

HA-1322

c. 1890

Mrs. Ruff House  
119 Alice Anne Street  
Bel Air  
Private

This is another of John G. Rouse's tenant houses, the twin of #123 with four rooms up and down plus the kitchen addition.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Mrs. Ruff's House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

119 AliceAnne Street

1st

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Bel Air

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Harford

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Estate of Mrs. Corrine Ruff

Telephone #: 838-6585

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 792

Folio #: 108

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

11-10-43

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This small example of workingman's housing is on the south side of AliceAnne Street, at #119, in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland.

The house is L-shaped, covered with asphalt shingles, and has a gable roof over the main block and one over the ell at right angles to the first. The roofing material is asphalt shingle. A shed roofed porch supported by plain posts shades the first floor in front, and a single story shed has been added to the back of the ell. The entry is in the center of three bays. The windows are 1/1 double-hung sash except for those in the shed addition which are four pane casement. Two rooms up and down are in the main block; two more, one up and one down, are in the ell.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY



# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #795 in the Town of Bel Air, 45' x 100'.

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian

27 April 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

39 Hickory Avenue

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

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.

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

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
21 STATE CIRCLE  
SHAW HOUSE  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1322

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:  
*Mrs. Ruff's House*

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: *Private residence*

ORIGINAL USE: *Same*

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:  
Excellent ( ) Good ( )  
Fair (✓) Poor: ( )

THEME: *Architectural*  
STYLE: *Vernacular*

DATE BUILT:  
*c. 1890*

COUNTY: *Harford*  
TOWN: *Bell Air*  
LOCATION: *119 Alice Anne St*  
COMMON NAME: *Mrs. Ruff's House*  
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: *Private residence*  
OWNER: *Estate of Corinne B. Ruff*  
ADDRESS:  
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:  
Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted (✓)  
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
Local (✓) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:  
Structural System  
1. Foundation: Stone ( ) Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )  
2. Wall Structure  
A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ( )  
B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )  
C. Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:  
3. Wall Covering: Clapboard ( ) Board and Batten ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( )  
Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle (✓)  
Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )  
Bonding Pattern: Other:  
4. Roof Structure  
A. Truss: Wood ( ) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )  
B. Other:  
5. Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle (✓) Sheet Metal ( )  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:  
6. Engineering Structure:  
7. Other:  
Appendages: Porches (✓) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys (✓) Sheds ( ) Ells (✓)  
Wings ( ) Other:  
Roof Style: Gable (✓) Hip ( ) Shed (✓) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
Other:  
Number of Stories: 2  
Number of Bays: 3  
Approximate Dimensions: 25' x 35'  
*inc. ell*  
Entrance Location: Alice Anne

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:  
No Threat (✓) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
Development ( ) Deterioration ( )  
Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:  
Positive ( ) Negative ( )  
Mixed ( ) Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

utterly plain house, gable roof, shed porch, plain posts  
2 story, 2 rooms deep, 1 room ell, two stories  
shed one story behind windows 1/2 double hung sash

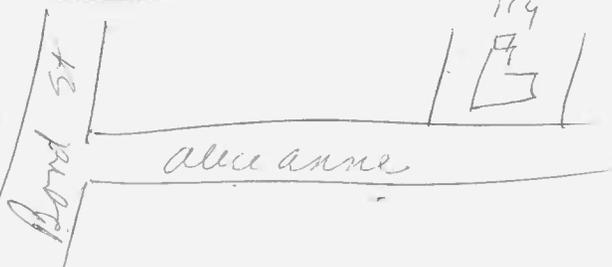
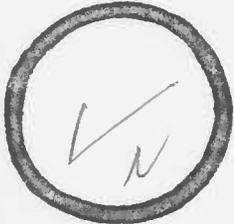
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

workingman's housing

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )
- Moderately Built Up( ) Densely Built Up( )
- Residential(✓) Commercial( )
- Agricultural( ) Industrial( )
- Roadside Strip Development( )
- Other:

*M. Laro*

RECORDED BY:  
*Town of Bel Air*

ORGANIZATION:  
*27 Apr 79*

DATE RECORDED:

119 AliceAnne Street  
Corrine Ruff

- 792/108            14 October 1957  
Louisa Sewell d. 24 September 1956 and left it  
to sister, Mary A. Norton, brother, James Edward  
Ruff, nephew, John Henry Ruff and niece, Mary E.  
Pringle - they sold it to Corrine B. Ruff.
- 230/108            21 March 1934  
Charles McNabb, attorney, & J. Woodley Richardson  
& Isabel, wife  
                  to  
Frank Sewell & wife  
After McNabb sold it at public sale to J. Woodley  
after James Lisby & wife defaulted on mortgage  
3 April 1933 (226/223) Richardson paid \$740 -  
sold it to Sewell
- 166/222            25 November 1919  
W. Wylie Hopkins & Annabel, wife  
                  to  
James Lisby
- 134/10            24 April 1911  
Hattie B. Rouse & John G. (husband) for \$800  
                  to  
W. Wylie Hopkins
- 132/2            5 October 1910  
William G. Rouse & Elizabeth, wife  
                  to  
Hattie B. Rouse  
Land improved by 2 dwellings conveyed by  
J. Thomas C. Hopkins & wife to John G. Rouse  
(60/343) 13 July 1888  
except for one to Alfred T. Jones 27 July 1889  
(63/450), one to Josephine Lytle 3 February 1892  
(73/92), and one to Joseph T. Deckman, 3 August  
1909 (127/224)
- Said parcel being the 4th lot in 127/232  
6 September 1909 John G. Rouse & wife  
                  to  
William C. Rouse

