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INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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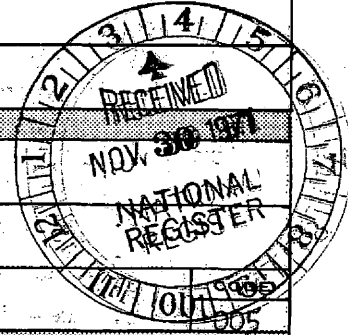
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COUNTY: Litchfield	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
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1. NAME

COMMON:  
Woodbury Historic District #2  
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:  
see continuation sheet, #1  
CITY OR TOWN:  
Woodbury  
STATE:  
Connecticut  
CODE: 09  
COUNTY:  
Litchfield



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:  
various owners  
STREET AND NUMBER:  
CITY OR TOWN:  
STATE:  
CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:  
Woodbury Town Hall  
STREET AND NUMBER:  
Main Street  
CITY OR TOWN:  
Woodbury  
STATE:  
Connecticut  
CODE:  
09

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Connecticut Historic Structures and Landmarks Survey  
DATE OF SURVEY: 1967  
 Federal  
 State  
 County  
 Local  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Connecticut Historical Commission  
STREET AND NUMBER:  
51 Pratt Street  
CITY OR TOWN:  
Hartford  
STATE:  
Connecticut  
CODE:  
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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Woodbury Historic District is a residential area, bounded by open fields and woods. Its southern boundary line is the town line of Woodbury and Southbury, where Southbury's Historic District begins, creating an unbroken stretch of three miles along U.S. Route 6 where houses built before 1828 predominate. Some of Woodbury's finest old homes lie in the one-mile district between the town line and the commercial area, the District's northern boundary. The following table illustrates the distribution of structures according to their dates of construction.

1. Early Colonial Period	1674-1740	1
2. Late Colonial Period	1741-1788	4
3. Federal Period	1789-1828	2
4. Pre-Civil War Period	1829-1865	1
5. Post Civil War Period	1866-1900	6
6. 20th Century	1900-present	13

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Some of the more distinguished houses are:

"Happy Meadows", owned by the Moeckels; number 15 on the plot map. (enclosed).  
On the west side of Route 6, facing east.

The main portion of this house is square and has interesting asymmetry. Its off-center front entry is sheltered by a small portico standing on Roman Doric columns. The door is 8-paneled and has large sidelights with muntins, creating smaller panes. An overhang runs around the entire main portion at the top of the first floor and is also at the top of the second floor at the gable ends. Beneath the eaves is a row of tryglyphs and metopes in the cornice. The windows are proper twelve over twelve sash at the first and second floors and twelve over eight in the attic. There are several wings to the rear and a long, one and a half-story wing to the south side, becoming one-story at the farther end, indicating accretions over the years. Near the main part of the house, the wing's roof shingles appear to be of same age as those of the house proper, while at the farther end they are only slightly weathered and obviously of more recent date. The grounds of the property are attractive, bordered by a white picket fence and many trees.

Curtiss House, owned by the Upsons; number 24 on the plot map. On east side of Main Street, Route 6, facing west.

This early Colonial house stands on a knoll well above the road and is protected by a thick border of bushes and trees. It is a dark grey-green color and has little ornamentation other than the entrance porch which is more in a Federal mode with ribbed work on its soffit. There is an overhang at the first floor in front and rear and at both levels on the gable ends. The roof line is properly flush with the outside walls at gable ends. The present owners stated that the previous owners had made additions which were inconsistent with the early date of the house; they have tried to remove such "improvements" and restore the character of the property as an important early house in Woodbury. Much of the interior work appears to be intact; the wide floorboards and paneling can be seen

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Woodbury Historic District #2 is a continuation of Southbury's Historic District and extends north to the commercial area, beyond which lies Woodbury Historic District #1. The second Historic District is important because its architecture and historic sites embody the history of the area since the seventeenth century.

In 1672 the General Court granted to a few men of Stratford the "liberty to erect a plantation at Pomperaug", so named for the chief of the Potatuck Indians. The first settlement was begun by fifteen families who came in the following year from Stratford and purchased the land in the plantation from the Indians. In 1674 the Court gave the name "Woodbury" to the plantation; in 1779 part of Woodbury was set off to Washington; in 1787 another part to Southbury; in 1797, another to Roxbury, and in 1807, a fourth part to Middlebury. The remaining town was seven miles long, north to south, and 6 miles wide. The main street followed the old Indian trail, which, according to Indian tradition, passed the grave of Chief Pomperaug.

Woodbury was an active participant in the Revolutionary War. Miss Crofut states that at least half of Ethan Allen's men at Fort Ticonderoga were natives or residents of the town. It is said that the town contributed nearly 1500 men and half a million dollars' worth of supplies. Since Woodbury was on an inland, protected route, French troops marched through, from Boston to Yorktown in June, 1781, and again in October, 1782, on their return to Boston. In 1778 General Washington sent his troops to build a bridge across the Housatonic River, between Newtown and Woodbury; this area is now part of Southbury. In all probability Washington passed through Woodbury on his fourth journey through Connecticut in September, 1780. (Crofut, p. 456).

Historic District #2 is important to the Town of Woodbury to preserve the heritage and beauty of the area.



**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Crofut, F.S.M. Guide to the History and the Historic Sites of Connecticut.  
New Haven: Yale University Press, 1937.

Report of the Historic District Study Committee.  
Woodbury, Connecticut. February, 1969.

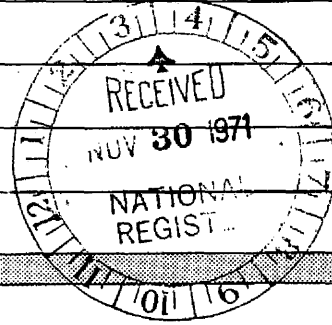
**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	41°	31'	22"	73°	12'	30"			
NE	41°	31'	22"	73°	12'	08"			
SE	41°	30'	31"	73°	12'	08"			
SW	41°	30'	31"	73°	12'	36"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 50 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: Susan Babbitt, Administrative Trainee

ORGANIZATION: Connecticut Historical Commission DATE: October 28, 1971

STREET AND NUMBER: 54 Pratt Street

CITY OR TOWN: Hartford STATE: Connecticut CODE: 09

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: [Signature]

Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

[Signature]  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

**FEB 23 1972**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Keeper of The National Register

Date: February 15, 1972

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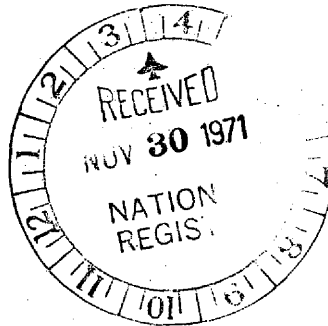
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2. Location

Woodbury Historic District starts at the Woodbury-Southbury town line and extends to Middle Quarter. The southern limit on the west side of Main Street (Route 6) is the Stiles parcel, #1, and on the east side, the Curtis parcel, #2. The northern limit is the Bacon parcel, #31 on the west and the White parcel, #44, on the east side of Main Street.<sup>1</sup> Both sides of Main Street are included to a depth of 200 feet.



<sup>1</sup>

Numbers refer to designation assigned to the properties in the district by the Historic District Study Committee and recorded on maps in the Report of the Historic District Study Committee (February, 1969). The map included in this nomination form is referred to as the "plot map".

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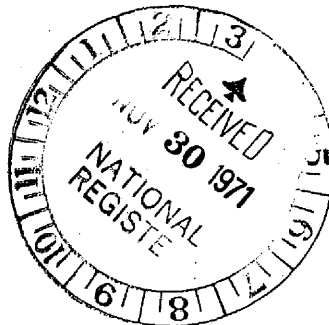
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7. Description

in the parlor. There are wings to the north rear; the main one has twelve over twelve sash and may have considerable age, also indicated by a sagging roof line. The date of 1754 on the sign on the front of the house may not be correct. It represents the earliest available record of the house, and the Upsons suspect that an earlier date would be more accurate. The property comprises eighty-five acres, much of it brush and woods.

Greek Revival House, owners, Burnet; number 40 on the plot map; on east side of Main Street, Route 6, facing west.

This house is an excellent example of a Greek Revival residence. Its flush-boarded pediment contains a multi-paned light with louvred shutters. Its wide frieze is very plain, without decoration at all. The corner pilasters are also plain and are topped with a moulding where they meet the frieze. The entryway has plain pilasters supporting a wide, plain frieze and a flat pediment. The paneled front door is flanked with 3-pane sidelights and one panel beneath, and topped with a 4-pane overdoor light of narrow height. Window sash is appropriately six over six throughout. The property sits on a large, well-manicured lawn slightly above the road which passes in front.

