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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey Hydrographic

Field No.1313 Office No. H-7027

LOCALITY

State Maryland

General locality Chesapeake

Locality Little Choptank River

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CHIEF OF PARTY

T. B. Reed

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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

#### HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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REGISTER No. H-7027

Field No. 1313

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General locality LITTLE CHOPTANK RIVER	
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Vessel (M. V. COWIE) 25 foot skiff	
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Chief of party Thos. B. Reed	
Surveyed by Lieut. Comdr. G. R. Fish and Ensign Allen L. Powell	<b></b>
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Soundings penciled by A. Kaupa	
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## NOTES TO ACCOMPANY DESCRIPTIVE REPORT FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H- (Field No. 1313)

#### UPPER PART OF LITTLE CHOPTANK RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

Scale 1:10,000

Thos. B. Reed, Comdg. M. V. COWIE

- A. The project number is CS-250. The date of the Director's Additional Instructions is September 18, 1942, and the date of Supplemental Instructions is September 23, 1943.
- B. The general locality of the survey is the upper part of the Little Choptank River, Phillips Creek, Beckwith Creek, Gray Creek, Fishing Creek and Churck Creek; between Lat. 38 --30 and 38 --36 and eat of Long. 76 --14. Field work began on December 27, 1944 and ended on March 12, 1945.

There are no contemporary surveys of the area. Sheet field H-70C4 No. 1413 joins with sheet Field No. 1313 on the west. An (1945)

index of sheets is included with this report. (1944-45)

C. All sounding was done with a 25 foot skiff powered with two outboard motors. The hydrographic party based on the M. V. COWIE which was secured alongside the Longwharf at Cambridge, Maryland. The skiff was left at a private dock opposite Cherry Island. The Hydrographic party used a truck for transportation to and from the skiff.

The skiff was equipped with an 808-A type depth recorder either No. 65 or No. 67, which was used for depths greater than about 5 feet. The units were mounted in the keel of the skiff instead of a separate unit. A pole was used for sounding in depths shoaler than about 5 feet.

D. Portable automatic tide gages were installed at Cherry Island (Lat. 38-38.73, Long. 76-12.49), Milton Wharf (Lat. 38-30.38, Long. 76-10.41), Madison (Lat. 38-30.88, Long. 76-13.27), and Taylors Island (Lat. 38-28.20, Long. 76-17.48). The gage at Madison was in place for only a short period due to ice conditions and values from this gage were not used to reduce soundings. Tide staff readings were taken at Cherry Island after the gage had been removed. The readings were taken on February 20, 21, 23, 24, and 26, 1945, and are recorded in the sounding volumes on the applicable days.

Direct values from the Cherry Island gage were used to reduce all soundings above lines drawn east and west from Cherry Point, as shown on the boat sheet. South of the line across the mouth of Fishing Creek all soundings were reduced by tides from the gage at Milton Wharf except for "w" and "x" days on February 24 and 26 which were reduced from tide staff readings taken at Cherry Island with no corrections applied, and "y" day on Feb. 28 which was reduced by tides from the Taylors Island gage with an additive time correction of 5 minutes but with no correction for range. South of the line drawn west from Cherry Point the corrections applicable to the Madison gage were used. On "t", "u" and "v" days, on February 20, 21 and 23, tide staff readings at Cherry Island were used with a time correction of minus 20 minutes but with no height correction. On "z" and "aa" days, on March 1 and 12, tides from the Taylors Island gage were used with a time correction of minus 15 minutes but with no height correction.

F. The following is the source of triangulation control stations: Chesapeake Bay and Tributaries Part 7, C.C.Y. 1909 and J. Bowie, Jr. 1934.

All topographic stations were obtained from planimetric maps Nos. T-5719, T-5718, T-5716 and T-5715. All signals shown in green on the boat sheet were transferred from the same source.

G. All shoreline detail was taken from the planimetric maps listed under paragraph "F" above. The date of the surveys is not known but some of the field inspection was done in 1937. Shift Corrections

The small rocky islands shown on the boat sheet in Lat. 38-34.55, Long. 76-10.23 were located by sextant fixes; they were probably missed when making up the planimetric maps.

H. Soundings were taken with an 808-A type portable depth recorder in depths greater than about 5 feet. In shoaler depths a pole was used. Most of the soundings were taken on regular fathometer spacings; the proper notations have been made in the records where changes in sounding methods occur.

Bar checks to obtain recorder corrections were made twice daily, weather permitting.

