

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #74A-22 Building Date: 1909

Building Name: Ingalls House

Location: 14301 Mt. Oak Road, Mitchellville, Maryland

Private/Residential/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description:

The Ingalls house is two story, frame three-by-three bay dwelling with a front gable entrance and a rectangular plan, sited in open fields, fronting on Mt. Oak Road. The three bay north (main) gable end has entrance in the second bay through a decorative twelve panel door. The door has two-light sidelights and a three-light transom. The door and the 2/2 double-hung-sash windows have a wide board surround with an outer bead. A wide board at frieze level creates a pedimented gable end. The upper gable area is covered by combined rows of square and fishscale wooden shingles. Centered in the upper gable is a triple window. The house is covered with asbestos shingle, over the original German siding. The roof is covered with asphalt shingle, the building rests on a cement foundation and a corbelled brick chimney rise at the gable ridge. The four bay east facade is surmounted by a wide centered cross gable covered with wood shingle. The three bay west facade is identical to the east facade. The two bay south (rear) facade is dominated by the two story two-by-two bay frame, gable roof kitchen wing at its southwest corner. The wing has a first bay entrance on its east facade, sheltered by a two bay shed roof porch with heavy turned and chamfered posts. The interior has a hall and two east side parlors, with the kitchen directly to the rear. Door and window surrounds are wide wood molding with bull's eye corner blocks. The kitchen wing may be older than the main block. The interior moldings are banded wood with bull's eye corner blocks. Beneath the kitchen, a dirt floored celler is reached through a trap door in the floor of the side porch. The exterior has been altered by the removal of louvered shutters from the windows and the removal of a one story entrance porch which crossed the north (main) facade and wrapped around the east facade. The lawn surrounding the Ingalls house is defined by sycamore and maple trees. To the south (rear) of the house is a one-by-one bay gable roof frame meat house of vertical wood siding. There is a large barn with a standing seam metal gambrel roof farther to the south. Two large gable roof barns are to the east.

Significance

The Ingalls house is significant for its architecture. Its cross gable roofline, roughly square plan and decorative use of shingles are details of a vernacular style popular in the County in the 1890's through the early twentieth century. The Ingalls house was built in 1909 for John L. Ingalls, a farmer who had acquired 89 acres of Mt. Oak, in Mitchellville from the estate of Mary M. Carter. Carter was a member of the Bowie and Clagett families which own the nearby Locust Hill property (P.G. #74A-21). Ingalls owned the property through 1925, when it was acquired by the Beall family. It was owned by the Bealls, who completed the exterior changes apparent on the building, through 1981. The Bealls retain most of the acreage around the dwelling and continue to farm the property. Similar houses of this style include P.G. #81B-S, the Dr. Edward H. Wyvill house. The style appears to be transitional, between the characteristic 19th century cross gable vernacular farm dwelling and the twentieth century four-square house.

Acreage: 1 acre

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Ingalls House (Preferred)

and/or common Beall-Case House

2. Location

street & number 14301 Mt. Oak Road ___ not for publication

city, town Mitchellville ___ vicinity of congressional district 5

state Md. county Prince George's

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"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Larry Case

street & number 14301 Mt. Oak Road telephone no.:

city, town Mitchellville state and zip code Md. 20716

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 5458

street & number Main Street folio 679

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title NA

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" 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.

The Ingalls house is two story, frame three-by-three bay dwelling with a front gable entrance and a generally rectangular plan. It is sited in an area of open fields, fronting closely on Mt. Oak Road.

The three bay north (main) gable end has entrance in the second bay through a decorative twelve panel door. The door has six lower panels and three panels along the upper door edge which are small and square, containing a central bull's eye. There is a narrow horizontal rectangular panel at mid-door level incised with a stylized flower and leaf design. Above this are two rectangular vertical panels, totaling twelve panels in all. The door has two-light sidelights above wainscot panels and a three-light transom. The door and the 2/2 double-hung-sash windows have a wide board surround with an outer bead. A wide board running around the building at frieze level creates a pedimented gable end. The upper gable area is covered by combined rows of square and fishscale wooden shingles. Centered in the upper gable is a triple window, composed of a central 2/2 sash flanked by two 1/1 sash. Brackets at the upper end of the window surround support the gable peak which projects approximately two feet beyond the wall plane, creating a decorative triangular area covered by fishscale wooden shingles.

The house is covered with asbestos shingle, which hides the original German siding. The roof is covered with asphalt shingle and the building rests on a cement foundation. There is a corbelled brick chimney centered at the gable ridge.

The four bay east facade has entrance in the second bay, through a door with the same square panels with bull's eyes as on the main entrance door, but having a large upper glass light. The facade is surmounted by a wide centered cross gable covered with wood shingle. A 2/2 sash window is centered in the cross gable.

