

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

Property Name: 11 North Main Street Inventory Number: WA-II-772

Address: 11 North Main Street, Boonsboro, Maryland

Owner: Robert & Katharine Devine

Tax Parcel Number: 430 Tax Map Number: 601

Project: Boonsboro Streetscape - WA960A21 Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration

Site visit by: John Milner Associates, Inc. Staff: no  yes

Name: Kerri Culhane and Rachel Mancini Date: June 1999

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: Town of Boonsboro

Is district listed?  no  yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Boonsboro Streetscape, Alternate US 40: MD 68 to East of Mousetown Road, Washington County, Maryland, SHA Report 215 (JMA 1999) and Final Report: Architectural and Cultural Survey of Boonsboro and Clear Spring, MD (Mueller 1992).

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

Donna's Diner at 11 North Main served as the office for the neighboring Potomac Hotel (13 North Main (WA-II-773) during the late nineteenth and early twentieth century. It is a two-and-one-half-story, two-bay-wide, attached, brick, commercial building. The brick is laid in a five-course American bond. The fenestration includes 6/6 wood sash windows; a first floor plate-glass show window; and six-pane fixed or tilting sash windows in the half-story. The single-leaf door is topped with a transom. This building also served as a bowling alley and another restaurant (pre-Donna) during the twentieth century. Behind the building is a shed-roofed frame outbuilding, and a gable-roofed garage on rubblestone foundation is at the rear edge of the property. This building appears to date to the early-mid-nineteenth-century and is a contributing element to the Town of Boonsboro Historic District

Prepared by: Kerri Culhane, John Milner Associates, Inc., VA

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Comments: _____	
_____ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	_____ Date 11/20/99
_____ Reviewer, NR program	_____ Date 10/12/02

**PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN  
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS**

**I. Geographic Region:**

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)  
 Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)  
 Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)  
 Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

**II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:**

- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815  
 Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870  
 Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930  
 Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present  
 Unknown Period (  prehistoric  historic)

**III. Historic Period Themes:**

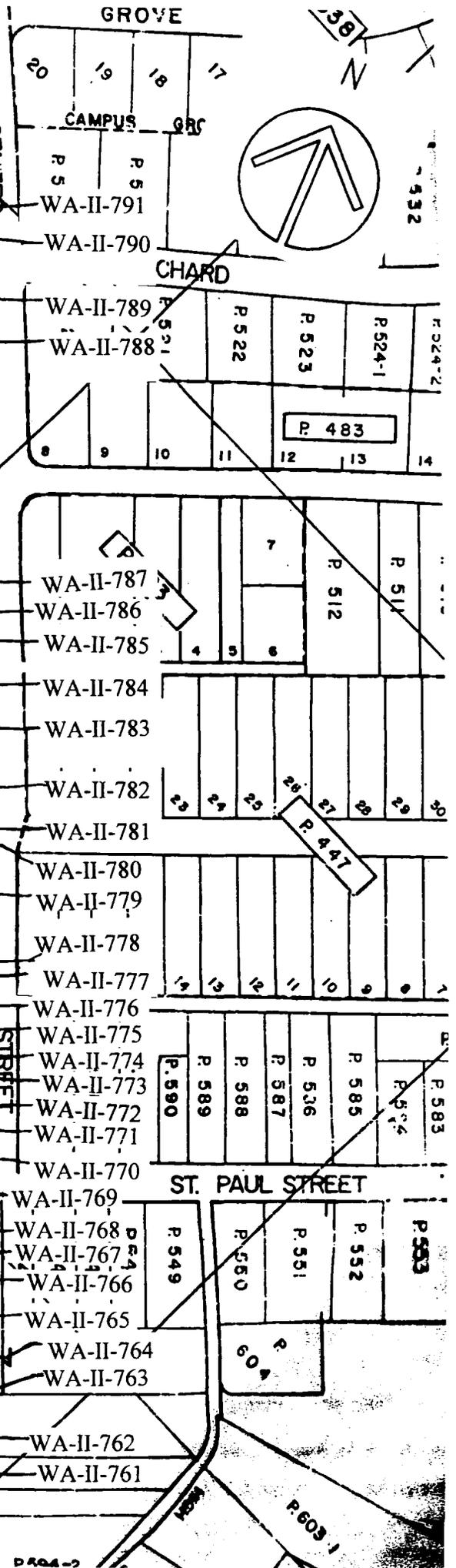
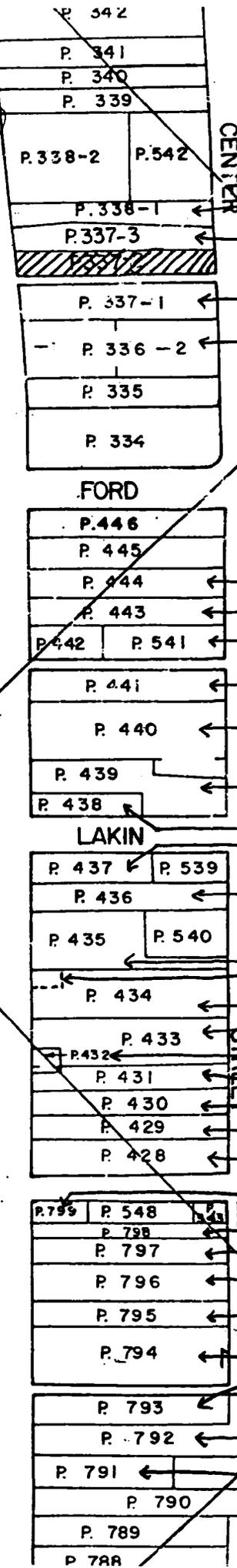
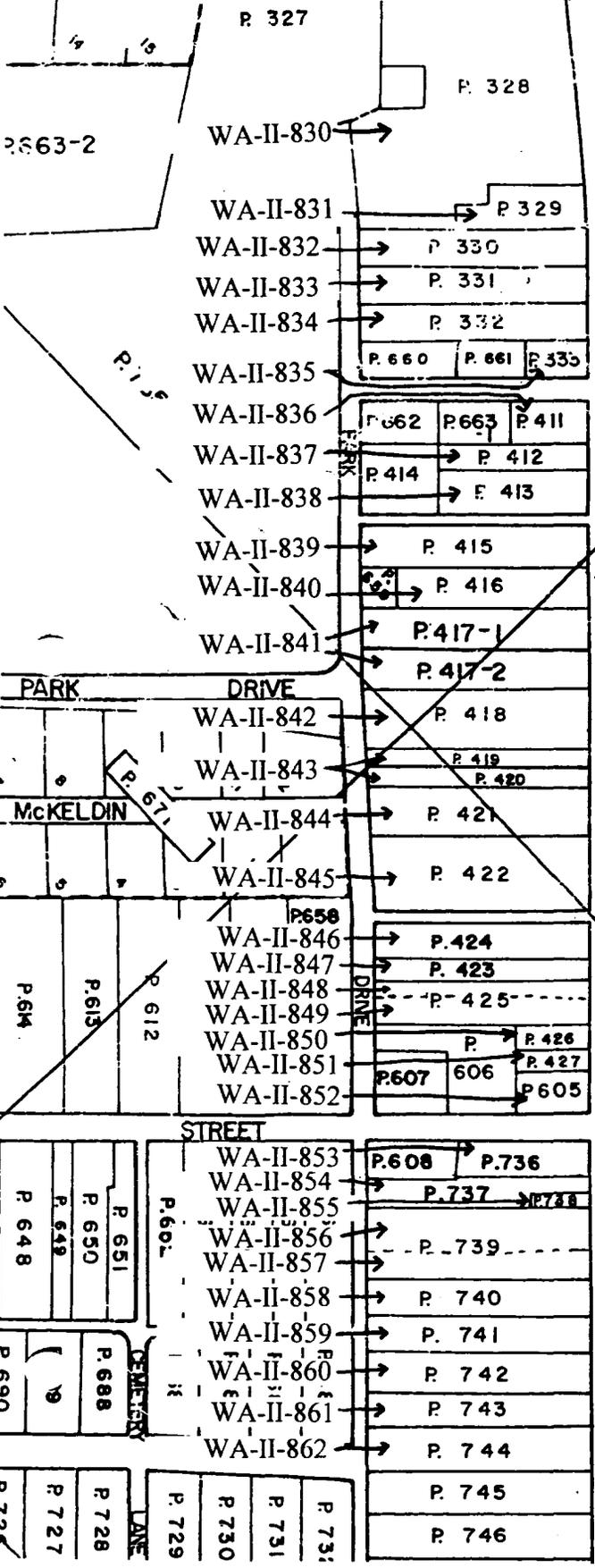
- Agriculture  
 Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning  
 Economic (Commercial and Industrial)  
 Government/Law  
 Military  
 Religion  
 Social/Educational/Cultural  
 Transportation

**IV. Resource Type:**

Category: Building  
Historic Environment: Village  
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): COMMERCE/TRADE/business/store; RECREATION AND CULTURE/sports facility  
(bowling alley)  
Known Design Source: none

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Portion of Washington Co., MD Tax Map 601 showing the location of WA-II-772 (Parcel 430), 11 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD





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11 N. Main St.

