INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Isaac L. Price House Survey Number: WI-393

Project: Scarborough Leadership Center Agency: S/SSU

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no ___ yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended X Eligibility **not** recommended ____

Criteria: ___A ___B X C ___D Considerations: ___A ___B ___C ___D ___E ___F ___G ___None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Located at 1204 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, the Price House is two and a half story frame dwelling that reflects a mixture of Queen Anne and Colonial Revival styles. Built c. 1913, the building rests on a brick foundation and capped by a hipped roof. Wood shingles and weatherboards coupled with the asymmetrical form of the house point its Victorian roots. Colonial Revival details appear in the porch elements, dormers and interior woodwork. A local banker, Isaac Price purchased the lot and conformed to several restrictions regarding the lot's development.

This section of Camden Avenue is located across from Salisbury State University. A doe'd historic district exists on the northern end of Camden Avenue. Paul Touart believes that a district called Camden Avenue Extended can be easily justified. This southern end of Camden Avenue represents an early to mid-twentieth century residential development of varying architectural styles. In compensation for the demolition of the Price House, SSU will document the Camden Avenue Extended historic district.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MD Inventory Form, compliance file 1204 Camden Ave.

Prepared by: Paul Touart

Lauren Bowlin — August 1999
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services — Date

NR program concurrence: X yes ___ no ___ not applicable

Peter E. Kurtze — 10/5/99
Reviewer, NR program — Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

__X__ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
_____ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
_____ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
_____ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

_____ Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
_____ Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
_____ Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
_____ Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
_____ Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
_____ Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
_____ Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
_____ Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
_____ Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
_____ Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
__X__ Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
_____ Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present

_____ Unknown Period (___ prehistoric ___ historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

_____ Subsistence
_____ Settlement
_____ Political
_____ Demographic
_____ Religion
_____ Technology
_____ Environmental Adaptation

IV. Historic Period Themes:

_____ Agriculture
___X_ Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
_____ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
_____ Government/Law
_____ Military
_____ Religion
_____ Social/Educational/Cultural
_____ Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: __building_____
Historic Environment: ___village_____
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): domestic, single family_____

Known Design Source: _____

WI-393 c. 1913
Isaac L. Price House
Salisbury
Public

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This stylistic marriage of Victorian and Colonial Revival aesthetics is widely evident throughout Salisbury and started to appear during the 1890s in the grand house designed by Baltimore architect Jackson Gott for William P. Jackson (WI-35) at the north end of Camden Avenue. At the south end of Camden Avenue Extended, William F. Allen financed construction of an estate-sized dwelling that reflected this stylistic blend as well. William F. Allen, in fact, owned the property on which several of these Camden Avenue houses were erected. Divided into building lots and surveyed in 1911 by Peter S. Shockley, Lot No. 7 was sold to Isaac L. Price on October 3, 1912. A stipulation in the deed stated that

the said Price shall not erect a building on the land hereby conveyed nearer to the west line of Camden Avenue Extended than one hundred feet and shall not erect a house on said land costing less than three thousand dollars. In case said Price fails to comply with either of these restrictions then in that event this deed shall become void, and the property hereby conveyed revert back to and become the property of said William F. Allen as if this deed had not been made.

Isaac L. Price, a bank cashier, financed construction of this frame dwelling shortly thereafter, and he and his family resided at this address until October 1919 when they sold the house and lot to David Dallas for $6,500.

For the following twenty-two years the house was held by the Dallas family. Ownership of the property was officially conveyed to Jane A. Dallas in 1935. Between 1941 and 1959 the Camden Avenue residence was the home of Seth H. and Eleanor B. Hurdle. Seth H. Hurdle served as a health officer in Wicomico County for thirty-two years, retiring in 1962. The new Wicomico County Health Center is named in his honor. The Salisbury State University Foundation acquired 1204 Camden Avenue in 1993.

