

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #70-21 Building Date: 1909

Building Name: Arthur G. Bowie House (Spafield)

Location: 6290 Hillmeade Road, Glenn Dale, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Excellent/Inaccessible

Description:

The Arthur G. Bowie House is a two-and-one-half-story frame house with hip roof and central gables on the north and south facades. There is a one-story porch across the entire (main) south facade, the porch has Tuscan columns with molded capitals and bases. There is a projecting semi-octagonal central bay which forms the entry hall of the house; entrance is through the central bay of this projection. The projecting bay is carried out also at second level, where a low balustrade surrounds the projecting bay. Above this at loft level in the central (south) gable is a tripartite "Palladian" window with small balustrade. The central round-arched window has a keystone motif with decorative capital. There are dormer windows in the east and west planes of the roof; these dormers have small corner pilasters and pediment. One brick chimney with corbelled cap rises from the northwest quadrant of the roof. The siding is German, the roof is of standing seam metal and the foundations are of poured concrete.

Significance

This is a handsome example of early twentieth century rural domestic architecture with Classical Revival elements. It is located on what was once a 100-acre tract known as Spafield. In 1891 Spafield was divided between the children of Cornelia M. Bowie; Ellen Bowie Addison received 26 acres including the dwelling house in which they had grown up (known by then as "Maple Shade" - P.G. #70-31), and Arthur Gillette Bowie received the 74 unimproved acres which adjoined Maple Shade on the north. Arthur Bowie worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Wilmington, Delaware, but returned to his Prince George's County property and had this handsome dwelling constructed. It was completed in 1909 and was assessed in that year at \$2,200, a sizeable amount for that period. It remained in the family until 1977. Although there have been some alterations, the house remains a prominent example of modest but fine rural domestic architecture of the early twentieth century.

Acreage: 2.88 acres

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Arthur G. Bowie House (Spafield)

and/or common Carlson House

2. Location

street & number 6290 Hillmeade Road not for publication

city, town Glenn Dale vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county P.G.

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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name William and Martha Emory

street & number 6290 Hillmeade Road telephone no.:

city, town Glenn Dale state and zip code MD. 20769

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. P.G. Co., Courthouse liber 4879

street & number Main Street folio 246

city, town Upper Marlboro, state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title P.G. Co. Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974 federal state county local

depository for survey records History Division, MNCPPC

city, town Riverdale, state Md.

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" 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 of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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All other windows (generally 1/1) have lintels with cyma reversa molding surmounting plain board friezes. On the east facade is a row of three smaller one-pane square windows which light the dining room.

There are dormers in the east and west planes of the roof; these dormers have small corner pilasters and pediment. The roof is of standing seam metal. The shutters, which were in deteriorating condition, have been removed by the present owner, and will be replaced. One brick chimney with corbelled cap rises from the northwest quadrant of the roof. Foundations of the house are of poured concrete.

There is a small one-story porch on the north facade sheltering the kitchen door; this porch has chamfered posts with capital courses. Identical chamfered posts support an enclosed second-story porch which projects from the west facade at its north end.

In plan, the interior is divided in thirds east to west: dining room and pantry on the east, entry stairhall and kitchen in the center, and front-and-back double parlor on the west. The wooden mantel on the interior wall of the rear parlor is decorated with engaged Tuscan columns and a central applied wreath ornament on the plain frieze. Interior door and window surrounds throughout have two vertical grooves; lintels have plain frieze with cyma reversa crown molding.

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1909 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Arthur G. Bowie House is a handsome example of early twentieth century rural domestic architecture with Classical Revival elements. It is situated on a high knoll, set back from Hillmeade Road, the old road from Collington to Springfield Station. It is located on what was once a 100-acre tract known as Spafield. This tract was in the mid-nineteenth century the property of Robert Bowie of Walter.¹ In 1891 the 100-acre Spafield tract was divided between the children of Cornelia M. Bowie; Ellen Bowie Addison received 26 acres including the dwelling house in which they had grown up (known by then as "Maple Shade" - P.G. #70-31), and Arthur Gillette Bowie received the 74 unimproved acres which adjoined Maple Shade on the north.² Arthur Bowie worked a clerk for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Wilmington, Delaware, but after his marriage he returned to his Prince George's County property and had this handsome dwelling constructed. It was completed in 1909 (possibly by local carpenters, John or Millard Schafer) and was assessed in that year at \$2,200, a sizeable amount for that period.³ It remained the home of his daughter, Eleanor Bowie Carlson, until her death in 1977.

