

HO-363
The Charles Ringley House No. 2
Ellicott City
Private

Circa 1838

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
The Charles Ringley House No. 2

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
3817 Old Columbia Pike

CITY, TOWN
Ellicott City

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VICINITY OF 6th

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Howard

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

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ringley

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
3817 Old Columbia Pike

CITY, TOWN
Ellicott City

STATE, zip code
VICINITY OF Maryland 21043

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Tax Map 25A Parcel 259
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records

Liber #: 417
Folio #: 210

STREET & NUMBER
Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN
Ellicott City

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE
1976-1982

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN
21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE
Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

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District 2
Ellicott City

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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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South Elevation

This elevation features a central, rectangular, four light, entrance door, flanked by shutters and rectangular, double-hung windows, holding one-over-one lights. These two windows are underlined by projecting wooden sills and decorated with shutters. Two wide, poured in place, concrete steps lead to the one story high, shed roofed, open porch, held by four square, wooden posts, which runs along this entire elevation, providing cover for the south entrance.

East Elevation

The east elevation of the main building block holds two, rectangular, second floor, double-hung windows, holding six-over-six light, covered with shed roofed, aluminum awnings. The east elevation of the shed roof addition holds a rectangular, four light entrance door and north end bay, rectangular, double-hung window, holding two-over-two lights. A one story high, shed roofed, open porch, supported by two square posts, runs along this section of the east elevation.

The east elevation of the second north addition holds a two light, sliding glass window.

The West Elevation

The west elevation of the original log building holds a wide, rectangular four light, attic window, covered by a wide, shed roofed, aluminum hood. The north addition holds a square, one light window and a one light, rectangular, north end bay entrance. The second, adjoining north addition, whose west wall lies flush with the west wall of the first north addition holds a rectangular, two light window.

North Elevation

The north elevation of the original log house holds a three bay wide, two bay deep, one story high, shed roofed addition, along whose north wall, on the west side, has been constructed one further, one story high, shed roofed, frame addition and a brick chimney.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
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<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 Circa 1838

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. Architecturally, this building is important, not only to Ellicott City, but to Howard County, as one of some thirty to forty log buildings out of a total of five hundred and seventy, identified on the Howard County Historic Sites Inventory. Log construction indicates some of Howard County's earliest building activity, generally found as basic building blocks within a larger framework in Howard County farm houses. Although the log construction of this house is hidden from view, the basic

profile for its main building block remains intact with only a one story high, shed roofed, open porch on the south elevation and additions along its north elevation to alter this profile.

2. Historically, the building has significance through its association with Thomas Isaac, who owned land and buildings on both sides of Old Columbia Pike, including those stone and brick buildings, which are located on adjoining lots. It is generally believed that sometime around the year 1838, when Thomas Isaac acquired most of this property, that this building served as a separate kitchen for either HO-303, Bruce Smyzer's Double House or HO-304, Paul Perkins House or for both buildings. Zedekiah Isaac, brother of Thomas, inherited almost all his property, passing it on to his son, William Moore Isaac, on September 4, 1890, with the stipulation that William hold this property for the use of Zedekiah's daughter, Mary Gertrude Sunderland. The building remained in the Sunderland family until, in 1947, it was conveyed to Richard and Mary Ford, thence passing through several owners to its present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ringley.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Howard County Land Records

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .15 Acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 25A

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 417 Folio 210

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

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, A.I.C.P., Projects Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning - Div. of Comprehensive & Transportation Planning

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3430 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

992-2357

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

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.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 269-2348

TITLE SEARCH

HO-363 The Charles Ringley House No. 2

Prepared by: Cleora B. Thompson, AICP

DATE	LIBER-FOLIO	GRANTOR	GRANTEE	TRANSACTION
Sept. 19, 1969	518-157	Guinevere Warfield	Charles & Elsie Ringley	Deed to .16 A [±] at 3817 Old Columbia Pike T.M. 25 A p. 259 8,188 square feet [±]
		"together with the buildings"		
Sept. 19, 1969	518-155	Charles & Elsie Ringley	Guinevere Warfield	Deed to 8,188 sq. ft. [±]
		"together with the buildings"		
April 24, 1964	417-210	Preston Valentine & Lillie Marie	Charles & Elsie Ringley	Deed to 6,480 sq. ft. [±]
		"together with the buildings"		
		"including the right to share the use of the pumps and water at the well on the side of the Columbia Turnpike, opposite the right of way		
Mar. 7, 1963	396-520	Elzo and Marie Mills	Preston & Lillie Marie Valentine	Deed to 6,480 sq. ft. [±]
May 3, 1955	267-462	Kenneth W. France and Rose France	Elzo & Marie Mills	Deed to 6,480 sq. ft. [±]
		"together with the buildings"		
		"from a granite stone at the SE corner of the Methodist Church lot in the northern boundary of the lot of ground wh. by deed dated 3 March, 1838 ... A.A. 22-637 ... granted ... by Zedekiah Isaacs to Thomas Isaac		

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DATE	LIBER-FOLIO	GRANTOR	GRANTEE	TRANSACTION
March 24, 1955	266-335	Richard & Mary Ford	Kenneth & Rose France	Deed to 6,480 sq. ft. ⁺ "together w. the bldgs + water & pumps"
Oct. 27, 1947	249-136	Benjamin B. & Mollie Sunderland of Balt. Cty. Edmund H. & Bertha Selden Sunderland- B. Cty. Herbert W. and Agnes Sunderland-Baltimore	Richard & Mary Ford	Deed to 6,480 sq. ft. for \$2,300

"at south-eastern corner of the Meth. Church Lot and in the northern boundary of that lot of land ... conveyed by Zedekiah Isaac to Thomas Isaac ... and running with the said northern boundary"

Wills 23-35 Mary Gertrude Sunderland Benjamin B., Edmund H. Willed Property
Baltimore Cty. and Herbert W. Sunderland

Wills 3-189 Zedekiah M. Isaac William Moore Isaac Willed Property
in trust for Mary
Gertrude Sunderland

Wills 3-189 Zedekiah M. Isaac - September 4, 1890

Item 4 - I give, devise and bequeath to my said son William Moore Isaac in trust and confidence to be held by him for the use of my daughter Mary Gertrude Sunderland, all that piece of land with the improvements thereon described in a deed from David B. McLaughlin and wife to me dated June 11, 1866 and recorded among the land records of Howard County in 25-327...and also all that other piece or parcel of land and improvements thereon being part of the lands devised to me by Thomas Isaac by last will and testament duly executed proved and recorded, as aforesaid which is described as follows, beginning for the same at a stone planted at the end of the 2nd line of the lands described in a deed from Rachel Standley to Thomas Isaac bearing date Feb. 16th, 1838...it also being the beginning of the lands conveyed by Thomas Isaac and wife by deed dated March 3, 1838, and recorded among the land records of Anne Arundel Co. (continued)

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DATE	LIBER-FOLIO	GRANTOR	GRANTEE	TRANSACTION
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IN Liber WLG. 22-627 etc. and running thence...8½^o west to a granite stone planted by me where the fence now stands, which divides the gardens of Messrs Renistone and McKenzie tenants on the property, thence westerly with said fence as it now stands to a granite stone planted by me 5 feet distant from the north east corner of the kitchen of the dwelling occupied by Mr. Renistone, thence in a straight line to the south east corner of the frame building used as a woodshed by said Renistone, thence northerly and westerly...so as to include said shed in the lands now being conveyed...



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Attachment I
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The Charles Ringley House No. 2
Tax Map 25A

