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JENKIN'S RESIDENCE
Private
Ellicott City

circa 1775, 1840

Reputed to have been the first house belonging to Jonathan Ellicott, son of Andrew, the founder of Ellicott Mills, the Jenkins residence was inhabited for some 75 years by members of the Ellicott family. Suprisingly, the roof line of the three story high north wing, three bays wide and two bays deep, was altered by Mr. & Mrs. Jenkins in the middle of the 20th Century giving the north wing facing Church Road the appearance of ante dating the older gabled roof two story high south wing which is three bays wide, two bays deep and supposedly built by Jonathan Ellicott at age nineteen. The gambrel roofed cottage is seen in many of the older homes of Howard County such as Cherry Grove, HO-1 and Peacefields, HO-9 and exemplifies the transitional experiments between the medieval style and the Georgian architectural style in Maryland. Beautifully maintained by the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. John Strebe, the granite block house features rectangular fenestration, fine proportions and excellent stone masonry as exemplified in it's quoining, flat stone lintels and projecting stone sills. Ivy covers most of the east and west walls of the 1840 north wing.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Jenkins Residence

AND/OR HISTORIC: Ellicott House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 3791 Church Road

CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City

STATE: Maryland | COUNTY: Howard

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☒ Building ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object	☐ Public ☒ Private ☐ Both	Public Acquisition: ☐ In Process ☐ Being Considered	☒ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	Yes: ☐ Restricted ☒ Unrestricted ☐ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Agricultural	☐ Government	☐ Park	☐ Transportation	☐ Comments
☐ Commercial	☐ Industrial	☒ Private Residence	☐ Other (Specify)	
☐ Educational	☐ Military	☐ Religious		
☐ Entertainment	☐ Museum	☐ Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Mr & Mrs. John D. Strebe

STREET AND NUMBER: 3791 Church Road

CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City | STATE: Maryland | 21043

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Hall of Records

STREET AND NUMBER: Howard County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City | STATE: Maryland | 21043

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Tax Map 25A p. 191 .22 acres 529/578

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: 1977 ☐ Federal ☒ State ☐ County ☐ Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER: 21 State Circle

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis | STATE: Maryland | 21401

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One) ☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed	
	(Check One) ☐ Altered ☒ Unaltered	(Check One) ☐ Moved ☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Jenkins House, originally belonging to Jonathan Ellicott is located on the south side of Church road east of Emory United Methodist Church. *It was built in two sections, a low pitched gabled roof granite block south wing, three bays wide, two bays deep and two stories high with entrances on the east, west and south elevations and rectangular windows with six-over-six lites (nine lite first floor windows are also featured) and a three bay wide, two bay deep gambr el roof, three story high granite block structure which features rectangular double-hung fenestration with six-over-six lites, central west brick chimney, deeply cut rectangular north and south entrance doors surmounted by four lite transoms and flat stone lintels and a gabled roof dormer window holding a double rectangular window, each composed of a double hung window with one-over-one lites divided and flanked by fluted pilasters and surmounted by a single open pediment centered into the roofline of the north elevation.

The granite block quoining is outstanding as well as the flat stone lintels and projecting stone sills which decorate the windows. A simple wooden cornice lies along the north and south elevations of this gambril roofed north wing which faces Church Road.

The west wall of the original structure holds a rectangular entrance door in the north bay, a first floor nine lite window and a second floor six-over-six lite window while seven steps on the north wall lead to a rectangular entrance door with nine lites and a second floor window above. The east wall of this house has a stone ground floor and a frame second floor. Six cement steps lead up to the open shed roofed porch, and wooden railing which runs along the east wall of this house. The ground floor windows have nine lites, while the two second floor windows have six-over-six lites and an entrance door in the north bay.

The gambril roof addition, built in the 1840's, has an east wall holding one first floor south bay window, one second floor middle bay window and two third floor windows. The north or front elevation holds a rectangular entrance in the east bay and two first floor windows with three second floor windows vertically alligned above.

