

HA-1342

Between 1880 & 1900

Nobels House  
224 Baltimore Pike  
Bel Air  
Private

This is another example of the ubiquitous shotgun style house, the most popular style for workingman's housing in the period between 1875 and 1920, just as the front gable Victorian house was the most popular Middle Class style. The V-shaped front porch and the bay window on the east elevation give it more style than usual.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON  
Nobels House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
224 Baltimore Pike

1st

CITY, TOWN  
Bel Air

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE  
Maryland

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

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Dennis W. Nobels

Telephone #: 879-1468

STREET & NUMBER  
224 Baltimore Pike

CITY, TOWN  
Bel Air

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

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

NA-1372

**7 DESCRIPTION**

**CONDITION**

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

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

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This small two-story, two bay, aluminum sided house with a gable roof is at 224 Baltimore Pike in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. It presents an unadorned gable to the street and boasts two single story bay windows: the one in the west elevation a rectangular one two bays wide and the one in the east elevation - hexagonal. A hipped-roof porch shades the front (south) and portions of the west elevation. It has aluminum-sided posts and a solid balustrade covered in aluminum clapboard. An aluminum hood is over the door in the east elevation.

The windows are 6/6 double-hung sash. The front door with its two pane transom is in the east bay of the south elevation.

**CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY**

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# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES      Between 1880 & 1900      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small well kept house west of Eastern Alley was probably built shortly after Charles Dallam bought the lands from the Hays Brothers in the early 1880's. It was originally plainer than many built in the Hays Addition, since it presents its unadorned gable end to the street. Since it was built, however, it acquired a pair of bay windows after 1904 which acquisition separates it from most of its neighbors.

In 1920 it was owned by J. W. and Mary S. Hewitt, a black couple. It was assessed at \$811, \$240 for the lot and \$571 for the house. Its current good condition testifies to the fact that the owner lives there.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #1233 in the Town of Bel Air.

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 August 1979

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Town of Bel Air

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

39 Hickory Avenue

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Bel Air

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-1342

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
 Zone/Easting/Northing

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

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:  
 Nobels House

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: private residence

ORIGINAL USE: same

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent ( ) Good (x)  
 Fair ( ) Poor: ( )

THEME: Architecture

STYLE: Vernacular

DATE BUILT:  
 Between 1880 & 1900

COUNTY: Harford

TOWN: Bel Air

LOCATION:

224 Baltimore Pike

COMMON NAME:

Nobels House

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: private residence

OWNER: Dennis W. Nobel

ADDRESS: 224 Baltimore Pike  
 Bel Air, Maryland

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted (x)

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local (x) 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 (x) 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 (x) Sheet Metal ( )  
 Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other:

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

Roof Style: Gable (x) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
 Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Balustrade ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
 Other:

Number of Stories: 2

Number of Bays: 2

Approximate Dimensions: 15' x 26'

Entrance Location: Baltimore Pike

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
 Development (x) Deterioration ( )  
 Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive ( ) Negative ( )  
 Mixed ( ) Other:

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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

windows 6/6 porch balustrade & posts covered by aluminum siding  
2 single story bays: w= rectangular, 2 bays wide  
e= hexagonal  
aluminum hood over side door in E elevation

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

19th century 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:

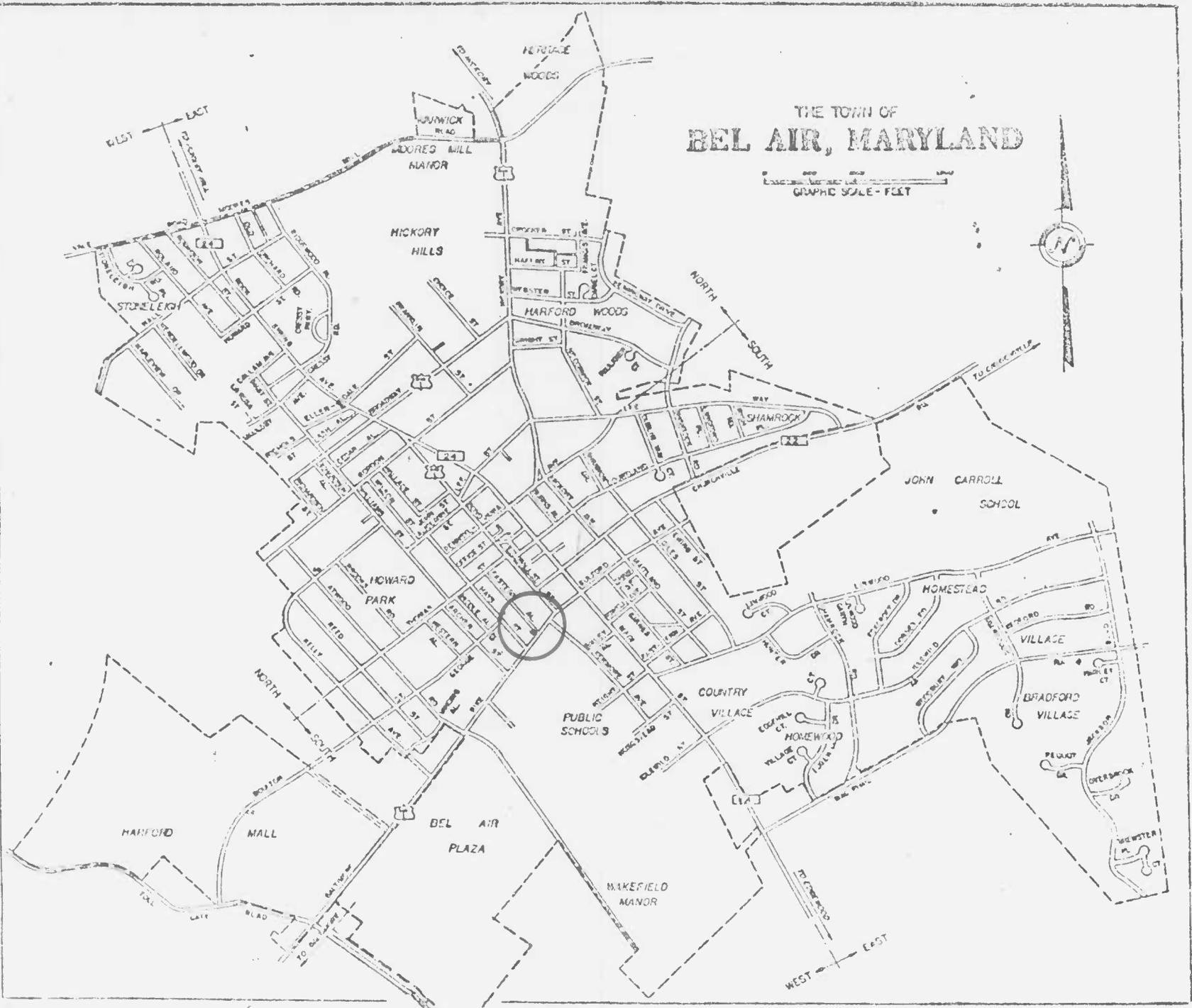
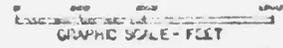
Marilynn Larew

RECORDED BY:  
Town of Bel Air

ORGANIZATION:  
27 August 1979

DATE RECORDED:

# THE TOWN OF BEL AIR, MARYLAND



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Nobels House  
224 Balto. Pk.



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Nobels House, 224 Balto Ave, Bilan  
w/15 elevations

M. Larew, 1979