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Beverly combines the traditional Georgian elements of symmetry, repetition and regularity, with a prominently placed Federal period three-planed projection off the eastern facade of the house. The house measures forty feet by sixty feet and is of brick, now (1972) painted white, and laid in Flemish bond. There are two-and-a-half stories, the first and second stories being divided by a belt course of rubbed brick. The house stands on an "English basement" with a watertable. Two regularly spaced chimneys rise through the interior of the house. Under the eaves of the hip-roof is a cornice with rectangular dentils and modillions.

The eastern facade of the house contains a three-sided central-bay projection which rises two-and-a-half-stories. Within this projection is the main doorway of the house. The door panels are simple and beneath the broken pediment there is a fanlight. The two narrower flanking planes of the projection at the first floor level contain identical arch-capped windows. The entrance bay is flanked on each side by two rectangular windows of twenty-eight panes, sixteen over twelve - four across, seven down. These windows with their flat lintels are repeated on the second floor.

The western facade is flat but has an uncovered porch with Chippendale balustrade similar to that of the eastern facade. The central doorway with fanlight and flanking arched windows of the eastern facade are repeated on the western facade. There are four evenly spaced sixteen over twelve paned windows on the western facade.

The northern and southern end elevations have three evenly spaced windows on each floor. There are two dormer windows on each of the eastern and western facades and one each on the northern and southern roof hips. There are shutters on all of the first floor windows although there are none on the second floor windows or the dormers.

The interior of the house was partially destroyed by fire in 1937 but was restored from plans drawn from the original house. The first floor is divided by a twelve foot wide central hall which extends the forty foot depth of the house. On the north side is the present dining room and staircase. On the south side of the hall are the living room and library. The second floor is a copy of the first with three bedrooms and a bath flanking the central hall.

The interior walls throughout are of plaster covered with canvas. The first floor ceilings are fourteen feet high and those of the second floor are thirteen and a half feet high. There are five fireplaces in the main section of the house. The interior woodwork, although not original, consists of cornices,

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Beverly represents the social status and wealth achieved by a successful eighteenth century planter and his ancestors. The house was built by Nehemiah King II between 1785 and 1796. King was the great-grandson of Robert King, one of the most affluent early landholders in Somerset County. Robert King is traditionally known as an Irish baronet who first appeared in Somerset County in the late seventeenth century from Northampton County, Virginia. From his original 300 acre tract, King's heirs acquired over 1,500 acres which were then known corporately as Kingsland. Beginning in 1857, the estate was subdivided. Beverly, a part of the original Kingsland, today entails eighteen acres.

Though little is known about Nehemiah King II, who received the land from Nehemiah King I, the family seems to have been both politically and commercially active. The Kings were Protestant sympathizers during the American Revolution and certain members of the family were elected to public office.

Robert King I held numerous political offices including that of His Lordship's Justice of the Peace, and membership in the Provincial Court of Justice. He also represented Somerset County in the pre-Revolutionary provincial government and served as a military and naval officer respectively for Somerset. His son, Robert King II, was one of Maryland's first representatives to the General Assembly.

Nehemiah King, the builder of Beverly, became a friend of Jerome Bonaparte, brother of Napolean, through Jerome's marriage in 1803 to Betsy Patterson of Baltimore. Historians have included Beverly in a plot to rescue Napolean from exile on St. Helena Island. Plans were made for the Emperor to be transported up the Chesapeake Bay and into the Manokin River where he was to arrive at Beverly through a tunnel leading under the house from the nearby creek! Napolean died before the rescue was attempted.

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Extending from the western facade is an earlier two-story dependency. Much of the material and floor plan are original, including the flooring, mantlepieces, and solid brick end. There are four rooms on the second floor and two on the first. This structure is connected to the main house by a kitchen wing and colonnade, both added in the twentieth century.

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