

WI-107  
Cannon Farm  
Salisbury vicinity  
Private

c. 1830-40

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The second quarter of the nineteenth-century Greek Revival woodwork, the exterior common bond brick chimney stacks, and the attached kitchen wing to the rear all point to a c. 1830-40 date of construction. The front entrance is particularly distinctive with its fluted corner block surround, diamond shaped muntins in the transom, and an eight-panel front door.

The two-story plantation house was part of a 219-acre tract bounded by Witton and Middle Neck branches, where Samuel and his wife Phoebe resided during the mid nineteenth century. In the 1860 United States census for Worcester County, the couple was evaluated with \$10,000 worth of real estate and \$1,000 of personal property. Samuel and Phoebe Parker were listed with two children, Quinton and Sally A. Parker.

At his death in 1865, the "Connecticut" plantation along with ½ interest in the nearby mill passed to his wife Phoebe and then to their daughter Sallie A. Johnson. The farm remained in family hands until the mid 1930s.



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## 7. Description

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### Condition

	excellent	deteriorated
<u>x</u>	good	ruins
	fair	altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Cannon farm is an historic property located at 30524 Zion Road east of Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay frame dwelling faces south with the principal roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Built around 1840, the two-story, three-bay, center hall frame dwelling is supported on a low brick foundation and the exterior is clad with vinyl siding. The steeply pitched roof is covered with wood shingles. Attached to the back of the main block is a single story kitchen wing that incorporates a contemporaneous kitchen. Extending from the east side of the kitchen wing is a single story flat roofed addition and to the west is a porch.

The south (main) elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade with a center entrance and flanking six-over-six sash windows. The eight-panel front door is framed by a Greek Revival fluted molding with plain corner blocks. The door is topped by a three-pane transom with diamond-shaped muntins. The front door is sheltered by a single-bay, gable-roofed porch of mid twentieth-century construction. The flanking windows are framed by plain surrounds and flanked by louvered shutters. The second story is lighted by six-over-six sash windows, and a smaller modern window has been installed in the center bay. The base of the roof is enclosed with a boxed cornice trimmed with period bed and crown moldings.

The east and west gable ends are largely alike with exterior five-course common bond brick stacks with corbelled shoulders rising in the center of each wall. To each side are six-over-six sash windows that light the first and second stories. Small four-pane windows light the attic. The gable end is finished flush.

The north (rear) elevation is covered partially by the single-story kitchen wing, which has been extended with a flat roofed addition on the east side. Rising against the north wall of the kitchen is a large exterior brick stack with corbelled shoulders. The brick stack is partially obscured by a pump house addition.

The interior retains portions of its second quarter of the nineteenth-century woodwork.

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## 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
1600-1699	agriculture	economics	health/medicine	performing arts
1700-1799	archeology	education	industry	philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	engineering	invention	politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	art	entertainment/ recreation	landscape architecture	religion
2000-	commerce	ethnic heritage	law	science
	communications	exploration/ settlement	literature	social history
	community planning		maritime history	transportation
	conservation		military	other:

**Significance dates**

**Architect**

**Specific dates**

**Builder**

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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The two-story farmhouse was part of a 219-acre tract located between Witton and Middle Neck branches, a plantation where Samuel and his wife Phoebe resided during the mid nineteenth century. In the 1860 United States census for Worcester County the couple was evaluated with \$10,000 worth of real estate and \$1,000 of personal property. Samuel and Phoebe Parker were listed with their two children, Quinton and Sally A. Parker.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Worcester County Land Record, AX/201, 19 March 1831.

<sup>2</sup> Eighth Census of the United States, Worcester County, Maryland, transcribed by John C. Barnes, p. 170.

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At his death in 1865 the "Connecticut" plantation passed to his wife Phoebe and then to their daughter Sallie A. Johnson.<sup>3</sup> The farm remained in family hands until the mid 1930s.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Worcester County Will Book, TT 8/431, Proved 3 August 1865.

<sup>4</sup> Wicomico County Land Record, IDT 199/351, 28 October 1936.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of project area

Acreage surveyed 1 acre

Quadrangle name Delmar, MD-DEL Quadrangle

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic boundary is coincidental with metes and bounds of the current property.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

name/title Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian

organization Private Consultant

street & number P. O. Box 5

date 9/27/00

city or town Westover, Maryland 21871

phone 410-651-1094

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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**100 Community Place**  
**Crownsville, MD 21032**  
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JWS 242/575                      Ray Broughton, widower

to

10/20/1942                      Clarence H. B. Long  
Jane M. Long

JWS 225/128                      Lamar Corporation

to

8/31/1940                      Ray Broughton

IDT 206/108                      Anne Louise Duer and others (Robert F. Duer, Mamie V.  
Woodcock)

to

2/28/1938                      Lamar Corporation

IDT 199/351                      J. Edgar Harvey, Assignee

to

10/28/1936                      Anne Louise Duer  
Elizabeth C. Birckhead  
Susanna C. Birckhead  
Mamie V. Woodcock

Whereas at a public sale    Property was auctioned    8/22/1936  
Mortgage from Annie G. Cannon to Mary H. Parsons, 12/30/1922,  
JCK 129/277

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JCK 109/281                      Frederick W. C. Webb  
Sara Graham Webb

to

7/9/1918                      Annie G. Cannon  
585 acres

JCK 109/212                      Annie G. Cannon, Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of  
Sallie A. Cannon, JWD 1/1, written 4/29/1913, proved 4/29/1913

to

7/9/1918                      Frederick W. C. Webb  
\$13,500 being the same land of which the said Sallie A. Cannon died  
seized and possessed; reference being hereby made to the Will of  
Samuel Parker, late of Worcester County

Worcester County  
Will Book  
TT 8/431

Last Will and Testament of Samuel Parker

Written  
12/23/1864  
Proved  
8/3/1865

to my wife.....all the land of lands which were conveyed to me by my  
father and mother bearing date 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 1831 called in said  
deed Connecticut containing 219 acres upon this land I now reside...  
lying between Witton and Middle Neck branches and between John  
U. Parker's land and the land formerly owned by Theodore  
Brewington....and on the death of my wife I give and devise to my  
daughter Sarah or Sally A. Johnson her heirs and assigns forever

to wife    ½ of mill property & after her death to daughter

two grandchildren...Anna Johnson and Samuel Q. Johnson

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Worcester Land Record  
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Samuel T. Parker

to

3/19/1831

Samuel Parker of Samuel

219 acres "Connecticut"

1860 United States Census, Worcester County, transcribed by John C. Barnes, p. 170

Household 1725 Samuel Parker, 58, M, Farmer, \$10,000 Real Estate  
1,000 Personal Property

Phoebe Parker, 52, F  
Quinton Parker, 27, M  
Sally A. , 25, F

1850 United States Census, Worcester County, transcribed by Ruth T. Dryden, p. 113

Household 154 Samuel Parker, 47, farmer  
Phoebe Parker, 42  
Samuel Q. , 16  
Sally A. , 14

