

HA-1332

1888-1910

Ella Scott (Taylor) House  
137 Alice Anne Street  
Bel Air  
Private

The steeply sloped gable roof, the three gables, the L-shape and the hexagonal bay window on the north elevation give a touch of style to this house which was built by Stevenson A. Williams and John Rouse. Mrs. Scott has lived there since 1913.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Ella Scott (Taylor) house  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
137 AliceAnne Street 1st  
CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
Bel Air VICINITY OF  
STATE Maryland 21014 COUNTY 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 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 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 Ella Scott (Taylor) Telephone #: 838-4204  
STREET & NUMBER 137 AliceAnne Street  
CITY, TOWN VICINITY OF STATE, zip code  
Bel Air Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse  
STREET & NUMBER

Liber #: 267  
Folio #: 353

CITY, TOWN STATE  
Bel Air Maryland 21014

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

porches enclosed

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This simple asphalt shingle covered carpenter gothic house is T-shaped with a fairly high pitched gable roof and is unadorned, save for the porches and a bay window on the living room. Still, it is more complex and has more pretensions to elegance than any other house on the street. The crossbar of the T, to the rear, contains the kitchen and dining room. The front projecting ell, terminating in a three sided bay window with a hipped roof, contains the living room. It is flanked by porches, the westerly one housing the entry into a small entrance hall, part of which is tucked under the porch roof - a double-paned window light is over the door. The easterly porch leads to the dining room and has been enclosed. The first story windows, with the exception of those in the bay, are single, double-hung, with Victorian two over two window lights. The second story windows, tucked into the gables are double, double-hung, two over two. There are no windows on the second story in the rear. The major windows are flanked by green vinyl shutters. The windows of the bay are one over one, suggesting either that the windows have been replaced or that the bay is a later addition. All of the porches have shed roofs. The enclosed rear porch has three casement windows with four panes. The enclosed side porch has a row of four double-hung one over one windows on the east, or long, side and one double-hung one over one window on the northerly side. The west, or entrance, porch has a plain wooden post and plain square balusters in the balustrade. New black wrought iron rails flank the three steps up to the porch. The porch floor has recently been replaced. The entrance to the cellar is in the rear under the dining room window and is covered by slanting wooden doors.

The walls of the interior of the house are simple plaster with plain woodwork. The only ornamental element are the roughly carved newel post and four turned balusters of the stair rail. The closed-string staircase projects three steps into the entry hall along the wall across from the entry.

Three bedrooms and a bath occupy the second floor.

The northerly and westerly sides of the property are enclosed in a white picket fence.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

10-1-50

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
1888 - 1910		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Stevenson Williams & John Rouse

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small carpenter gothic house is the most distinctive house on AliceAnne Street, a street of simple working-man's houses. Most of the single family dwellings are shot-gun style, making this cottage with its three porches, three gables, and front bay window a stylish-looking neighbor, a cut above all the other houses except its slightly less-complex next-door neighbor, 135 AliceAnne Street.

The present owner, Mrs. Ella Scott (Taylor) has lived in the house since 1913 when her foster-parents (aunt and uncle) John W. H. Scott and his wife, Ella, bought it from Harriet B. Rouse, the widow of John G. Rouse, who, with Stevenson Williams, probably had the house built around the turn of the century. John Scott deeded the property to his foster daughter in 1941 (Harford County Land Records 267/353) with the words "for consideration: a part of which is the love and affection which the Grantor bears toward the Grantee, his niece and foster daughter, Ella Scott Taylor". Miss Scott rents one of the bedrooms to a roomer.

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## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Harford County  
Interview with Miss Ella Scott, July 26, 1978

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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

### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The property is parcel 803 in the Town of Bel Air, approximately 40' (AliceAnne Street) x 100' (Hays Street).

