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c.1780
c.1850

Parker H. Lee House
Cool Spring Farm
2505 Cool Spring Road
Cool Spring
Private

The Parker H. Lee House is significant for its association with the Lee family, who owned extensive land in the Cool Spring area in the 19th century. Both the 1858 and 1878 maps show this house and several others occupied by Lees in the area. One of these was Jericho (HA-907), which also said to have been built about 1780.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Parker H. Lee House

AND/OR COMMON
Cool Spring Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
2505 Cool Spring Road

CITY, TOWN
Cool Spring X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
1st

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
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	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 not applicable	<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
Richard M. Colborn

Telephone #: 734-4255

STREET & NUMBER
2505 Cool Spring Road

CITY, TOWN
Bel Air, _____ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
MD 21014

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 977
Folio #: 303

STREET & NUMBER
20 W. Courtland St.

CITY, TOWN
Bel Air

STATE
MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Maryland Historical Trust Historic Sites Inventory

DATE
c.1970 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN
Annapolis

STATE
MD

7 DESCRIPTION

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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

The Parker H. Lee House is a two story, two section stone house with a stucco exterior and a two story porch which was possibly built in the late 18th or early 19th century and is located on the south side of Cool Spring Road about 1/4 mile west of Priestford Road (Maryland Route 136). The house and its related outbuildings are east of the modern development of Cool Spring in Harford County, Maryland. The main elevation of the house faces east.

The two sections of the house were probably built at different times, but the sequence of construction is not known. The present owner has been told by older residents of the area that the house dates in part from about 1780. This is difficult to verify by the visible evidence of the house, but remains a possibility.

Both sections are two stories with three bays on both the east (main) and west elevations. The sections are joined on their gable ends with the gable roof ridge on a north-south axis. Each has a side hall entry and interior end chimneys. The north section is situated on a northern slope and thus appears somewhat lower in height than the south portion. The west elevations of both sections have exposed cellars.

The southern section has a two story open porch with concrete block columns and plain balustrades. This was probably added in the mid 20th century. On the south gable end of the section is a flat-roofed polygonal two story projecting bay. This bay is frame with clapboard siding and is undoubtedly a late 19th or early 20th century addition. The slate roof has two gabled dormers facing west. The dormers have returns and fluted moldings. The north section has a small entry porch at a side door on its north end.

The windows on the first floor of the south section are 1/1, but most others are 6/6. The windows of the east elevation have louvred shutters. The roof of both sections is slate.

Several barns and other agricultural outbuildings are located south of the house. Visible across a pasture to the south is a two story frame tenant house which appears to have been built during the last quarter of the 19th century. It has three bays and a shed porch which has been partially enclosed. The roof is slate and the exterior is asbestos shingles. Two interior chimneys project from the roof.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Harford County Department of Planning & Zoning

DATE

May 1983

STREET & NUMBER

45 S. Main Street

TELEPHONE

(301) 838-6000 ext 207

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD

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

N. R. FIELD SHEET
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME
 COMMON: FRANKER H. LEE HOUSE
Cool Spring Apartment House
 AND/OR HISTORIC: Cool Spring Farm House

2. LOCATION
 STREET AND NUMBER: Lane runs south from Cool Spring Road about 0.7 mi
 CITY OR TOWN: near Churchville west of Priest Ford Road
 STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Harford

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		<u>Apartment conversion</u>

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
 OWNERS NAME: Davis, Colburn, Stinchcomb and Davis
 STREET AND NUMBER: 9223 Harford Road (Mickey Stinchcomb - Fork, Md.)
 CITY OR TOWN: Carney STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: clerk of the Circuit Court
 STREET AND NUMBER: Harford County Courthouse 40 S Main ST
 CITY OR TOWN: Bel Air STATE: Maryland

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
 TITLE OF SURVEY:
 DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
 STREET AND NUMBER:
 CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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STATE: COUNTY: ENTRY NUMBER DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

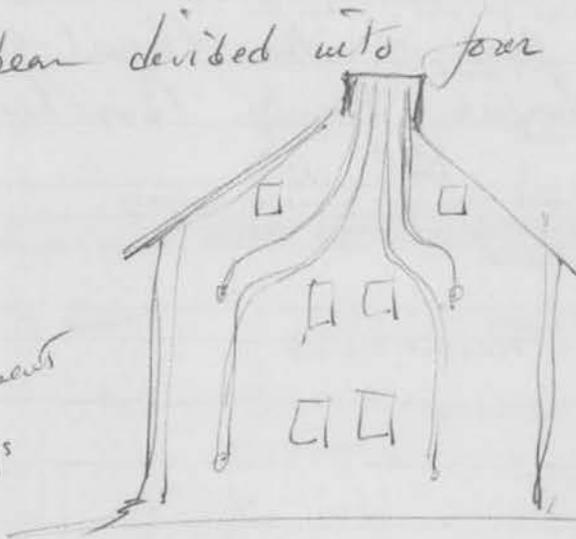
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Cool Spring Farm is now part of property owned by the developers of a commercial center fronting on Churchville Road. Entered now on Cool Spring Road, the ^{two story} house faces east in two parts, each ~~two~~ three bays long, two rooms deep. The ridge line runs north-south. There is a two story porch facing east on the southern section of the house, and a victorian bay window is added to the south wall, first floor.

