

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND DEPT. OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. T-923

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common P.M.Pastorfield Jr. house

## 2. Location

street & number Royal Oak Road  not for publication

city, town Royal Oak  vicinity of congressional district 2

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 Thomas M. and Jacqueline Stork

street & number P.O.Box 124 telephone no.: 745-5932

city, town Royal Oak state and zip code MD 21662

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Courthouse liber 565

street & number folio 793

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 P. M. Pastorfield, Jr. house is located on the south side of Royal Oak Road in Royal Oak, Talbot County, Maryland. This house is the second structure on the west side of Royal Oak Road from its intersection with Bellevue Road. The house faces north with the principle gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built after 1889, this two bay, two-story frame structure is sheathed in white, german siding and finished with cornerboards. The foundation is brick and the roof is covered in asphalt shingles.

The north (main) elevation is a gable end with a full width screened porch with square post supports resting on a cement pad floor. The first story is pierced by a four panel door with a four-light transom and three-light sidelights. One two-over-two sash window with narrow surrounds and blue louvered shutters lights this first floor. The second floor is lit by two two-over-two sash windows with narrow surrounds.

The east elevation is lit on the first floor by one two-over-two sash window with narrow surrounds and on the second floor by two two-over-two sash windows. A two-story, gable roof addition extends to the south with a one-story, shed roof addition across its first floor. The first floor is lit by three single light windows. The second floor is lit by one two-over-two sash window with narrow surrounds.

The south elevation has a shed roof addition which extends across the first floor lit by two sets of two single-light windows. The second floor is lit by two one-over-one sash windows with wide, white surrounds.

The west elevation is lit by two two-over-two sash windows with narrow surrounds on both the first and second floors. A two-story, gable roof addition extends to the south lit by a three-sided bay window with eight-light windows. The second floor has one two-over-two sash window with narrow surrounds. A one-story shed roof addition projects to the south from the southern end of this two-story wing. The south side of this structure is pierced by a set of sliding glass doors.

The gable roof outbuilding which sits on the property was once the Royal Oak post office. It was moved from its original site next to Royal Oak Road to the rear of the property. The former post office is now covered with

# 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 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		

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Bernice Leonard writes about this property in Twig and Turf III. This lot was the extreme northernmost portion of the "Locust Lot" which Joshua E. Leonard had sold to Anthony Banning in the mid 1800s. Banning's heirs then sold the property to E. T. Benson in 1862 who sold it to P. T. Pastorfield. Pastorfield exchanged this lot for a site on Ferry Neck (Bellevue) Road owned by Thomas J. Valliant. Valliant then became the owner here.

In 1871 Valliant was forced to give his property in a Deed of Trust to Ormond Hammond. Hugh B. Valliant purchased this lot at a trustee sale in 1877. In the 1877 Atlas a house is located on this property with "H.B. Valient" identified as the owner. Valliant did not have the money to pay for it, however, and soon lost the property to Ormond Hammond in a Deed of Trust. In 1884 Hammond sold the property to Mary C. McNeal.

In 1889 John B. and Mary C. McNeal lost all the buildings on this property in a fire. The following year they sold it to Samuel Stewart who conveyed it to Mary Louise Thompson in 1893. In 1910 Thompson sold the property to Eva M. Myers who then conveyed it to P. M. Pastorfield Jr. in 1916. The Pastorfields, whose shop was just next door, retained ownership of this property until 1957.

