

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property Name: Taylor Electric Inventory Number: ~~120002~~ CH-925

Address: 2915 Old Washington Road, Charles County - in the vicinity of Waldorf

Owner: AES Investment Company

Tax Parcel Number: 70 Tax Map Number: 8

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff:  no  yes Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended  Eligibility **not** recommended

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

Is property located within a historic district?:  no  yes Name of District: \_\_\_\_\_

Is district listed?:  no  yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

2915 Old Washington Road is a two-story commercial building. The building is composed of a brick façade with a wood frame structure beyond. After the first three bays, the building steps down to one-story in the rear. The first story of the main elevation (east) is pierced (from south to north) by a single-leaf paneled door with lights, a large 3-light fixed window, a flush single-leaf door, a 6/1 double-hung window, an overhead paneled door with lights, and a single-leaf paneled door with a single light. The second story is pierced by six, 6/1 double-hung sash windows. All of the window openings have rowlock-coursed sills. The main elevation is exposed, 6-coursed common bond brick. The side elevations are clad with horizontal siding. A half-hipped roof, metal canopy caps the first story on the primary and side elevations.

The completion of the Robert Crain Highway in 1927 provided the most direct land link to Baltimore and points north for Northern Charles County. The highway enhanced the transport of produce from these areas with an impact similar to that of the opening of the B&P Railroad. It also attracted commercial development to the area surrounding the highway.

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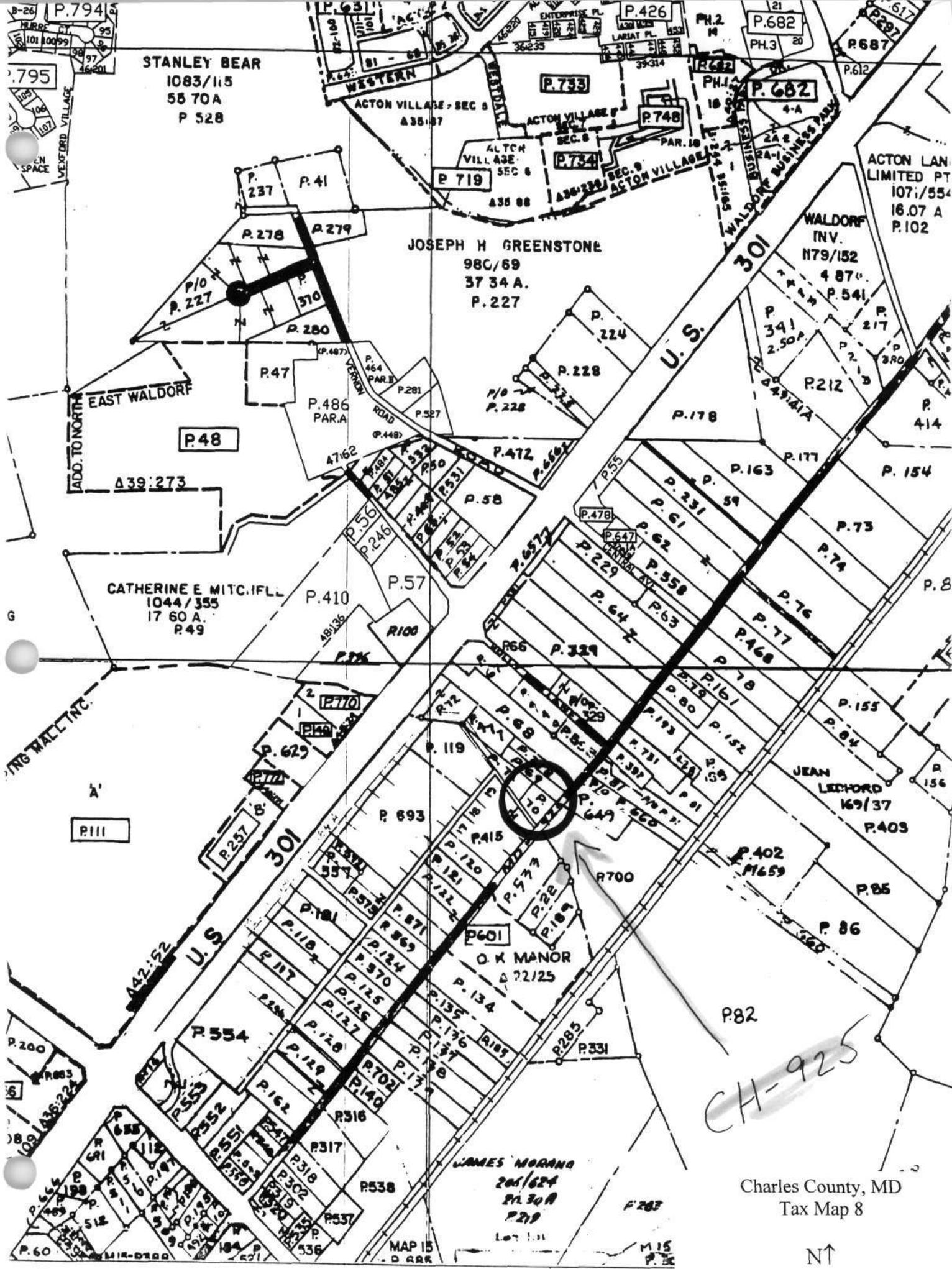
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The development and increase of commercial property within Charles County was enhanced by the increasing dependence on the automobile and the end of World War II. Crain Highway, now known as U.S. 301, was transformed from a local road into a bypass for traffic traveling between Florida and New York with the introduction of the Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940. Charles County was relatively isolated from large-scale residential and commercial development within the MD 301 corridor until the 1960s. It was at that point that Crain Highway was designated US Route 301.