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-393

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DOE __yes __no

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Isaac L. Price House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 1204 Camden Avenue ___ not for publication

city, town Salisbury ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	x public	x occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
x building(s)	___ private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	x educational	___ private residence
___ site	**Public Acquisition**	**Accessible**	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	x yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	x not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

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

name State of Maryland

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 48, p. 102 liber 1357

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 432

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
___ excellent	___ deteriorated	___ unaltered	_X_ original site
_X_ good	___ ruins	_X_ altered	___ moved date of move _____
___ fair	___ unexposed		

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

The Isaac L. Price house is located at 1204 Camden Avenue across the street from the main campus of Salisbury State University in Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story, three-bay frame dwelling faces east with the principal hip roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Dating around 1913, the two-and-a-half story, Queen Anne/Colonial Revival house is supported on a raised stretcher bond brick foundation with an excavated cellar. The exterior is clad with plain weatherboards, and the steeply pitched hip roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles. Projecting from the main block on three sides are two-story pavilions, and a two-story, shed roofed porch is attached to the back wall. The house stands on a generous lot in a row of early twentieth-century brick and frame dwellings. Mature shade trees dot the property, which has a semi-circular entrance.

The east (main) elevation is an asymmetrical three-bay facade with a two-story pavilion projecting forward of the entrance wall. Centered on the pavilion are large single-pane sash windows. South of the pavilion is the entrance, which is distinguished by a glazed front door. The glass panel has a beveled edge. The first floor is sheltered by a cross-gabled porch roof supported on tapered square columns. The second floor is lighted by single-pane sash windows, and the pediment atop the pavilion is pierced by paired six-over-one sash windows. The windows are set within a field of wood shingles. Fixed atop the main hip roof is a large gable roofed dormer featuring a pediment front and paired nine-over-one sash windows. The sides of the dormer are shingled.

The north wall is dominated by a two-story, three-sided bay, and single-pane sash windows light the first and second floors. The top of the bay is capped by a gable end pediment pierced by an attic window opening. The sash have been replaced. Simple and elongated brackets embellish the soffit of the gable end pediment.

The south side features a two-story, square-sided pavilion that contains the staircase. An exterior door opens into a cellar entry as well as a short flight of steps to the first floor. The landing, at mid-point between the first and second floors, is lighted by three windows. A center nine-over-one sash window is flanked by six-over-one sash windows. The attic level of the pavilion is illuminated by a bank of four six-pane windows fixed under the eave. Piercing the gable end pediment of the pavilion is a lunette window set within a field of wood shingles. To each side of the pavilion are single-pane sash windows.

The west (rear) wall is dominated by a two-story porch which is enclosed on the first floor. Square posts with a rectangular baluster handrail define the second floor, which is screened. Piercing the hip roof is an internal brick chimney stack.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
___ prehistoric	___ archeology-prehistoric	___ community planning	___ landscape architecture	___ religion
___ 1400–1499	___ archeology-historic	___ conservation	___ law	___ science
___ 1500–1599	___ agriculture	___ economics	___ literature	___ sculpture
___ 1600–1699	X architecture	___ education	___ military	___ social/ humanitarian
___ 1700–1799	___ art	___ engineering	___ music	___ theater
___ 1800–1899	___ commerce	___ exploration/settlement	___ philosophy	___ transportation
X 1900–	___ communications	___ industry	___ politics/government	___ other (specify)
		___ invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: __A __B X C __D
and/or
Applicable Exception: __A __B __C __D __E __F __G

Level of Significance: __national __state X local

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

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[1] Wicomico County Land Record, EAT 79/262, 3 October 1912.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____ Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
A				B			
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian		
organization	Private Consultant	date	6/17/99
street & number	P. O. Box 5	telephone	410-651-1094
city or town	Westover	state	Maryland 21871

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.

