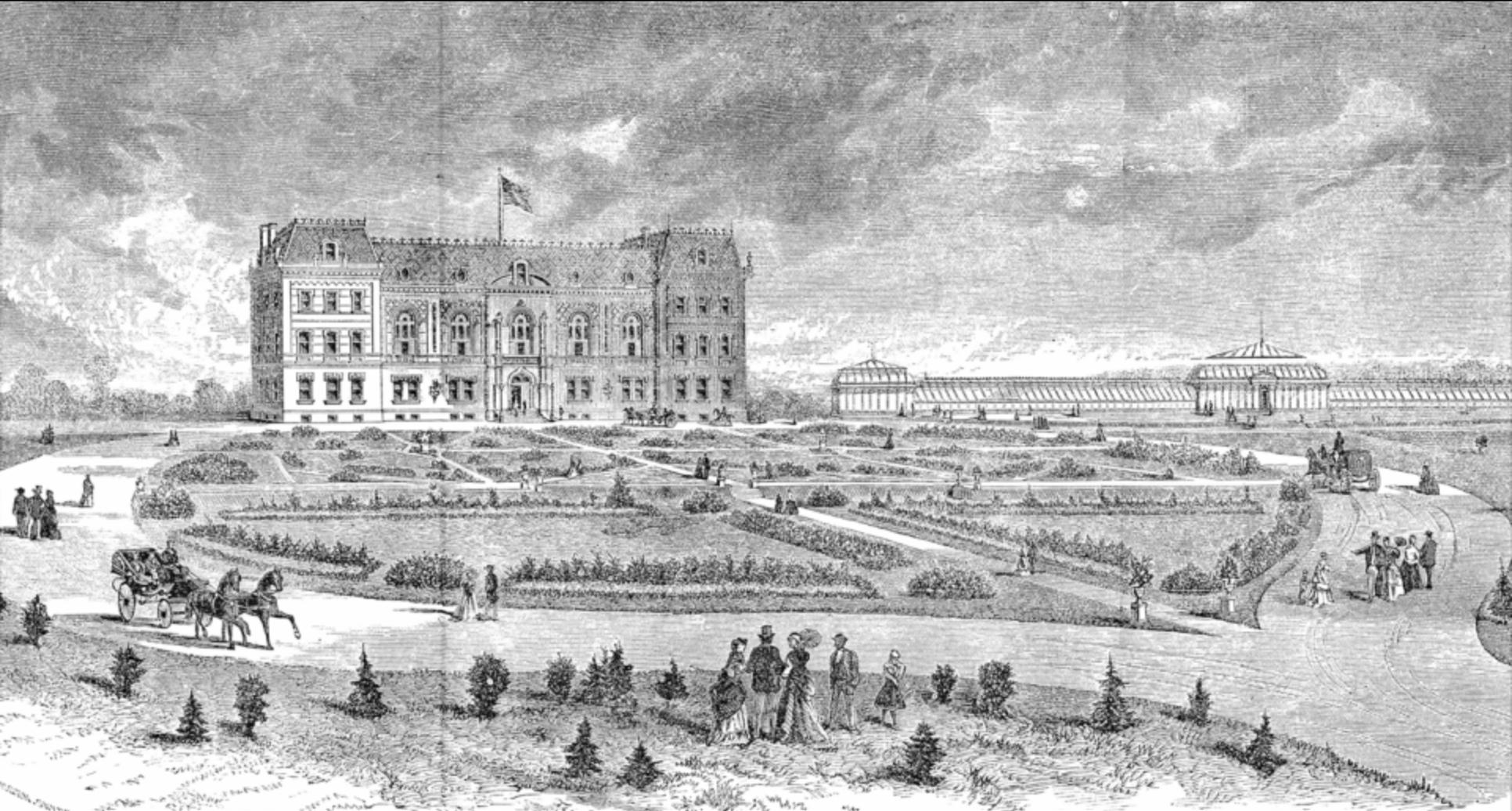


American Arboretum becomes a major tourist attraction







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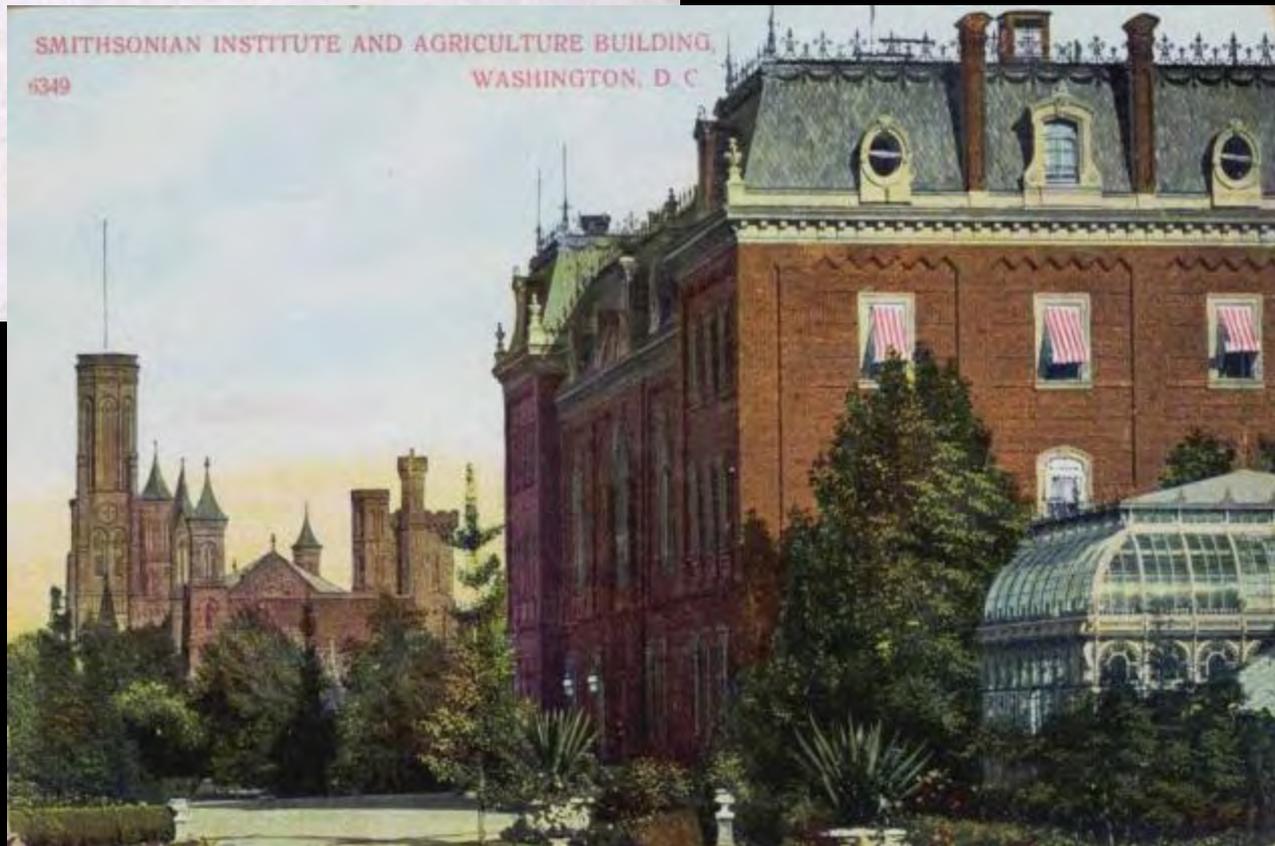
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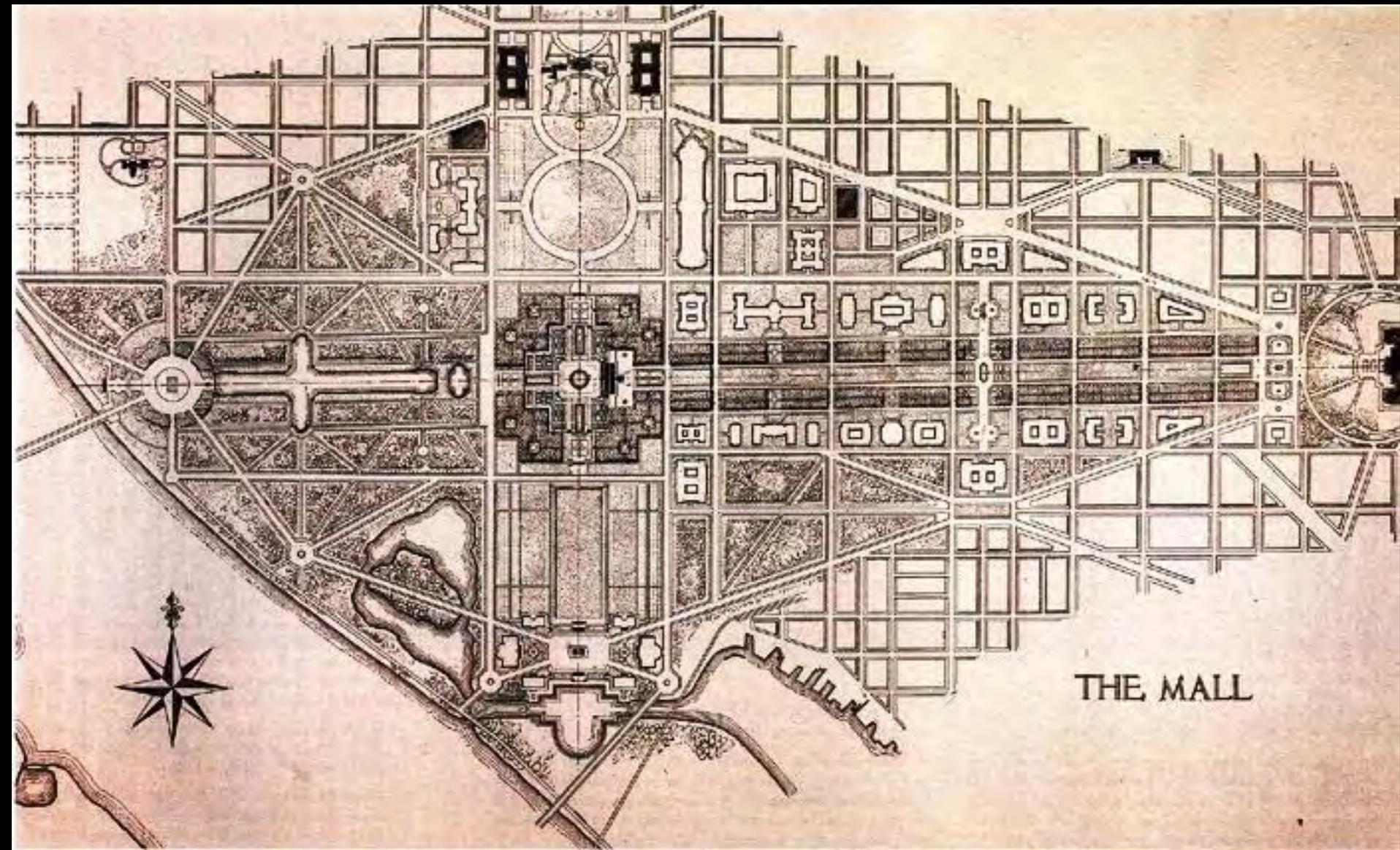
