

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: 20 North Main Street Inventory Number: WA-II-848

Address: 20 North Main Street, Boonsboro, Maryland

Owner: Preston & Benjamin Investments Inc.

Tax Parcel Number: 425 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)*

This two-story, two-bay, attached, side-gabled, brick commercial building shares a ridgeline with its neighbor, 22 North Main Street. The roof is clad in standing-seam metal. The second-floor windows are 6/6 wood sash. The first floor contains a late-nineteenth or early-twentieth-century plate-glass store front with a recessed entry and dentil cornice above the show windows. There is a one-story gable addition to the rear of the building. The building appears to date to the third quarter of the nineteenth-century. As an example of commercial architecture in late-nineteenth-century Boonsboro, this building contributes to the Town of Boonsboro Historic District.

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Comments: _____	
_____ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	_____ Date
_____ Reviewer, NR program	_____ Date

**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:

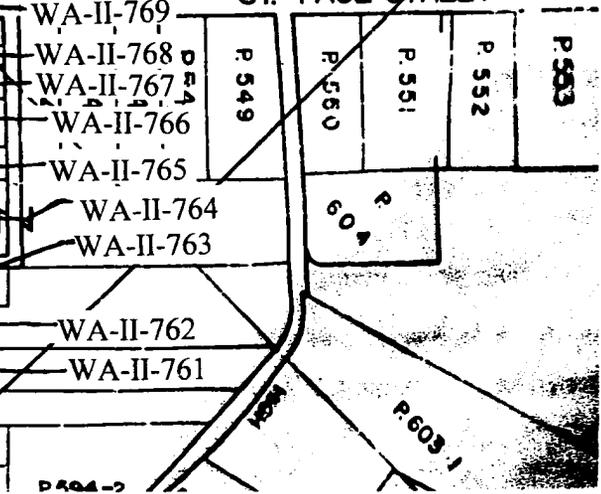
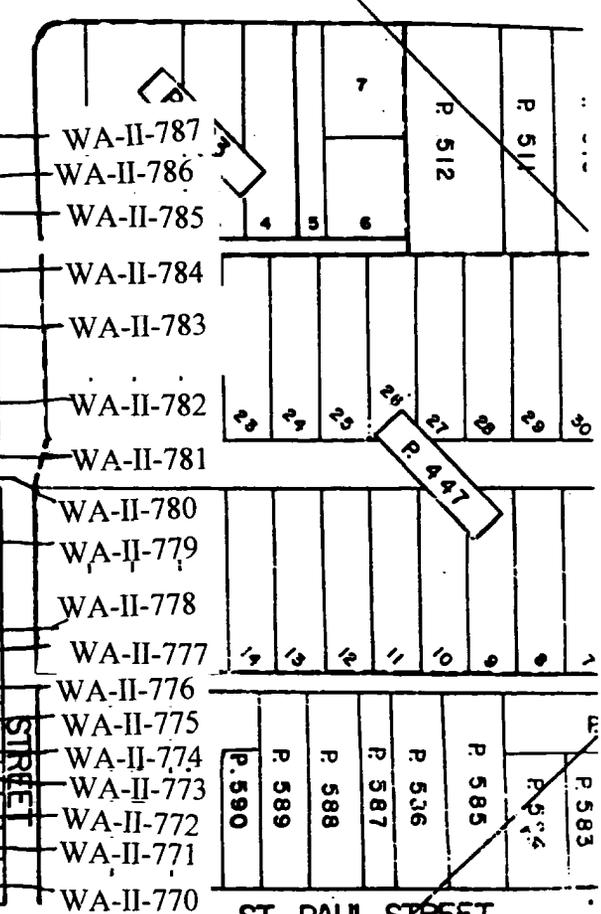
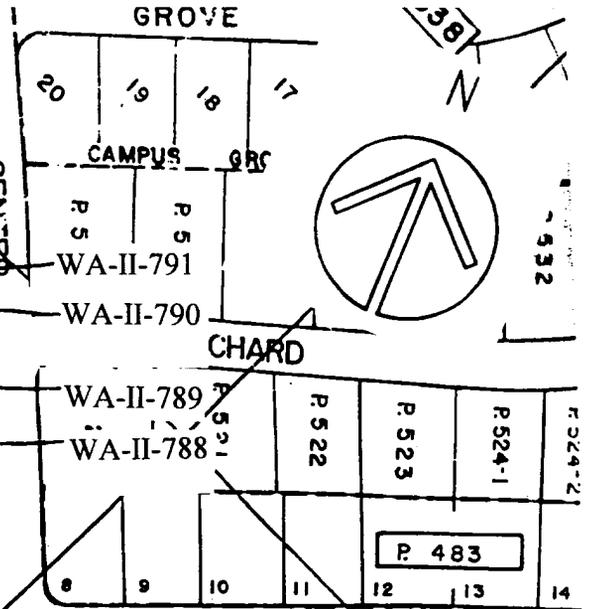
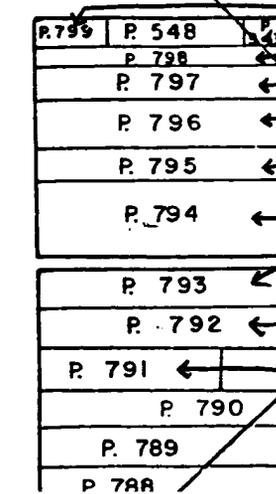
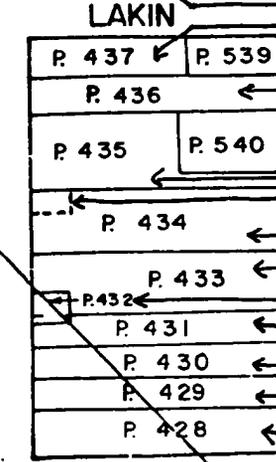
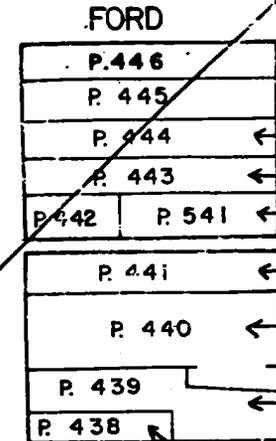
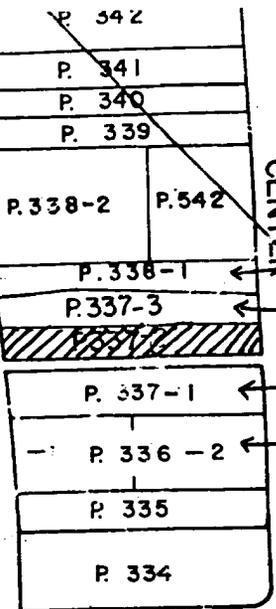
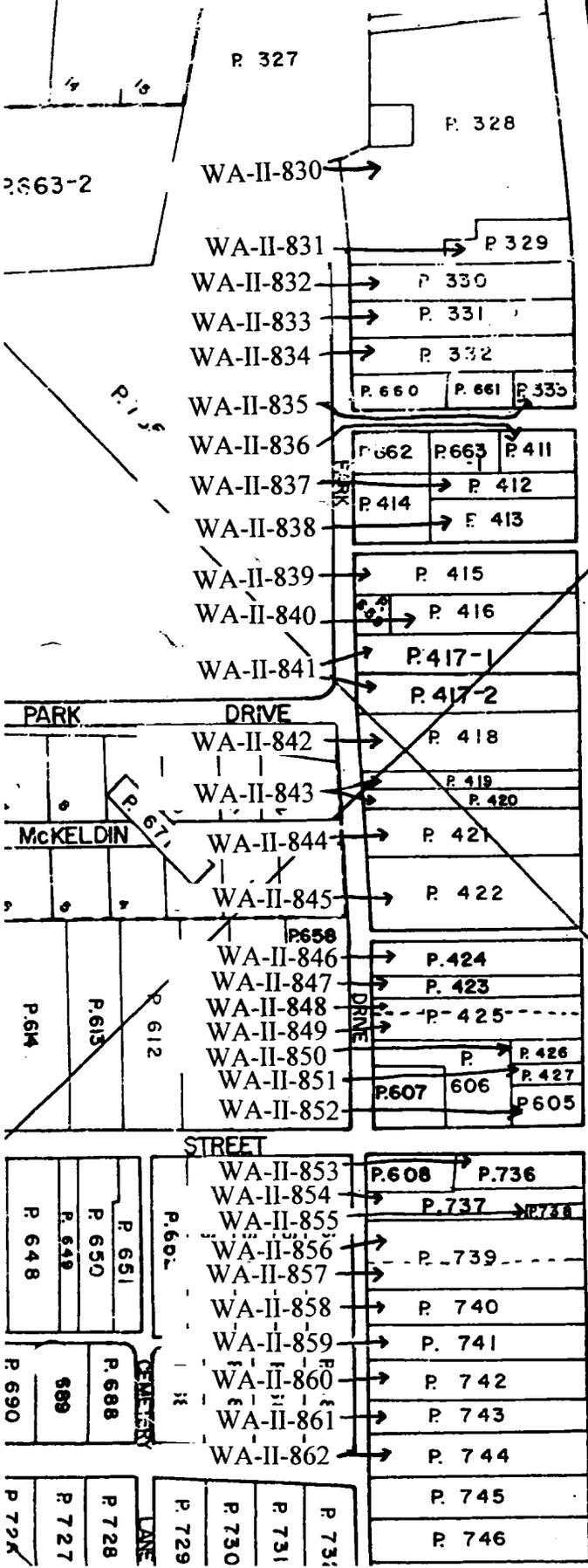
- Agriculture
 Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
 Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
 Government/Law
 Military
 Religion
 Social/Educational/Cultural
 Transportation

