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Princess Anne  
Private

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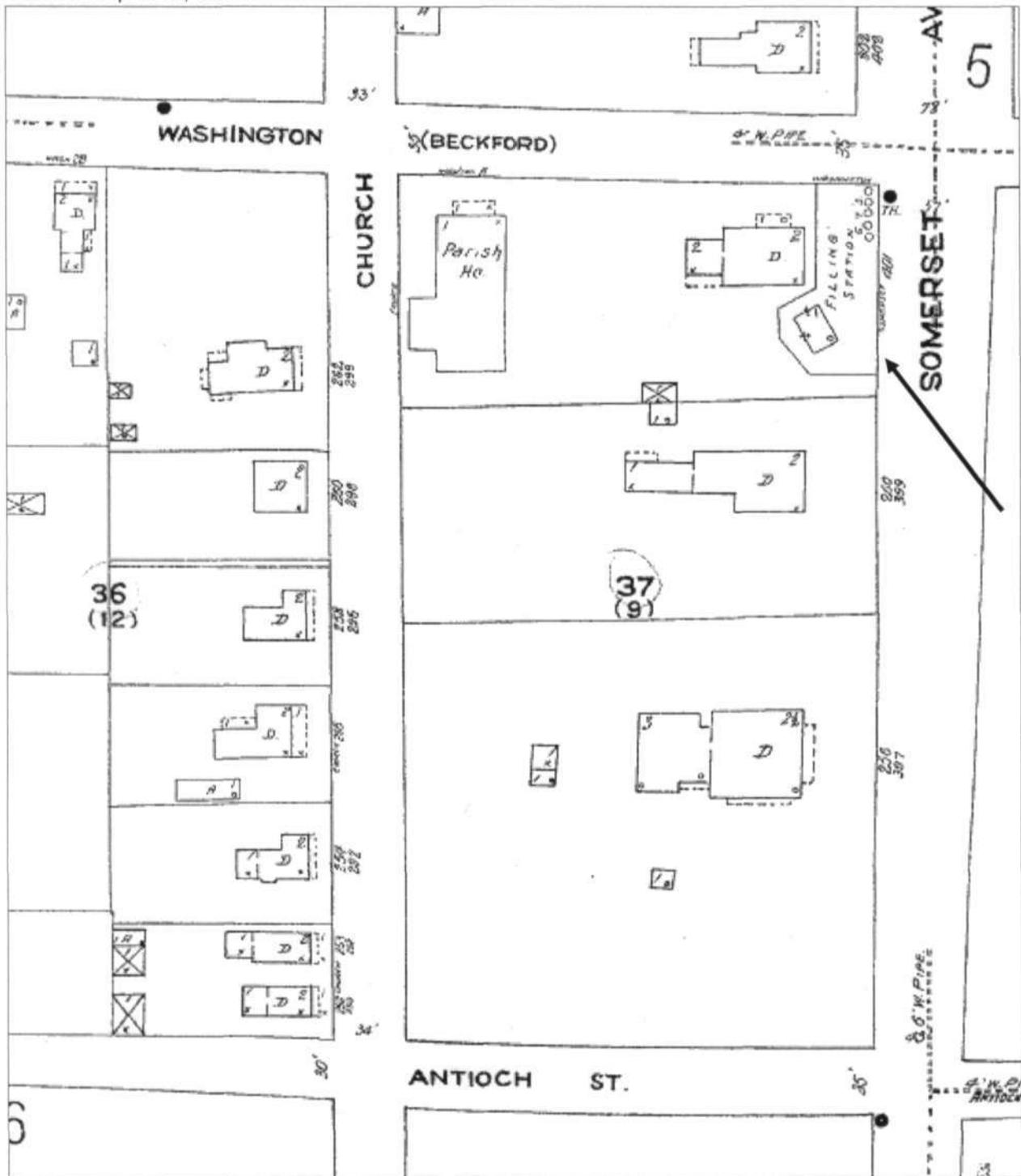
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Old Gulf Station, site

Somerset Avenue (MD 675) and Washington Street, southwest corner

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Sanborn map 1940, Sheet 4



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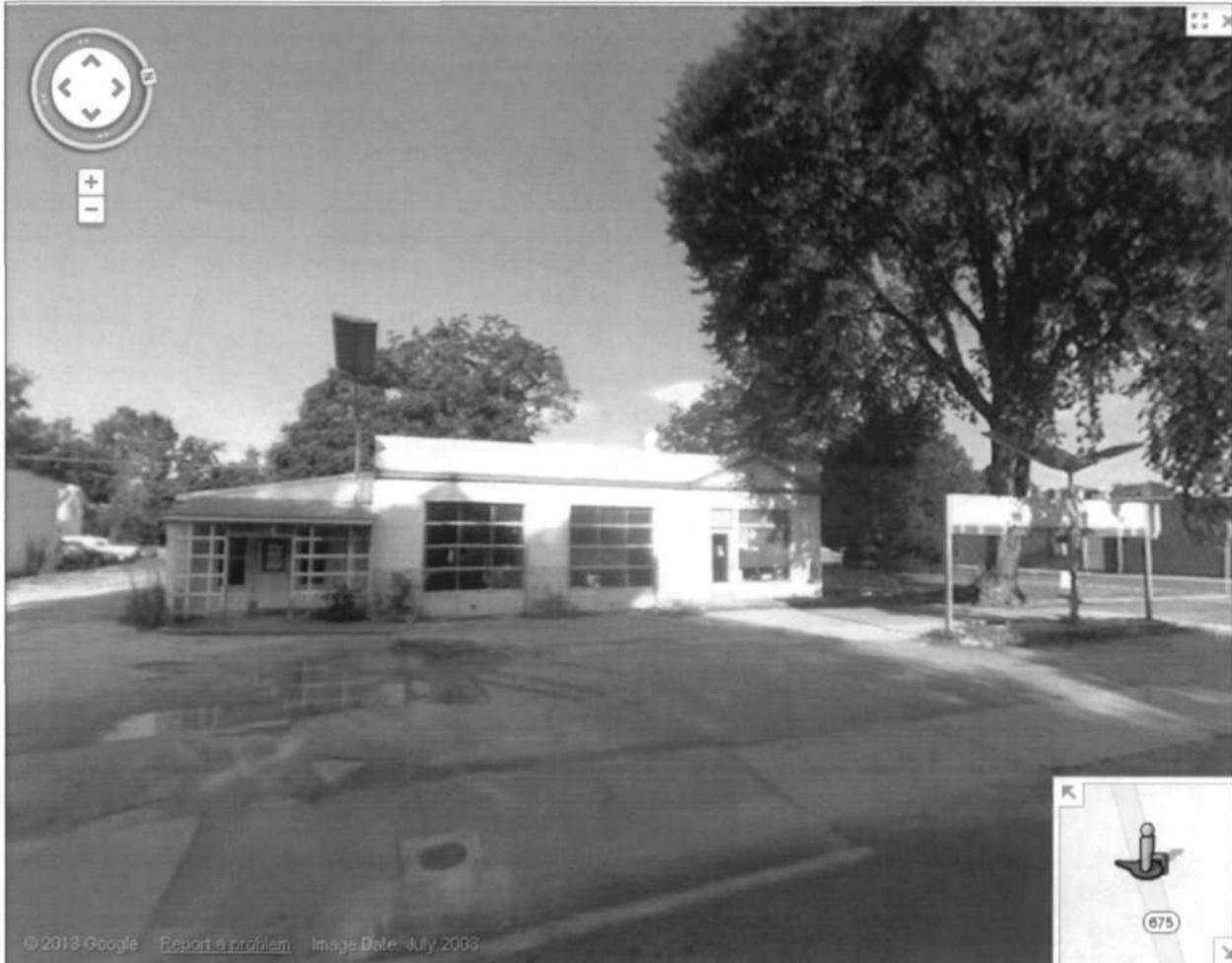
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Google Street View c. 7/2008, facing west



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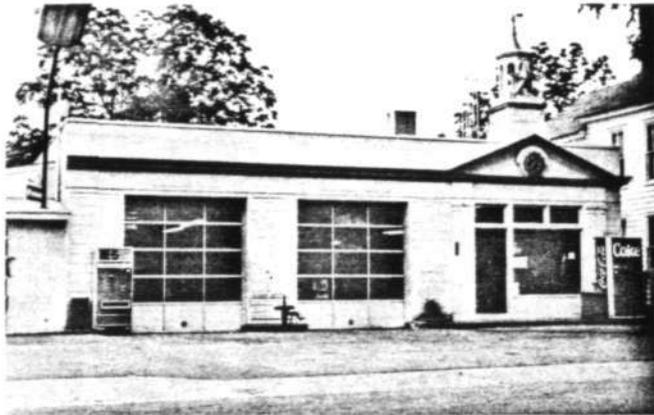
Somerset Avenue (MD 675) and Washington Street, southwest corner, Princess Anne  
Princess Anne quad 1972



Tax Map 202, P. 200

National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map, c. 2010





S-419, Old Gulf station, east elevation.



S-386, Princess Anne volunteer fire station, southeast elevation.

Records indicate Methodist meetings were begun in Princess Anne around 1817, and the minutes of the Somerset County Bible Society document meetings held in the Princess Anne church in 1828. The first deed for Antioch church is dated June 1, 1832, when John Dennis transferred ownership of the church property to John Waters, Levin Ballard, James Phoebus, Stephen Drura, Richard Waters, Daniel Ballard, Lewis Phoebus, Arnold Ballard, and William Sudler as trustees. The former Methodist church was a single story brick building with a three-story entrance and bell tower probably erected during the second quarter of the nineteenth century. After a large increase in membership, plans to replace the brick building were advanced in 1915. The cornerstone of the new marble church was laid on July 28, 1915, and dedication services were held on July 2, 1916.

**OLD GULF STATION**

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**PRINCESS ANNE VOLUNTEER  
FIRE STATION**

1947  
Princess Anne  
Public

The Princess Anne fire station is a well-designed neo-Federal brick structure built in 1947. The two-story brick station, built of stretcher bond, has parapet gable ends, brick jack arches, a stone belt course, and a decorated cornice. The modillion blocks are especially well detailed for a utilitarian type building. Sited next to the Washington Hotel, the firehouse with its attractive revival design contributes to the historic appearance of Somerset Avenue.



S-410, Antioch Methodist Church and parsonage, c. 1910,  
E. I. Brown—photographer (courtesy of William Marshall Scott).



S-410, Antioch Methodist Church, northeast elevation.