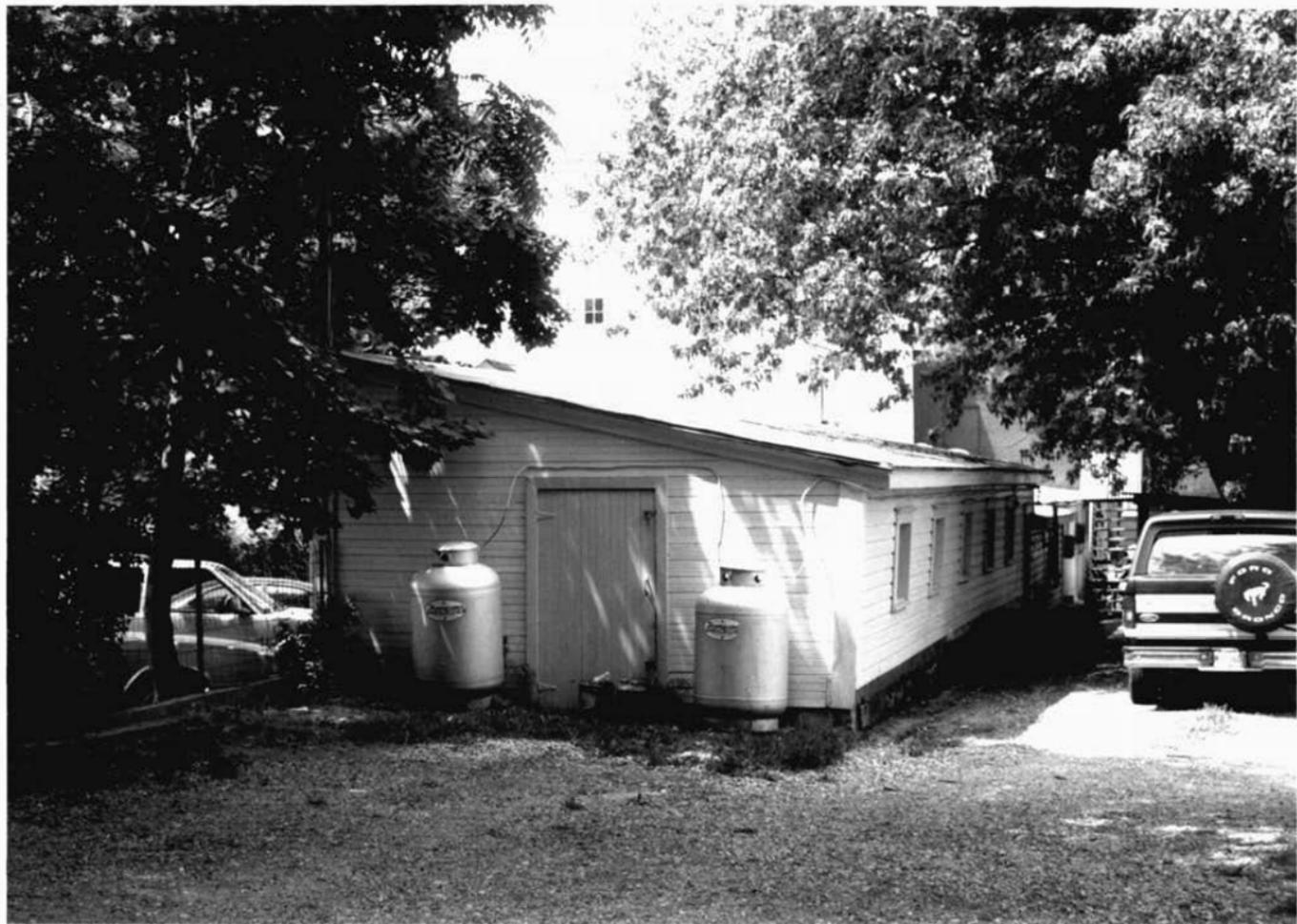
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west elevation, main building



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11 11, Main St.

