

This typical two story three bay by one room center stair house is exactly the same as the others in Cecil County. The Pearce Family owned it for a large part of the 19th century. The Martenet Map (1858) and Lake, Griffing and Stevenson Atlas (1877) list a Mrs. J. Pearce and Annie W. Pearce respectively.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Pearce House

AND/OR COMMON

Russell Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Crystal Beach Road

CITY, TOWN

Earleville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

**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
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Russell Price

Telephone #: 275-8630

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Earleville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21919

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: WAS 102

Folio #: 262

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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

The Pearce House is a two story frame I-House on Crystal Beach Road. The house faces north with the main gable running east/west.

The three bay by one room main block has a two story two bay by one room ell addition to the south. The house rests on a fieldstone foundation and the weatherboard siding is covered with aluminum. The steeply pitched roof is covered with seamed tin.

The north (main) facade is the expected three bays with central entrance. The sash have been replaced on the first floor but the 6/6 sash remain on the second floor. The eaves are extended and the soffits sloped.

There is a single 6/6 sash on each floor of the west end and two four pane attic lights flank the exterior block stack.

The east end is window first or second floor fenestration. There are two 2/2 sash that flank the interior end brick stack.

The south side is primarily covered with the ell addition. A shed porch with square posts protects the side kitchen entrance and an adjacent 6/6 sash. The second floor is illuminated by a single 6/6 sash. The west end has a recent enclosed shed porch addition.

The interior of the main block has been partially remodeled. An enclosed central stair rises to the second floor and is flanked by single parlors. The door and window surrounds have a simple late 19th century molding. The west parlor mantel has a beveled edge surround with plain frieze with a small applied molding beneath the shelf. The baseboard has a typical ogee molded cap.

Various mid to late 19th century farm structures with no unusual construction or details are located south of the main house.

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# 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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Pearce house has no architectural significant details. The common house type is found throughout the county. This house has lost a good deal of its character through remodeling. The house does predate 1858 with its appearance on the Martenet map under Mrs. J. Pearce. Annie W. Pearce is designated at this spot in 1877. (Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson)

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

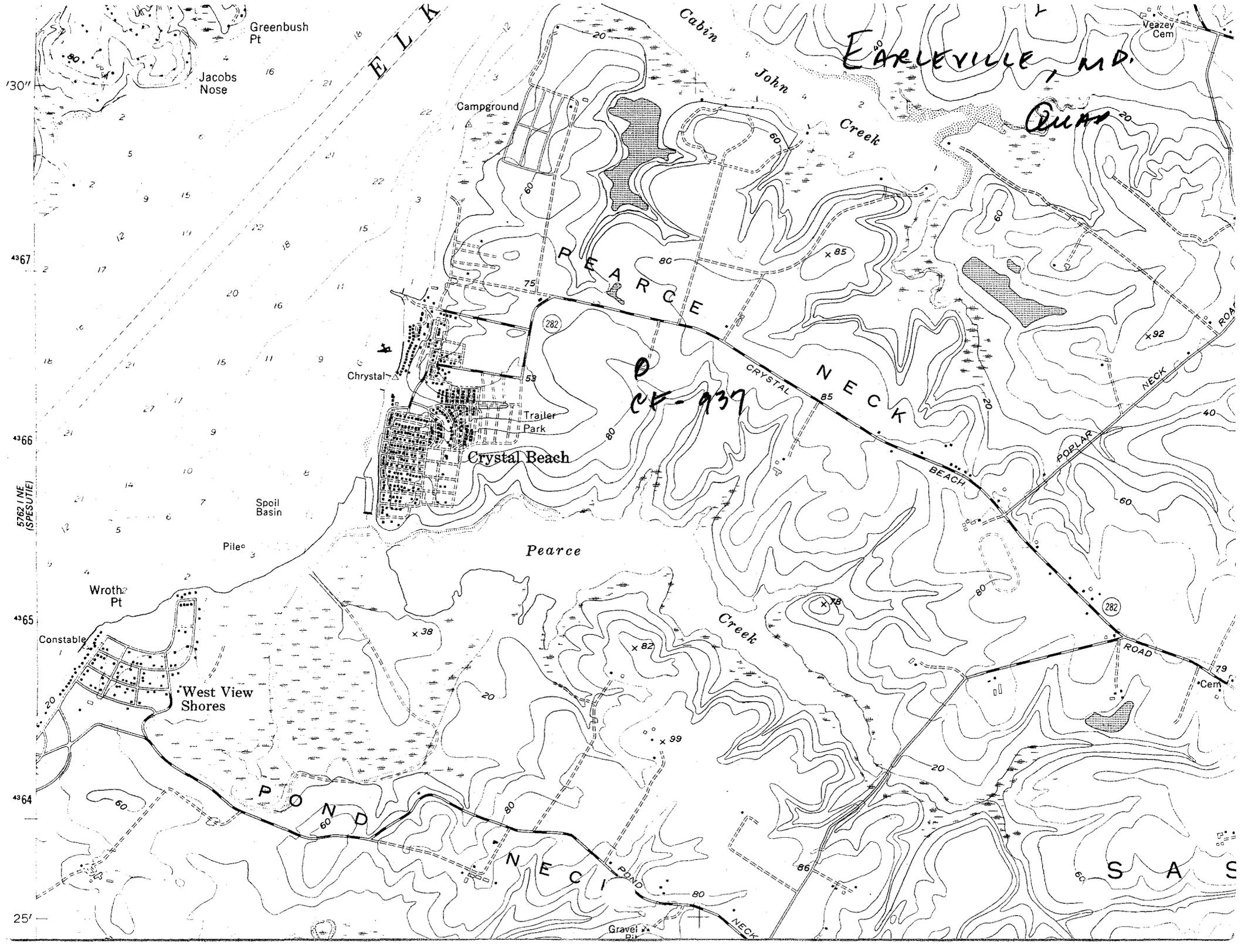
STATE

Maryland

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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PEARCE HOUSE

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EAST ELEVATION

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