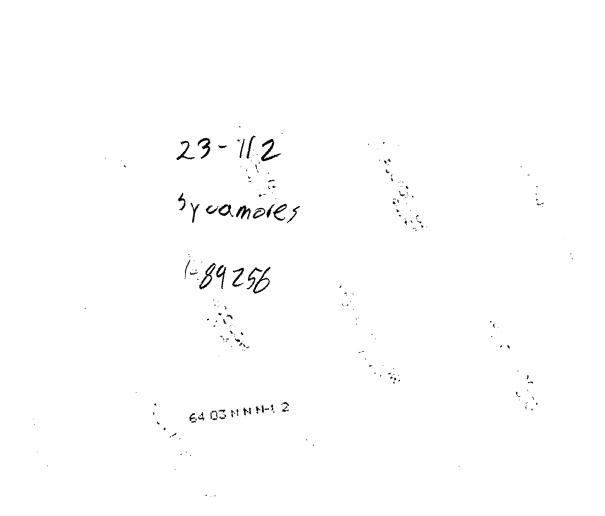
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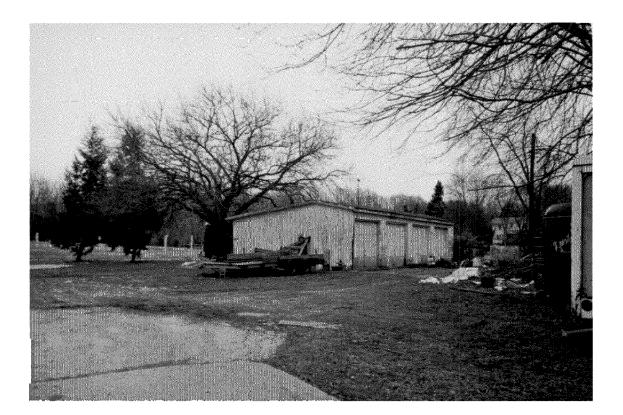
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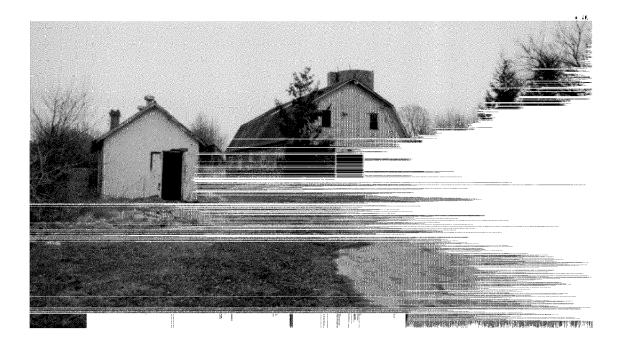
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