

CARR-189

POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORE

c. 1814-16;
rebuilt 1859

Uniontown

private

CARR-189 Post Office and General Store

The **General Store and Post Office**, as it appears today with its gable-front facade and Victorian-style ornamentation, is the creation of Harrison H. Weaver who lived in one three-bay section of this structure (3444 Uniontown Road) and operated a store in the other three-bay section from 1859 to 1900. The lively ornamental character of this building, including its decorated bargeboard, circular window, porch with bracket ornamentation, and double door with period hardware, makes it stand out from others along the street and attract customers to its doors. The bargeboard with its scalloped semi-circle leads the eye to the circular window with its unique frame that recalls decorative details used in Victorian-style furniture. The bargeboard does this not only through the design of the cut-out patterns themselves, but also through the patterned shadows cast on the wall surface. Weaver would have remodeled his storefront facade in this fancy manner to present an up-to-date appearance and to reflect the fashionable merchandise inside his store. While the ornamentation dates from the latter half of the nineteenth century, the structure itself is earlier and may be as early as 1814-16, when David Stouffer constructed the improvements described below.



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
225. N. Center Street
Westminster, Maryland 21157

WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT

FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

SURVEY NUMBER: CARR-189

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: New Windsor

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:
Uniontown P.O. & General Store

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: Commercial

ORIGINAL USE:

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:
Excellent () Good (X)
Fair () Poor ()

THEME:

STYLE: vernacular

DATE BUILT: 1814-16, rebuilt 1859

COUNTY: CARROLL

TOWN: Uniontown

LOCATION: 3444 Uniontown Rd.

COMMON NAME: General Store & Post Office

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: commercial

OWNER: Tom Devilbiss

ADDRESS: 3444 Uniontown Rd
Uniontown Md 21157

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:
Yes () No () Restricted (X)

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:
Local () State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone (X) Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood: Log () Post and Beam (X) Balloon ()
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other
- Wall Covering: Weatherboard (X) German Siding () Board and Batten ()
Wood Shingle () Shiplap () Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal ()
Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle () Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal (X)
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds ()
Ells (X) Wings () Other: victoria style trim

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip () Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet ()
With False Front () Other:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Number of Bays: 4x4

Approximate Dimensions: _____

Entrance Location: center

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:
No Threat (X) Zoning () Roads ()
Development () Deterioration ()
Alteration () Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:
Positive (X) Negative ()
Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

REFERENCES:

1862 Martenet's Map:
1877 LG & S Atlas:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane () Woodland () Scattered Buildings ()
Moderately Built Up () Densely-Built Up ()
Residential () Commercial ()
Agricultural () Industrial ()
Roadside Strip Development ()
Other:

RECORDED BY:

Joe Getty

ORGANIZATION:

C. C. Dept. of Planning

DATE RECORDED:

9/84

1. STATE MD
 COUNTY Carroll
 TOWN Union Town VICINITY
 STREET NO.
 ORIGINAL OWNER
 ORIGINAL USE
 PRESENT OWNER THOMAS D
 PRESENT USE POST OFFICE - GEN STORE
 WALL CONSTRUCTION Brick
 NO. OF STORIES

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY

2. NAME
 DATE OR PERIOD
 STYLE
 ARCHITECT
 BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC

A rather striking brick building with an "A" plan roof but with a front (S) gable to the W. end, has 6 "bays" to the 1st floor level (W. D. W. D. W. W.) and 6 windows to the 2nd. The 1st door from the SW end is plain and serves as the store entrance while the second door is more ornate and possesses an attractive overlight with a finger elongated oval pane. At the front gable attic level is a single round window framed in ornate Victorian moulding. There is a good Victorian porch at the front of rather stately design with round posts and plain square caps; this portion only extends from the 2nd door to the 3rd window from the E end. The eaves are boxed with good mouldings with most of the Victorian decor at the eaves of the front gable.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior

The brick facade of Flemish bond is painted white while the exposed W. wall is clapboard also painted white. E. of the front gable is an interior chimney. Windows are 2 1/2 panes with jack arches. Tie bar plates visible at 1st level + 2nd level above windows.



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.
(Joined to ARR, 190)

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER
Fivore MHT
9/70
 DATE OF RECORD

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
GEN. STORE & Post Office

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Union Town

STATE: Ma CODE: COUNTY: Carroll CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
			No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
Thomas D. _____

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Union Town

STATE: Ma CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Carroll

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Westminsters

STATE: Ma CODE:

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE:
COUNTY:

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ENTRY NUMBER DATE

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Union Town general store and post office is a rather striking brick building possessing an "A" frame roof with a front gable at the SW end, 6 bays to the 1st. level, viz: w. D. w. D. w. w. and six windows to the second. The 1st door from the SW end is plain in character and serves as the store entrance ~~the~~ while the second door is more ornate possessing an attractive overlight with a single elongated oval pane. ~~This door~~ ^{this door} serves as the main entrance to that portion of the structure which serves as a dwelling. At the front gable attic level is a single round window framed in an ornate Victorian moulding with keystones.

