

WI-443
Rebecca Ellis House
Salisbury
Private

c. 1872

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MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: Rebecca Ellis House

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-443

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

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Rebecca Ellis House

and/or common Jolley House

2. Location

street & number 613 Pearl Street not for publication

city, town Salisbury vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

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 checked="" 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 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 Loretta B. Jolley

street & number 1213 Jersey Road telephone no.:

city, town Salisbury state and zip code MD 21801

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 1237

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 436

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

8. Significance

Survey No.

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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 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
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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, TF, Jr. 2/402, 12 June 1871.

² John L. Graham, ed. *The 1877 Atlases and Other Early Maps of the Eastern Shore of Maryland*. Wicomico County Bicentennial Committee, p. 19.

³ Wicomico County Land Record, SPT 3/314, 3 December 1879.

⁴ Wicomico County Land Record, JTT 34/511, 4 February 1903.

⁵ Wicomico County Land Record, MSB 1125/257, 27 October 1987.

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Chain of title

Map 106, Parcel 813

1237/436

Loretta B. Jolley, Attorney-In-Fact for Ada G.
Jolley and Loretta B. Jolley

to

11/16/1990

Loretta B. Jolley

MSB 1125/257

Ada G. Jolley

to

10/27/1987

Ada G. Jolley
Loretta B. Jolley
\$3,500

JWTS 307/299

William C. Mitchell, widower

to

9/18/1948

Fulton S. Jolley
Ada G. Jolley

JCK 107/135

Estella Whitney Booth
Andrew E. Booth

to

9/12/1917

William C. Mitchell
\$750

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JCK 102/453

Salvator Cimoni
Rosa Maggio Cimoni, Baltimore City

to

9/21/1916

Estella Whitney Booth
Mortgage given by Thomas Cimoni to Elizabeth
Whitney, \$500, 12/4/1913, EAT 87/450

EAT 92/240

Thomas Cimoni

to

5/4/1914

Salvatore Cimoni
Rosa Maggio Cimoni

EAT 88/433

Elizabeth Whitney

to

12/4/1913

Thomas Cimoni

JTT 34/511

Margaret H. Doward
Joseph Doward, Matawan, Monmouth Co. N. J.

to

2/4/1903

Elizabeth Whitney, wife of Samuel Whitney
\$550 and is the same premises lately occupied by
Roland Perry as tenant of Margaret Doward

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SPT 3/314

Rebecca Ellis
Thomas Ellis

to, daughter

12/3/1879

Margaret H. Doward, wife of Joseph Doward
Lot No. 16 on plat recorded in Somerset County

