

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

Property/District Name: Mewshaw's Store Survey Number: AA-2163

Project: Glen Burnie Light Rail Extension Agency: FTA/MTA

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name E. Hannold, P. Kurtze Date June 20, 1996

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

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

Based on the available information, Mewshaw's Store does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for individual listing. The commercial building at the intersection of Crain Highway and Greenway Avenue in Glen Burnie probably dates to the late 1890s. However the two-story, side-gable historic core is today largely obscured with later shop front additions and an elongated two-story rear addition. According to local histories, Frank Mewshaw opened Glen Burnie's first store here in 1896 and operated it until 1940. Sometime in the 1920s, a one-story storefront was added to the front. Numerous other alterations have followed. The building does not retain sufficient integrity to convey its history as Glen Burnie's earliest store. It is separated from the National Register eligible Glen Burnie Historic District by Greenway Avenue and is not located in an area likely to constitute an eligible district.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project File, Maryland Inventory
Form AA-2163

Prepared by: Elizabeth O'Brien, JMA Inc.

Elizabeth Hannold November 4, 1996
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
Peter M. Curry 11/7/96
Reviewer, NR program Date

JMA

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- 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
- 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 Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- 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: Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Commerce/Trade-store

Known Design Source: _____

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. AA-2163

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Mewshaw's Store

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 2, 4, Crain Highway N.W. not for publication

city, town Glen Burnie vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county Anne Arundel

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 type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Greenway Bowl, Inc.

street & number 4 Greenway N.W. telephone no.:

city, town Glen Burnie state and zip code MD 21061

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Recorder of Deeds, Circuit Court of Anne Arundel County liber 2829

street & number P.O. Box 71 folio 428

city, town Annapolis state Maryland 21404

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. AA-2163

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved

date of move _____

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

Contributing Resource Count: 1 building.

This commercial building on the north corner of the intersection of Crain Highway and Greenway Avenue consists of a two-story, side-gable-roofed, historic core with modern shop front additions and elongated two-story gabled rear additions. The seven-bay building has a door in its first bay that leads to office space. The remaining bays contain shop front windows and entries. The first-story of the front elevation is clad with brick veneer, and the upper story is clad in synthetic siding and is punctuated with two gabled dormers. The gable end visible on the southwest side is clad in formstone. The one-over-one windows throughout appear to be replacements.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance--Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory	<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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" 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 1896 Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
 and/or
 Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
 Level of Significance: national state local

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

According to local histories of Glen Burnie, Frank Mewshaw opened Glen Burnie's first store on this corner in 1896 and operated the business until around 1940. Sanborn maps from 1922 and 1931 indicate that the two-story building was freestanding at the time with a detached dwelling as its neighbor to the north. Sometime during the 1920s, a one-story store front was added on the front, which is shown on the 1931 Sanborn map and in a photograph of the building taken in the 1920s. This photograph shows the frame building with two-over-two double-hung sash windows on the upper story and bands of four-light fixed windows on the lower story. By this time, its front was already cluttered with signs. City directories indicate that the store was occupied by a toy and sport shop in the 1950s and by a paint store in the 1960s. Presently, part of the building is occupied by a pawn shop and the other by a hair salon.

9. Major Bibliographical Reference

Survey No. AA-2163

Himmelheber, John. *Our Spirit Lives: A Pictorial History*. Northern Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce, Glen Burnie, Maryland, 1988.

Little, Joyce L. Glen Burnie: A Sketch of Business and Community Growth. Unpublished document on file, Keuthe Library Glen Burnie, Maryland, 1991

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 27,150Quadrangle name Relay, MDQuadrangle scale 1:24,000UTM References **do NOT** complete UTM references

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Zone	Easting			Northing					

B

Zone	Easting			Northing					

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Map 9C, parcel 141

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

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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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.