SEE MAP 25
PARCEL 39

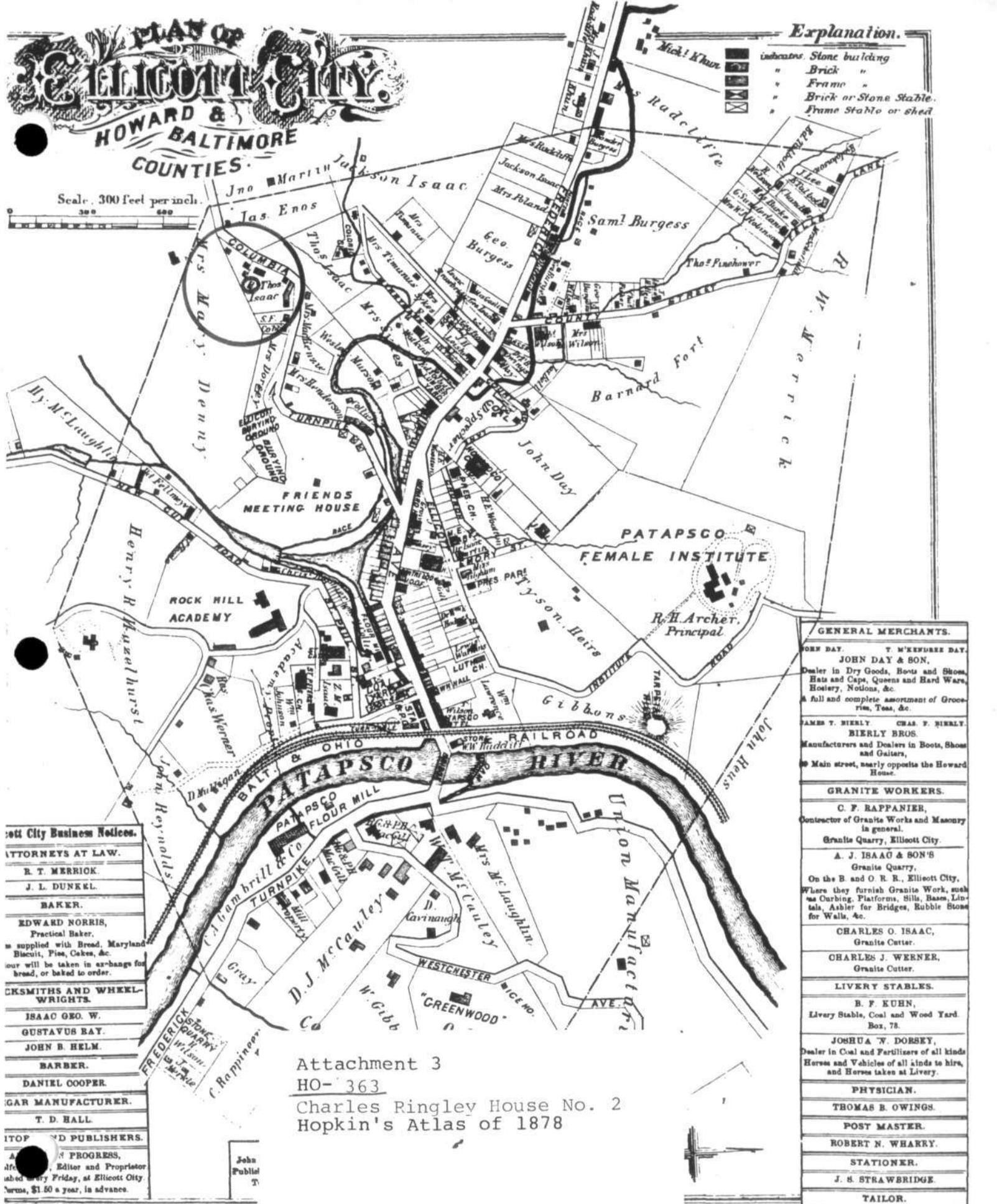
PLAN OF ELLICOTT CITY.

HOWARD & BALTIMORE COUNTIES.

Scale . 300 feet per inch.

Explanation.

- indicates Stone building
- " Brick "
- " Frame "
- " Brick or Stone Stable.
- " Frame Stable or shed "



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Attachment 3
 HO-363
 Charles Ringley House No. 2
 Hopkin's Atlas of 1878

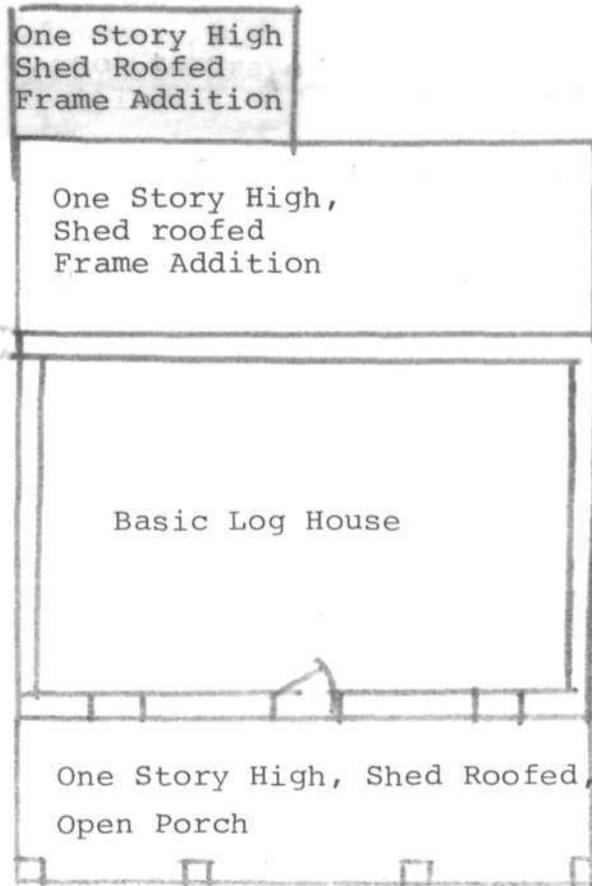


Figure 1
HO-363
The Charles Ringley
House No. 2
First Floor Outline



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