The three bay west facade is identical to the east facade except that there is no entrance door and fenestration only on the first and third bays. The two bay south (rear) facade is dominated by the two story two-by-two bay frame, gable roof kitchen wing at its southwest corner. The wing has a first bay entrance on its east facade, sheltered by a two bay shed roof porch. The porch roof rests on heavy turned and chamfered posts. Windows on the wing are 2/2 sash, with modern 1/1 sash windows on the south (rear) gable end.

The interior of the Ingalls house has a hall and two east side parlors, with the kitchen directly to the rear. The main stair rises along the west wall of the hall then turns and rises along the south (rear) wall.

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 checked="" 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history

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.

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The Ingalls house was built in 1909 for John L. Ingalls.¹ Ingalls, a farmer, had acquired 89 acres of Mt. Oak, in Mitchellville from the estate of Mary M. Carter.² Carter was a member of the Bowie and Clageett families which own the nearby Locust Hill property (P.G. #74A-21). Ingalls owned and farmed the property through 1925, when it was acquired by the Beall family. It was owned by the Bealls, who completed the exterior changes apparent on the building, through 1981.³ The Bealls retain most of the acreage around the dwelling, including the three large barns, and continue to farm the property.⁴

Similar houses of this style include P.G. #81B-S, the Dr. Edward H. Wyvill house. The style appears to be transitional, between the characteristic 19th century cross gable vernacular farm dwelling and the twentieth century four-square house.

Notes:

- ¹ Tax Assessments, Prince George's County, District #7, 1909.
- ² United States Census, Prince George's County, District 7, 1910, #64; and Land Records of Prince George's County, 20:406.
- ³ Interview with Doris Ann Case, January 1986; and Land Records of Prince George's County, 5458:679.
- ⁴ Doris Ann Case, op. cit.

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It has turned and chamfered balusters. Door and window surrounds are wide wood molding with bull's eye corner blocks. The kitchen wing may be older than the main block. The interior moldings are banded wood with bull's eye corner blocks. Beneath the kitchen, a dirt floored celler lined with brick and stone is reached through a trap door in the floor of the east-side porch.

Along with the addition of asbestos shingle, the exterior of the house has been altered by the removal of the louvered shutters from the windows and the removal of a one story entrance porch which crossed the north (main) facade and wrapped around the east facade.

The lawn surrounding the Ingalls house is defined by sycamore and maple trees which line the driveway and the north, south and west perimeters of the immediate yard.

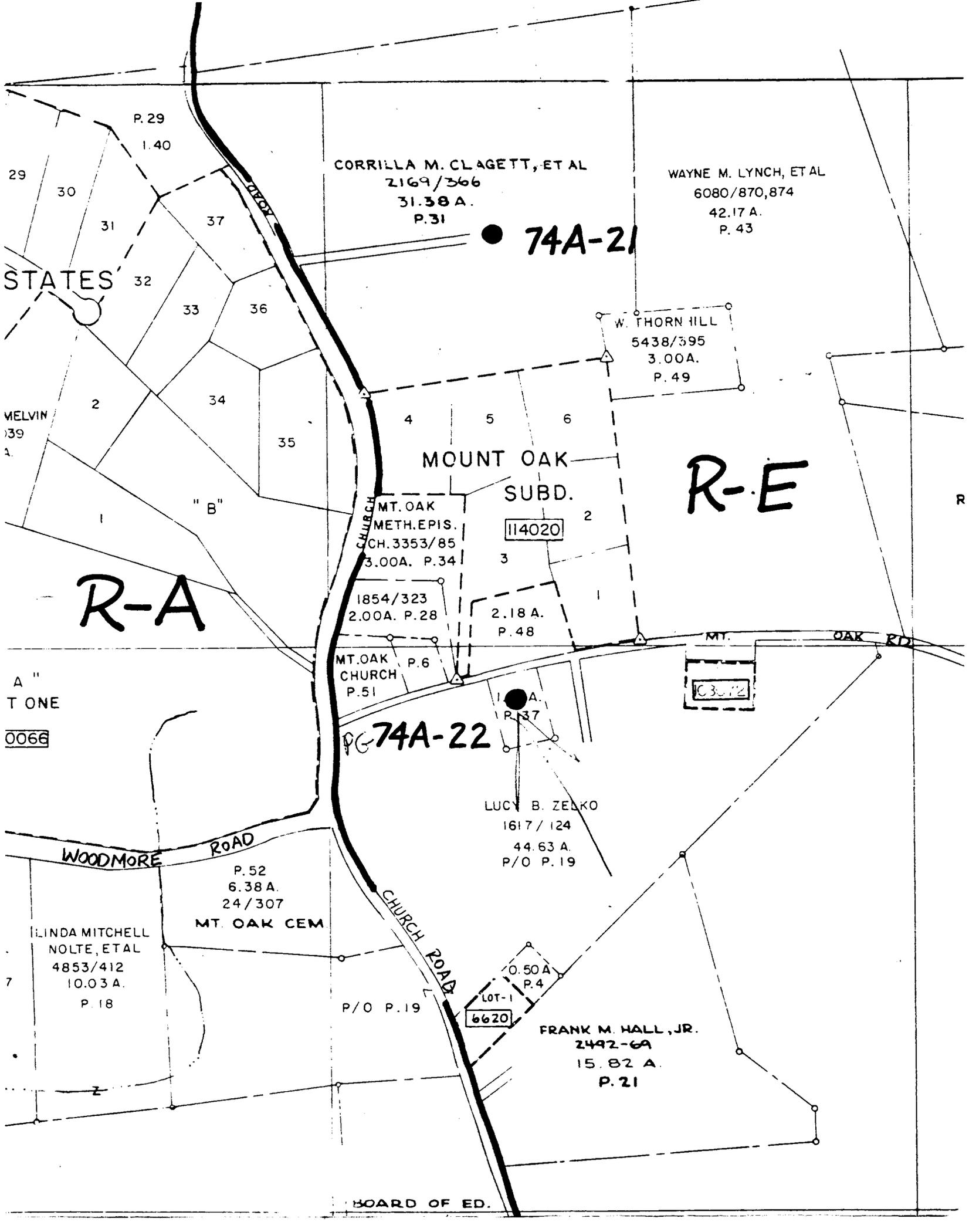
To the south (rear) of the house is a one-by-one bay gable roof frame meat house of vertical wood siding. It has an east side entrance and the boxed cornice covers the rafter ends. There is a large barn with a standing seam metal gambrel roof farther to the south. It is a bank barn with a stable on the lower level. The foundation is poured cement with pebbles embedded in it. Two large gable roof barns are to the east.