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7.1 DESCRIPTION
Isaac L. Price House
1204 Camden Avenue
Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland

The interior is divided into four essential spaces; the entrance foyer, living room, dining room and kitchen. A dog-leg staircase rises between the foyer and the kitchen. Single and double width door openings, as well as the windows, are framed by plain surrounds that features a small crown molding across each lintel. The single width openings are filled with five-panel early twentieth-century doors. The dog-leg staircase is anchored by a large, square newel post topped by a molded cap. A series of rectangular balusters support a molded and ramped handrail. The stringer is embellished with a slight scroll decoration of applied woodwork. A wall of bookshelves has been added to the front room on the northeast corner.

The second floor is divided in a similar fashion with a center hall separating bedrooms on the north and south side of the house Five-panel doors framed by plain surrounds with corniced lintels open into various rooms as well as closets.

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8.1 SIGNIFICANCE
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Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland

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For the following twenty-two years the house was held by the Dallas family. Ownership of the property was officially conveyed to Jane A. Dallas in 1935.[3] Between 1941 and 1959 the Camden Avenue residence was the home of Seth H. and Eleanor B. Hurdle.[4] Seth H. Hurdie served as the health officer in Wicomico County for thirty-two years, retiring in 1962. The new Wicomico County Health Center is named in his honor. The Salisbury State University Foundation acquired 1204 Camden Avenue in 1993.[5]

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[2] Wicomico County Land Record, JCK 114/84, 14 October 1919.

[3] Wicomico County Land Record, IDT 196/36, 24 July 1935.

[4] Wicomico County Land Records, JWS 236/526, 16 December 1941 and JWTS 474/341, 13 April 1959.

[5] Wicomico County Land Record, 1357/432, 9 August 1993.

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Isaac L. Price House
1204 Camden Avenue
Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland
Chain of title

Map 48, Parcel 102 1.02 acres

1357/432 Salisbury State University Foundation

to

8/9/1993 State of Maryland
Three Parcels: Parcel 2

Lot No. 7 on a plat made by Peter S. Shockley, 7/1/1911
JWTS 486/75

1277/710 Monica M. Miller

to

1/28/1992 Salisbury State University Foundation, Inc.
(the said Randall L. Miller having died prior hereto)

JWTS 630/416 Edward H. Thomas

to

6/3/1966 Randall L. Miller
Monica M. Miller

JWTS 474/341 Seth H. Hurdle
Eleanor B. Hurdle

to

4/13/1959 Edward H. Thomas
Fannie S. Thomas

JWS 236/526	Jane S. Dallas, widow
	to
12/16/1941	Seth H. Hurdle Eleanor B. Hurdle Being Lot No. 7 (and conveyed unto the said Jane S. Dallas from David Dallas, Jr. et al., 7/24/1935, IDT 196/36
JCK 114/84	Isaac L. Price Lilly L. Price
	to
10/14/1919	David Dallas $6,500 Being Lot No. 7 as laid out on a plat made by Peter S. Shockley, 7/1/1911, subject, nevertheless to the building restrictions imposed upon the said land by William F. Allen
EAT 79/262	William F. Allen Martha P. Allen
	to
10/3/1912	Isaac L. Price ...subject to the restrictions that the said Price shall not erect a building on the land hereby conveyed nearer to the west line of Camden Avenue Extended than one hundred feet and shall not erect a house on said land costing less than three thousand dollars. In case said Price fails to comply with either of these restrictions then in that event this deed shall become void, and the property hereby conveyed revert back to and become the property of said William F. Allen as if this deed had not been made.