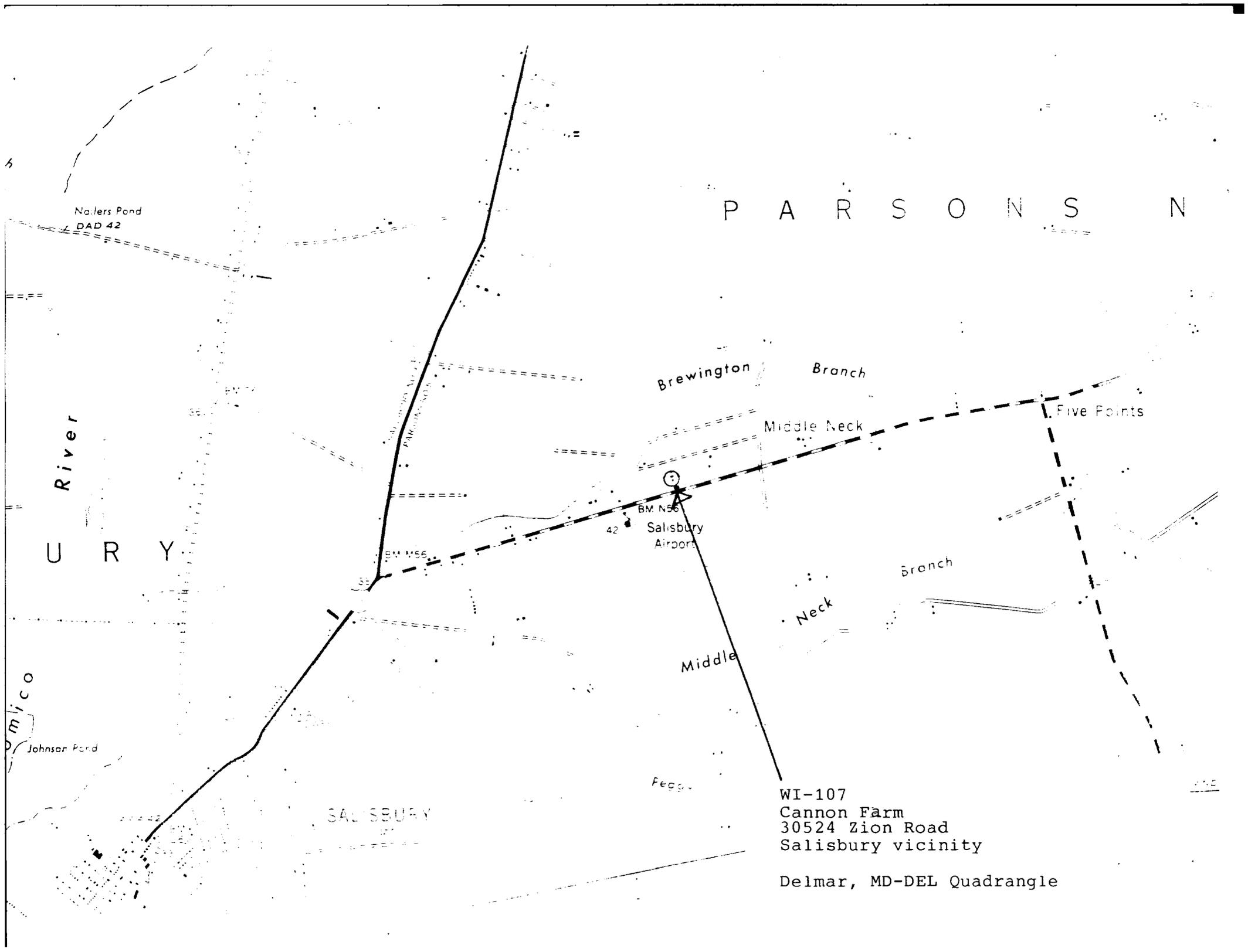


# PARSONS

Dist. N<sup>o</sup> 5  
WICOMICO CO.

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Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas  
1877



No.lers Pond  
DAD 42

P A R S O N S N

River

U R R Y

Brewington Branch

Middle Neck

Five Points

BM N56  
42  
Salisbury  
Airport

Branch

Neck

Middle

Fegg.

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SALISBURY

Delmar, MD-DEL Quadrangle



W.L. 1971

CANNON LAKE  
SAUSAN, road -, WISCONSIN Co., MD  
SOUTHWEST - 2512, 111

9/00, PAUL TOWN PHOTOGRAPHY  
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Cannon Farm

Salisbury vicarage, Wiltshire. Co. Wils  
South elevation

9/00, Plan Tower - [unclear]

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CARRON FARM

SALISBURY VICINITY, WINDFORD CO., N.H.

SOUTH ELEVATION

9/00, PAUL TOWNSEND, PITTSBOROUGH

NEW JARD HISTORICAL TRUST

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CANNON FARM

SALISBURY VILL, WILMINGTON CO., MD

ENTRANCE, SOUTH END OF

9/00, PAUL TOWN, PICTURES

NEE / MD 5172

4 or 4

Frame House, three bays wide, with exterior chimneys on either gable end. Windows with louvered shutters. Two stories. First and third bay windows with six over six lights. Center window on second floor also six over six, but the window is only 2/3 as tall as the others, due to the gable roof of the porch below. Door in the center bay is flanked by pilasters, and has a rectangular transom containing three lights. Brick foundation, and original clapboard siding.



WI-107 Dunahoo House

1977

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*Dunahoo*