

B.A. 1244

426 MAIN STREET
Reisterstown, Maryland.

Private.

426 MAIN STREET is a traditional house of the late nineteenth century, related to several others in Reisterstown, particularly in its immediate neighborhood, their simple designs recalling houses half a century older. Characteristically, a single parlor faces the street, together with an entrance and stair hall, and the kitchen is in ~~xxx~~ a rear wing. The jig-sawn fascia and verge boards add a distinctive touch to this house.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

426 Main Street

6th

CITY, TOWN

Reisterstown

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- ENTERTAINMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- GOVERNMENT
- TRANSPORTATION
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Raymond Lapointe

Telephone #: 833-1270

STREET & NUMBER

426 Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Reisterstown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21136

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County

Liber #: 5703
Folio #: 320

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

426 Main Street is a two story frame house, three bays in length, facing the street to the east, with a two story frame rear wing extending one bay behind the northerly end. This traditional house dates from ca. 1875-1890.

A one story porch with a hipped roof extends across the street facade, enclosed with multiple pairs of 6/6 windows; a one story porch across the south side of the rear wing is enclosed as another room. Exterior walls are covered with wood shingles and the gabled roof, covered with standing seam tin, extends beyond the walls with wide plain eave and rake overhangs, having a jig-sawn fret fascia and verge. A single-flue brick chimney rises internally at the south gable. Original windows are 2/2, flanked with louvred blinds. The principal entrance is in the north bay of the street front and it has sidelights extending to the head with a short transom spanning between. It opens into a side hall with an open stair to the second floor. A single room is to the south and one is in the rear wing; both floor plans are identical.

The square newel has incised line decoration and it is topped with a ball finial. A modern mantel trims the fireplace in the south room. Typical four-panel doors have shallow raises and shallow ogee integral mouldings; trim is plain.

The attic is accessible by a steep ladder-stair above the principal stair.

The circular sawn rafters are mitered at the ridge; cypress shingles remain beneath the tin. The cellar, accessible by a trap door in the hall, extends beneath the entire house. A beaded joist, from a much older house, whitewashed, without lath nail holes, is in use, out of context, as a temporary column.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES _____ BUILDER/ARCHITECT _____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house shares much of its earliest history with that of #424 (q.v.). It was part of the tract of land which Henry Wiest divided up into building lots and sold off between 1805-1811.

Philip Reister Owings came into possession of some of this property between 1865-1867. In 1867, he sold off 3800 sq. ft. to the Prospect Division, No. 155, Sons of Temperance.* This land fronted along the Turnpike.

In 1871, George G. Berryman obtained two parcels of land which created the current piece of property. From The Sons of Temperance, he obtained their 3800 sq. ft. along the turnpike (EHA 72/505). From Mary Parkison, who owned the adjoining frontage to the north (see #424), Berryman purchased 2400 sq. ft. which ran in the back of the Temperance land to the west (EHA 72/497). This created the present lot. Apparently the Berryman's leased the property. The 1877 Hopkins Atlas of Baltimore County shows the residence of John W. Yingling on the site.

In 1880, George G. Berryman and wife sold the lot to Nehemiah Berryman for \$175.00 (WMI 115/474). Immediately, N. Berryman leased the lot to Silas W. Yingling for 99 years at \$12/year. Yingling covenanted to build a dwelling house on the property within six months. This is probably the present house (WMI 115/478).

In 1899, Mary C. Berryman, et.al., sold the house and lot to Fannie I. Bowman (NBM 241/251). The property may have been rented to G. W. Ambrose by this time. The 1898 Bromley Atlas shows Ambrose on the site.

* The Sons of Temperance, "a beneficial society based on total abstinence" had been formed in New York City in 1842. It resembled other fraternal orders like the Masons, Odd Fellows, etc. in its rituals, regalia, and secrecy. The structure was tripartite: Subordinate (local) Divisions such as this Prospect Division; Grand (state) Divisions, and the National Division. "For the first twenty years of its existence, it carried the major burden of temperance advocacy not only in America, but, having developed into an international order, as far away as Australia." It was at its peak strength before the Civil War with 6,000 divisions in the U.S. (Kobler, op. cit. p. 71-3).

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Significance, continued

Fannie Bowman to Franklin Permanent Building Association in 1899
(NBM 241/252).

1908 - Franklin Permanent Building Association to Annie Ambrose
(WPC 337/200).

Apparently Annie Ambrose and her husband George defaulted on payments,
for the property was sold at public sale in 1924. The John R. Traceys
(Tracys) bought it. The Traceys sold it to Rozell A. Cook and wife in
1924 for \$2600.00 (WPC 592/493).

The Cooks to Charles P. Shaffer and wife in 1949 (1744/196).

Both Charles and Edith died by 1965, devising the property to heir,
Charles A. Shaffer (BCWills MTH 88/260).

In 1976, Charles A. Shaffer and his wife sold the property to the
present owners (5703/320).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Marks, Lillian Reisters Desire (Baltimore, 1975)
Kobler, John Ardent Spirits Putnam Sons, 1973
Land Records Baltimore County Courthouse Towson, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .14 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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STREET & NUMBER 430 Main Street

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CITY OR TOWN Reisterstown

STATE Maryland 21136

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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