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Leonard Zeller House
East New Market
private

c. 1880-1890

The Leonard Zeller house, standing on the west side of North Main Street, is a two-story ell-shaped frame house that was erected during the last decades of the nineteenth century. Common for the period is the asymmetrical elevation as well as the Gothic influenced window and the fishscale shingles. The interior retains a decorated slate dining room mantel not uncommon for the time as well as shallow four-panel doors with cast-iron hinges. The house was partially remodeled around 1940 with a relocation of the front entrance and a reworking of the hall and parlor.

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic WILLOWBY HOUSE

and/or common LEONARD ZELLER HOUSE

2. Location

street & number North Main Street not for publication

city, town East New Market vicinity of First congressional district

state Maryland county Dorchester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Leonard D. Zeller

street & number North Main Street telephone no.:

city, town East New Market state and zip code Maryland 21631

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dorchester Clerk of Court liber

street & number Dorchester County Courthouse folio

city, town Cambridge state Md 21613

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventory

date 1985 federal state county local

pository for survey records Annapolis Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis state Md 21401

7. Description

Survey No. D-664

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 of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Leonard Zeller house is located on the west side of North Main Street in the town of East New Market, Dorchester County, Maryland. The two-story ell-shaped frame house faces east with the principal gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1880-1890, the two-story ell-shaped frame house is supported by a minimal brick foundation and largely covered with a layer of aluminum siding. The decorative fishscale shingles that mark the gable end of the projecting bay have been left exposed. The house is covered by a steeply pitched asphalt shingle roof.

The east (main) elevation is an asymmetrical three-bay facade with an entrance located in the south bay. According to a next door neighbor the entrance was relocated from the center bay to the south bay where a gabled hood now shelters the colonial style entrance. Two-over-two sash windows flanked by aluminum shutters light the first and second floors. The third bay is distinguished by a projecting two-story, five-sided pavilion. The center bay of the pavilion is marked by paired single-pane sash windows, while the adjacent sides are filled with two-over-two sash. Projecting over the corner windows is the gable roof which is trimmed with a spindle decoration. The bargeboard is also decorated. i Gothic arched two-over-two sash window lights the attic, and the attic window is surrounded by fishscale shingles.

The south side of the house is marked by two-over-two sash windows that flank an interior end brick stove stack. The north side is defined by an asymmetrical fenestration, and a brick stack protrudes through the roof. A flat-roofed addition extends from the north side.

The interiors of the ell-shaped house have been reworked. The hall partition has been removed, and the stair has been relocated to the west wall of the consolidated parlor and hall. A large square newel post, square balusters, and a molded handrail comprise the early twentieth-century stair. The parlor mantel has been replaced as well with a brick mantel and hearth. The dining room to the north retains a decorated slate mantel which is fixed in the northwest corner of the room.

The second floor is divided into three rooms which open from a central hall. Four-panel doors hung on decorative cast-iron hinges are framed by plain surrounds.

Standing behind the house is a single-story concrete block garage with sliding board doors. The rectangular garage is fronted by a stepped parapet facade. Nailed to the back of one of the sliding doors is a painted sign that reads, "N. Market M. E Baraca."

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 type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Leonard Zeller house is a two-story, ell-shaped frame house built during the last decades of the nineteenth century. The asymmetrical street elevation is distinguished by a projecting two-story pavilion that retains an exposed layer of fishscale shingles and a Gothic arched sash window. The entrance has been relocated and reworked in a "colonial" manner. The interior survives with a mixture of Victorian and Colonial Revival woodwork as well.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. D-664

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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/title	Paul Touart Architectural Historian		
organization	Maryland Historical Trust	date	10/3/87
street & number	21 State Street		telephone
city or town	Annapolis	state	Maryland 21401

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.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: D-664

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:
 Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S. G.S. QUAD MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE:

ORIGINAL USE:

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:
 Excellent () Good (X)
 Fair () Poor: ()

THEME:

STYLE: CARPENTER GOTHIC

DATE BUILT: c. 1880

COUNTY: Dorchester

TOWN: East New Market

LOCATION: Main Street
Route 16
East New Market

COMMON NAME:
Leonard Zeller House
~~Leonard Zeller House~~

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: dwelling/residential

OWNER: Mr. & Mrs. Len D. Zeller

ADDRESS:
same as above

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:
 Yes (X) No () Restricted ()

