

HA-1383

1889

Mrs. William Smith House
224 E. Broadway
Bel Air
private

Another variation on the front gable Victorian, this house has a cruciform gable roof and a side entrance. One enters what was probably the dining room, an unusual feature. The two story hexagonal bay window was a favorite in Bel Air.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Mrs. William Smith House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

224 E. Broadway

1st

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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

Geoffrey Close et al

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

224 E. Broadway

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 #: not yet recorded

Folio #:

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two and a half story aluminum-sided house with a gable roof is at 224 E. Broadway in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. The meeting of gable roof lines gives the house a T-shaped roof with the cross bar to the south. Like many of its neighbors it has a front gable with a round headed 2/2 double-hung sash window. A twin of this window is in the west gable, but the east gable has a pair of 1/1 windows in a flat surround. The other major windows are 2/2. Exceptions are the windows in the enclosed portion of the side porch (east) which are paired casements, the multi-pane windows in the second story sleeping porch (east and north elevations) and the window in the east elevation directly below. A sun deck with plank rail balustrade tops the enclosed porch. A two story bay window is in the south bay of the west elevation; it lights the parlor. A second rectangular, single story bay is directly to the north of this two story bay. It has two 1/1 windows. Many of the windows have wooden louvered shutters. Two corbelled cap chimneys break the roof-line. One serves the parlor fireplace. The other, directly behind this one, served a stove in the dining room.

Unlike most similar houses in Town, the entrance to this house is not, and never has been, in the front elevation. It is in the second bay on the east side. This is obscured in the pictures by the enclosure of that portion of the side porch. Today one enters the enclosed porch to find a small foyer. A door to the house is in the east wall of the house and one enters the enclosed porch from there, too.

The interior of the house is in poor condition. The fireplace in the parlor is a 20th century replacement. The staircase runs up the south wall of the room behind (north) the parlor. It is a single run closed-string staircase with a square newel and balusters. North of the dining room is a modern kitchen with bath and enclosed porch behind that.

The second story has three bedrooms, a bath, and a sleeping porch. All the woodwork in the house is entirely plain.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harford Democrat
Bel Air Centennial Book

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #331 in the Town of Bel Air

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M. Larew, Architectural Historian

21 August 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

39 Hickory Ave.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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 21 STATE CIRCLE
 SHAW HOUSE
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1383
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME: Mrs. William Smith House
PRESENT USE: being renovated/offices
ORIGINAL USE: private residence
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent () Good () Fair (X) Poor: ()
THEME: Architecture
STYLE: Vernacular
DATE BUILT: 1889

COUNTY: Harford
TOWN: Bel Air
LOCATION: 224 E. Broadway Bel Air, Maryland 21014
COMMON NAME: House
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: private residence
OWNER: Geoffrey Close et al p. 331 ADDRESS: 224 E. Broadway Bel Air, Md. 21014
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes () No () Restricted (X)
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local (X) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone(X) 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(X) Asphalt Shingle()
Brick Veneer() Stone Veneer()
Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood() Iron() Steel() Concrete()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate(X) Wood Shingle() Asphalt Shingle() Sheet Metal()
Built Up() Rolled() Tile() Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other: corbelled

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

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: 2½
 Number of Bays: 2 Entrance Location: Broadway
 Approximate Dimensions: _____

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

LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive() Negative() Mixed() Other:
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Windows 2/2; porch doric columns L around E. side enclosed in North end of E. side casement windows & sun deck front gable round 2/2, E. pr long narrow 1/1, w gable round 2/2 2 story bay hexagonal 1st bay (S.) on W. elev 1 story rectangular bay just behind (N.) the 2 story, 1/1 windows (two of them) back (N.) shed roof sun porch enclosed 3 br/bath/porch E R fireplace 20th century woodwork single run staircase closed strings square newel & sq. balusters

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

shiplap 2 car garage 1 gable roof ridge N-S

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Mary C. Todd last owner
Charles O'Brien previous

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



E. Broadway

Factory

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

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

M. Larew
RECORDED BY:
Town of Bel Air
ORGANIZATION:
3 August 1979
DATE RECORDED:

TITLE: 224 E. BROADWAY

not yet recorded
Mary C. Todd
to
Geoffrey Close et al
to be renovated into offices

