

Survey # WA-I-555
Street Address 35 W. Baltimore Street
Town, State Funkstown, Maryland 21734
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Approximate date 1769

Description:

Built in 1769 for Jacob Funk, this was the home of the town's founder and the oldest dated house in Funkstown. It is a two story, four bay stone structure, built of relatively small, carefully cut stones at the facade typical of the 1760s and 1770s in Washington County. A stone water table, also an 18th century feature spans the front of the house. First story windows and the door are topped with segmental arches, typical of pre-1780 stone construction in Washington County. The windows and some of the window frames have been replaced. They now have two over two pane sash, some with arched tops. The main entrance is located in the third bay from the east end of the house. It may retain its original framing and includes a narrow transom. The entrance is sheltered by a one bay porch which probably dates from the 1860s or 1870s. The east gable end has an added double porch with entrances at the first and second story levels. A wing extends to the rear.

Jacob Funk sold the house and moved to Kentucky in 1791. In addition to founding Funkstown, Jacob Funk was a political leader serving first Frederick and then Washington County in the Maryland House of Delegates.

The Funk house later became a hotel, after the National Pike was developed. During the mid 19th century it was known as South's Hotel and is said to have hosted John Brown. In the 1877 Atlas the property is shown as owned by S. Baker.

Architecturally the house is one of a small group of true Colonial period buildings surviving in Washington County. It follows a modified traditional German plan, unlike several of the other early structures which utilized the central chimney continental plan.

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Rural Agrarian Intensification 1680-1815 A.D.

III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architectural/Landscape Architecture/Community Planning
Economic (Commercial and Industrial)

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Domestic/single dwelling

Domestic/hotel

Known Design Source: Germanic Colonial

Photo Reference: Photo # 27, 28

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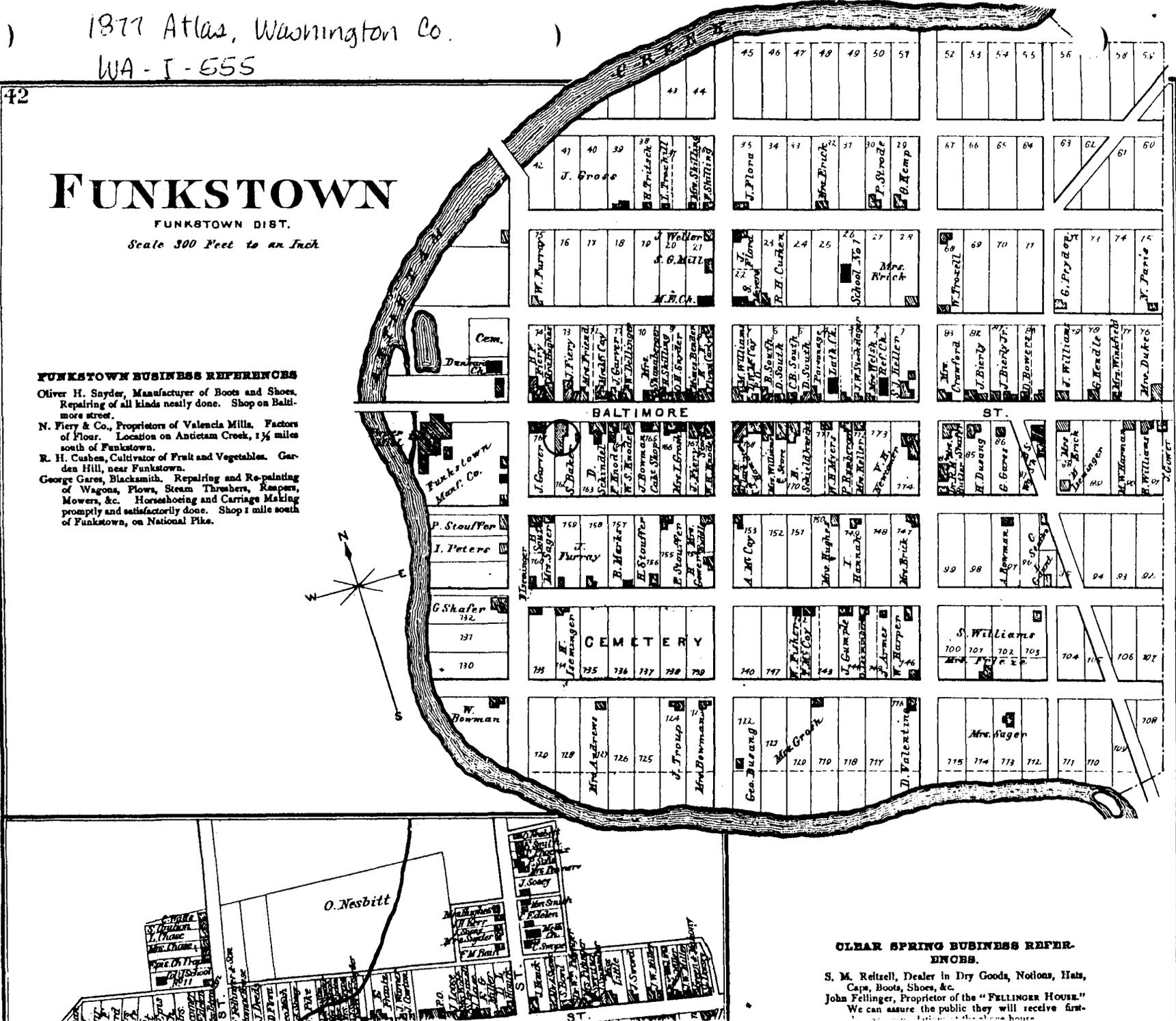
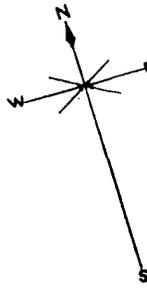
FUNKSTOWN BUSINESS REFERENCES

Oliver H. Snyder, Manufacturer of Boots and Shoes. Repairing of all kinds neatly done. Shop on Baltimore street.

N. Fiery & Co., Proprietors of Valencia Mills. Factors of Flour. Location on Antietam Creek, 1 1/4 miles south of Funkstown.

R. H. Cushen, Cultivator of Fruit and Vegetables. Garden Hill, near Funkstown.

George Gares, Blacksmith. Repairing and Re-painting of Wagons, Plows, Steam Thrashers, Reapers, Mowers, &c. Horseshoeing and Carriage Making promptly and satisfactorily done. Shop 1 mile south of Funkstown, on National Pike.



CLEAR SPRING BUSINESS REFERENCES.

S. M. Reitzell, Dealer in Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, &c.

John Fellingner, Proprietor of the "FELLINGNER HOUSE."

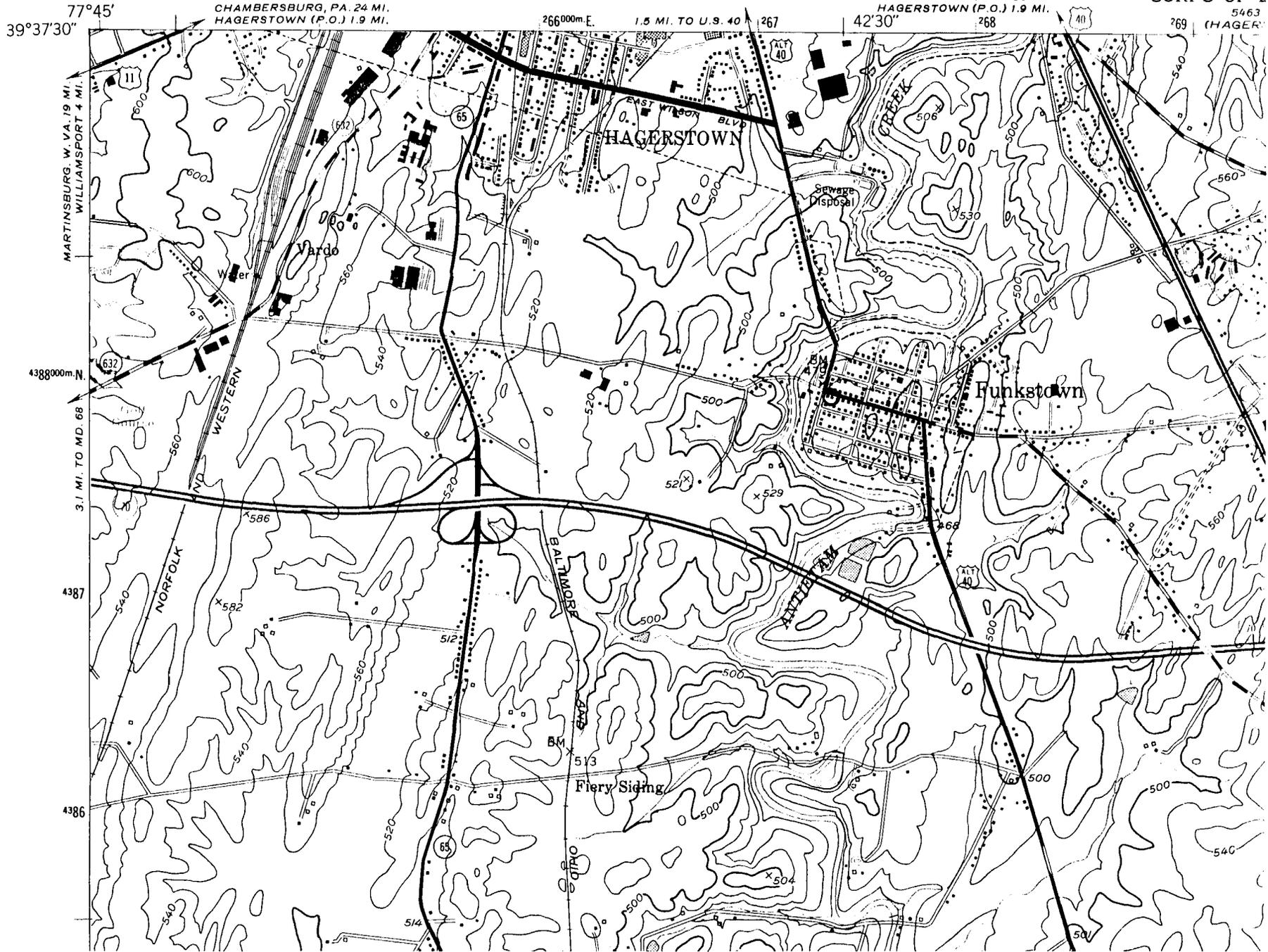
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