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 Local (X) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone () Brick (X) Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon (X)
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard () Board and Batten () Wood Shingle () Shiplap ()
 Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal () Aluminum (X) Asphalt Shingle ()
 Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
 Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood () Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ()
 Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds () Ells (X)
 Wings () Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip () Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
 Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()
 Other:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2 story

Number of Bays: 5

Approximate Dimensions: 5 x 2

Entrance Location: 1st Bay
originally - in 2nd

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:
 No Threat () Zoning () Roads ()
 Development () Deterioration ()
 Alteration (X) Other:

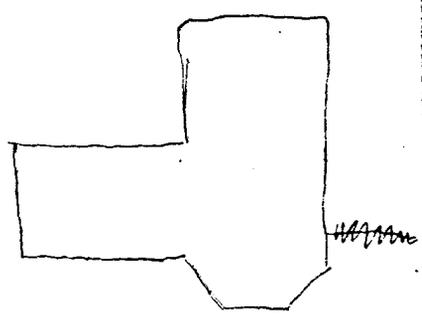
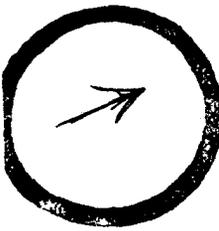
LOCAL ATTITUDES:
 Positive (X) Negative ()
 Mixed () Other:

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
- Moderately Built Up(x) Densely Built Up()
- Residential() Commercial()
- Agricultural() Industrial()
- Roadside Strip Development()
- Other:

RECORDED BY:
East New Market Historic District Commission

ORGANIZATION:
Summer, 1985

DATE RECORDED:

The Leonard Zeller House

T-shaped structure; 2½ -story; asphalt tile roof. Brick foundation. Aluminum siding.

The main block is 2 bays wide with 2 over 2 windows. (Original doorway used to be where 2nd bay is now located and a window where the 1st bay is located). The right hand projection has 3 bays; 1st and 3rd bay are on a diagonal. The center bay in projection is unusual with narrowed pair 1 over 1 windows. Other 2 bays have 2 over 2 windows. Front projection is predominant feature of building. At one time there was a wide front porch extending almost to the sidewalk. Roof has overhangs in either corner. Decorative small balusters with ornamental dropped pendant  on each side.

In front gable is a Gothic window with louvers for ventilation surrounded by imbricated shingles--many styles--saw tooth and fish scale.

Entrance in main block in 1st bay. The framework around door is new; wood surround with dentel cornice. Wood porch overhangs with gabled roof; acorn ornamental pendants. Knee braces support the overhang.

Right side has 2 bays. Modern addition added. One inside end chimney.

Back facade has the original addition; 2 over 2 windows. Roof same as main building; gabled; with overhang over porch, portion of which has been enclosed. Narrow concrete block chimney used for heating or cooking. One bay wide.

Left side has 2 bays; 1 bay is in an addition. Inside end chimney.

No basement.

The Zeller Funeral Home

Rectangular building; aluminum siding; part gabled roof; 2 story. Front facade is 3 bays wide with pedimented entrance supported by 2 round columns. 6 over 6 windows. One half round window in the gable. Tin roof. Left side is four bays deep. In the 4th bay there is an off-center overhang supported by regular knee braces. Back is 3 bays deep, gabled roof covered with tin. Frame has vertical boards with vertical sliding door that opens to the "lift." *

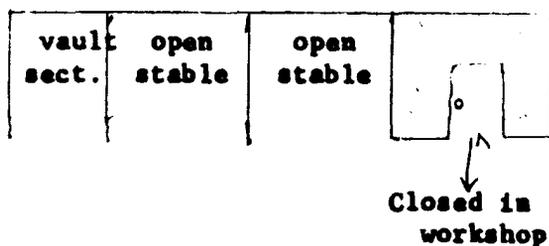
*The lift is used to transport caskets to the 2nd floor showroom.

Sara Rossing

The Zeller Property

Three Outbuilding:

1. Three vehicle garage; wood and concrete block with stepped gable. Built 1936-37. (Constructed by Mr. Howard Willoughby, Mr. Will Hayward, & Mr. Tom Harper).
2. Gray wood structure known as "the barn" consisting of a closed in workshop, stables, & vault portion. Tin shed roof with overhang.



