

CARR - 676

MEDFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT

late 19th century

Avondale Road
Medford

private

Medford is a railroad depot town that developed during the late nineteenth century. It is shown on the 1862 map as Waesche's Station (four houses) and on the 1877 map as Richardson's Station (six houses). The 1887 Maryland Directory and State Gazetteer lists the station as Medford and shows the following businesses: H. S. Roberts, Postmaster, Railroad Agent and General Merchandise; John Appler, Carpenter; George W. Snider, Blacksmith; and Miss M. R. Lord, Teacher. The remaining railroad building date from the turn-of-the-century and was the location of the Medford Grocery Company during the twentieth century. They are now severely deteriorated.



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
225. N. Center Street
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WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT

FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

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SURVEY NUMBER: CARR-676

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Easting/Northing

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

PRESENT FORMAL NAME: Medford

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME: Wassche's Station

PRESENT USE: abandoned

ORIGINAL USE: railroad station

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

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

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT:

COUNTY: CARROLL

TOWN: Medford

LOCATION: Avondale Road - .1 mile east of
Medford Road

COMMON NAME: Medford

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: railroad buildings

OWNER: S. Bair

ADDRESS:

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

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

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: 3 Railroad Buildings - see back

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone () Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood: Log () Post and Beam () Balloon ()
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other
- Wall Covering: Weatherboard () 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 () Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other: _____
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal ()
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other: _____
- Engineering Structure:
- Other: _____

Appendages: Porches () Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds ()
Ells () Wings () Other: _____

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

Number of Stories: _____

Number of Bays: _____

Approximate Dimensions: _____

Entrance Location: _____

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

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

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

1. Office - gable front (Facing east), 2 story, 3 x 5 bay structure, wood frame covered in German siding 6/6 window sash
2. Freight house - frame with weatherboard structure, 8 x 3 bays, 2 story with central square cupola, the major portion of the store for the Medford Grocery Co. was here
3. Warehouse - frame with weatherboard covered in tin, 2 story, sections of small windows on each story

all three structures in bad physical condition

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

representative of a turn-of-the-century rural RR depot

REFERENCES:

1862 Martenet's Map:

1877 LG & S Atlas:

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785/850

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

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

RECORDED BY:

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ORGANIZATION:

DATE RECORDED:



U.S.G.S. MAP
NEW WINDSOR, MD.
1:24000 SCALE



1. CARR-676 MEDFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT
2. Carroll County, Maryland
3. Joe Getty
4. August 1983
5. Md. Historical Trust, Annapolis, Md.
6. Medford Store office, east and north
elevation (camera facing southwest)
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