Although there have been significant alterations on the interior, they have been done with sensitivity and care; there has been minimal change to the exterior. The house remains a prominent example of modest but fine rural domestic architecture of the early twentieth century.

Notes:

¹ P.G. County Deeds, CSM #2:82, P.G. County Equity #476.

² P.G. County Deed of Partition, JWB #19:376.

³ Census, 1910; P.G. County Tax Assessments 1909, 1910; E.G. Bowie, Across the Years in Prince George's County. Interview with owners, and with family members, 1983, 1984.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Carlson House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

6920 Hillmeade Road

CITY, TOWN

Glenn Dale

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Prince George's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" 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"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

E.B. Carlson

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

6920 Hillmeade Road

CITY, TOWN

Glenn Dale

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Prince George's County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Upper Marlboro

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

76 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED |

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is an attractive, Classical Revival building, probably dating from ca. 1900. It is a square, two-story frame structure with a pyramid-type hip roof. Large center gables appear on the north and south slopes of the roof, while dormers adorn the east and west. The main (south) facade is of three bays, with a central entrance. A one-story "farmer's porch" across the front has been screened in. A three-sided bay window appears above the center of the porch. Most windows are 1/1.

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 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 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A highly-styled country home. One of few seen in the area.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

11/14/73

STREET & NUMBER

8787 Georgia Ave.

TELEPHONE

589-1480

CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

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

Chain of Title

Bowie-Carlson House
P.G. #70-21

#4879:246
6 Jan. 1978
Deed

William B.C. Addison, Sr., personal representative of Eleanor Bowie Carlson deceased, (d. 5/16/77) Admin. #26147 to William L. and Martha Emory, part of property owned by Eleanor B. Carlson, 2.883 acres, which she acquired by HB #1:292 and #82:277.

(#82:277 is 2 acres adjoining Arthur G. Bowie tract, deeded by Francis G. Addison, Jr. to Eleanor H.C. Bowie, wife of Arthur G. Bowie, 1912).

CMH #541:322
16 May 1977
Will

Testator, Eleanor Bowie Carlson: real estate devised to William B.C. Addison et ux in trust for Eleanor Bowie Addison; William B.C. Addison appointed personal representative.

#9212
11 Jan. 1949
Administration

Deceased intestate, Arthur Gillette Bowie, possessed of 78 acres of land in Bowie District, including dwelling house, tenant house, tobacco barn and shed. Administrator, Eleanor Bowie Carlson.