Built circa 1940, this commercial building is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the commercial development surrounding U.S. 301, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.



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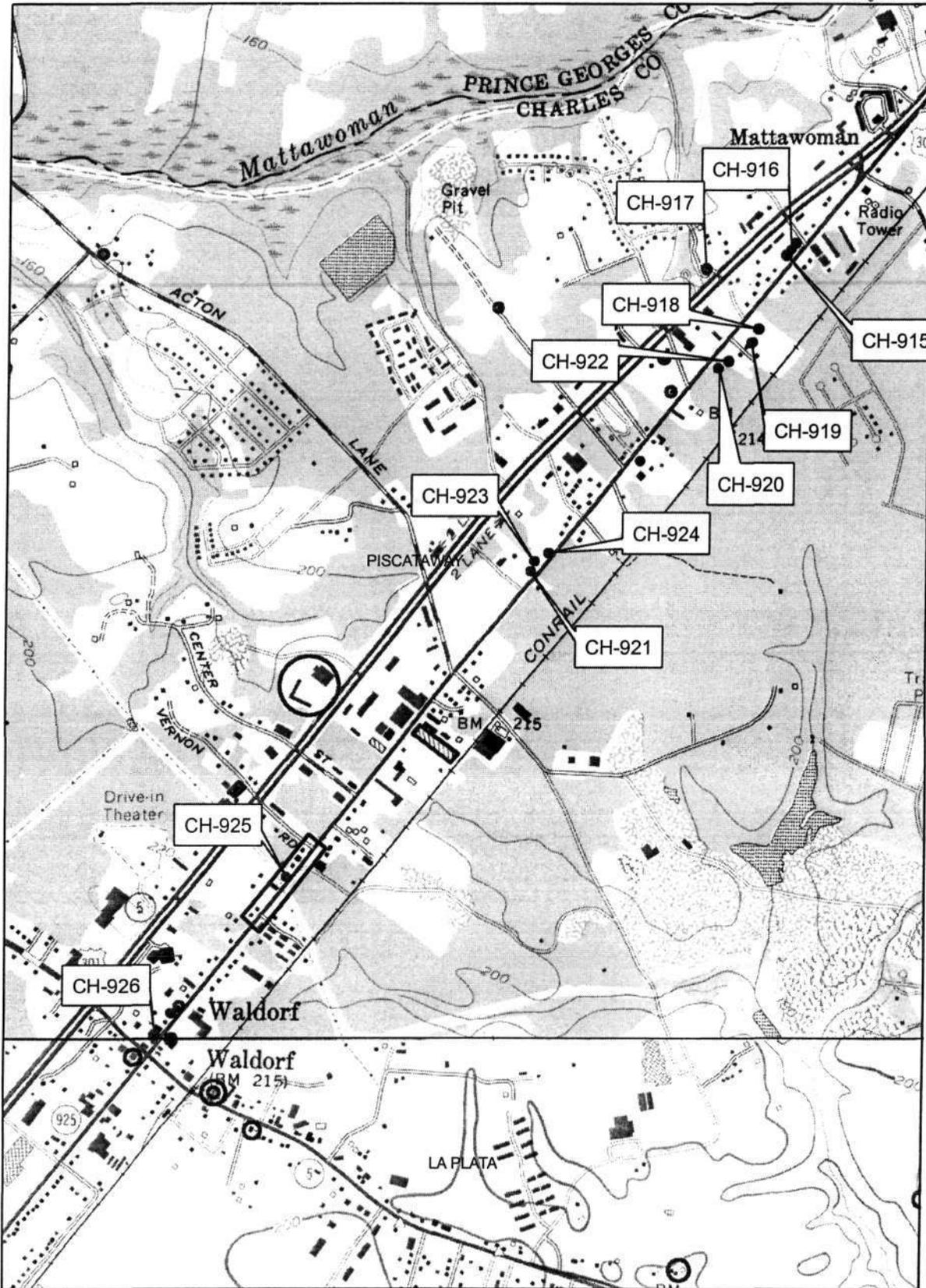
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