Two large chimneys at the north wall and the central wall lead from several interior fireplaces that are blocked up.

The house has been divided into four apartment units.

North wall showing alignment of chimneys



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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian
- 15th Century
- 16th Century
- 17th Century
- 18th Century
- 19th Century
- 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Aboriginal | Education <input type="checkbox"/> | Political <input type="checkbox"/> | Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> | Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input type="checkbox"/> | Industry <input type="checkbox"/> | Science <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> | Invention <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Art <input type="checkbox"/> | Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/Humanitarian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> | Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Communications <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ |
| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/> | Military <input type="checkbox"/> | | _____ |
| | Music <input type="checkbox"/> | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

See

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: *Jean S. Swing*

ORGANIZATION: *Maryland Historic Trust* DATE: *Dec '69*

STREET AND NUMBER: *55 State Circle*

CITY OR TOWN: *Annapolis* STATE: *Maryland* CODE: _____

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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This large farm house - once ^{the best} family farm, was the residence during the 1930s & 40s and 50s, of a prosperous dairy farm manager Carl Todd, who came to this country with very little money and ^{worked very hard} ~~started~~ winning the respect of ^{established} ~~many~~ farmers.

B.S. Todd:

838-5166 -

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His sons have sold this property to the commercial developers whose land ~~is~~ on Churchill's Road is a mammoth new shopping center. The land is being rented.