Chain of Title

Ingalls House
P.G. #74A-22

- 5458:679
1981
Deed
Lucy Beall Zelko, formerly by Lucy C. Beall, to Larry R. and Doris Ann Case. For \$10 grantor conveys that parcel in the 7th (Queen Anne) District, contains 1 acre. Actual consideration paid, \$45,000.
- 1617:124
11 June 1953
Deed
Clyde F. and Bernie P. Beall to Lucy C. Beall. For \$10 grantors convey 2 tracts - a part of Lot 3 of Mt. Oak, contains 38 acres. Second tract contains 23.76 acres. Same described in deed from John L. Ingalls to Herbert C. Beall March 6, 1925, 233:167.
- 233:167
6 Mar 1925
Deed
John L. Ingalls of Mitchellville to Herbert C. Beall of Mitchellville. For \$10 grantor conveys 2 parcels. The first is a part of Lot 3 of Mt. Oak as per plat in Equity 1190. Same conveyed to Ingalls by John M. and Sara B. Bowie, Dec. 12, 1904, 20:406.

Second tract - 23 26/100 - a part of Mt. Oak. Conveyed to Ingalls by Bowie and wife.
- 20:406
9 Dec 1904
Deed
John M. & Sarah B. Bowie to John L. Ingalls. For \$1,200 grantors convey that tract in Queen Anne District - a part of Lot 3 of Mt. Oak as per plat filed Equity 1190. Mullikin vs. Bowie - contains 38 acres.
- 20:363
8 Oct 1904
Deed
Trustees of Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of the Protestant Episcopal Church to John M. Bowie. For \$1,200 paid to grantor, parcel in Queen Anne District is conveyed. A part of Mt. Oak, Lot 3 - 89 acres, a part of real estate devised by Mary M. Carter in her will to grantors.
- WRS 1:208
26 July 1897
Will
Mary M. Carter of Washington, D.C. - bequeaths to Aunt Corrilla W. Mullikin \$10,000. To Cousin John M. Bowie, Arthur G. Bowie and Ellen M. Addison (children of French Bowie) \$10,000 to be divided equally. Residue of estate to the Trustees of Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of the Protestant Episcopal Church.



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CORRILLA M. CLAGETT, ET AL
2169/366
31.38 A.
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WAYNE M. LYNCH, ET AL
6080/870,874
42.17 A.
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● 74A-21

STATES

W. THORN HILL
5438/395
3.00A.
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MOUNT OAK
SUBD.

R-E

CHURCH
MT. OAK
METH. EPIS.
CH. 3353/85
3.00A. P. 34

114020

R-A

1854/323
2.00A. P. 28

2.18 A.
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MT. OAK
CHURCH
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LUCY B. ZELKO
1617/124
44.63 A.
P/O P. 19

WOODMORE ROAD

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6.38 A.
24/307

MT. OAK CEM.

CHURCH ROAD

P/O P. 19

LOT-1
0.50 A.
P. 4
6620

FRANK M. HALL, JR.
2492-6A
15.82 A.
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LINDA MITCHELL
NOLTE, ET AL
4853/412
10.03 A.
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Ingalls House
Prince George's County, MD
Marina King
March 1986
East elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



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Ingalls House
Prince George's County, MD
Marina King
March 1986
South elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



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Ingalls House
Prince George's County, MD
Marina King
March 1986
North elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



P.G.#74A-22

Ingalls House
Prince George's County, MD
Marina King
March 1986
Northwest elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD