BA-513 Before 1911
Bowleys Yacht Basin
(Bowley's Quarters Mansion)
Between Chesapeake and Bay Avenues at the terminus of
Bowleys Quarters Road

In Colonial speech, a "quarters" was a second and distant farm whose owner resided not there but at his "home plantation." Captain Daniel Bowley, born in Gloucestershire, was the first landowner here, but his main residence was at Furley Hall, now inside Baltimore City. In 1886, Nathan H. Janney of Philadelphia took title to a vast tract of farmland and shore area and in 1892 conveyed to his club, Bowley's Quarters Ducking Club. That club sold out in 1907 and the property passed to in 1908 the Bowleys Quarters Company. A club house was listed in 1911. James Quinn bought the present structure in 1924 and it passed to Wm. H. Gislin in 1932. That year it was advertised as a "frame building, now occupied as a boarding house or hotel." The club is a two-story frame structure with hip roof and aluminum siding; wide front porch; Colonial Revival style, probably built in this century. It is in excellent condition. The ducking club of the 1890s is reported to have entertained Presidents Grover Cleveland and Benjamin Harrison.