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Edward Handy House
Bellevue
Private

c. 1925

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: EDWARD HANDY HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: T-777

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
~~ARTS~~
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL / URBAN DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic EDWARD HANDY HOUSE

and/or common MORRIS THOMAS HOUSE

2. Location

street & number Corner of the Ferry Road and Gates Street ___ not for publication

city, town Bellevue ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Talbot

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 Morris Thomas

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio

city, town Easton state Md 21601

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. T-777

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 Edward Handy house stands on the northeast corner of the intersection of the ferry road and Gates Street on the western edge of Bellevue, Talbot County, Maryland. The story-and-a-half frame bungalow faces southwest with the gable-front roof oriented on a northeast/southwest axis.

Estimated to date to around 1925, the story-and-a-half frame bungalow rests on a concrete block foundation, and the house is sheathed with a layer of wood shingles. The steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Rising through the center of the house is a narrow brick stove stack.

The southwest elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade with a center entrance and flanking three-over-one sash windows. The partially glazed door as well as the adjacent windows are sheltered by a gable roofed porch that is partly screened in. The porch roof, finished with a pedimented front, is supported by tapered posts. The gable end is pierced by paired three-over-one sash windows. The eaves to the roof are slightly extended with short returns at the base.

The southeast side facing Gates Street includes a side entrance sheltered by a single-bay covered porch. Three-over-one sash windows flank the partially glazed side door. Fixed on the roof is a gable roof dormer filled with a three-over-one sash window.

The northwest side is detailed in a similar manner with two three-over-one sash windows lighting the first floor and a gabled dormer lighting the attic.

The northeast (rear) elevation includes a back entrance to the house as well as three-over-one sash windows as well.

The interior was not seen.

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

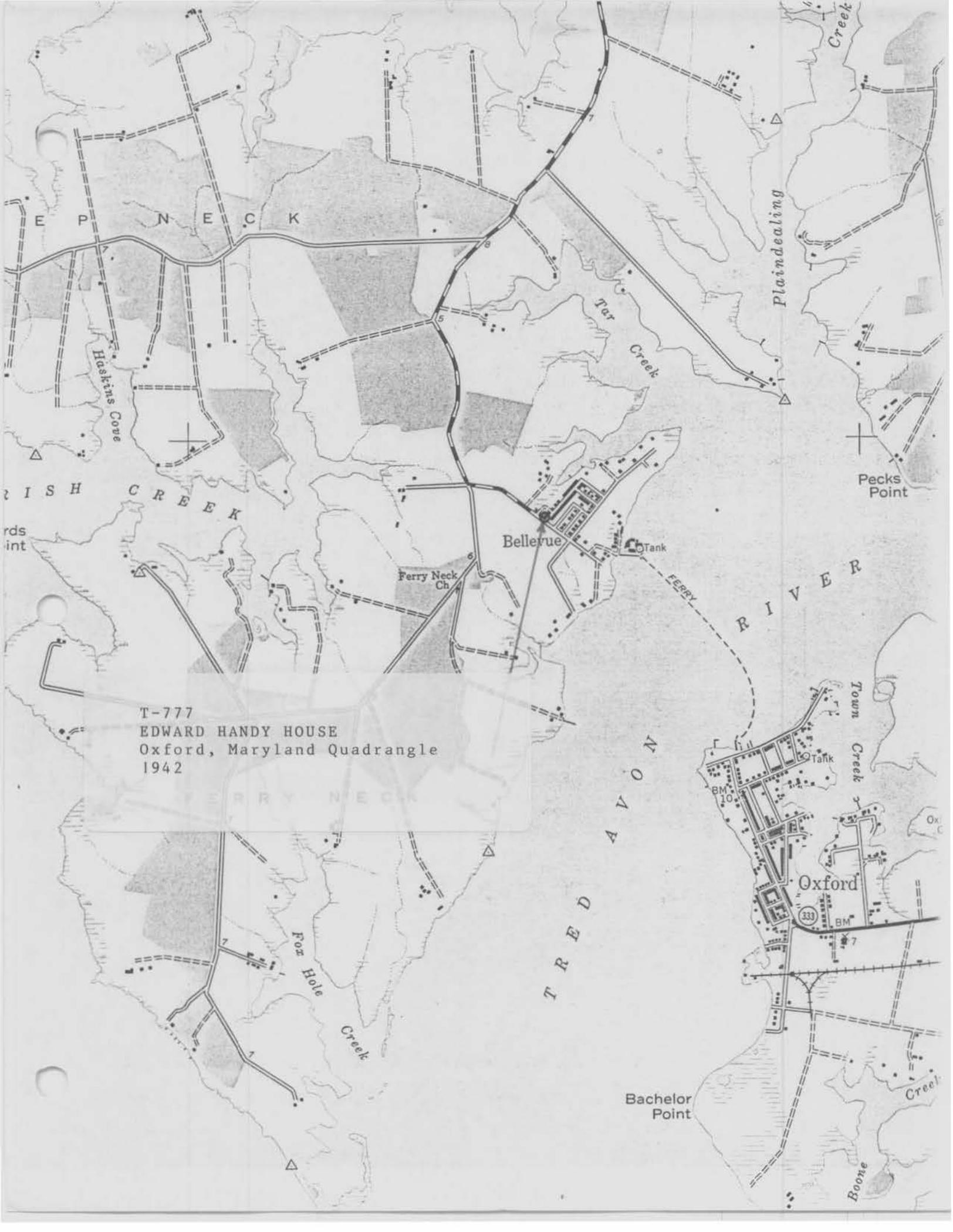
Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

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.

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EDWARD HANDY HOUSE
Oxford, Maryland Quadrangle
1942

Bellevue

Oxford

Bachelor Point

Pecks Point

Plaindealing

TRED AVON RIVER

Fox Hole Creek

Tar Creek

Haskins Cove

WISHER CREEK

Boone Creek

Ferry Neck Ch

Tank

Tank

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BM 7

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Southwest elevation

Bellevue, Talbot County, Maryland

5/90, Paul Touart, photographer

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