859/299 23 October 1970
Charles E. O'Brien & Helen, wife
to
Mary C. Todd

323/440 30 November 1948
N. Howard Dean, widower
to
Charles and Helen O'Brien

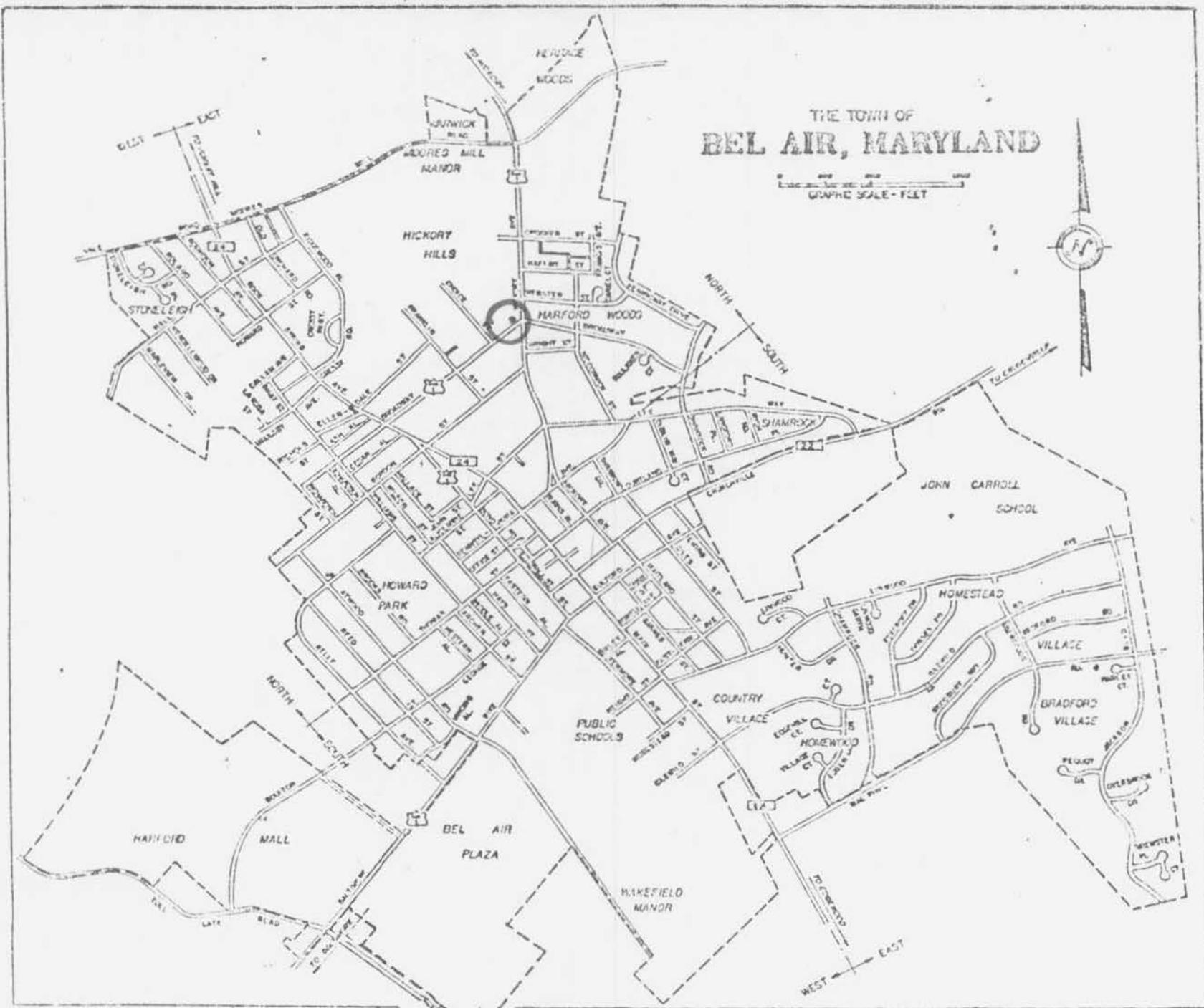
115/192 29 April 1905
Emory A. Mc Comas
to
N. Howard Dean

104/37 21 January 1902
M. Alice Hendon and James, husband
to
Emory A. McComas

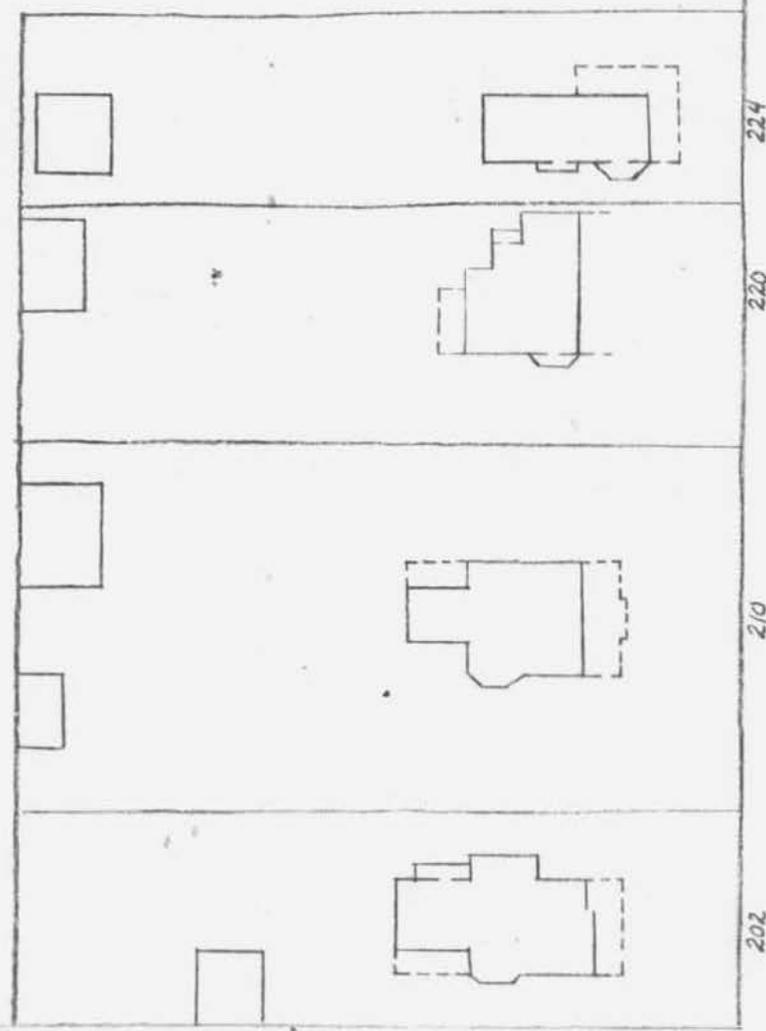
79/89 26 September 1893
Mary P. Smith and William, husband,
of Philadelphia
to
M. Alice Hendon
\$1600

