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Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Virginia
COUNTY:	King and Queen
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
Hillsborough

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Hillsborough

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
.6 mi. SW of Rt. 633, 1.9 mi. NW of intersection with Rt. 632.

CITY OR TOWN:
(Stevensville vic.)

STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Virginia	51	King and Queen	097

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure 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 type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" 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:
Mr. and Mrs. William Todd Henley, Jr.

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Walkerton

STATE:	CODE
Virginia	51

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
King and Queen County Court House, Clerk's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
King and Queen Court House

STATE:	CODE
Virginia	51

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1936 Federal State County Local

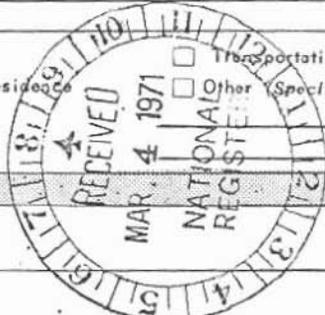
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Washington

STATE:	CODE
District of Columbia	11

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COUNTY: King & Queen

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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 type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Hillsborough is a two-story, hipped roof mansion constructed in the mid-eighteenth century of brick laid in Flemish bond on the end walls and foundations, and of frame with clapboarding on the two main five-bay facades. The brick ends were originally pierced by window openings but these have been blocked up except for two. Wooden details include a fine modillioned cornice and wide architrave window and door framings. The four interior end chimneys are reduced slightly in width and depth midway in their rise. A frame two-story wing has been added on the west as well as a small screen porch on the south and an entrance porch on the north.

The wide center hall features a superb stair with delicately turned balusters but which has been altered from three flights of stairs to two flights with a broad landing. The stair hall retains its high dado consisting of a rectangular panel below a long horizontal panel. Hillsborough's principle room in the southwest corner was sold in the 1920's and has been placed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lamot Copeland, Greenville, Delaware. Photographs show a fully paneled room whose main features are twin Doric pilasters which flank the fireplace opening and support a full entablature. The southeast room has a paneled chimney wall with high dado elsewhere and a denticulated cornice.

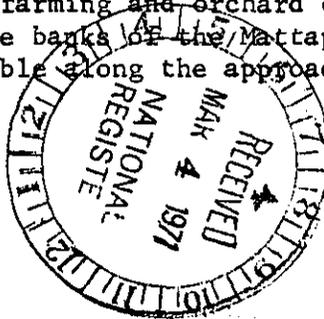
Outbuildings include a small frame smokehouse with pyramidal roof and a one-story brick storehouse. The latter was referred to in Herbert Claiborne's Comments on Virginia Brickwork Before 1800. He notes:

All Flemish bond with dark glazed headers on east side. North, south and west side have scattered glazed headers. All arches are flat rowlock. The small brick stops at level of cornice at the south end of building, with the gable having larger brick. At the north end the use of larger brick begins halfway up the gable. Glazed headers are used on the south end, following rake of roof. This small brick is different from any other brick found in Virginia by the writer, and is believed to have been imported--possibly Dutch."

Today, Hillsborough is the hub of a large farming and orchard enterprise whose cleared fields stretch north from the banks of the Mattaponi, enabling the house's white form to be visible along the approach road for over half a mile.



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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian) 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

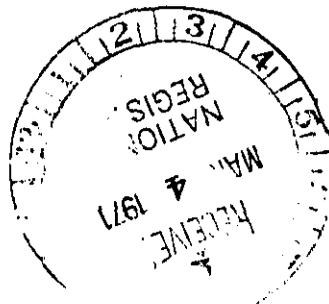
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<u>History</u> |
| <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 | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Hillsborough is situated on land that was originally patented by Edward Digges in 1653. By 1665 the property had passed to Anthony Arnold who was later to receive notice as one of the followers of Nathaniel Bacon, the Rebel. In 1688 this tract was repatented by Arnold's son, Benjamin. Early in the eighteenth century the property passed into the Baylor family, but, due to the destruction of the court records of King and Queen County in the War between the States, the ownership of Hillsborough is difficult to trace. By 1752, however, the property was owned by Colonel Humphrey Hill who renamed it Hillsborough. Hill had moved to King and Queen after living in London and ran a prosperous plantation at Hillsborough as well as supervising an extensive mercantile business. By June, 1752, he had established a slave-selling station at West Point and was holding sales there. By his death in 1775 he had become one of the prominent planters in the area. Hillsborough then passed to his son, Edward Hill (1746-1816) who lived there until his death. Edward Hill has left an interesting record of the plantation, for he insured the property three times with the Mutual Assurance Society of Virginia, thus leaving a detailed description of the main house and the various plantation out-buildings in 1802, 1805 and 1815. The plantation was plundered by Federal troops under the command of General Sheridan in April, 1864, but fortunately none of the buildings was burned.

In spite of its impressive bulk, symmetrical facades and hipped roof, Hillsborough has a rural, informal air produced by the choice of materials and the high ratio of frame surface to window openings. The retention of the early storehouse (probably used by Colonel Hill) with its unique brick size increases the significance of this fine mid-eighteenth century mansion.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bagby, Reverend Alfred. King and Queen County, Virginia. New York: The Neal Publishing Company, 1908.
 Claiborne, Herbert A. Comments on Virginia Brickwork Before 1800. The Walpole Society, 1957.
 Ellyson, Josie Henley, Hillsborough. March 10, 1937.
 Waterman, Thomas Tileston, The Mansions of Virginia, 1706-1776. New York: Bonanza Books, 1945.

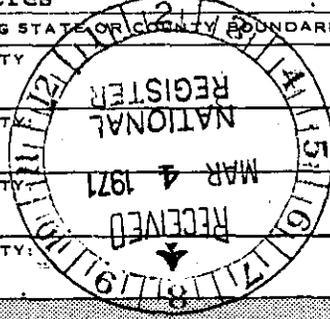
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
NW	Degrees Minutes Seconds 37 ° 43 ' 15 "	Degrees Minutes Seconds 76 ° 59 ' 30 "		Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	
NE	37 ° 43 ' 15 "	76 ° 58 ' 26 "				
SE	37 ° 42 ' 23 "	76 ° 58 ' 26 "				
SW	37 ° 42 ' 23 "	76 ° 59 ' 30 "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 250 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Junius R. Fishburne, Assistant Director; Tucker H. Hill, Architectural Historian
 ORGANIZATION: Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission DATE: February 12, 1971
 STREET AND NUMBER: Room 1116, Ninth Street Office Building
 CITY OR TOWN: Richmond STATE: Virginia CODE: 51

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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: Edw. P. Alexander, Jr.

Title: Dr. Edward P. Alexander, Chairman Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

Date: 3/2/71

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

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: _____

ATTEST: _____

Keeper of The National Register

Date: _____

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

U.S.G.S. Quadrangle (Scale: 1:24000)
King & Queen, Va. 1945

77°00'
37°45'

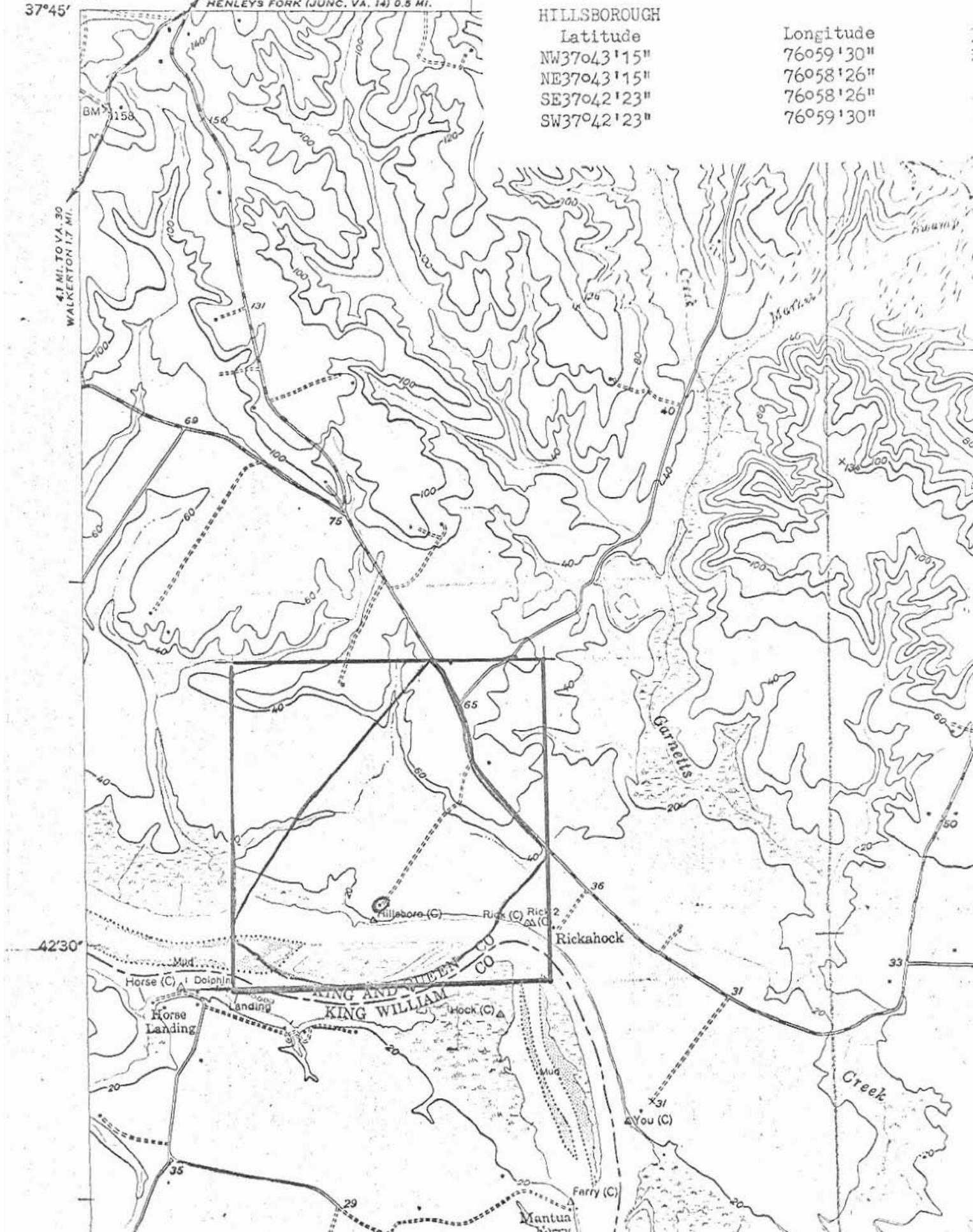
HENLEYS FORK (JUNC. VA. 14) 0.5 MI.

HILLSBOROUGH

Latitude
NW37°43'15"
NE37°43'15"
SE37°42'23"
SW37°42'23"

Longitude
76°59'30"
76°58'26"
76°58'26"
76°59'30"

4.1 MI. TO VA. 30
WALKERTON 1.7 MI.



42°30'

Horse (C)
Landing
Horse Landing

KING AND QUEEN CO
KING WILLIAM CO

Rickahock

Ferry (C)
Mantua

Creek