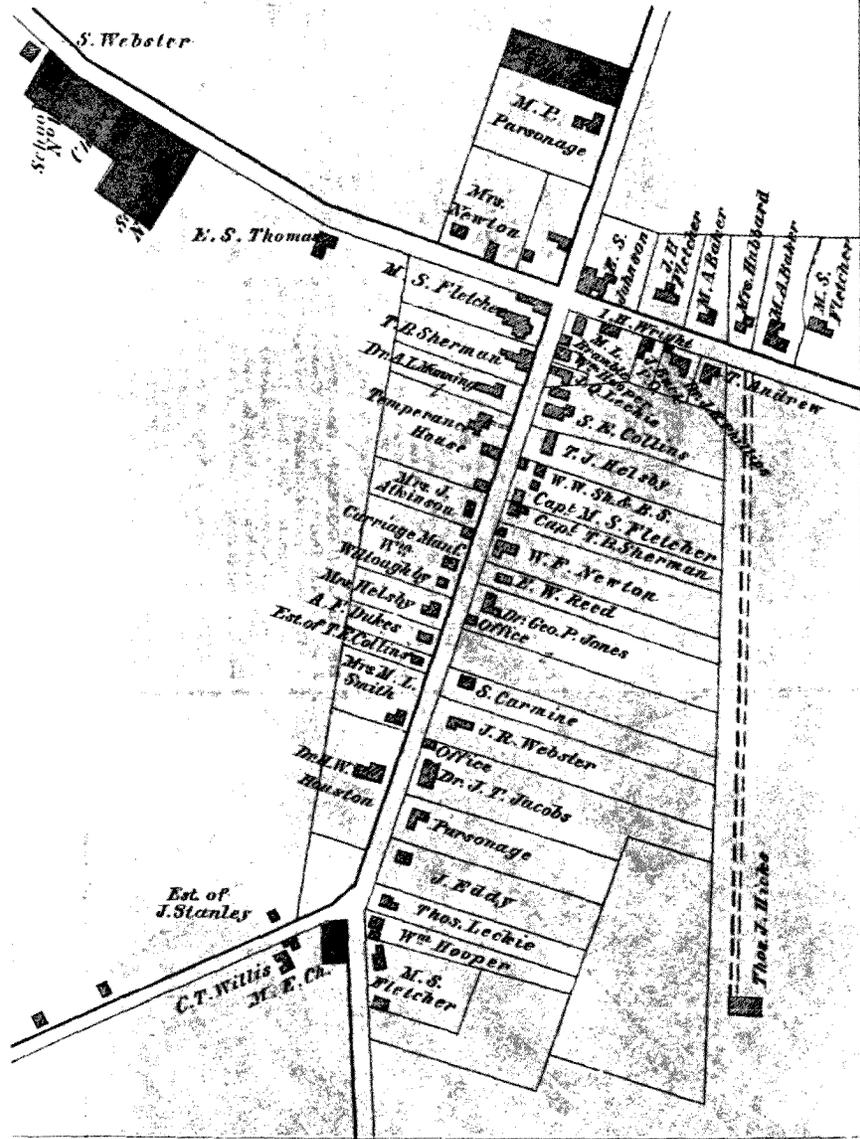
3. The Carriage House is of board and batten design with tin roof placed over cedar shingles. Barge board on gable ends and front in undulating or wavy-like pattern; a portion in saw tooth pattern.

All 3 structures are 1 story.

EAST NEW MARKET

DORCHESTER CO.

(East New Market Dist.)



EAST NEW MARKET BUSINESS REFERENCES.

- J. W. ANDREWS**, Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Hardware, Queensware, Cutlery, Tinware, Ready Made Clothing, Harness, Notions, and all other articles usually kept in a country store. Residence and Store, Cabin Creek, Md.
- K. B. FLETCHER**, Proprietor of the "Upper Cabin Creek" Flouring Mill. Merchant and Custom work done. Wheat and Corn bought at all times. Cabin Creek.
- B. F. SHERMAN**, Proprietor of "Lower Cabin Creek Mills." Merchant and Custom work done. Highest cash prices for Wheat and Corn. Also constable of East New Market District. P. O. East New Market.
- JAMES H. KELLY**, Proprietor of "Little Brick Mill." Custom work done at all times and in a satis-

