

HA-1351

Between 1868 & 1878

Hopkins House #2  
106 S. Bond Street  
Bel Air  
Private

This tenant house is slightly different from its mates. Built before 1878 by J. T. C. Hopkins, it has more ample proportions than the average shotgun house, but it entered the 20th century without a trace of decoration. The front porch with its delicate mock-chinoiserie band was added after 1904.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Hopkins House #2  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
106 S. Bond Street 1st  
CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
Bel Air VICINITY OF  
STATE COUNTY  
Maryland Harford

**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	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Charles V. Spalding et al Telephone #: 838-7500  
STREET & NUMBER  
54A N. Main  
CITY, TOWN STATE, zip code  
Bel Air VICINITY OF Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
Harford County Courthouse Liber #: 662  
Folio #: 445  
STREET & NUMBER  
Main Street  
CITY, TOWN STATE  
Bel Air Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
DATE  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
CITY, TOWN STATE  
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" 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 two bay, two and a half story shotgun house with a gable roof is at 106 S. Bond Street in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. It has a 6 pane window in the front gable. The other windows are 6/6 double-hung sash. The front (east) porch, built after 1904, has a shed roof carried on plain square posts with spindle brackets and a line of spindle decoration under the roof line. The original house was two bays wide with a shed roof kitchen addition to the rear (west). After 1904 a second story was added to the shed which left the original roof line visible.

The entrance is in the south bay of the front (elevation).

This is the simplest kind of workingman's housing, like dozens of houses built around Town from 1875 to World War I. Since this one did not acquire a front porch until after 1904, possibly after 1923 when the DeBows bought it, it was plainer than most.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 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 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				

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SPECIFIC DATES      **Between 1868 & 1878**      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small shotgun house in poor condition is the remaining one of two houses he built between 1868 and 1878 on land leased from the estate of Thomas Hays (21/109). Both houses appear on the 1878 map. This is the south one. They were probably tenant houses. This one is too close to the next door (south) house and too small to be the house of a young lawyer (Hopkins was admitted to the bar in 1865), although it is not clear where he was living before 1879 when he built the house on Main Street. Bond Street was the site of the homes of craftsmen and small merchants, not professional men.

This house stayed in the Hopkins family until 1923. In 1920, the house was assessed at \$996. W. Wylie Hopkins, Thomas's son, sold the property to Archer K. DeBow in 1923 (183/216). After De Bow died, his widow Frances conveyed it to her son, Archer Kirk De Bow retaining a life interest (259/358, 1940). In 1941 they conveyed to Adolph W. Cosner (263/472), who sold it to George W. Sparks in 1952 (386/331). Sparks's widow, Della, sold it to Benjamin P. Toben and Charles V. Spalding in 1964 (662/445).

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

1878 Map  
 1904, 1930 Sanborn Map  
 1920 Bel Air Tax List

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #1211 in the Town of Bel Air, 28.5' x 200'

