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Bland House
Southeast side of
Bellclare Rd.
Not accessible
1850-60

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Bland House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Southeast side of Bellclaree Road

CITY, TOWN

Sparks

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY
Baltimore

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 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"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Miss Willette Bland

Telephone #: 472-4357

STREET & NUMBER

Priceville Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Sparks

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21152

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County Courthouse

Liber #: 2112

Folio #: 346

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bland House is a frame house, five bays in length, two stories in height, its principle facade closely oriented to the road, facing west. Extending east behind its north end is a two story kitchen wing, its shed roof perpendicular to the main house, its taller north wall flush with the north end wall of the main house. A one story wing, its lower shed roof following that of the kitchen wing, extends east from the kitchen wing, four short bays in length. All exterior walls are covered with plain weather-boarding. Single flue chimneys of brick, with concrete block extensions, rise internally toward each end of the main house and at the east end of the kitchen wing.

The principle entrance is centered on the west front, sheltered by a one story, one bay square hipped roof portico with square columns. A transom extends above the door and its sidelights, the tripartite motif being repeated above in the 6/6 window flanked by 2/2 windows one pane wide. Windows and doors all have narrow beaded frames; the windows are flanked by louvered blinds. A secondary entrance, in the north end near the northwest corner, is sheltered by a one story hipped roof porch, two bays in length. On the east facade the central window of the second story is set low in the wall, related to the stair landing within; beneath it is another exterior entrance. Second story windows of the kitchen wing are 3/3.

A central hall extends through the house with the principle stair rising with intermediate landings to the second floor. A pair of rooms flanks the hall on either side; only the front rooms were examined and neither has a fireplace or protruding chimney.

See Continuation Sheet # 1

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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 Unknown

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Unknown

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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(Baltimore, 1850).

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1877.).

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2 A⁺

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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DATE

Septmeber, 1970

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory 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.

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

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Continuation Sheet #1

Question #7 Description, Continued

Architraves of the hall and the parlor (the southwest room) have panels arched at the top and at the bottom; they support a frieze with a flat cornice. The plain architraves of the northwest room support friezes with raked cornices. Doors have six panels, the smallest being above the lock rail, raised, with loose moulding.

The Bland House appears to date from 1850-1860.

East of the house is a one story framed carriage house, its gable end facing west. Small shed roofed additions extend west and south. Exterior walls are covered with asphalt shingles.