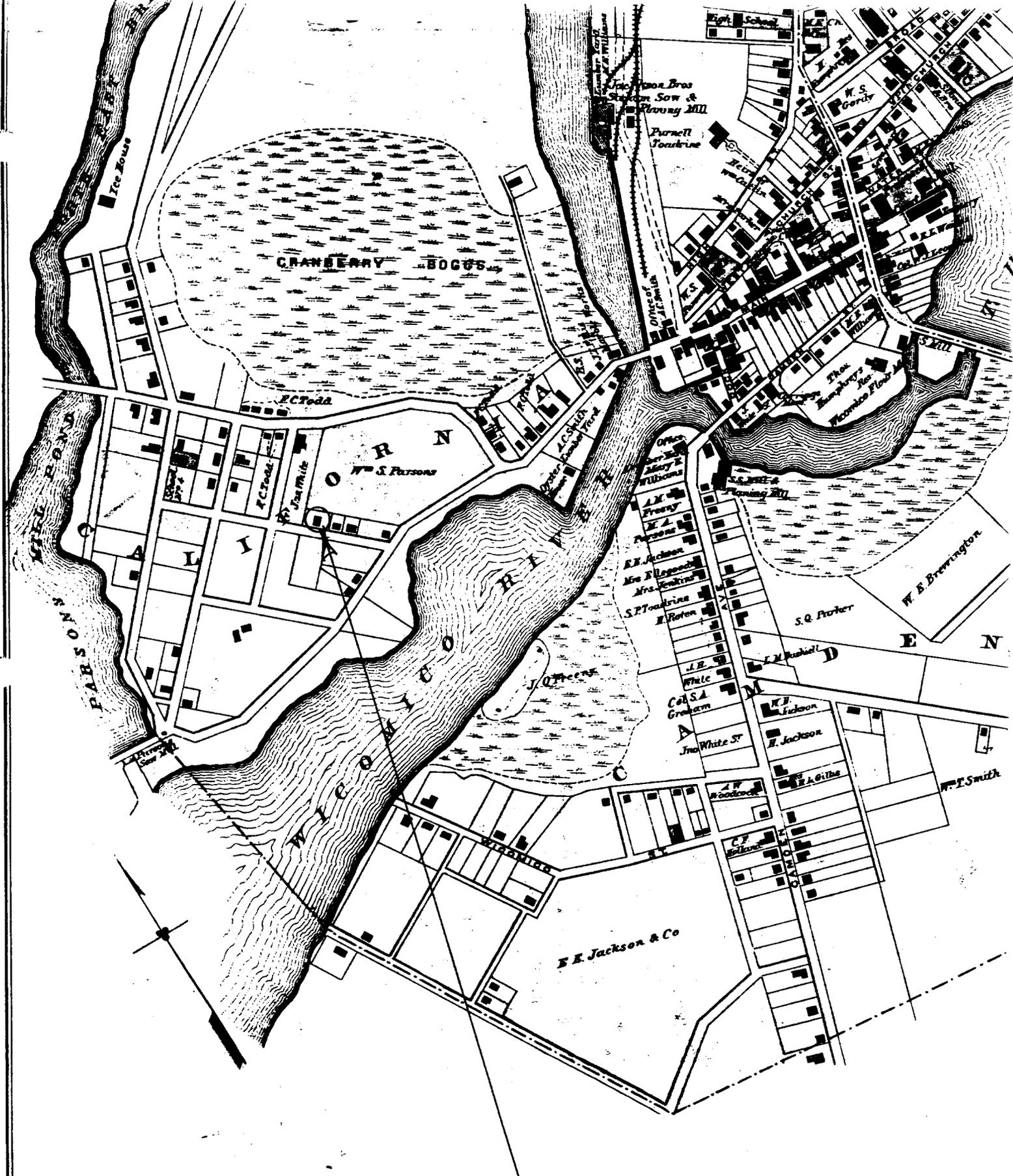
TF, Jr. 2/402

Purnell Toadvine

to

6/12/1871

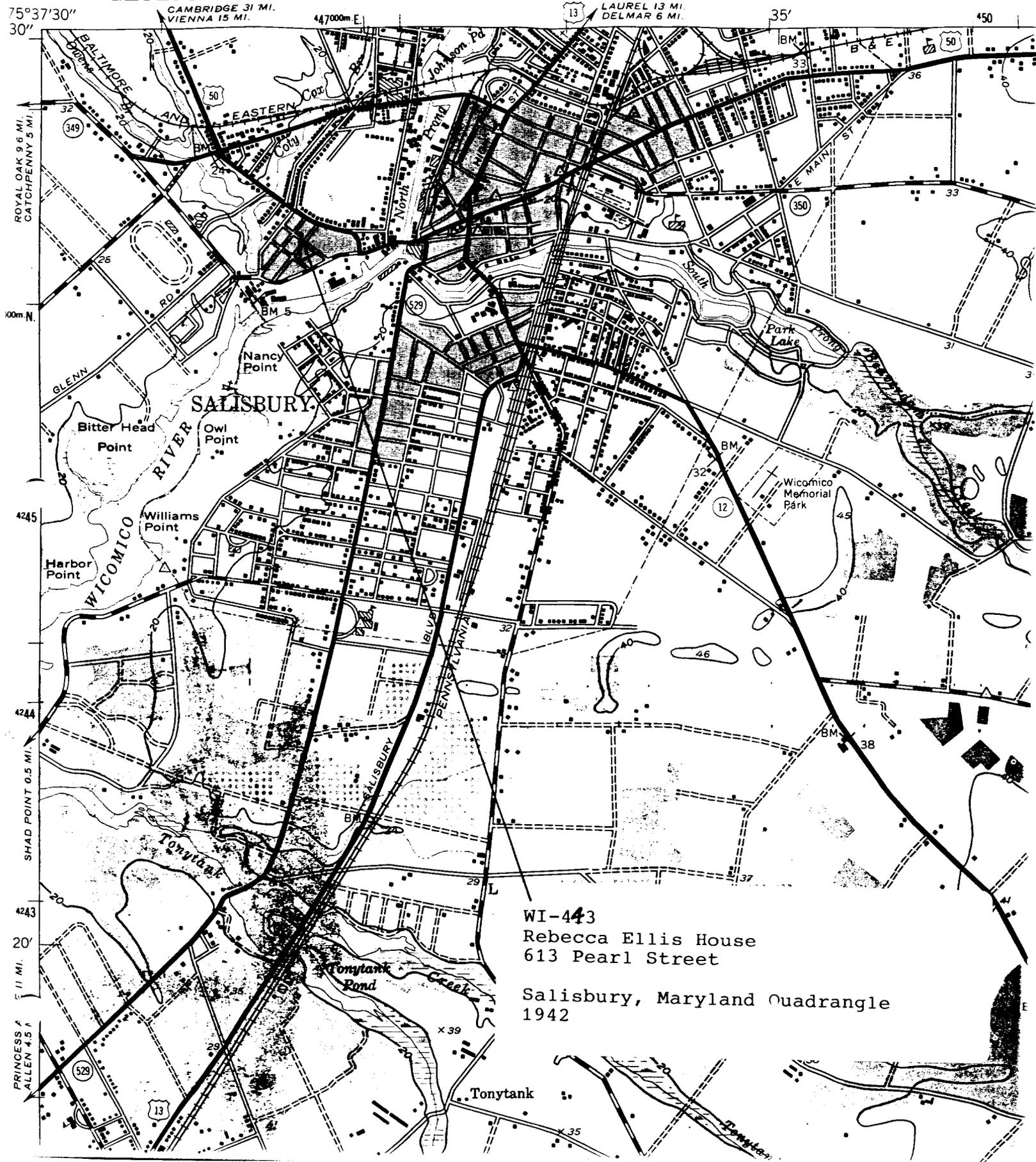
Rebecca Ellis
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Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas
1877

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



75°37'30"
30"
ROYAL OAK 9.6 MI.
CATCHPENNY 5 MI.
100m N.
4245
4244
4243
20'
11 MI.
PRINCESS ALLEN 4.5 MI.

CAMBRIDGE 31 MI.
VIENNA 15 MI.

447000m E

13 LAUREL 13 MI.
DELMAR 6 MI.

35'

450

SALISBURY

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Rebecca Ellis House
613 Pearl Street
Salisbury, Maryland Quadrangle
1942

Tonytank