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building
Historic Environment: Village
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): DOMESTIC/single dwelling; COMMERCE/TRADE/specialty store
Known Design Source: none

STOUFFER AVE.

Portion of Washington Co., MD Tax Map 601 showing the location of WA-II-848 (Parcel 425), 20 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD





SHAFF'S
WELL DRILLING
301-432-6059

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20 N. Main St.

Boonsboro, Washington Co, MD

Kerri Culhane

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neg: MD SHAD

East elevation main building



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20 N. Main St

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neg's MD SHPo

looking west, main house

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-848
ADDRESS: 20 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: Boonsboro Hardware
BUILDING DATE: mid 19th century, pre-1877

20 North Main Street is an east-facing, vertically massed, two-story, two-bay, brick, attached, commercial structure. The building is set directly at the public-right-of-way and rests on a stone foundation. The brick, which has been painted, appears to be set in a running bond. The side-gable roof is covered with standing seam tin. The first floor consists of the commercial storefront that is composed of show windows flanking a recessed entrance and a heavy ornamental cornice. A new canopy stretches out over the sidewalk. The entrance is composed of a glazed door with a mail slot. The transom has been filled in with an air-conditioning unit. Fenestration on the second floor consists of double-hung, six-over-six sash.

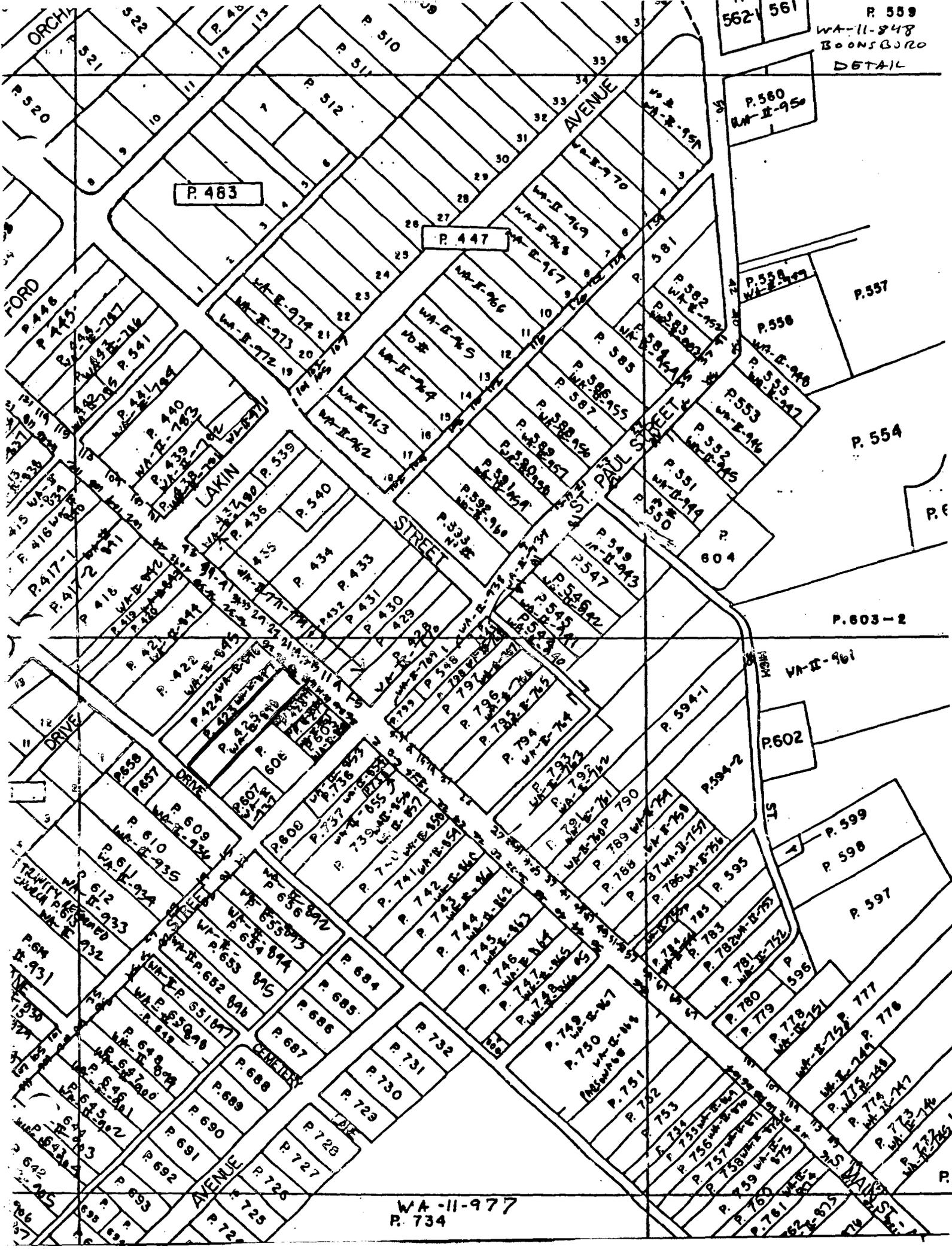
According to deed research by Doug Bast, this building rests on original lot 11 that was first purchased by Michael Booch in 1792, along with lots 10 and 12 for 15 pounds (Liber H, Folio 24). A structure of similar configuration to the extant building is shown on the 1877 map of the town. The 1897 Sanborn shows the building as being occupied by a shoe manufacturing establishment. The structure is numbered 315 Main Street. It has a one-story frame addition to the rear. The 1904 and 1910 Sanborns label the building as "Cobbler B&S." The 1924 and 1940 Sanborns label it simply as a store.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the probable Development Period of Agricultural-Industrial Transition, and falls within the Historic Period Themes

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of Economic; and Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and
Community Planning.

Prepared by Julianne Mueller, July 1992



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20 NORTH MAIN STREET, BOONSBORO, WASHINGTON CO.

1991

JULIE MELLER

LOOKING WEST