JTT 34/262	William N. Hearn and wife
	to
12/22/1902	William F. Allen

MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: Isaac L Price House

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-393

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

1. Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture

2. Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore

3. Chronological/Development Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

4. Resource Type(s): Dwelling

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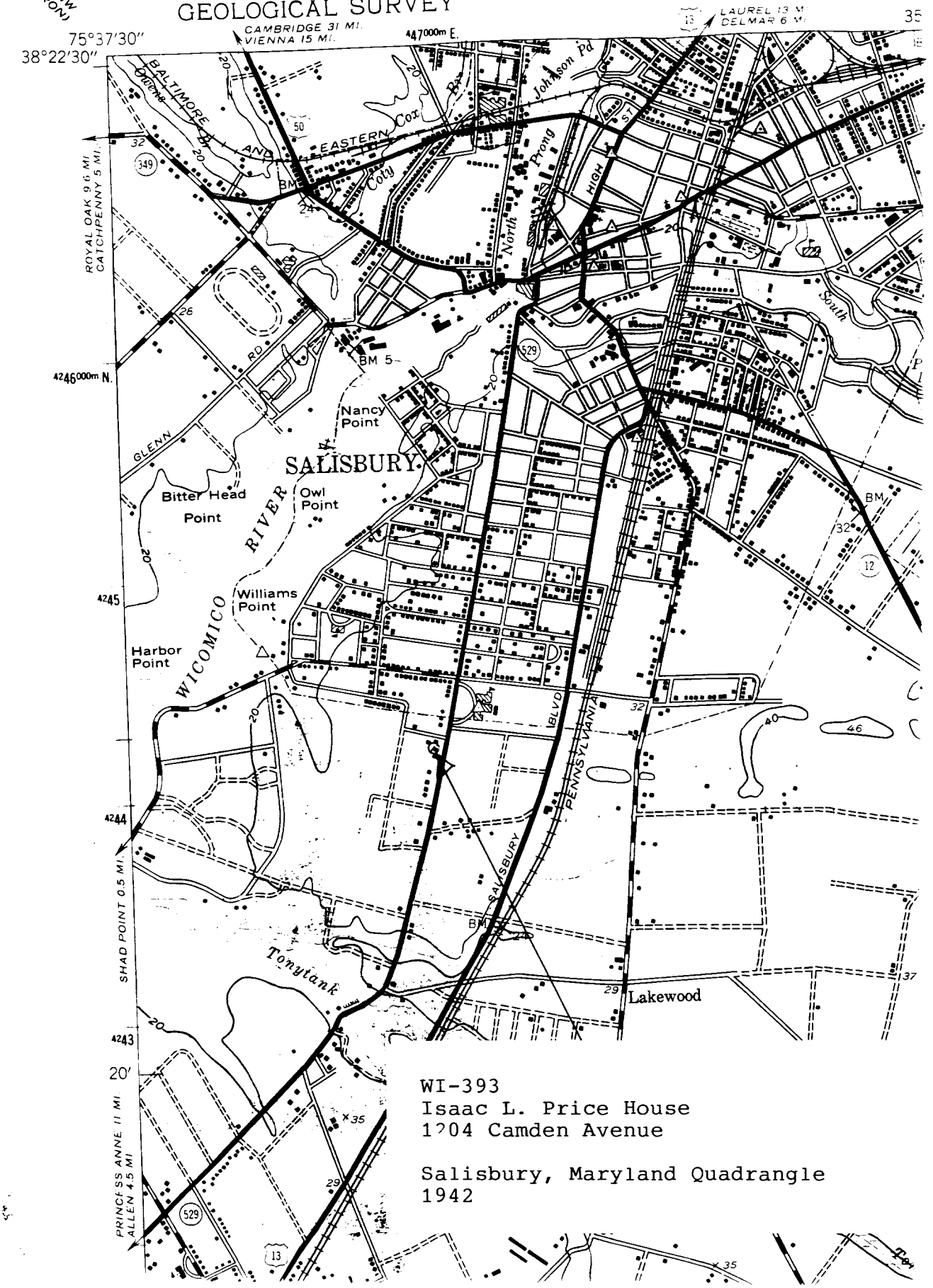
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



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Isaac L. Price House
1204 Camden Avenue

Salisbury, Maryland Quadrangle
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[illegible], Wisconsin [illegible]

Northeast [illegible]

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Isaac L. Price House

Sheboygan, Wisconsin [illegible]

South [illegible]

6/99 [illegible]

Neg/[illegible]

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Isaac L. Price House

Salisbury, Nicholas County, WV

West Elevation

6/99, Paul Towers, [illegible]

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