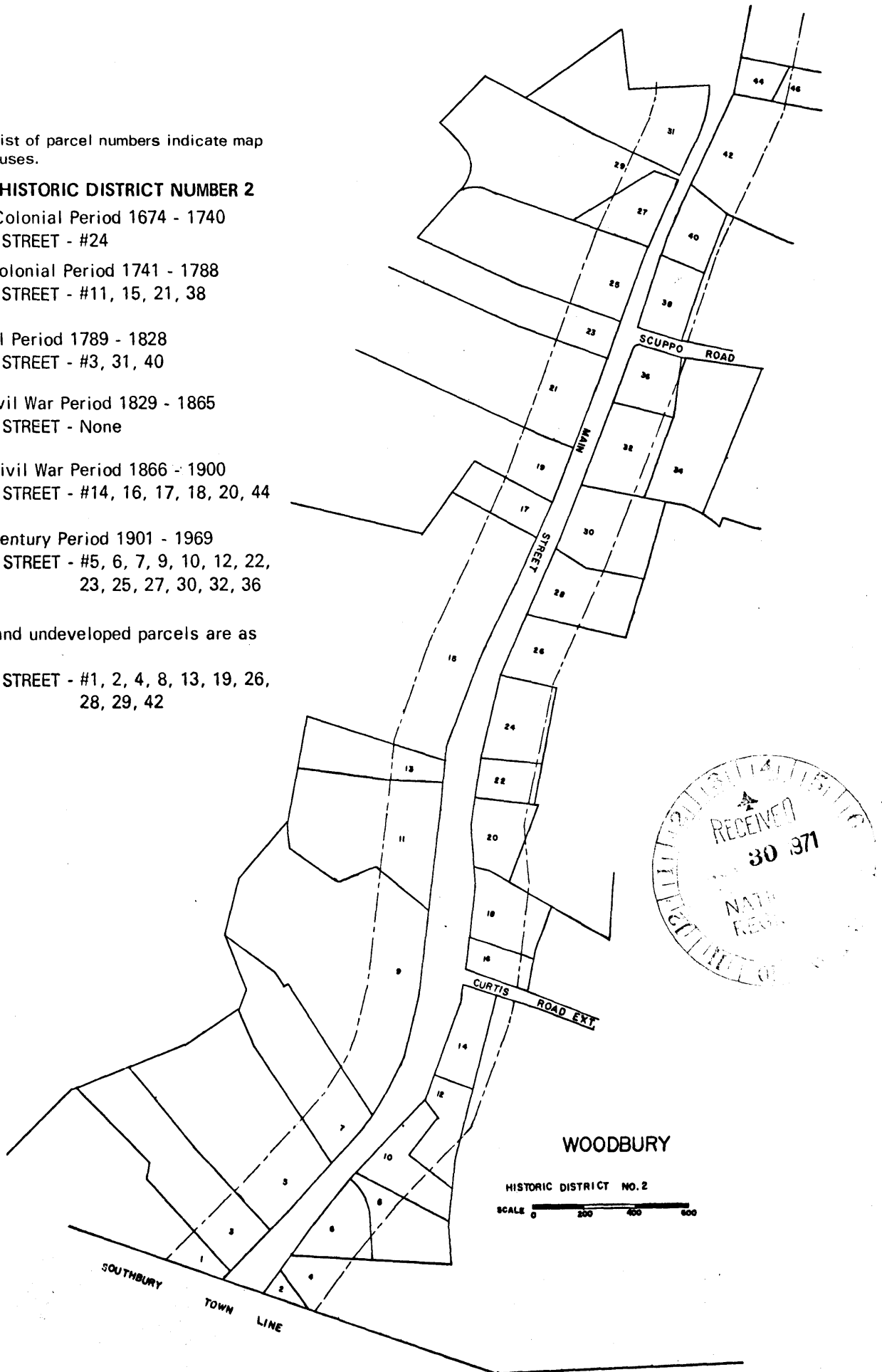


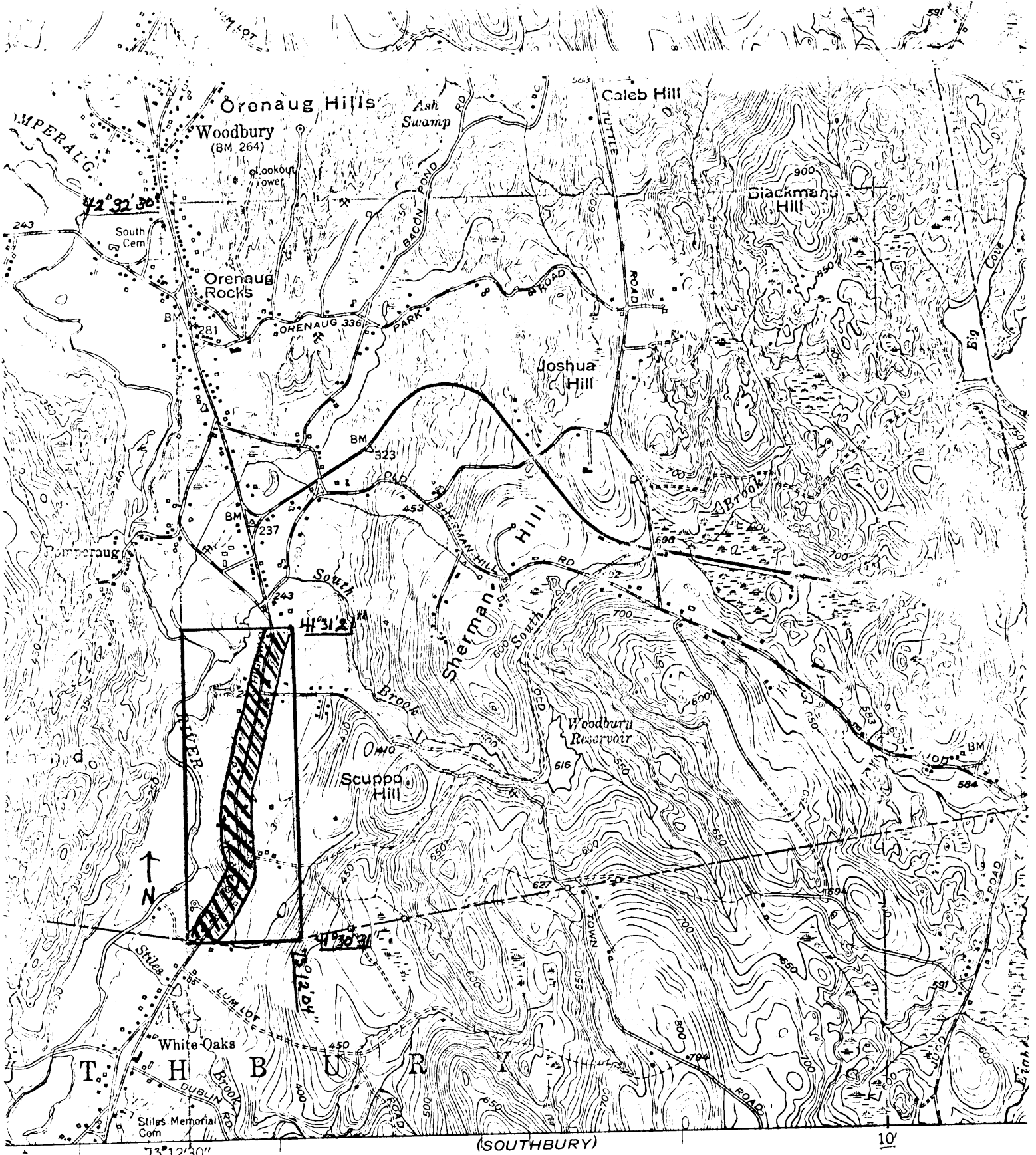
The following list of parcel numbers indicate map locations of houses.

**WOODBURY HISTORIC DISTRICT NUMBER 2**

1. The Early Colonial Period 1674 - 1740  
MAIN STREET - #24
2. The Late Colonial Period 1741 - 1788  
MAIN STREET - #11, 15, 21, 38
3. The Federal Period 1789 - 1828  
MAIN STREET - #3, 31, 40
4. The Pre-Civil War Period 1829 - 1865  
MAIN STREET - None
5. The Post Civil War Period 1866 - 1900  
MAIN STREET - #14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 44
6. The 20th Century Period 1901 - 1969  
MAIN STREET - #5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 22,  
23, 25, 27, 30, 32, 36

Agricultural and undeveloped parcels are as follows:  
MAIN STREET - #1, 2, 4, 8, 13, 19, 26,  
28, 29, 42





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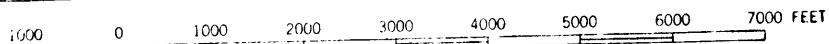
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10'

Woodbury Historic District #2

SCALE 1:24000

1 MILE



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

13°  
MAGNETIC  
TRUE N.

