

Site # WA-HAG-203

Date: 1908

Property Name: (Historic) J.H. Beachley Wholesale Produce
(Present) Four State Christian Mission

Location: 129 North Prospect Street
Hagerstown, Maryland

Access: private X, public ____

Description:

Dated 1908, the former J.H. Beachley Wholesale Produce building is located on the west side of North Prospect Street, opposite the former Cumberland Valley Railroad freight depot. The structure is a three story, seven bay brick building with its most prominent facade facing onto North Prospect Street. All openings at the front elevation have round arched tops with bays separated by corbeled pilasters. The top of the building is embellished by a cast iron or pressed metal parapet with a central gabled crest bearing the name Beachley and the date, 1908. The rear of the building has a large covered platform along which was a rail siding. Between the rear of this building and the former freight depot was a public thoroughfare called Kennedy Street. The building maintains a high level of integrity with the only obvious exterior alteration being an added mansard type roof over a walkway along the front of the building.

Significance:

The former J.H. Beachley Wholesale Produce warehouse is significant as a highly intact and dated example of a commercial/industrial building that was constructed in

proximity to a railroad. It is one of several industrial buildings that developed along the west side of North Prospect Street in the turn of the century period. This business was most closely linked with the Cumberland Valley Railroad with which Beachley's rail spur was connected.

Historic Context:

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Economic/Social/Cultural
Architecture

Resource Type: Rail-Related Resources

Category: Industrial

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Hagerstown Quadrangle

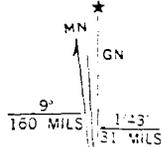
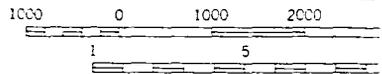


1:50,000 FEET (MD.) 265
 WILLIAMSPORT 4.3 MI.
 MARTINSBURG, W. VA. 19 MI.
 FUNKSTOWN 13 MI.
 FREDERICK 24 MI.
 42°30'
 FREDERICK 22 MI.
 BALTIMORE 67 MI.
 269 (FUN. 54)

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BEACHLEY WHOLESALE PRODUCE

SCALE



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 by USGS, NOS/NOAA, and USCE
 1943. Culture revised by the Geological Survey 1953
 10,000-foot grid ticks based on Maryland
 Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone
 Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
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Beachley Wholesale Produce Co.

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East elevation, SW view

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