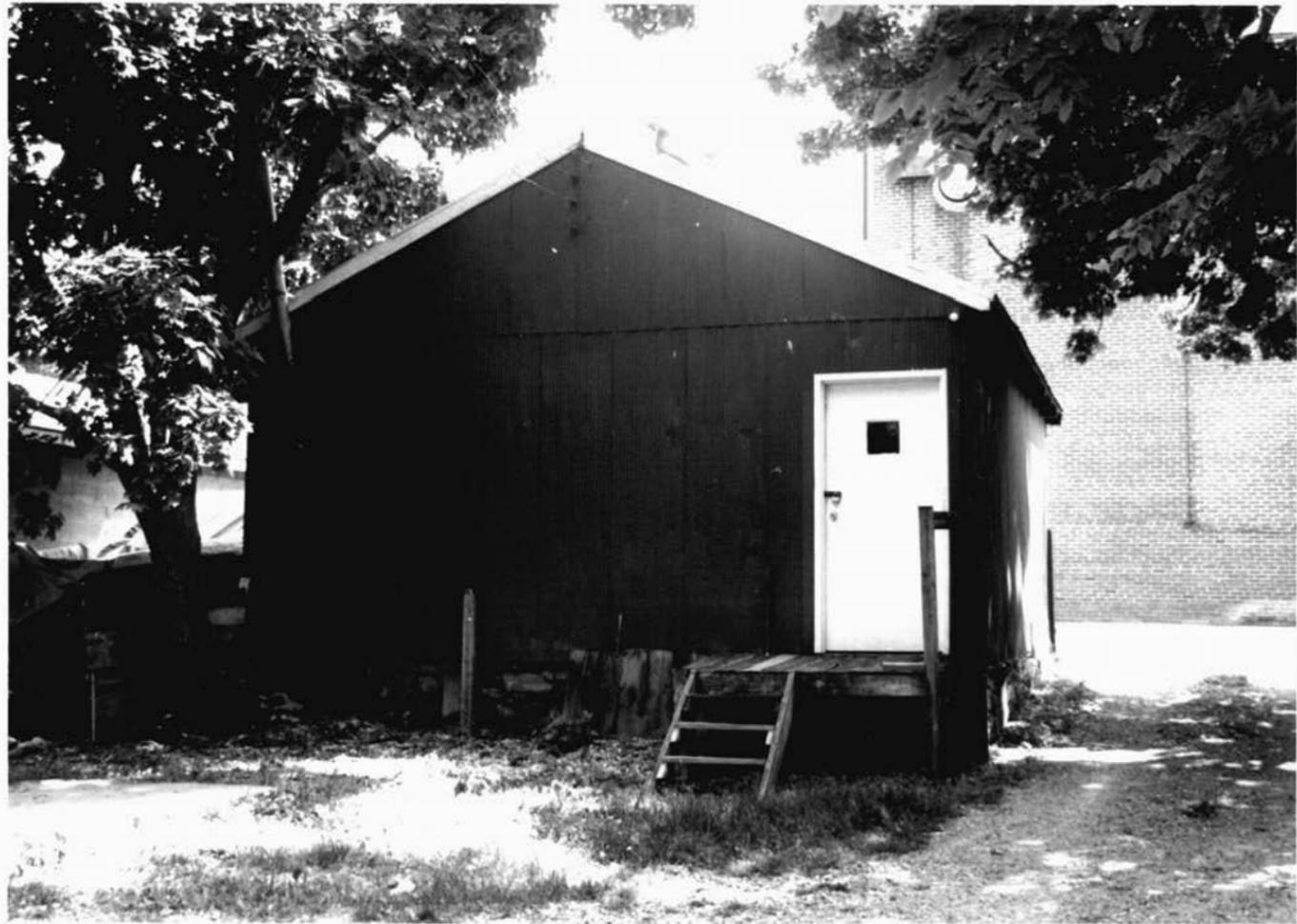
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looking SW, outbuilding



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11 N Main St

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neg: MD SHPD

looking NE, outbuilding

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-772  
ADDRESS: 11 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD  
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: Cafe Berlin  
BUILDING DATE: 19th century, pre-1877?