I.Three-point visual fixes were taken at one and one half or two minute intervals to control the hydrography. In the narrow channels of creeks the sounding lines were referenced to shore objects or channel lines. The sounding record for "s" day, January 23, 1945 was lost; the positions should be obtained from the boat sheet.

The corrections, for the graphic recorder, were obtained from bar checks. The differences between the true depths and the graphic recorder readings were plotted on graph paper and curves drawn thru the various points; the corrections to be applied to the soundings were taken from these curves. These data are being submitted with this report.

- J. The present survey is thought to be complete and adequate to supersede prior surveys for charting purposes. The junction between adjacent surveys is satisfactory. Depth curves can be adequately drawn at the junctions.
- K. No cross-lines were run in narrow channels. In wider parts of the river adequate cross-lines were run.
- M. A generalized comparison with Chart 1225 indicates good agreement between the present survey and the chart. The three foot sounding shown on the Chart in Lat. 38-32.65, Long. 76-13.65 still has about the same minimum depth.
- N. There are no dangers or shoals in the area covered by this survey that one would not expect to find in an area of this type.
- O. Coast Pilot information will be submitted on an area basis and none is included in this report.
- P. One submarine cable crosses navigable water within the limits of this survey. It runs between the east shore of the river (Lat. 38-33.65, Long. 76-12.55), to the east shore of Cherry Island (Lat. 38-33.73, Long. 76-12.71).
- Q. Landmarks for charts are being submitted on form 567. Following is a list of the objects within the limits of this surveys.

  Chart letter 40.47(1946)

CUPOLA, white barn HOUSE (W. GABLE) white CUPOLA, red barn TOWER, red and white brick BARN (E. GABLE) brown CHIMNEY (W. GABLE) white house CHIMNEY (E. GABLE) 2-story white house CHIMNEY (N. GABLE) white house CUPOLA, white barn CUPOLA, red barn CHIMNEY (S. GABLE) 2-story house WINDMILL (TANK charted) CHIMNEY (W. GABLE) 2-story house CUPOLA, white barn CHIMNEY (W. GABLE) house TANK (ELEVATED) white SPIRE (WHITE) church

- R. Geographic names are considered to have been adequately covered by prior surveys.
- Z. The tide records for Cherry Island were submitted on February 6, 1945; the records for Milton Wharf on February 6, 1945; the records for Madison Bay on February 22, 1945; and the records for Taylors Island on April 17, 1945.

SUBMITTED BY: Allen L. Powell
Allen L. Powell

Ensign C&GS

Approved and Forwarded:

Thos. B. Reed

Lieut. Commander C&GS

Commanding M. V. COWIE

## TIDE NOTE TO ACCOMPANY HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H- (Field No. 1313)

M. V. COWIE Project CS-250

Three tide stations were maintained within the area covered by this hydrographic sheet. Tides from two of these stations and from a fourth station lying outside the area of this sheet were used to reduce soundings. The location of the stations are as follows:

NAME	Lat. & Long.	Low-water on staff
Cherry Island, Md.	38-38.73 76-12.49	2.8
Milton Wharf, Md.	38-30.38 76-10.41	2.0
Madison, Md.	38-30.88 76-13.27	2.0
Taylors Island, Md.	38-28.20 76-17.48	3.0

Tide staff readings were obtained at Cherry Island on February 20, 21, 23, 26, 1945, and are recorded in sounding volumes Nos. 6 and 7 at the beginning of the days.

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# STATISTICS FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY (Field No. 1313) M.V. COWIE CS-250

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#### APPROVAL SHEET

For Hydrographic Survey, Field No. 1313

Project No. CS-250, Little Choptank River, Maryland

May 7, 1945

The boat sheet and accompanying records for the above survey have been inspected and are approved. The boat sheet was examined daily while the work was in progress and the survey is believed to be complete.

Thos. B. Reed Chief of Party

#### ADDENDUM

#### to accompany

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET NO. H-7027 (Field No. Co. 1313)

It was necessary to transfer hydrographic signals "TOX" and "TOM" from the boat sheet, as sufficient data was not available to accurately determine their locations.

Signals are an insert-head of Fishing Creek.