The building is in excellent condition and maintained beautifully.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- ☐ Pre-Columbian
- ☐ 15th Century
- ☐ 16th Century
- ☐ 17th Century
- ☒ 18th Century
- ☒ 19th Century
- ☐ 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)* 1775 1840

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- Aboriginal
  - ☐ Prehistoric
  - ☒ Historic
- ☐ Agriculture
- ☒ Architecture
- ☐ Art
- ☐ Commerce
- ☐ Communications
- ☐ Conservation
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Engineering
- ☐ Industry
- ☐ Invention
- ☐ Landscape Architecture
- ☐ Literature
- ☐ Military
- ☐ Music
- ☐ Political
- ☐ Religion/Philosophy
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Sculpture
- ☐ Social/Humanitarian
- ☐ Theater
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Urban Planning
- ☐ Other *(Specify)*

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Jenskins House, known also as the Macgill House is believed to have been built in 1775 by Jonathan Ellicott, son of Andrew the founder of Ellicott Mills, who was nineteen at the time.

Later, in 1782, he built another house for his family and other members of the Ellicotts inhabited this house for some seventy-five years.

In the mid 1800's Marion P. Macgill acquired the property. The 1868 Atlas lists his wife as owner. Later, their daughter Grace inherited the property and lived here. It was during the tenure of the Macgills that the house was enlarged and the south wing added. Later Caleb Dorsey Rogers acquired the property and in 1947 sold it to Mr. & Mrs. J. Carroll Jenkins who altered the roofline to its present gambril form and added the central double window dormer which we see today on the front elevation.

The house is a charming and well integrated architectural composite whose deeply set windows and doors are decorated with flat arched lintels. Its association with the Ellicott family who were instrumental in changing the tobacco fields of Howard County into wheat fields, creating a national road from Baltimore to Ellicott City and on to Frederick and the Ohio River as well as providing leadership in religious, social and governmental affairs gives this house great historical significance and insures it a place in the National Register of Historic Places.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Holland, Celia. Ellicott City, Maryland 1772-1972. Bladensbury, 1972.

American Association of University Women. Mimeographed paper on Ellicott City History. Ellicott City, 1972.

Man of Historic Ellicott City, compiled by Mrs. Jean Hannon, 1972.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY							OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES					
CORNER	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE				LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"		°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"							
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"							
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"							

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

Please See Tax Map 25A p. 191 .22 acres 529/578

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Cleora B. Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION
Howard County Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET AND NUMBER:
3450 Courthouse Drive

CITY OR TOWN:
Ellicott City

STATE
Maryland

21043

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

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HOWARD COUNTY
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Account Identifier: **District** - 02 **Account Number** - 246724

Owner Information

Owner Name:	NOBLE WENDY STAFFORD SEAN J T/E	**Use:**	RESIDENTIAL
		Principal Residence:	YES
Mailing Address:	3791 CHURCH RD ELLICOTT CITY MD 21043-4501	**Deed Reference:**	1) / 3958/ 271 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address	Zoning	Legal Description
3791 CHURCH RD ELLICOTT CITY 21043	RVH	LOTS 132 -135 P/O 40 3791 CHURCH RD ELLICOTT CITY

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
251		191					132	82	Plat Ref:

Special Tax Areas	Town Ad Valorem Tax Class	A/V, METRO FIRE TAX

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1800	3,060 SF	9,583.00 SF	

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
3	YES	STANDARD UNIT	STONE

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2003	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2003	As Of 07/01/2004
Land:	69,580	99,580		
Improvements:	216,550	265,400		
Total:	286,130	364,980	312,413	338,696
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller:	MCAFEE PATRICK M	**Date:**	04/21/1997	**Price:**	$275,000
Type:	IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	**Deed1:**	/ 3958/ 271	**Deed2:**	
Seller:	LIGGETT PETER ETAL	**Date:**	05/31/1984	**Price:**	$170,000
Type:	IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	**Deed1:**	/ 1254/ 741	**Deed2:**	
Seller:		**Date:**		**Price:**	
Type:		**Deed1:**		**Deed2:**	

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2003	07/01/2004
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

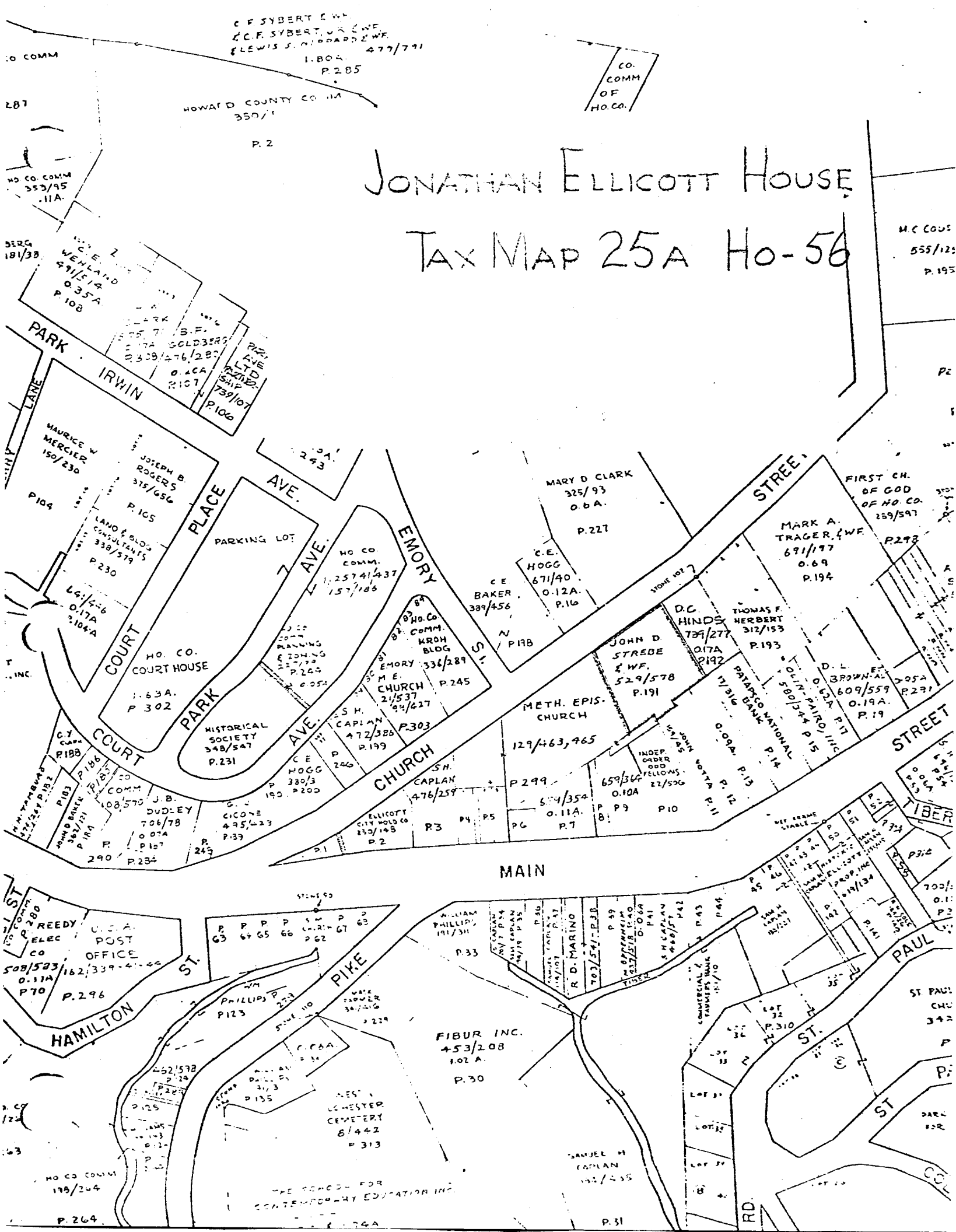
Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