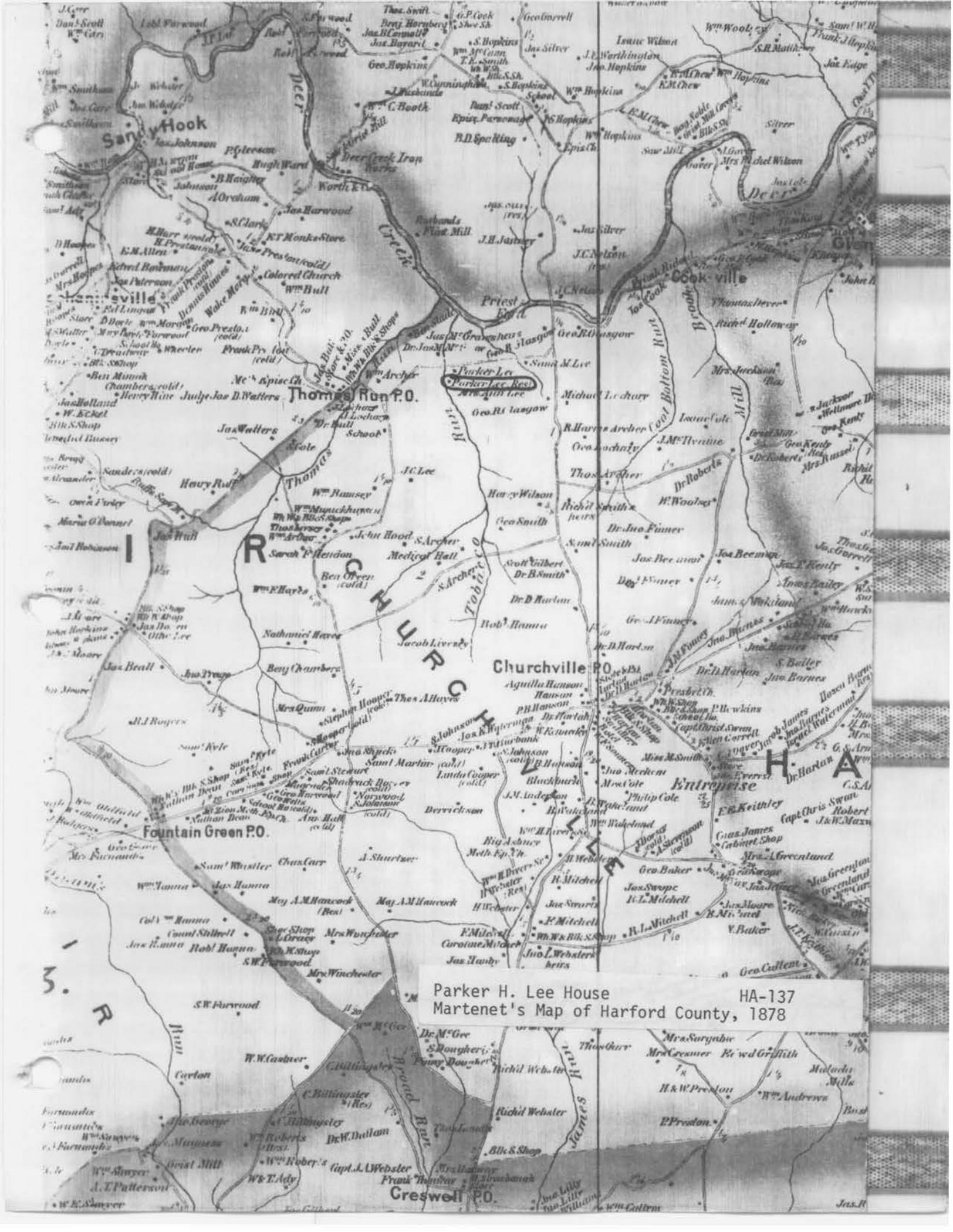


Parker H. Lee House
 Jennings & Herrick, Map of Harford County,
 1858

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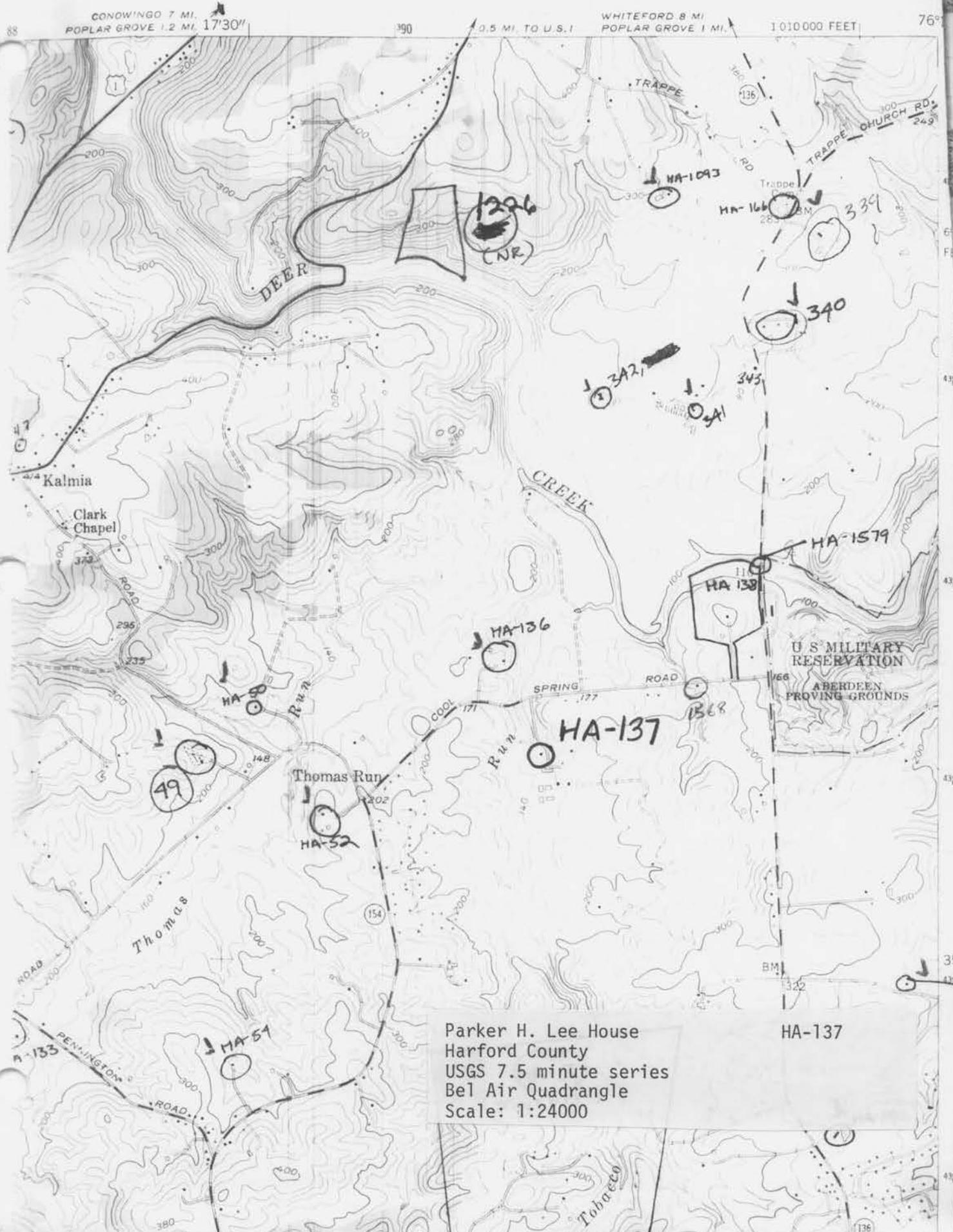


Parker H. Lee House
Martenet's Map of Harford County, 1878

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BEL AIR QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND—HARFORD CO.
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



Parker H. Lee House
Harford County
USGS 7.5 minute series
Bel Air Quadrangle
Scale: 1:24000

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Parker H. Lee House

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Photographer: Janet Davis

May 1983

East elevation

1/2



Parker H. Lee House
Harford County
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May 1983
West elevation
2/2

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