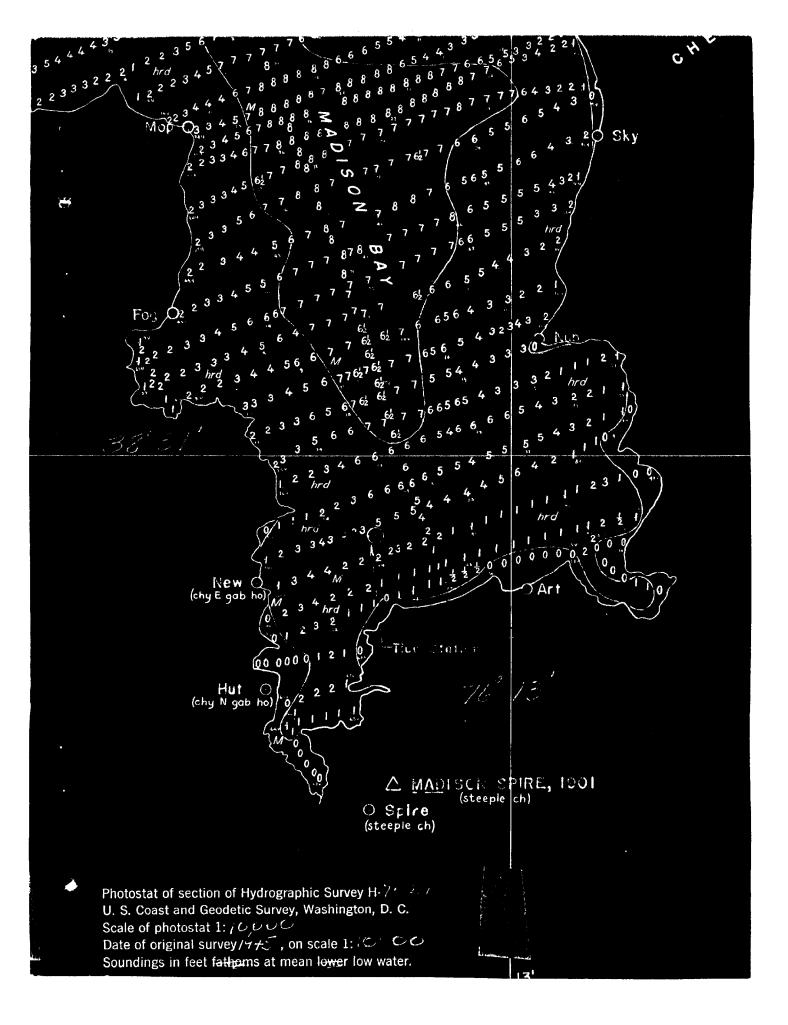
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Norfolk, Virginia October 26, 1945

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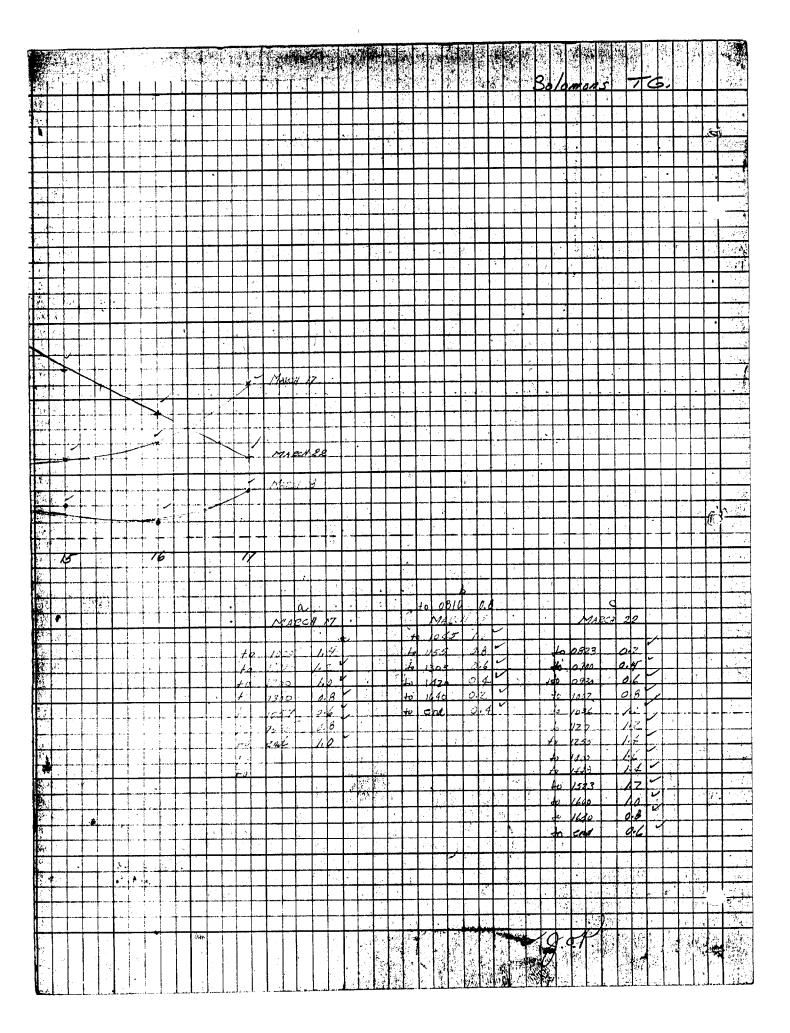
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### Surveys Section (Chart Division)

## HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. 1-17027

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Verification of soundings from graphic record Time	5 hrs
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#### DIVISION OF CHARTS

#### REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

#### REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. 7027

FIELD NO. 1313

Maryland, Chesapeake Bay, Little Choptank River Surveyed in December 1944 to March 1945 Scale 1:10,000 Project No. CS-250

Soundings:

Control:

808 Fathometer

Three-point fixes on shore signals

Chief of Party - T. B. Reed Surveyed by - G. R. Fish and A. L. Powell Protracted by - J. Marchione Soundings plotted by - A. Kaupa Verified and inked by - R. K. DeLawder Reviewed by - G. F. Jordan, December 11, 1946 Inspected by - H. W. Murray

#### 1. Control and Topographic Detail

The origin of control signals and shoreline is adequately described in the Descriptive Report, paragraphs F and G.

#### 2. Bottom Configuration and Depth Curves

The river bottom is generally smooth except in the narrow confines of irregular channels.

The depth curves could be completely drawn.

#### 3. Sounding Line Crossings

Satisfactory.

#### 4. Adjoining Surveys

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A satisfactory junction is effected on the west with H-7064 (1945).

#### 5. Comparison with Prior Surveys

#### H-200 (1848) scale 1:20,000; H-1346b (1871) scale 1:10,000 H-2681 (1908) scale 1:20,000

In the deeper portions of the tributaries, depths on the present survey are 1 to 2-ft. shoaler than depths on the prior surveys. Elsewhere, agreement of prior depths is good.

The feature (chart 1225) which could have been ruins of a pier on H-2681 at lat. 38°, 30.9', long. 76° 13.25' is now non-existent according to a report by the coast pilot inspection party. (See photostat in D.R.).

The larger scale present survey is more detailed and entirely supersedes the prior surveys in the common area. .

#### 6. Comparison with Chart 1225 (Print date of March 9, 1946)

#### a. Hydrography

Charted hydrography originates with surveys discussed in the preceding paragraph, except for partial application of the present survey before verification and review.

#### b. Aids to Navigation

Aids to navigation on the present survey agree with charted aids and satisfactorily mark the features intended except for the spar buoy No. 4 at lat. 38° 32.02', long. 76° 12.33'. This buoy is charted 180 meters southward of the above position. The survey position appears to be more satisfactory.

#### 7. Condition of the Survey

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- a. The Descriptive Report and sounding records are complete in all detail except for the lost sounding record referred to in the D.R., paragraph T.
- b. The smooth plotting was excellent.

#### 8. Compliance with Instructions

The survey adequately complies with project instructions.

#### 9. Additional Field Work

This is an excellent basic survey and no additional field work is recommended.

Examined and approved:

Section of Hydrography Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys

Form 712
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
Rev. June 1937

#### TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

21 January 1946

#### Division-of-Hydrography-and-Topography:

Division of Charts: Attention: H. W. MURRAY

Plane of reference approved in 7 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 7027

Locality Little Choptank River - Upper Part, Maryland

Chief of Party: T. B. Reed in 1944-1945 Plane of reference is mean low water, reading

2.8 ft. on tide staff at Cherry I. (opposite), Beckwith Creek

5.0 ft. below B. M. 1

2.0 ft. on tide staff at Milton Wharf, Church Creek

5.4 ft. below B. M. 3

3.0 ft. on tide staff at Taylors I., Slaughter Creek

3.5 ft. below B.M. 1

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 1.3 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

Tide reducers for "x" day (Feb. 26, 1945) erroneously obtained and checked by field party.

Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

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## NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

## SURVEY NO. H7027

### Record of Application to Charts

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A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart. Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.