64/206 18 February 1889
Charles L. Dallam
to
Mary P. Smith
\$1050

58/495 14 May 1887
Heirs of Dr. Munnikhuysen
to
Charles L. Dallam

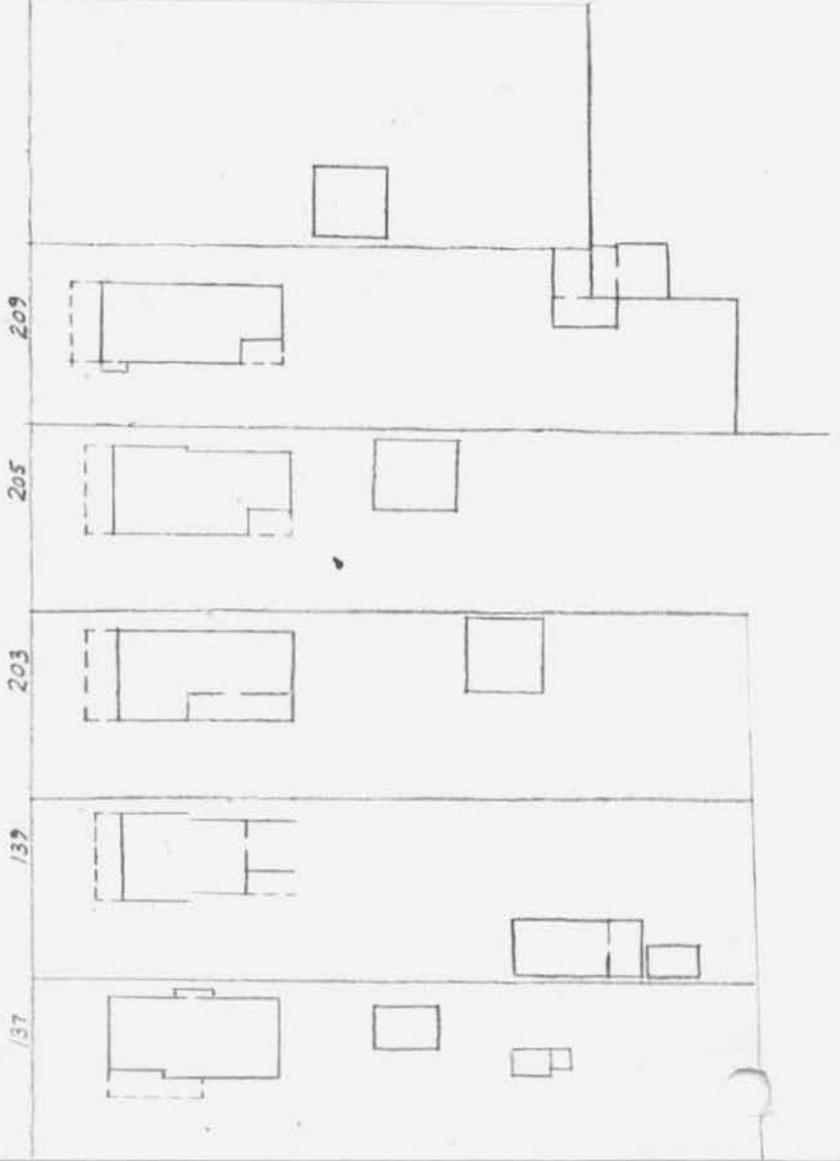


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224 E. Broadway
Bel Air, Md.

HA-1383
1930 Sanborn Map





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w + s elev
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Mrs. William Smith House, 224 E. Broadway
Bel Air

5 + 2 elev

M. Larew, 1979



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Mrs. William Smith House, 224 E. Broadway
Bel Air

new

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