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

STATE	COUNTY
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STATE	COUNTY
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## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew

August 2, 1978

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Town of Bel Air

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

39 Hickory Avenue

838-8700

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Bel Air

Maryland 21014

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

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 21 STATE CIRCLE  
 SHAW HOUSE  
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1332
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:
PRESENT USE: Single family dwelling
ORIGINAL USE: Single family dwelling
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Stevenson Williams & John G. Rouse
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent ( ) Good (X) Fair ( ) Poor: ( )
THEME: Architecture
STYLE: Carpenter Gothic
DATE BUILT: Between 1888 and 1910

COUNTY: Harford
TOWN: Bel Air
LOCATION: 137 AliceAnne Street
COMMON NAME:
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Private Residence
OWNER: Mrs. Ella Scott (Taylor) ADDRESS: 137 AliceAnne Street Bel Air
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes ( ) No (X) Restricted ( )
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local (X) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System Main Porches

- Foundation: Stone(X) Brick( ) Concrete( ) Concrete Block(X)
- Wall Structure
  - Wood Frame: Post and Beam( ) Balloon(X)
  - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick( ) Stone( ) Concrete( ) Concrete Block( )
  - Iron( ) D. Steel( ) E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard( ) Board and Batten( ) Wood Shingle( ) Shiplap( )  
 Novelty( ) Stucco( ) Sheet Metal( ) Aluminum( ) Asphalt Shingle(X)  
 Brick Veneer( ) Stone Veneer( ) over clapboard  
 Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
  - Truss: Wood(X) Iron( ) Steel( ) Concrete( )
  - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate( ) Wood Shingle( ) Asphalt Shingle(X) Sheet Metal( )  
 Built Up( ) Rolled( ) Tile( ) Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches(X) Towers( ) Cupolas( ) Dormers( ) Chimneys( ) Sheds( ) Ells( )  
 Wings ( ) Other:

Roof Style: Gable(X) 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 x 2

Approximate Dimensions: c. 25 x 25

Entrance Location: AliceAnne

THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat( ) Zoning( ) Roads( ) Development( ) Deterioration( ) Alteration ( ) Other:
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LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive( ) Negative( ) Mixed( ) Other:
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Interior plaster walls & hardwood floors. Newell post and four turned balusters on staircase. Newel post crudely carved. T-shaped with the crossbar to the rear. Three porches, two on sides at front, one across the back, all with shed roofs. Back porch and NE front porch enclosed between the wars. Three rooms, L.R., D.R., Kitchen, downstairs bath added on enclosed back porch. The dining room is currently used as a bedroom because the elderly owner is in ill health. Three B.R. and bath upstairs.

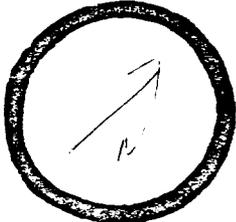
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

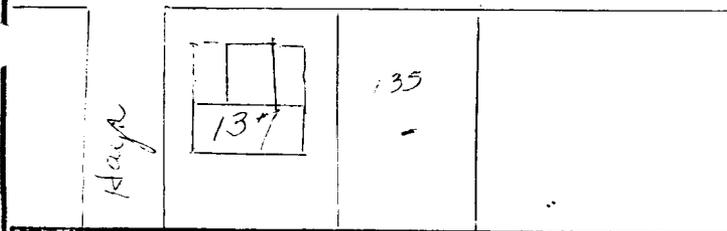
Turn of the century working - man's housing. Attempt at elegance in L.R. bay window and porches but no other ornament.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



