

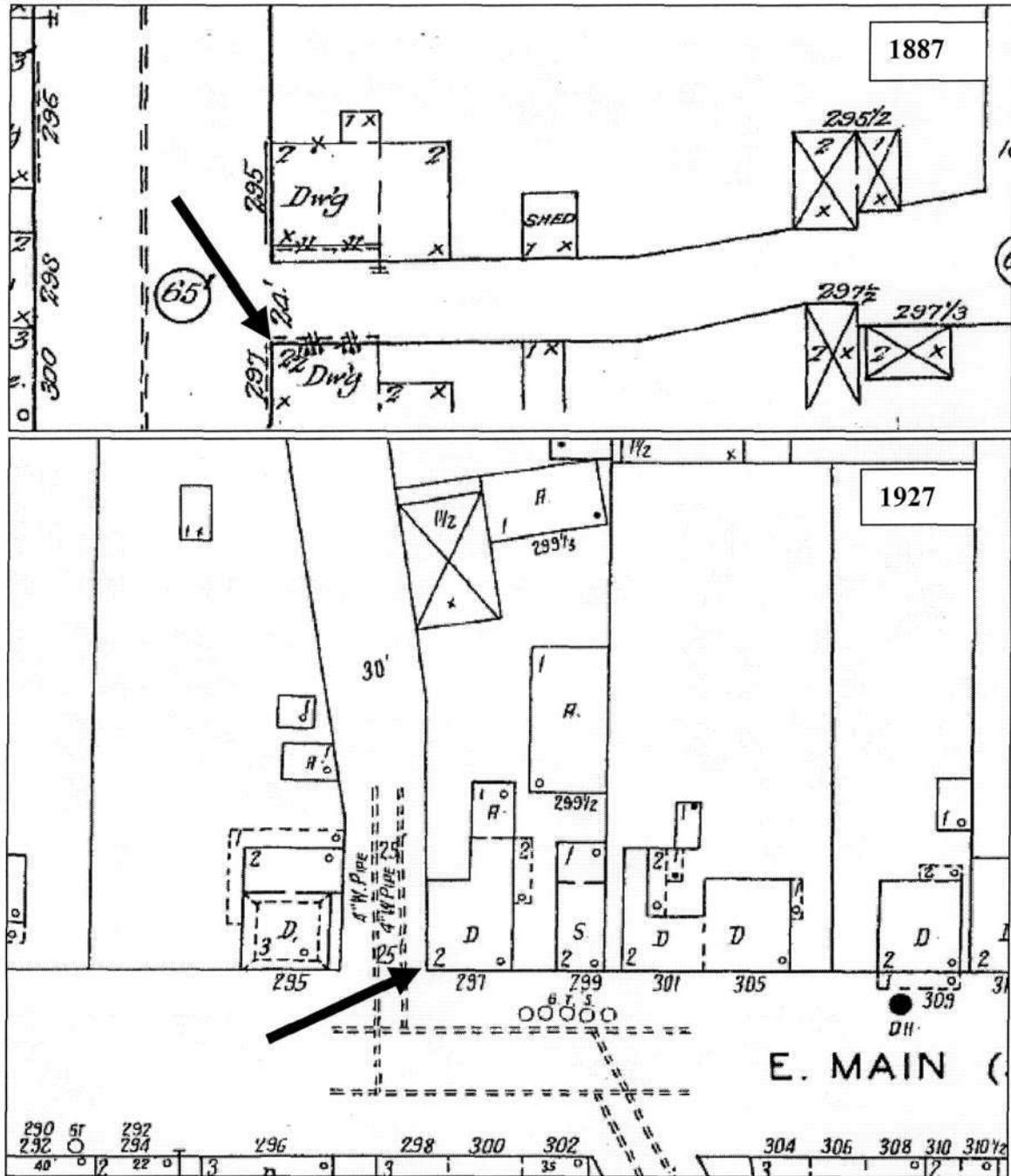
CARR-569
Trumbo-Chrest House
297 E. Main Street
Westminster
Private