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DHCP/DHCD
100 COMMUNITY PLACE
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032
(301-514-7600)

Continuation Sheet

Survey No. AA-2163

Name Mewshaw's Store

County Anne Arundel

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930; Modern Period A.D. 1930-present

Historic Period Theme(s): Economic (Commercial)

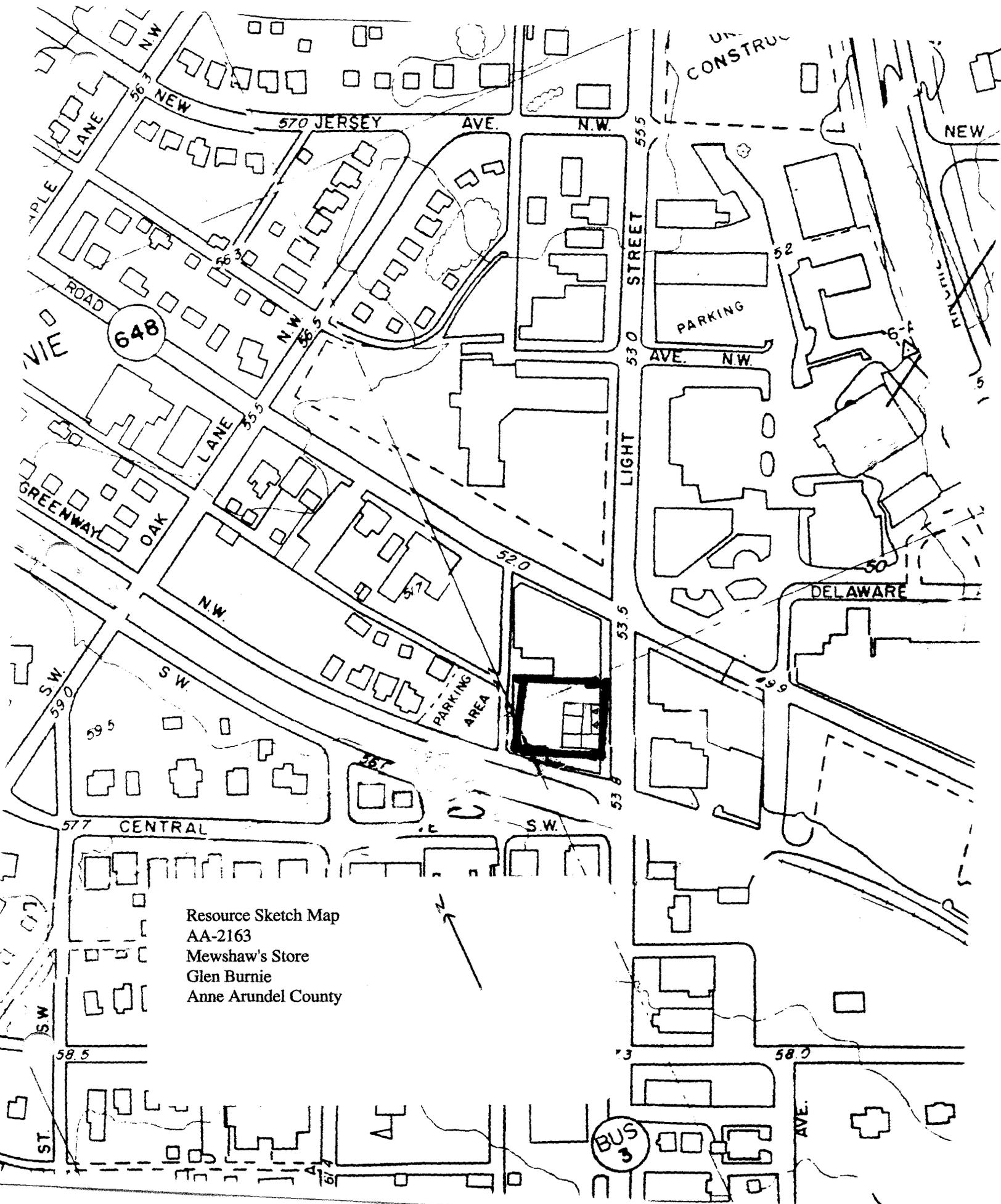
Resource Type:

Category: Building

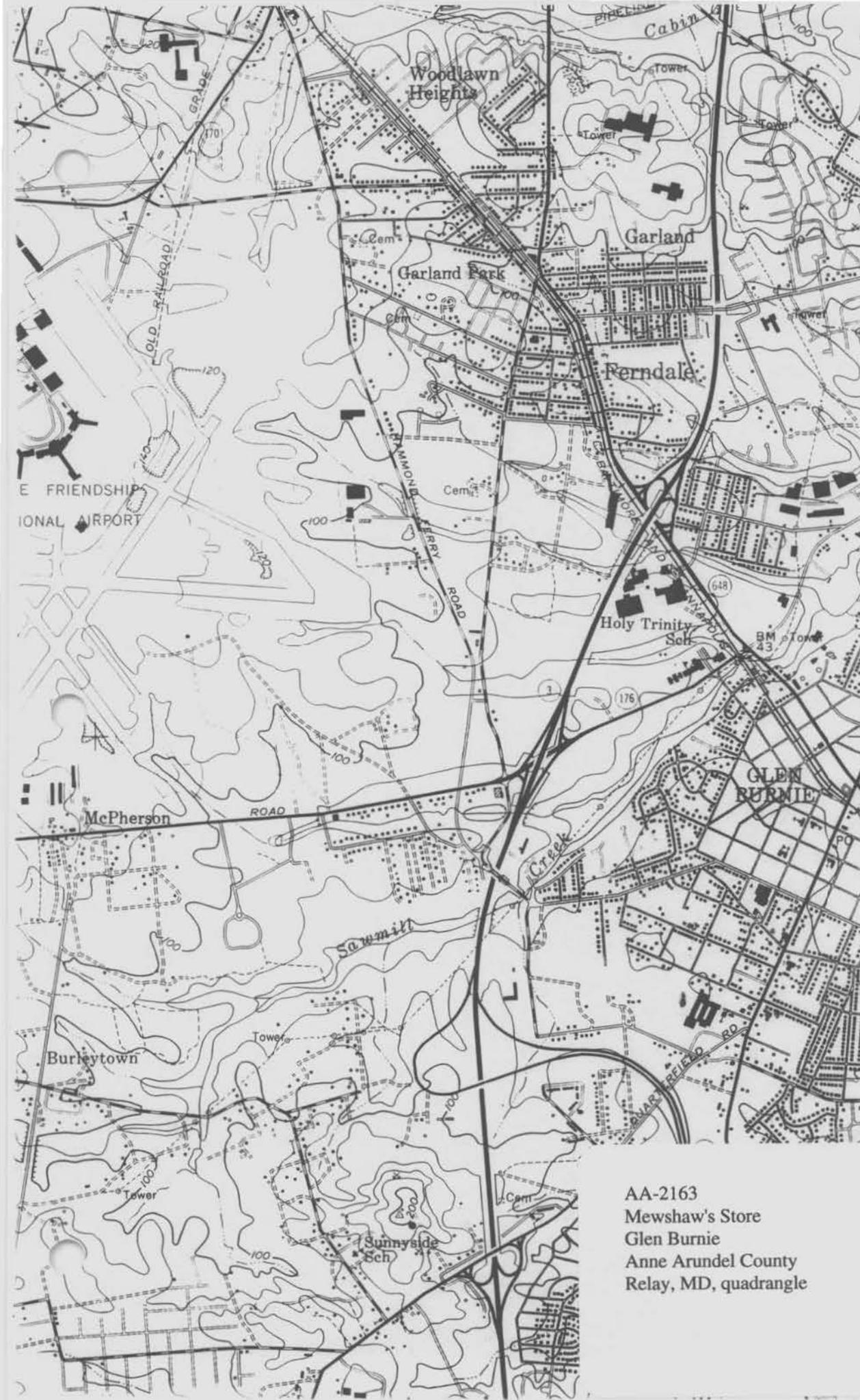
Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): COMMERCE/TRADE/department store

Known Design Source: None



Resource Sketch Map
AA-2163
Mewshaw's Store
Glen Burnie
Anne Arundel County



AA-2163
 Mewshaw's Store
 Glen Burnie
 Anne Arundel County
 Relay, MD, quadrangle



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Mewshaw's Store

Glen Burnie Anne Arundel County

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Negative at MDSHPO

Mewshaw's store, 2-4 Crain Highway, from southwest

Photo # 1 of 2



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Mewshaw's Store

Glen Burnie Anne Arundel County,

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Negative at MDSTPO

Mewshaw's Store, 2-4 Crain Highway, from Southeast

Photo #20/2