JWB #19:376
8 June 1891
Deed of Partition

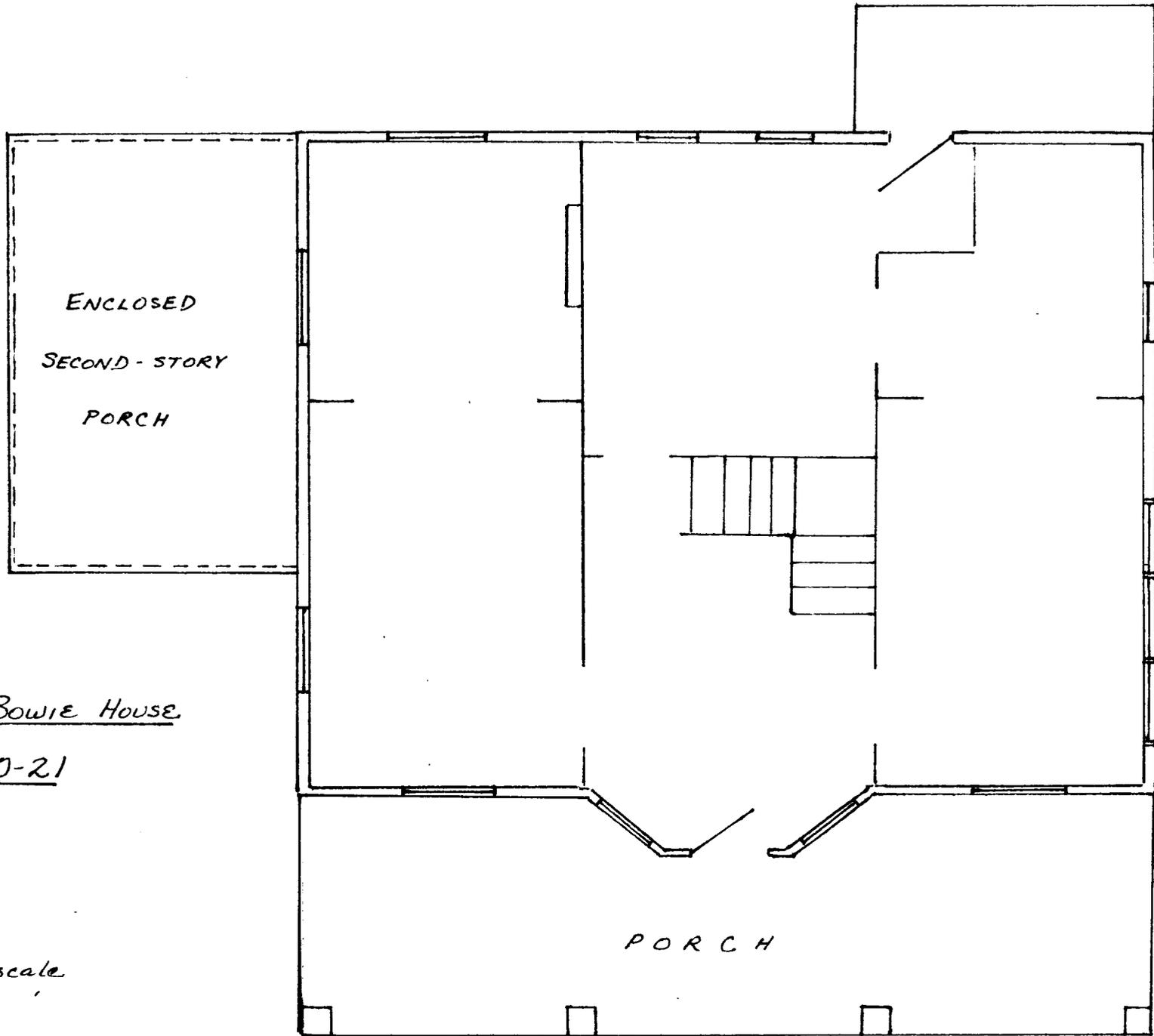
John M. Bowie et ux, Frank G. Addison, Ellen M. Addison, and Arthur G. Bowie, tenants in common of two tracts inherited from their mother, Cornelia W. Bowie -
- amicable division -

1. John M. Bowie receives 93-7/16 acres of land (Mount Oak) described in JWB #1:170.
2. Ellen M. Addison, 26-2/3 acres, part of land described in HB #1:292.
3. Arthur G. Bowie - 74-1/3 acres, all the rest and residue of land described in HB #1:292.

HB #1:292
8 June 1868
Deed

Daniel Clarke, trustee to James Mulliken, trustee, in trust for Mrs. Eleanor B. Bowie, 100 acres of Darnall's Grove, formerly land of Robert Bowie of Walter (Daniel Clark appointed trustee, Equity #476, to sell lands of Robert Bowie of Walter).

(Mrs. Eleanor B. Bowie was mother of Cornelia W. Bowie, who predeceased her).



ARTHUR G. BOWIE HOUSE

P.G. #70-21

1" = 6'

Not exactly to scale

11/84 sgp

4424/801

P.164

5627/691
2.19A.
P.162

JESSIE
DEPRIEST
2576/417
4.28A.
P.169

0.98
P.170

PAUL D. COLLENS
5382 / 640
3.24A. P.173

HILLMEADE

E. DAISEY
195/357
62.41A.
P.163

1.91A.
P.168

THOS. J
MC DONOUGH
1119 / 36
4.28A.
P.172

ROBERT D. LEPORE
BAR HUDSON
5246/220
6.94A.
P.174

5296/096
2.00A. P.181

FRED S FOSTER
3953/584
4.63A
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R-E

K. A.
LEIBE
5623/172
3.56A.
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JESSE
PRIEST
1744/312
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R-R