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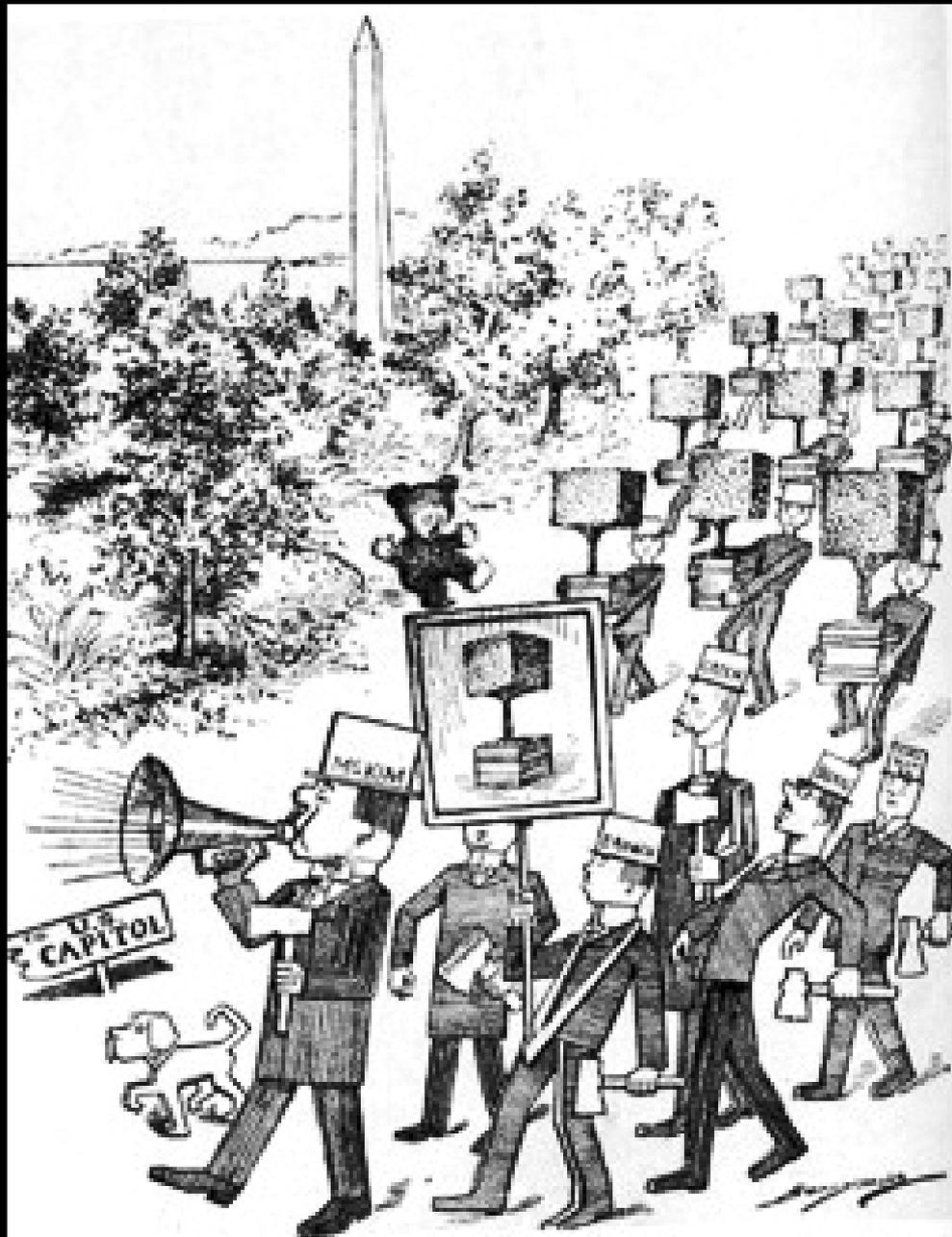
In 1902, Senate Committee on the District of Columbia, chaired by James McMillan, submitted report (McMillan Plan) that called for the restoration of the 'Grand Avenue' design of the Mall proposed by L'Enfant in 1791.

The Design called for a broad carpet of grass bordered by trees running west from the Capitol to a point directly south of the White House. A narrow roadway was to separate the border of trees from a row of public buildings.

McMillan Plan - 'Grand Avenue'



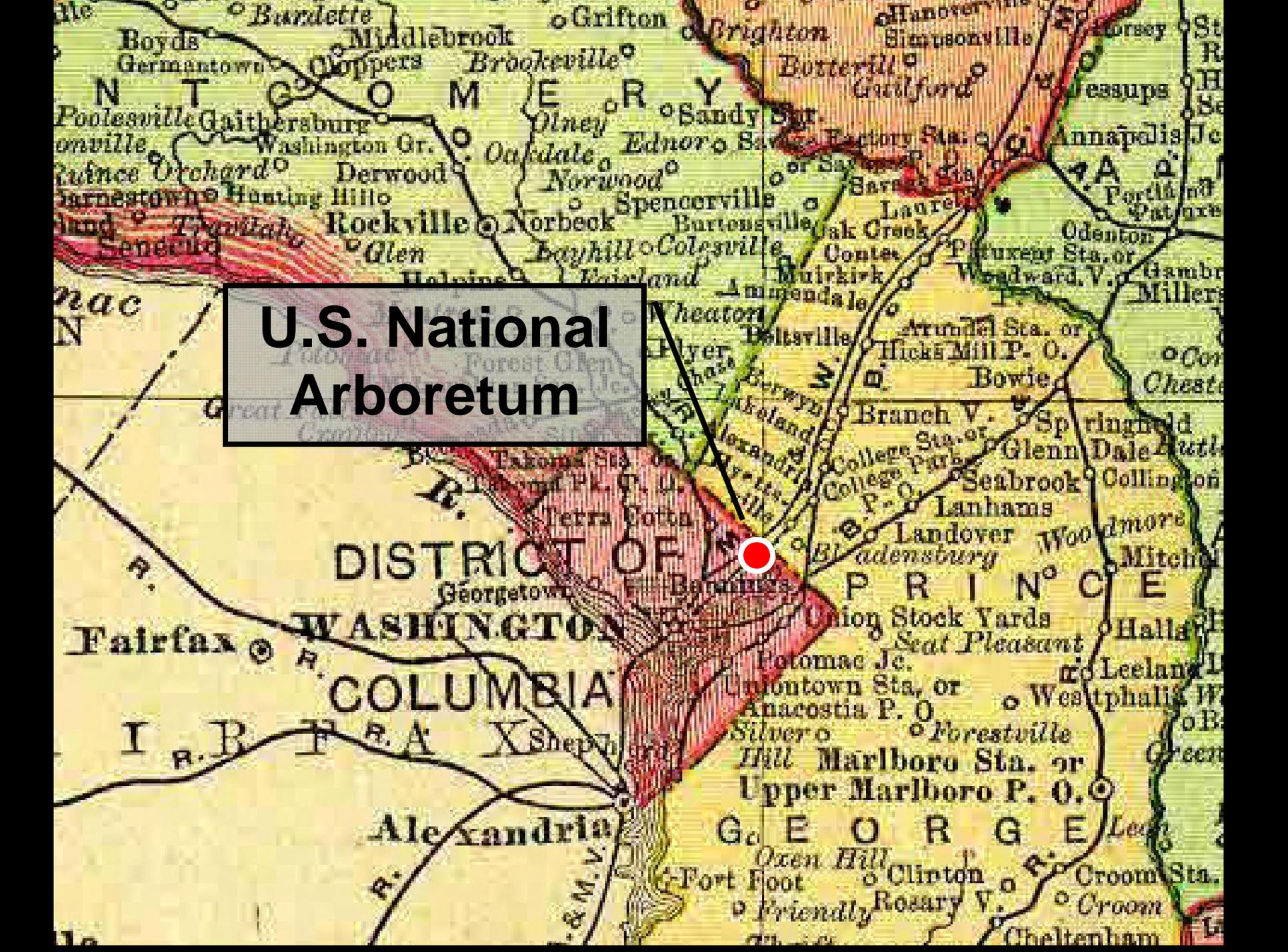
McMillan plan was put on hold because of the public outcry that the Grand Avenue design would destroy the American Arboretum, adjacent Smithsonian grounds, and the US Botanic Garden



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Because of the McMillan Plan, it was clear that the American Arboretum's future on the Mall was limited; therefore, a committee was appointed in 1914 to find a location for a new Arboretum.

They selected a site on the Anacostia River called Mt. Hamilton. Ten years later, in 1927, land acquisition at this site began for the U.S. National Arboretum.

A historical map of the Washington, D.C. area, showing various counties and towns. A red dot is placed on the map, with a black arrow pointing to it from a text box. The text box contains the text "U.S. National Arboretum". The map shows the Potomac River, the District of Columbia, and surrounding areas like Prince Georges and Fairfax counties. The red dot is located in the area of the National Arboretum, near the intersection of the Potomac River and the Washington, D.C. area.

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1940 McMillan Plan finally approved



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