*Olivia Anne*



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

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

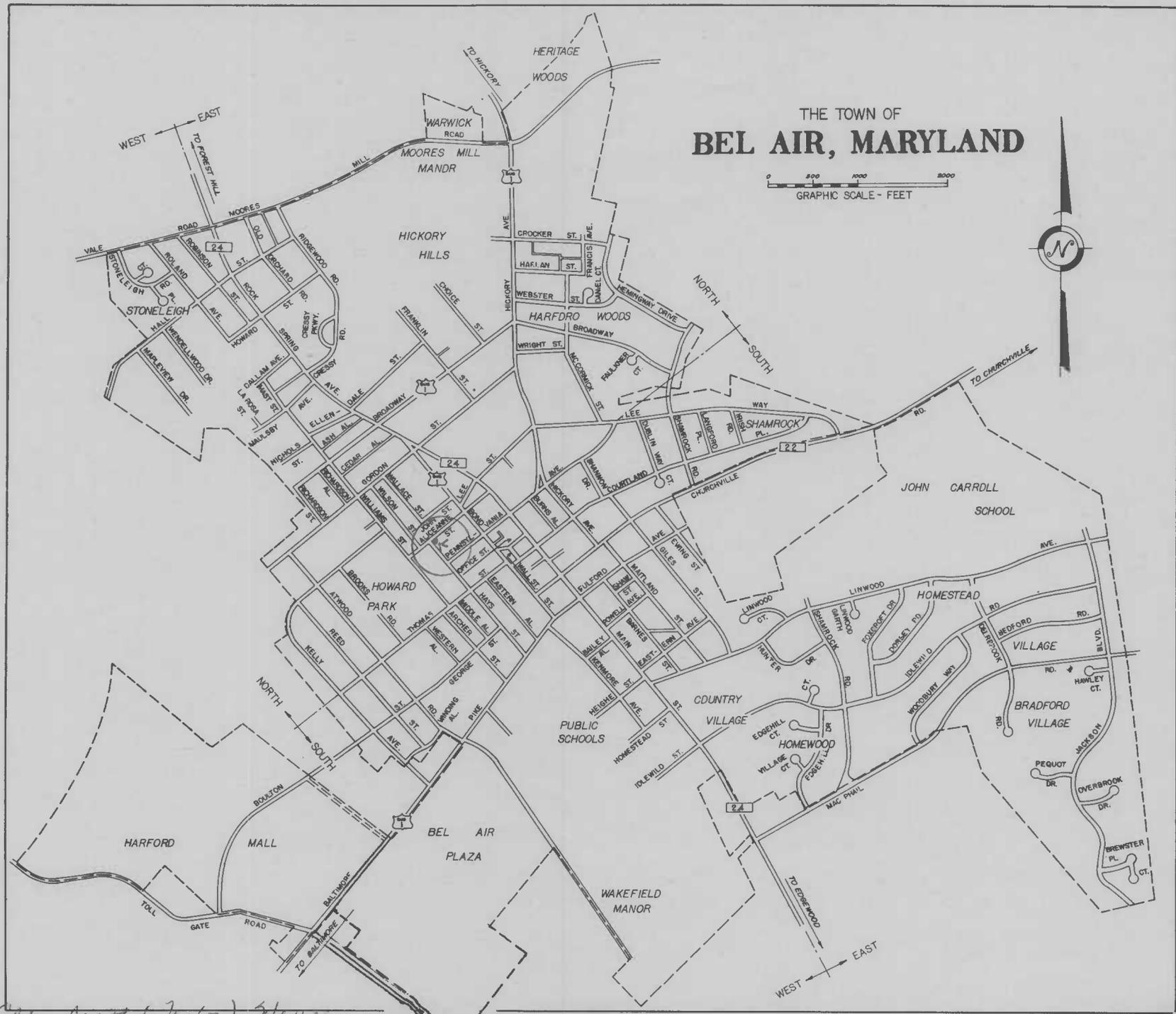
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Town of Bel Air

ORGANIZATION:  
July 26, 1978

DATE RECORDED:

THE TOWN OF  
**BEL AIR, MARYLAND**

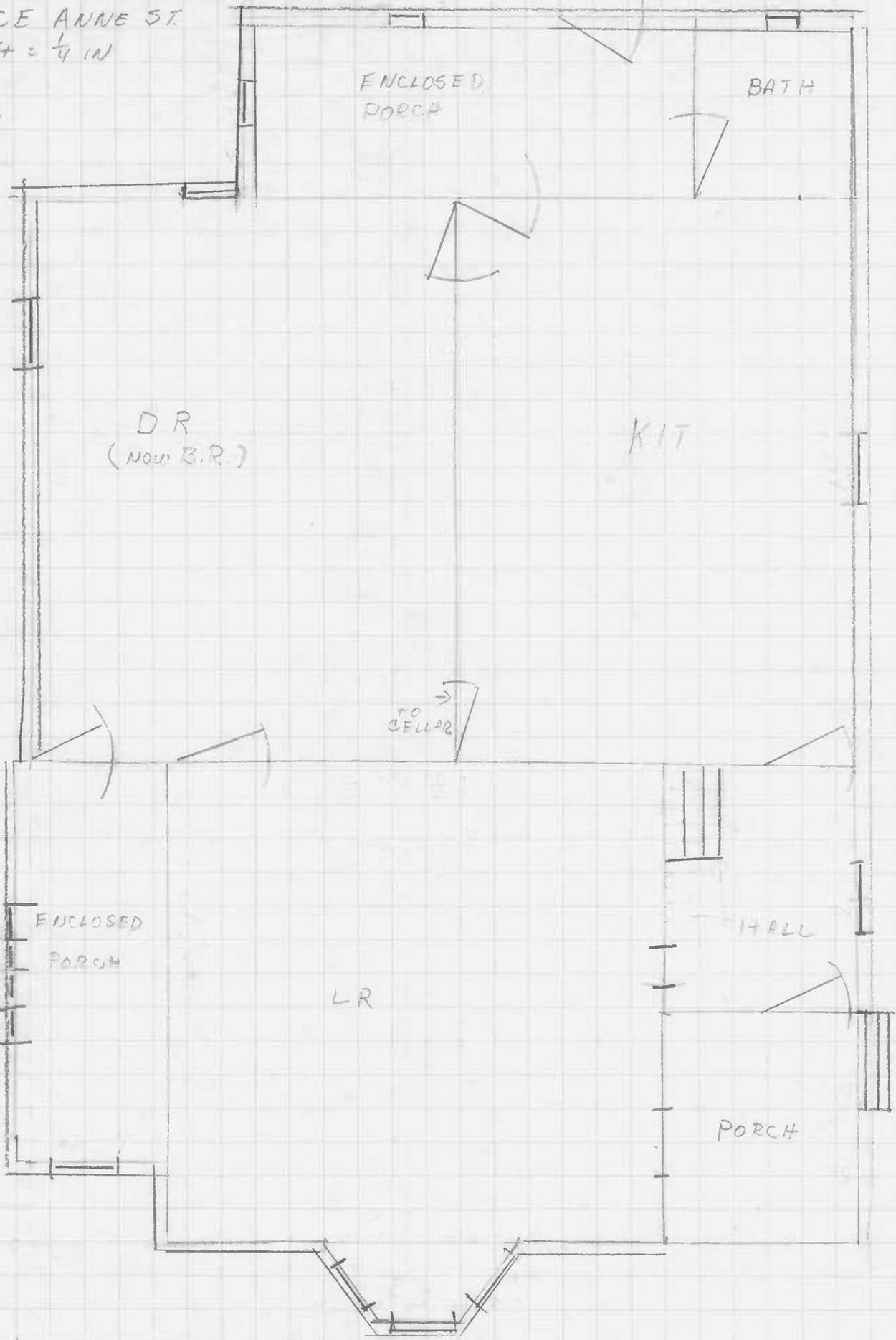


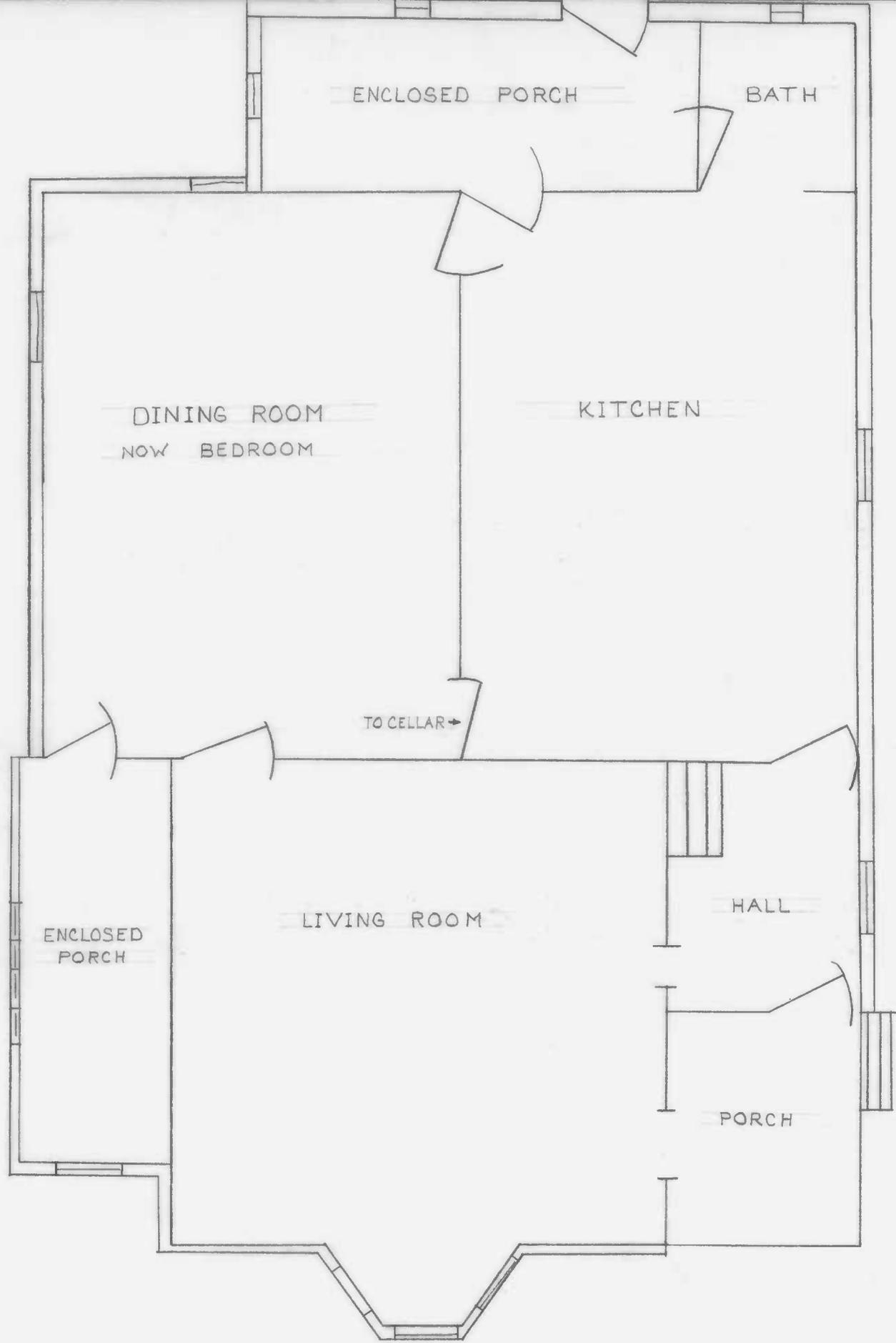
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15 Alice Anne

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137 ALICE ANNE ST

SCALE 1ft = 1/4 IN





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DRAWN BY: MARILYNN LAREW

137 ALICE ANN STREET

SCALE: 1/4 in. = 1 ft.

TRACED BY: G CUNO

BEL AIR, MARYLAND

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Front of 1317 Alice Ann

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back of 137 Alice Ann

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