There is a good Victorian porch at the front of rather stately design with rounded posts and plain square caps. This portion only extends from the 1st. to the 3rd. "bay" from the E. end.

The eaves are boxed with good Victorian mouldings with much Victorian elaboration at the front gable.

The brick facade of Flemish bond is painted white while the exposed w. wall is of clapboard also painted white.

To the E. of the front gable along the roof ridge is an interior chimney.

Windows are 2/2 sash with jack arches.

Tie bar end plates are visible at both the 1st. & 2nd level above the window lintels -

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* Cartouche

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

GE

EM

77°07'30"
39°37'30"

4388000m N

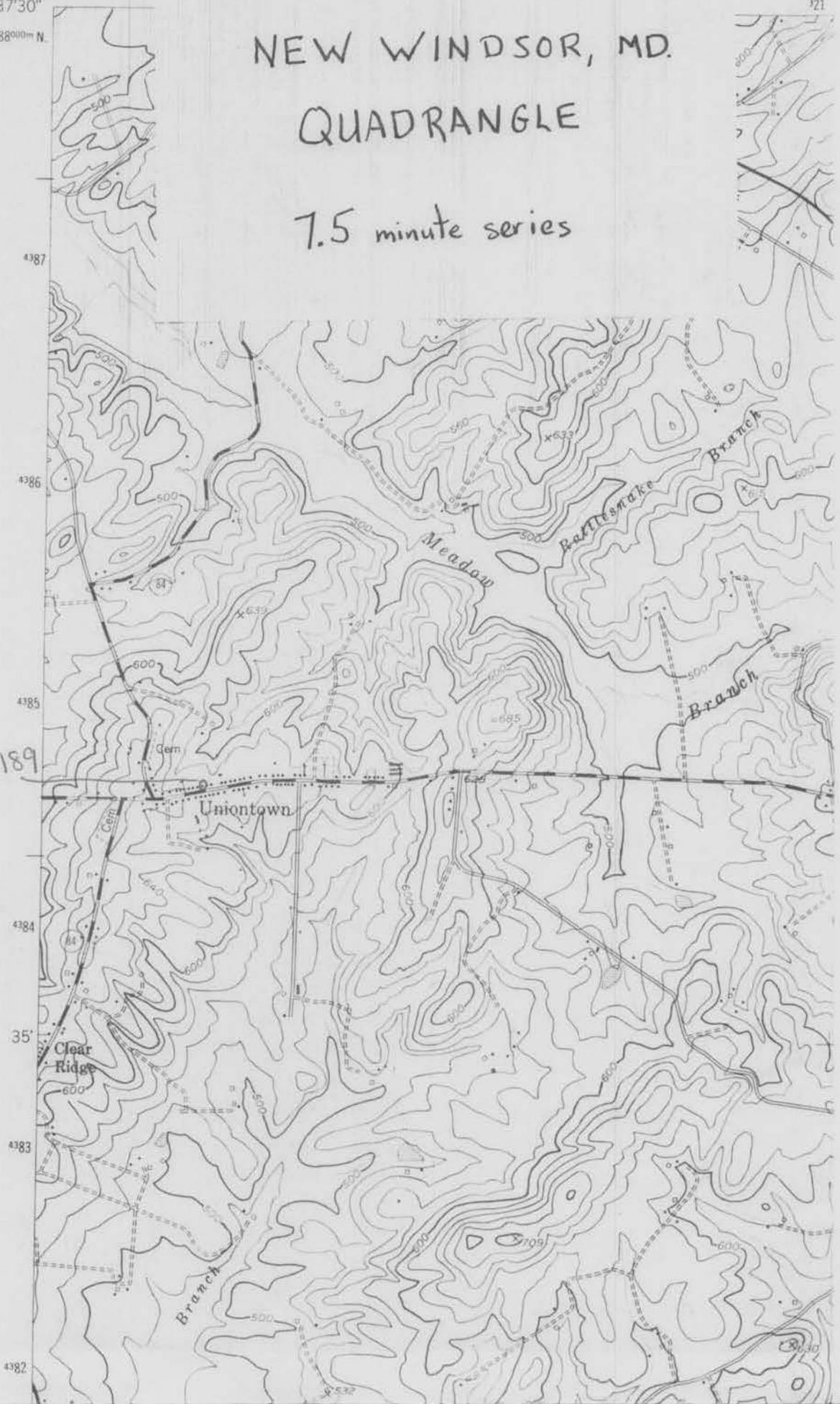
NEW WINDSOR, MD.

QUADRANGLE

7.5 minute series

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1. *CARR-189 Uniontown Store and Post Office*
2. *Carroll County, Maryland*
3. *Joe Getty*
4. *November, 1984*
5. *Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, MD*
6. *South elevation (camera facing north)*
7. *1/1*