

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. T-905

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common A.B.Corkran house

## 2. Location

street & number Bayside Drive  not for publication

city, town Claiborne  vicinity of congressional district 5

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	<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 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 Walter M. and J.P. Jarzynski

street & number Box 32 telephone no.: 745-9633

city, town Claiborne state and zip code MD 21624

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Courthouse liber 364

street & number folio 21

city, town Easton state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<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 A.B. Corkran house is located on the south side of Bayside Drive in Claiborne, Talbot County, Maryland. The house faces north, with the principle gable oriented on an east/west axis.

This two-and-a-half story, frame structure is sheathed in white asbestos shingles, and roofed with asphalt shingles. The foundation formerly consisted of brick piers which are now infilled with cinderblocks and sealed with cement. One interior brick chimney rises from each end of the house.

The north (main) elevation has a central door flanked to the east by one one-over-one sash window with wide surrounds and crown molding and to the west by one small two pane window. A one-story, shed roof addition extends to the west and is pierced by one six-light over 3-panel door and one small one-over-one sash window. The second story is lit by four one-over-one sash windows with wide surrounds and crown molding.

The west elevation has a one-story, screened porch across the entire first floor. This floor is pierced by two entrance doors. The second floor is lit by two one-over-one sash windows with wide surrounds and crown molding. The attic level is pierced by two narrow louvered vents.

The south elevation has a central door sheltered by a gable roof portico. This central bay is flanked by two one-over-one sash windows to the west and one to the east. The second floor is lit by four one-over-one sash windows. All these windows have wide surrounds with crown molding.

The east elevation is lit by two one-over-one sash windows with wide surrounds and crown molding on both the first and second floors. The attic level is lit by two tall and narrow one-over-one sash windows.

The interior of the house originally consisted of a central hall flanked on either side by two rooms. There were four large bedrooms on the second floor. The first floor of the original floor plan has been changed as the current owner has removed some of these walls.

There are three outbuildings on the property, all of which are covered in asbestos shingles. One shed has a garage door, a five-panel door, and four eight-light windows. A second shed with oddly slanting sides was built by

# 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/
<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.

The A.B. "Tony" Corkran house is not on this site in the 1902 USGS map of Maryland, but does appear on the 1912 Plat of Claiborne. Little is remembered about Corkran except that he fished nets and had an oyster house out on the breakwater by the ferry and railroad wharf.

Corkran sold the house during the Depression to Bert Genese who had moved from England to settle on the Eastern Shore. Genese was a captain on the ferry Governor Harry W. Nice which began running between Romancoke and Claiborne in 1938. Bert Genese married Bessie Tunis of Claiborne. There were no children from the marriage. Genese later sold the house to its current owner, Mr. Jerzinsky of Baltimore.



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A. B. Corkran house Description cont'd.

the current owner and is used for storage. The third building is an old outhouse with a batten door and a single pane window.





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A. B. CORKRAN HOUSE

NE ELEVATION