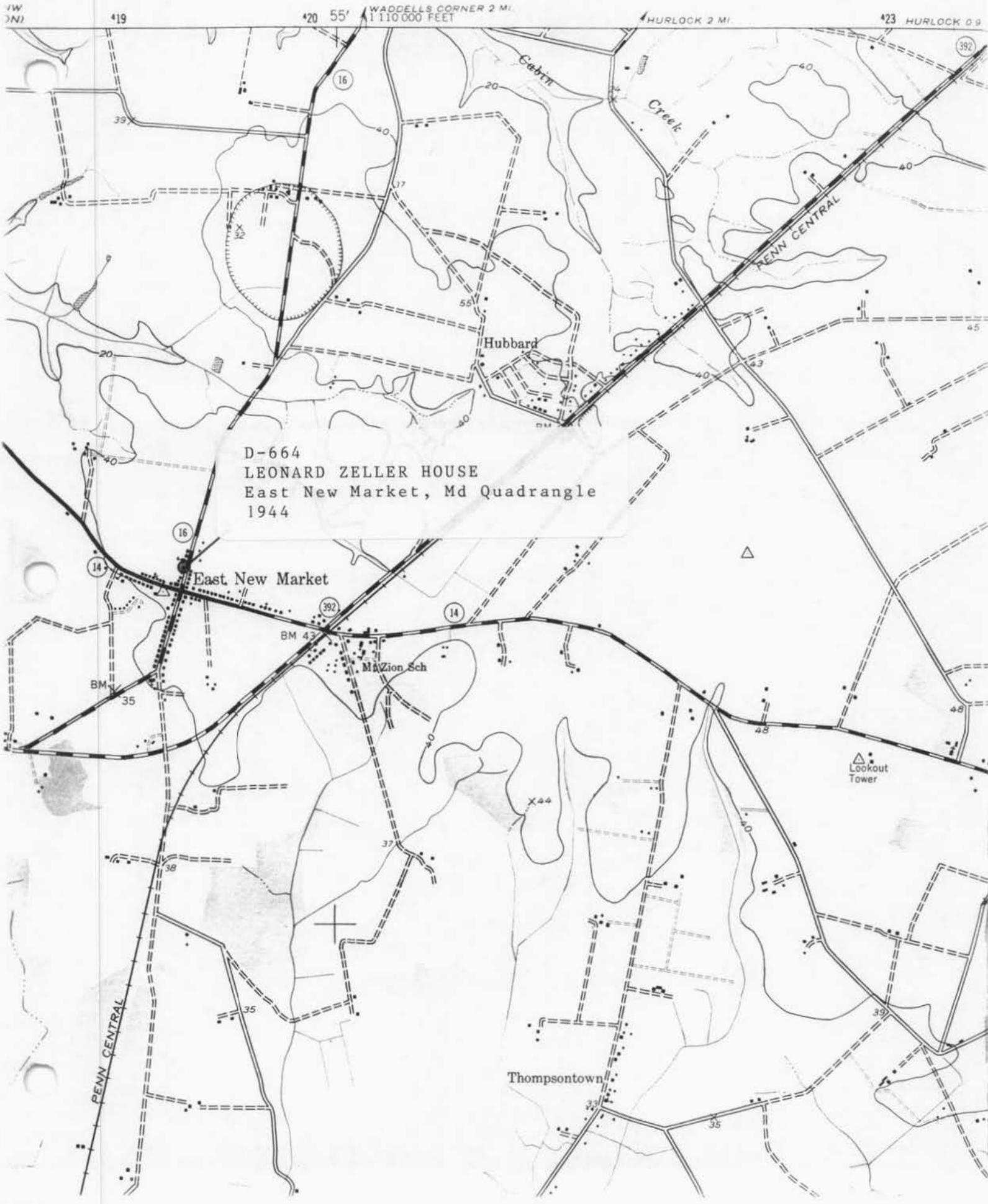
WILLIAM R. HOOPER, Manufacturer of Boots and Shoes. I keep a fine assortment on hand, and for sale at all times. All kinds of work done from finest Calf to "Plough Brogans." Orders solicited. Repairing neatly done. Shop, East New Market.

W. S. POTTER & SON. Proprietors of "Holly Grove Canning Factory." All kinds of Fruits canned, and kept on hand, and for sale at all times; Warranted as marked. Peaches a specialty. Residence and Canning Factory near East New Market, Dorchester County, Md.