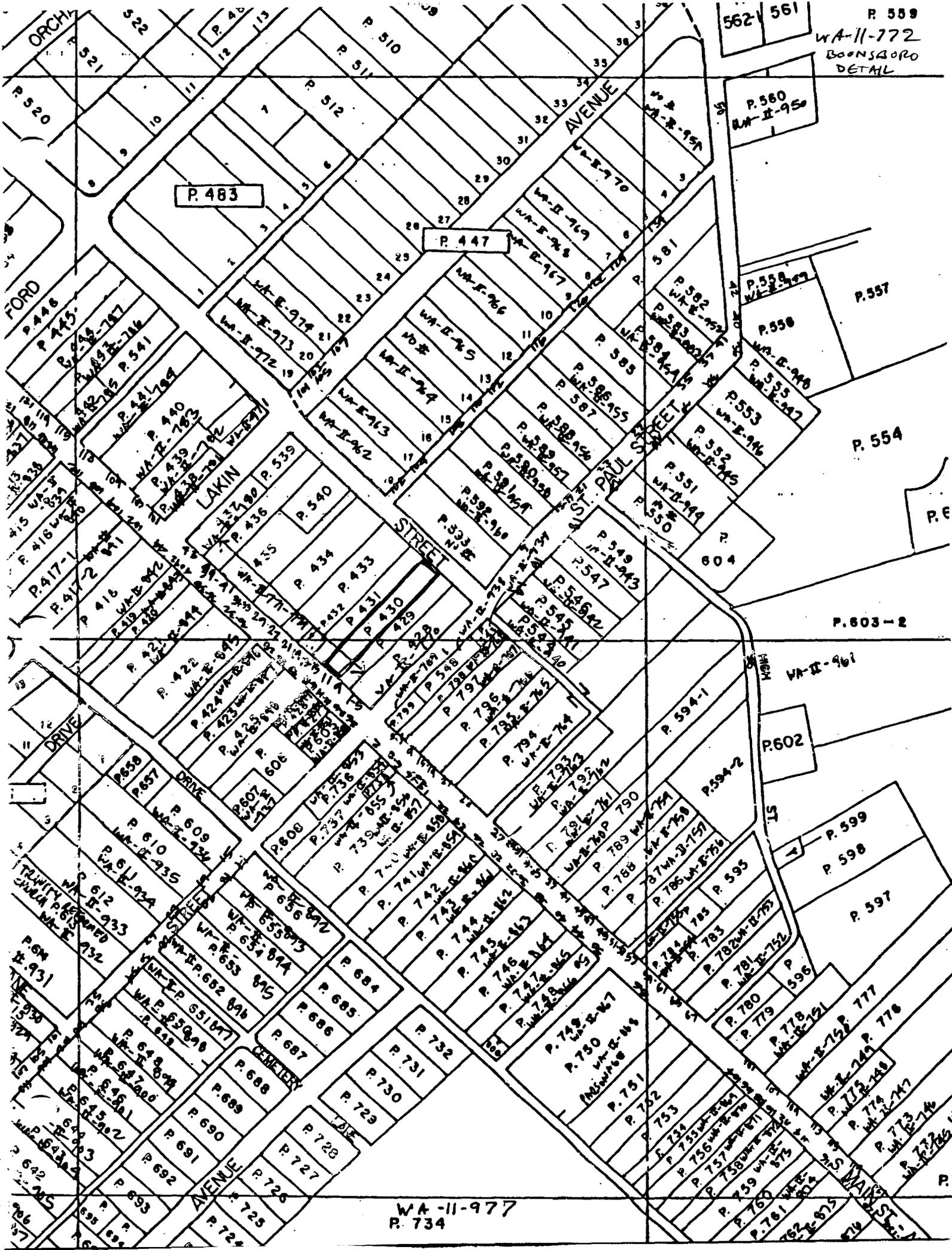
11 North Main Street is a west-facing, vertically massed, two-and-a-half-story, two-bay, brick, attached, commercial structure. The building, which is set directly at the public-right-of-way, currently houses the Cafe Berlin. The brick facade is set in common bond and is painted red. The side-gable roof is covered with artificial roll and is contiguous with its neighbor to the north. The focus of the facade design is the one-story commercial storefront that consists of a slightly projecting show window in the north bay and an entrance in the south bay. Fenestration consists of double-hung, six-over-six windows on the second floor and six-light casement windows in the attic story.

The 1897 Sanborn indicates that the structure served as the office for the Potomac Hotel to its north. The building consisted of the front space and a small addition to its rear. A separate laundryhouse is noted behind the building, as are several outbuildings at the rear of the lot. It is not until the 1910 Sanborn that the use of the structure is noted as having changed. There it is indicated as a salon serving the boarding house (former Potomac Hotel). In 1924, the structure is indicated as a store with a significant addition to the rear that is noted as a bowling alley--the laundryhouse having been demolished as had several of the outbuildings at the alley. The 1940 Sanborn notes a large automobile garage on this property at the alley. The building continued to serve as a store and bowling alley at that time.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic

Organization, the probable Development Period of Agricultural-Industrial Transition, and falls within the Historic Period Themes of Economic; Social/Education/Cultural; and Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning.

Prepared by Julianne Mueller, February 1992



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