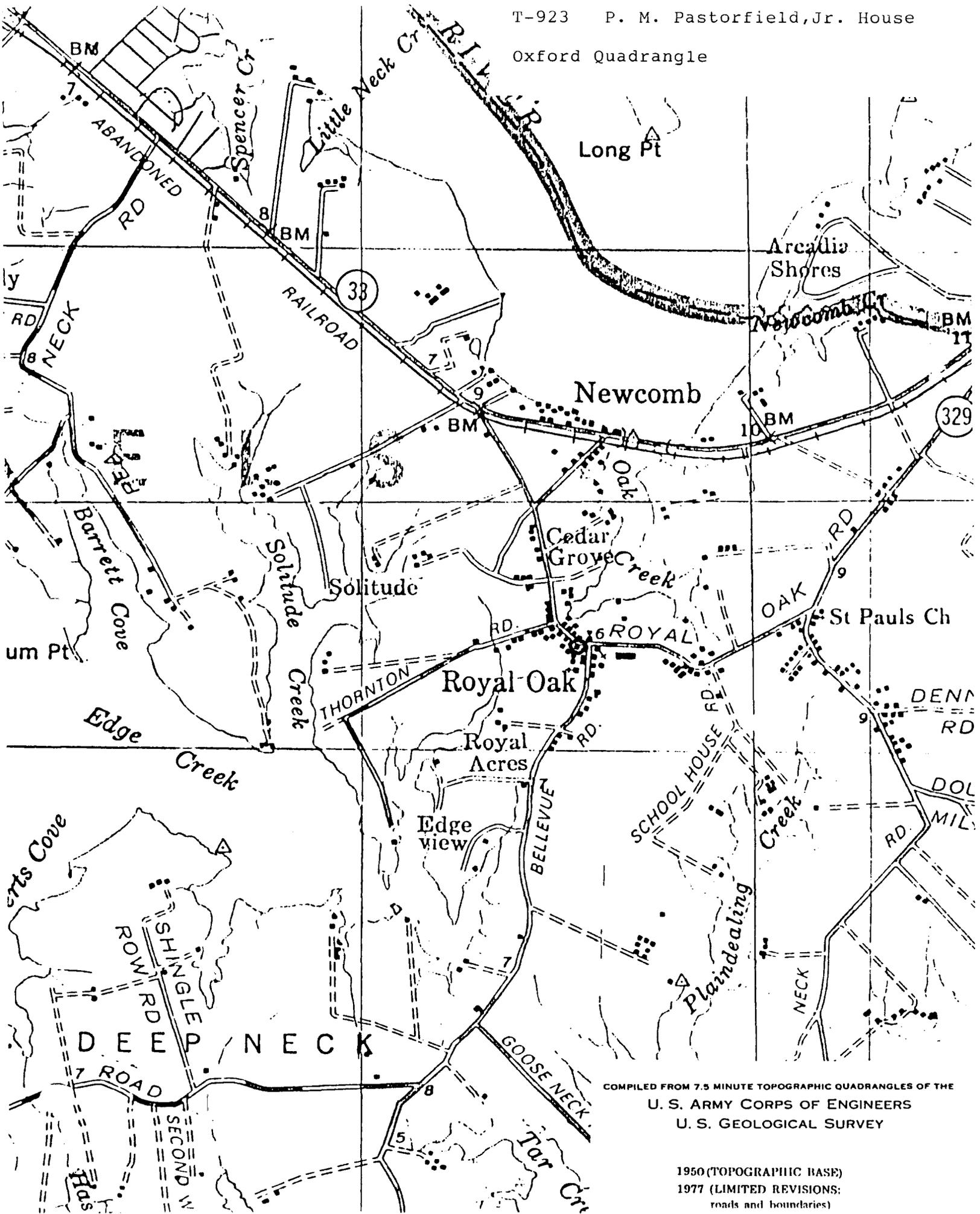
During Samuel Stewart's ownership of the site, he leased a part of the property to Richard H. Meeds. Meeds had been appointed Royal Oak postmaster in 1890 and he built a small building here which served as both a store and a post office. This building still stands although it has been modified and removed from its original site next to the road to the rear of the property.



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P. M. Pastorfield Jr. house Description cont'd.

aluminum siding and has a full-width wood deck across the first floor. A two bay addition with one-over-one sash windows extends from the original structure to the east.



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VIEWS OF



ROYAL OAK MD.

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P. M. PASTORFIELD, JR HOUSE

NORTHEAST ELEVATION.

ROYAL OAK, MD

MIKE LUBY COLLECTION



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NW ELEVATION



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FORMER LOCATION OF ROYAL  
OAK POSTOFFICE NEXT TO  
P.M PASTORFIELD, JR. HOUSE

NORTHEASTERN ELEVATION.

ROYAL OAK, MD.

BILL BODENSTEIN COLLECTION.