H. W. HOUSTON, Dealer in Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Oils, Varnishes, Dye Stuffs, Fancy and

C. T. Willis
J. W. Andrews
W. S. Potter & Son
H. W. Houston
E. S. Thomas
S. Webster

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East New Market, Md Quadrangle
1944

East New Market

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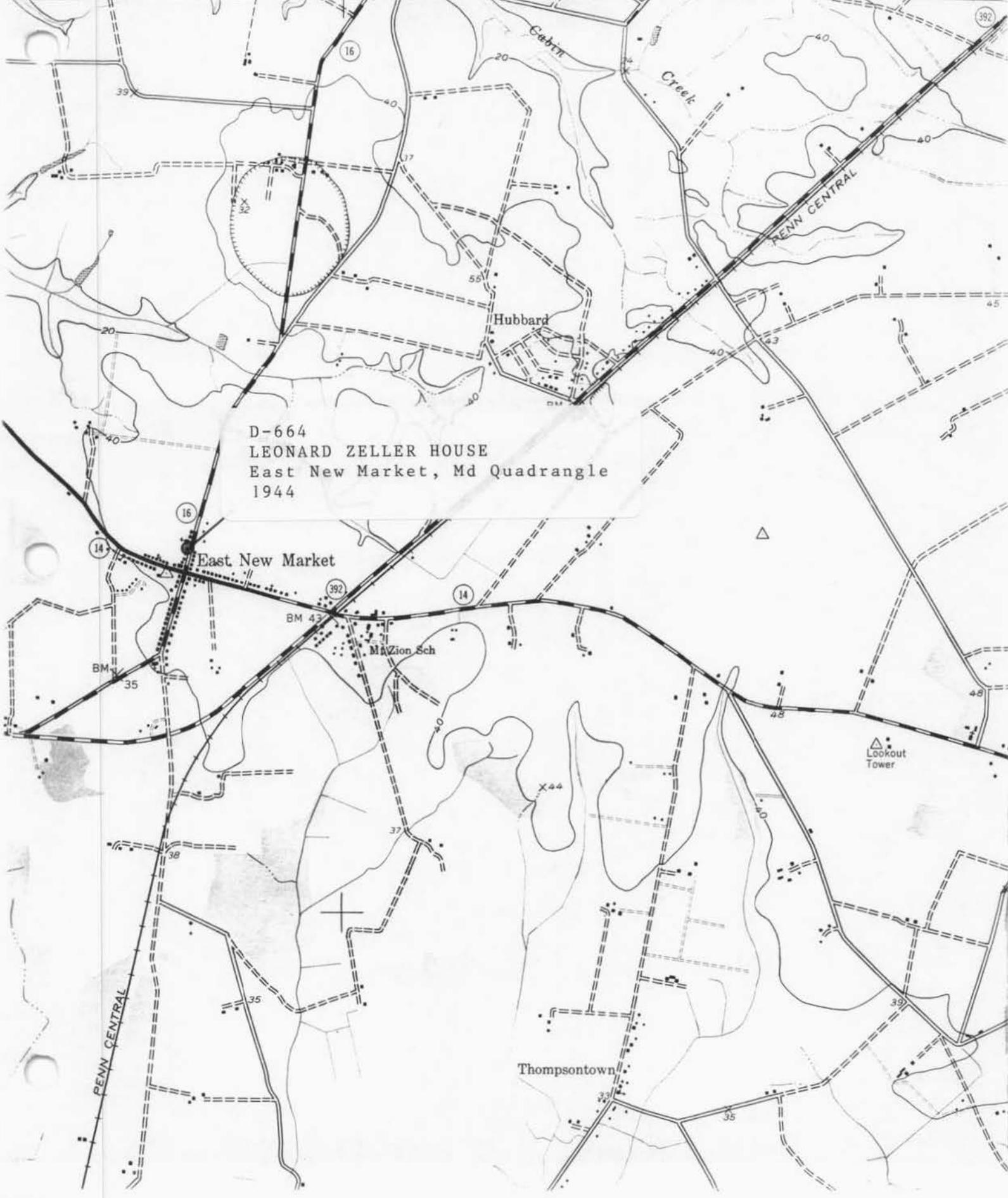
Thompsonstown

Lookout Tower

PENN CENTRAL

PENN CENTRAL

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LEONARD ZELLER HOUSE

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East New Market, Dorchester Co., MD

East elevation

10/87 Paul Touart photographer

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