* NONE *

JONATHAN ELLICOTT HOUSE

TAX MAP 25A HO-56



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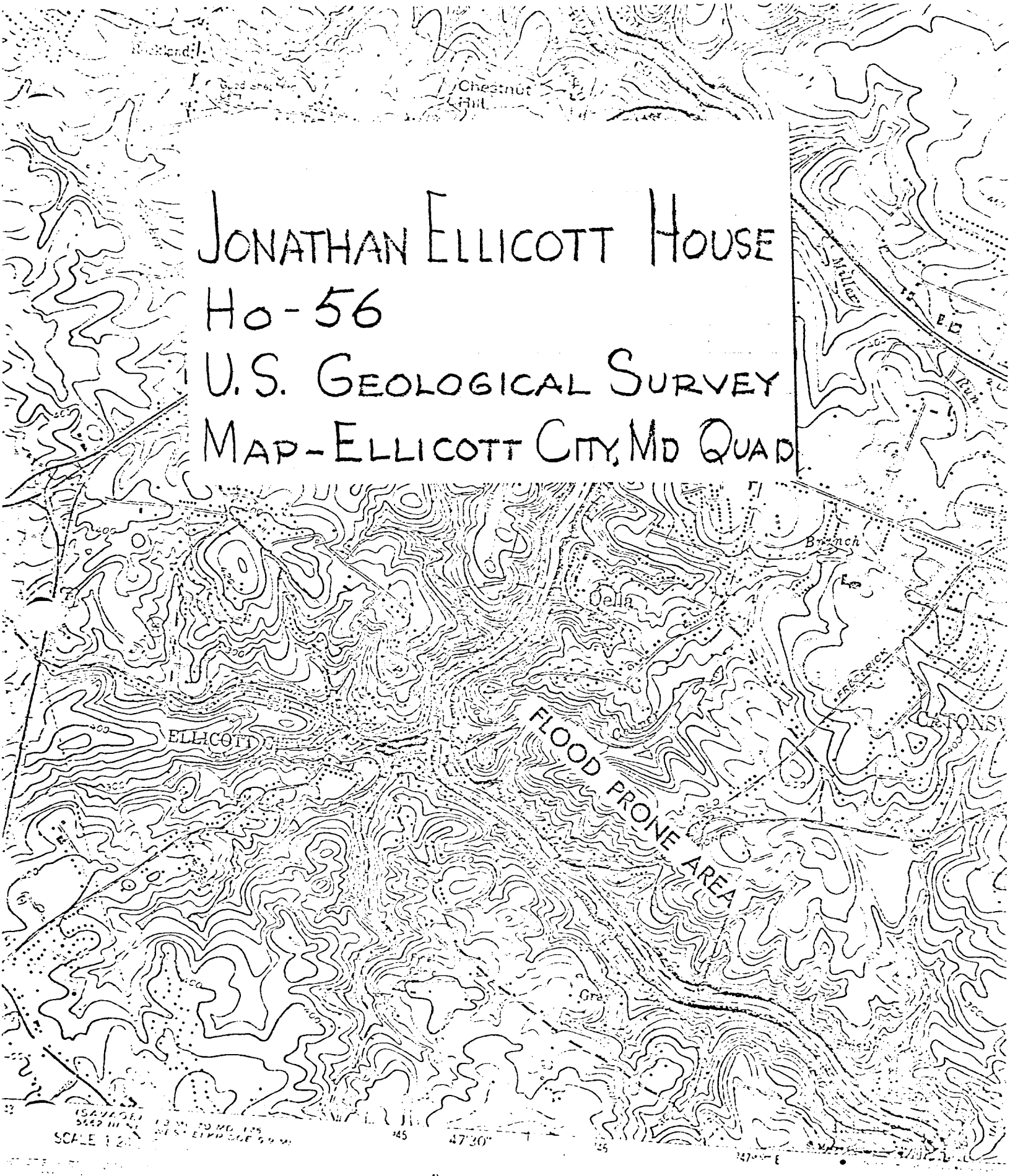
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
MAP-ELLICOTT CITY, MD QUAD



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

EXPLAN

Flood boundaries were

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Elliott Cty

Jenkins - Powell Lee 3776 Church St

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FEB. 1977
CLEORA THOMPSON