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

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian

19 October 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

39 Hickory Avenue

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

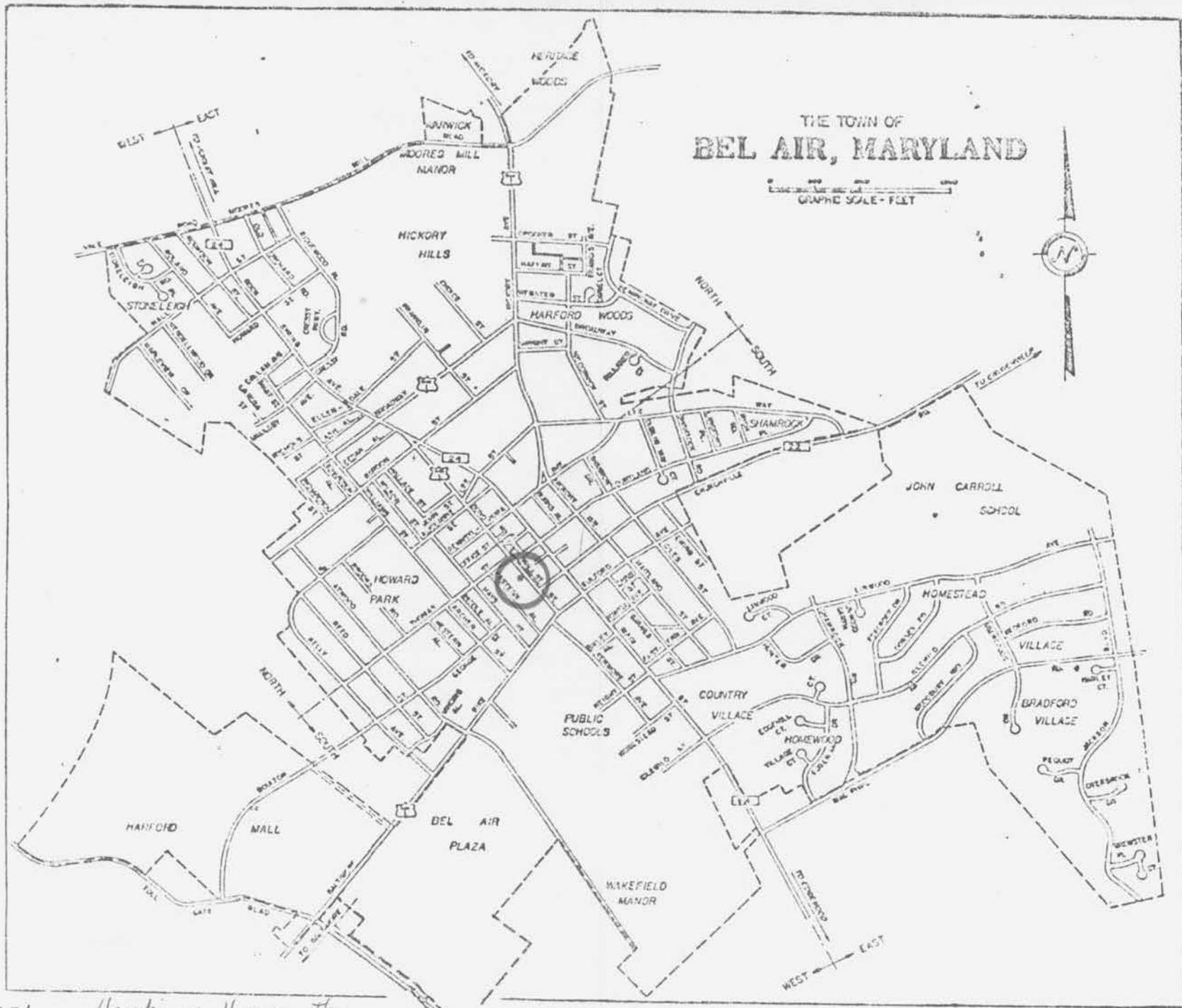
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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
 (301) 267-1438

TITLE: 106 S. Bond Street

- 662/445                    16 November 1964  
Della E. Sparks, widow  
                              to  
Benjamin P. Toben & Rachel  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Charles V. Spalding & Adalene  $\frac{1}{2}$
- 386/331                    13 December 1952  
Adolph W. Cosner & Rhoda  
                              to  
George W. Sparks & Della
- 263/472                    20 January 1941  
Frances A. DeBow, widow, and Archer Kirk  
DeBow & Sidney, wife  
                              to  
Adolph W. Cosner & Rhoda
- 259/358                    5 April 1940  
Frances A. DeBow, widow  
                              to  
Archer Kirk De Bow, son  
retains life interest
- 183/216                    2 July 1923  
W. Wylie Hopkins & Annabel  
                              to  
Archer K. DeBow & Frances  
part of land leased from the estate of Thomas  
Hays by J. Thomas D. Hopkins 8 October 1868  
by 21/109 Hopkins purchased the fee simple  
after the 1875 equity case Mary Sappington  
vs. Thomas A. Hays et al in which the lands  
left to various Hays daughters which reverted  
to Elizabeth Jacobs and her heirs were sued to  
sale for partition.



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106 S. Bond



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Hopkins House #2. 1065 Bond, Bel Air  
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M. Larew, 1979