EARL F. CARRICK
4182/717
8.74A.
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FREIDA B
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3706/504
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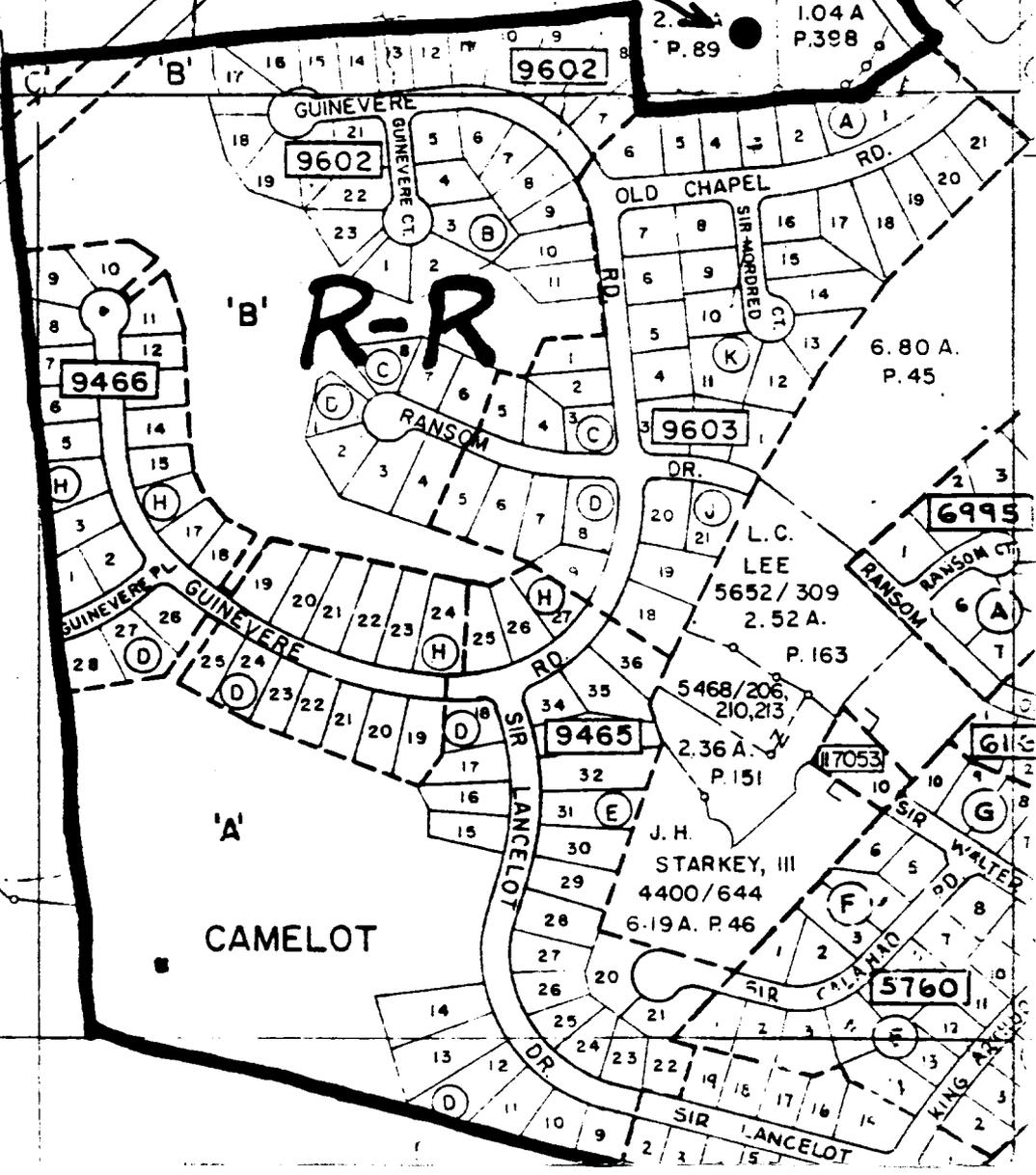
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23.02A.
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R-R

CAMELOT

9602

9466

9603

9465

6995

5760

GUINEVERE

OLD CHAPEL

RANSOM

'A'

'B'

RANSOM

L.C.
LEE
5652/309
2.52A.
P.163

J.H.
STARKEY, III
4400/644
6.19A. P.46

6115

7053

5760

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NAME CARLSON HOUSE #70-21

LOCATION HILLMEADE Rd. NEAR DAISY LA. GLENN DALE, Md.

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P.G. #70-21

Arthur Bowie house

Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

November 1984

South elevation

Neg: Md. Historical Trust, Annapolis, MD



P.G. #70-21

Arthur G. Bowie House
Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

November 1984

Southwest 3/4 elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



P.G. 70-21

Arthur Bowie house

Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

November 1984

East elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



P.G.#70-21

Arthur G. Bowie House

Prince George's County, MD

Susan G. Pearl

November 1984

Parlor mantel

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD