

HA-1335

1894

Mrs. Hopkins Tenant House
124 Archer Street
Bel Air
Private

This well-kept little shotgun house was built by Amanda Hopkins (Mrs. J. T. C. Hopkins) as a tenant house. The fishscale shingles in the front gable give it a touch of style most of its neighbors lack, as does its L-shaped porch. It has been enlarged by additions, and its well landscaped yard and tidy appearance mark it as one of the more attractive homes on Archer Street.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Mrs. Hopkins' Tenant House

AND/OR COMMON

Wyche House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

124 Archer Street

1st

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

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

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Otis G. Wyche

Telephone #: 838-9456

STREET & NUMBER

124 Archer Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21014

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 727

Folio #: 418

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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

This T-shaped two and a half story frame house is at 124 Archer Street in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. It is covered in asphalt shingle. It was a shot-gun style house but the enclosure of part of the rear side porch on the south and the addition of a screen and frame porch on the back of the north elevation gave it its present T-shape. The original block presents its gable end to the street. The gable sports fish scale shingles and a six pane casement window in a plain surround. The rest of the windows are 2/2 double-hung sash framed in shutters. The south front window in the first story front (east) elevation reaches to the floor. The entrance is topped by a two pane horizontal transom. The first story on the front (east) and south is shaded by a hipped roofed porch carried on plain posts. It has a solid balustrade. The back (west) portion of the porch has been enclosed. A shed roofed screen porch has been added in the same bays on the north side. A center chimney with a corbelled cap in the ridge of the gable completes this simple, well-kept house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 checked="" 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

1894

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This attractive little house was built in the Hays Addition of Bel Air in 1894 by Amanda Hopkins (Mrs. J.T.C. Hopkins) on land she bought from the Bel Air Land Company (82/27). The Hays Addition was named for merchant Thomas Hays who left the land to his children when he died in 1861 (will 7/752).

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #1166 in the Town of Bel Air, 125.01' x 100.68'.

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian

14 June 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

39 Hickory Avenue

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

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.

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

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
 21 STATE CIRCLE
 SHAW HOUSE
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER:	HA-1335
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:	
UTM REFERENCES:	Zone/Easting/Northing
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:	
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:	Wyche House
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:	Mrs. Hopkins' Tenant House
PRESENT USE:	Private residence
ORIGINAL USE:	" "
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:	
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:	
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:	Excellent (X) Good () Fair () Poor: ()
THEME:	Architecture
STYLE:	Vernacular
DATE BUILT:	1894

COUNTY:	Harford
TOWN:	Bel Air
LOCATION:	124 Archer St. Bel Air, Md. 21014
COMMON NAME:	Wyche House
FUNCTIONAL TYPE:	Private residence
OWNER:	Otis G. Wyche
ADDRESS:	124 Archer St. Bel Air, Md.
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	Yes () No () Restricted (X)
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:	Local (X) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone () Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon ()
 - 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 () Asphalt Shingle (X) Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: _____ Other: _____
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood () Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal () Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other: _____
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys (X) Sheds (X) 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

Number of Bays: 2 Entrance Location: Archer

Approximate Dimensions: _____

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

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

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Shot-gun added to rear side (south) porch enclosed, screened in back porch on north gable end to street, fish scale shingles on front (east) elevation & 6 pane casement in plain surround. Other windows 2/2 ground floor front (east) south bay window long 2/2 (to floor) shutters on all windows narrow 2 pane transom over entrance (north bay of east elevation) hipped roof porch on plain posts with solid balustrade.

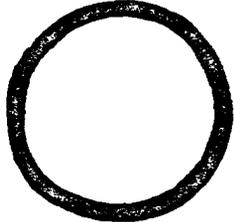
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Late 19th century working man's housing
Today well kept on carefully tended lot: owner-occupied

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



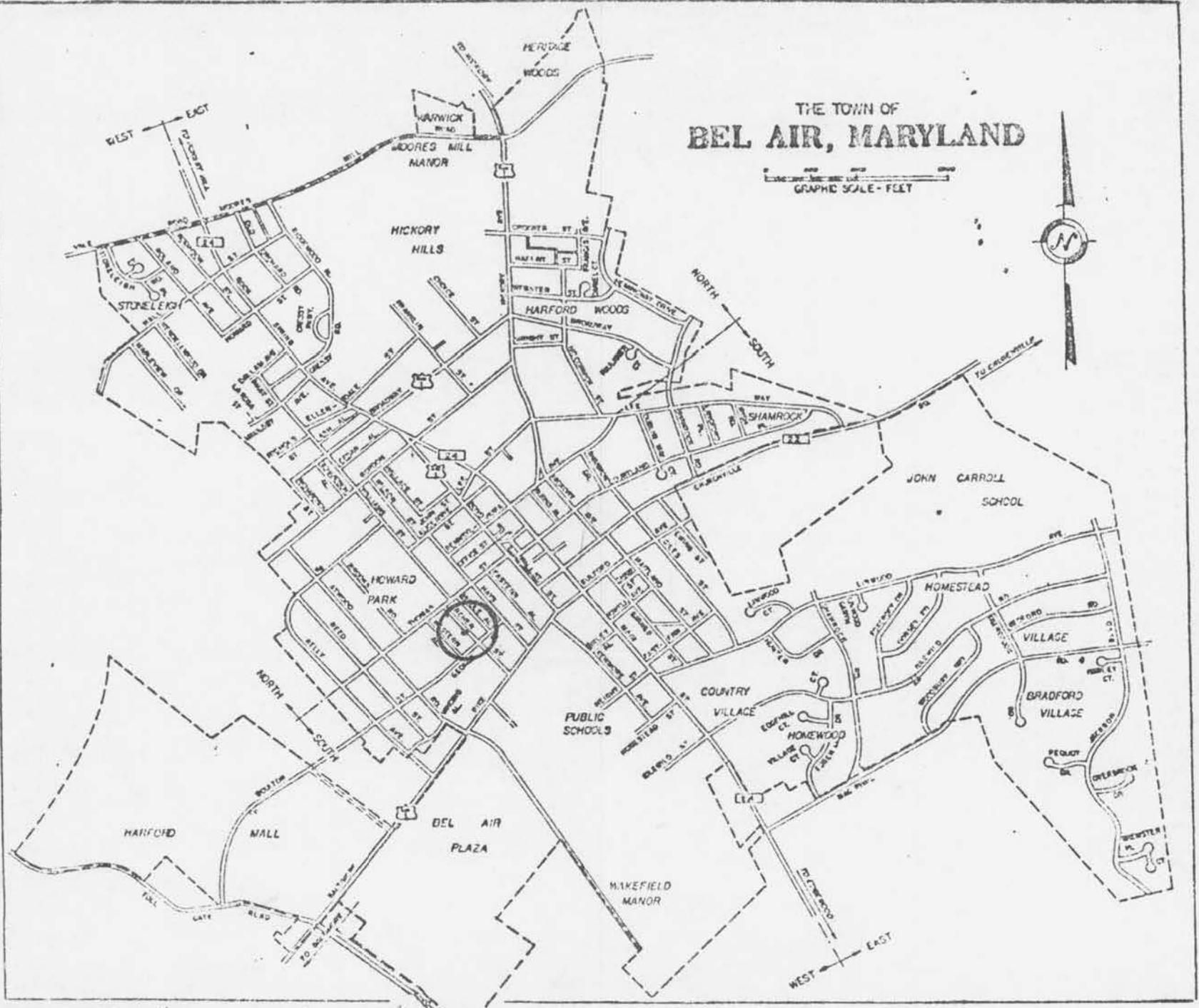
SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

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

M. Larew
RECORDED BY:
Town of Bel Air

ORGANIZATION:
13 June 1979

DATE RECORDED:



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Bel Air



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M. Larew, 1979