c. 1830

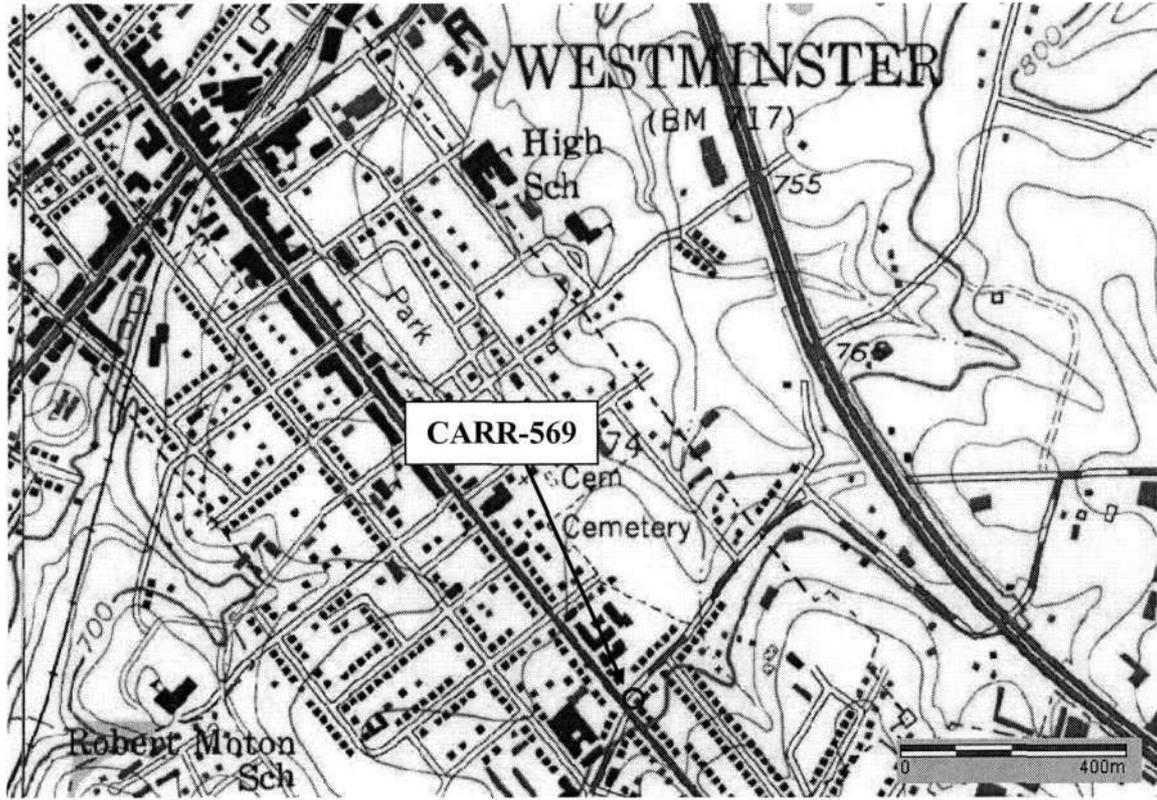
After Westminster was established in 1764, it tended to grow with a singleness of purpose, westward from the original town. This house is one of the very few pre-1850 houses built east of the town, in what was originally Baltimore County. The intersection formed here by the meeting of Westminster's Main Street, the road to Manchester, and the road to Washington (originally Georgetown) was once thriving. Yingling's tanyard filled one corner and directly across Manchester Avenue was this solid three-bay, two-section Flemish bond brick house built by the Trumbo family. The diary of Katharine Jones Shellman notes that "George Trumbo and Sons" lived here and worked as potters in the years 1822-1832; in 1852, George Trumbo sold the lot "with the brick dwelling house" to Jacob Powder. Since 1896 it has been owned by the Chrest family.

The shingled Gothic peak dormer that tops the main façade is an addition; otherwise the house is unchanged and is interesting not only in its own right but also in that, minus the dormer, it probably resembles the original appearance of its western neighbor, the Yingling-Reese-Blizzard House (CARR-121). The two brick piles must have made an imposing pairing as they guarded Manchester Avenue.

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CARR-569
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297 East Main Street
Westminster Quadrangle



1998 Aerial Photo



CARR-569
Trumbo-Chrest House
297 E. Main Street (MD 32), Westminster
Jennifer K. Cosham, 12 April 2006



West elevation



South elevation

50%



CARR 569

297 E. Main

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