

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

Historic Resources of Red Lion Hundred

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4. A. Property Name - N-1492 - Starl House
- B. Location and Verbal Boundary Description - The Starl House is located at the intersection of Routes 72 and 13. The nominated property fronts on Route 13 for approximately 150 feet and is approximately 130 feet deep.
- C. Owner - Florence A. Walker
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Tybouts Corner
New Castle, Delaware 19720
- D. Property Description

This is a two-and-a-half story, three-bay, gabled roof brick structure laid in common bond. Both the facade and the rear of the plain structure have a corbelled brick cornice that runs the entire length of the building; the cornice on the facade includes brick dentils as a decorative element. On the south end of the structure is an interior linked chimney, while on the northern end, flush with the facade and extending one-third the width of the building, is a one-and-a-half story brick shed roof wing. The entrance is placed off-center on the north side of the facade, and is flanked on the south by two six-over-six windows with lugsills. The second story has three six-over-six windows positioned directly above the two windows and the door of the ground floor. The main entrance has a transom window above a wooden paneled door. The brick shed wing addition, probably built at the same time as the main house, has one large window on the first floor, with two small three-over-three windows on the second floor.

To the rear of the Starl House is a wooden shed with a wood shingle roof and exposed rafters. A modern concrete block garage and shed are not included in the nominated area.

Historical Background

On both the Rea and Price and Beer's Atlas of 1848 and 1868 respectively, this is identified as the E. Starl property, while the Hopkins and Baist maps of 1881 and 1893 identify this property as belonging to Ferdinand Janiver. On all maps, a structure is indicated at the crossing of Route 72 (also known as Wrangle Hill Road) and Route 13.

It is known from literary sources that a blacksmith lived in this vicinity

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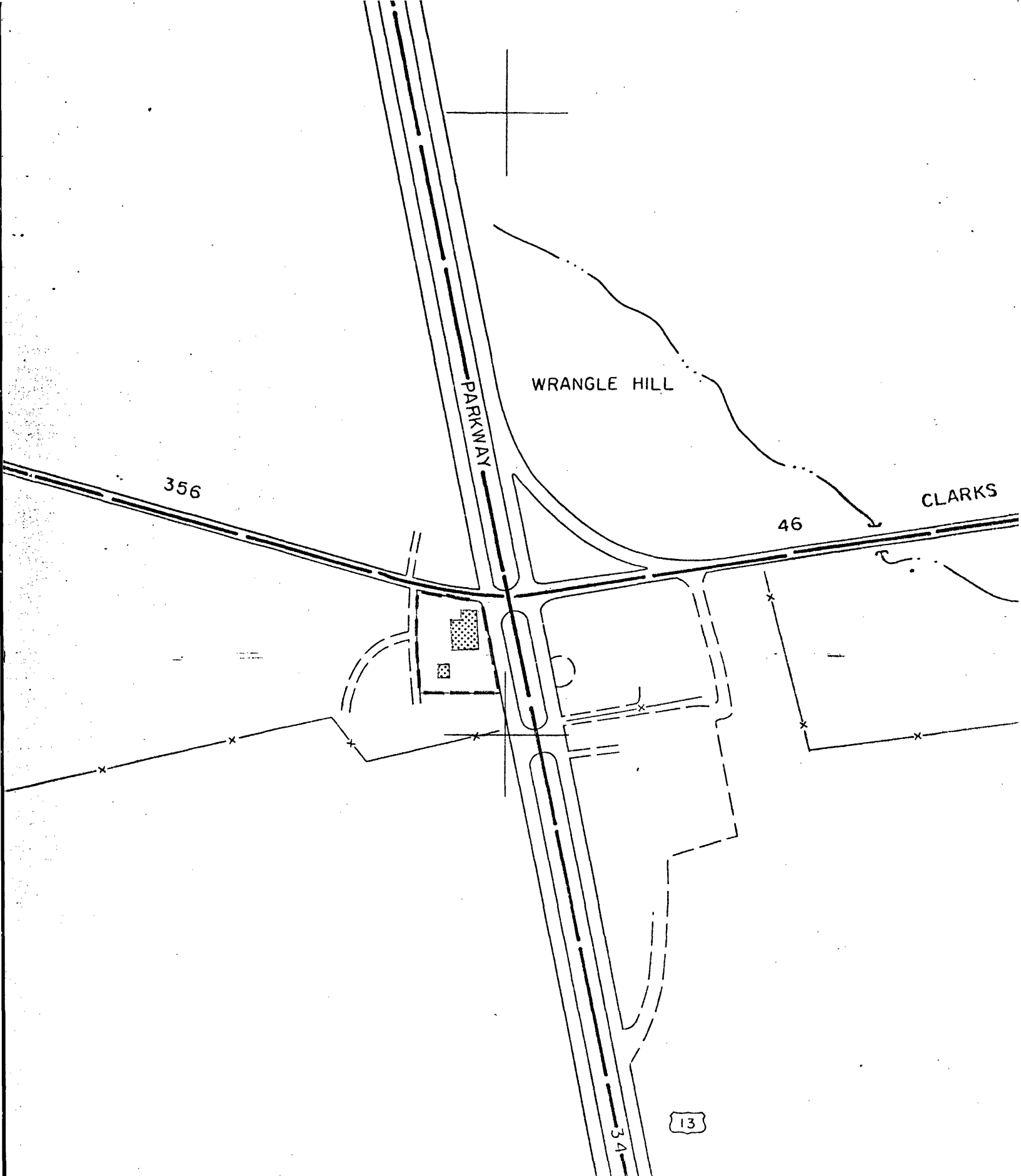
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during the first quarter of the eighteenth century, possibly this house. Recent research has located a survey of this property dated 1822, which notes a house at this location. This would indicated that this structure dates 1822 or prior.

E. Significance

The Starl House is significant as a very fine example of the late federal, side hall plan house that possesses an unusual degree of architectural integrity. It is additionally noteworthy as it represents the unusual survival, outside of the principal population centers, of small scale domestic architecture typical of the first quarter of the nineteenth century. The Starl House has survived largely unaltered despite its proximity to a heavily traveled major highway, and thus, affords a better understanding of the evolution of building forms in Red Lion Hundred.



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N-1492 Starl House	SCALE: 1:200 ±	
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