60/343

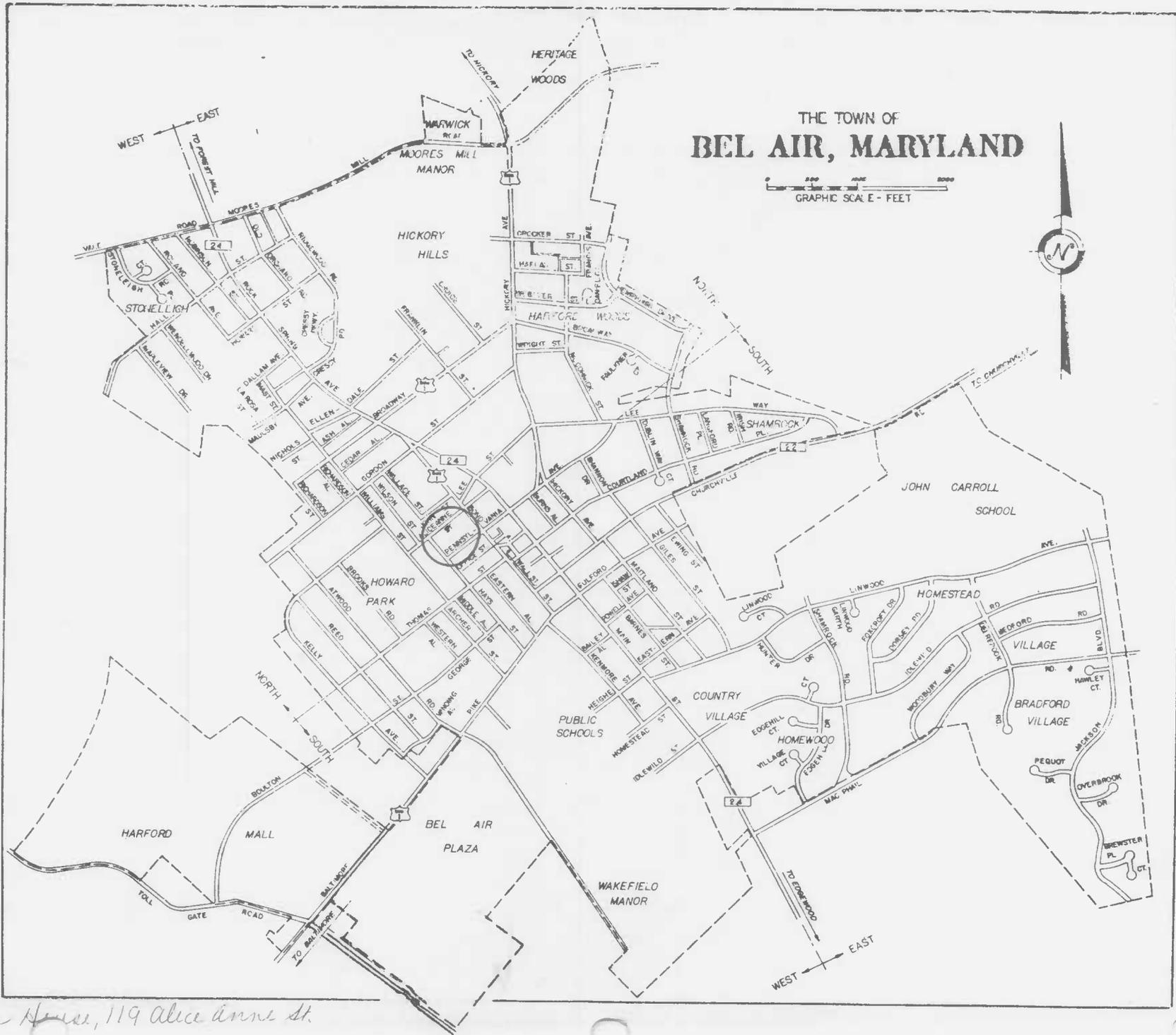
13 July 1888  
Thomas Hopkins & Amanda, wife  
to  
John G. Rouse  
\$430.87

58/438

6 May 1887  
Hanna estate  
to  
Thomas Hopkins & Amanda, wife

# THE TOWN OF BEL AIR, MARYLAND

GRAPHIC SCALE - FEET



HA-1322

Mrs. Ruff's House, 119 Alice Anne St.  
Bel Air



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Ruff House, 119 Alice Anne

Belair

e. + n. elev.

M. Larew, 1979