

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-893
ADDRESS: 18 Potomac Street, Boonsboro, MD
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: private
BUILDING DATE: 1904-1910

18 Potomac Street is a north-facing, two-and-a-half-story, three-bay, frame, freestanding, residential structure. The building, which is set directly at the public-right-of-way, rests on a stone foundation and has been covered in manufactured siding. The hip roof has one chimney and a single, gabled dormer facing the street. A slightly raised, hipped-roof porch extends across the facade of the house and protects the east-bay entrance and a one-story bay window in the west bay. The entrance consists of a glazed and paneled door with a single-light transom. All windows are rectangular, double-hung, one-over-one modern replacements--except for the diamond-shaped window on the side elevation in the stairwell. There is a detached garage in the back.

According to historic maps, it appears that another building stood on this site before the construction of the extant structure. The 1877 atlas and the 1897 and 1904 Sanborns all indicate a small, two-story frame structure, numbered 129 Potomac that was occupied by a dressmaker. The configuration of the building changes significantly on the 1910 Sanborn indicating that the existing structure was either extensively remodeled or was demolished and replaced. Based on the style of the extant house, it is more likely that the older structure was torn down. However, it should be noted that there are several buildings in Boonsboro which appear to be younger than they actually are. The 1910 Sanborn shows the extant configuration of the house--with the porch and bay.

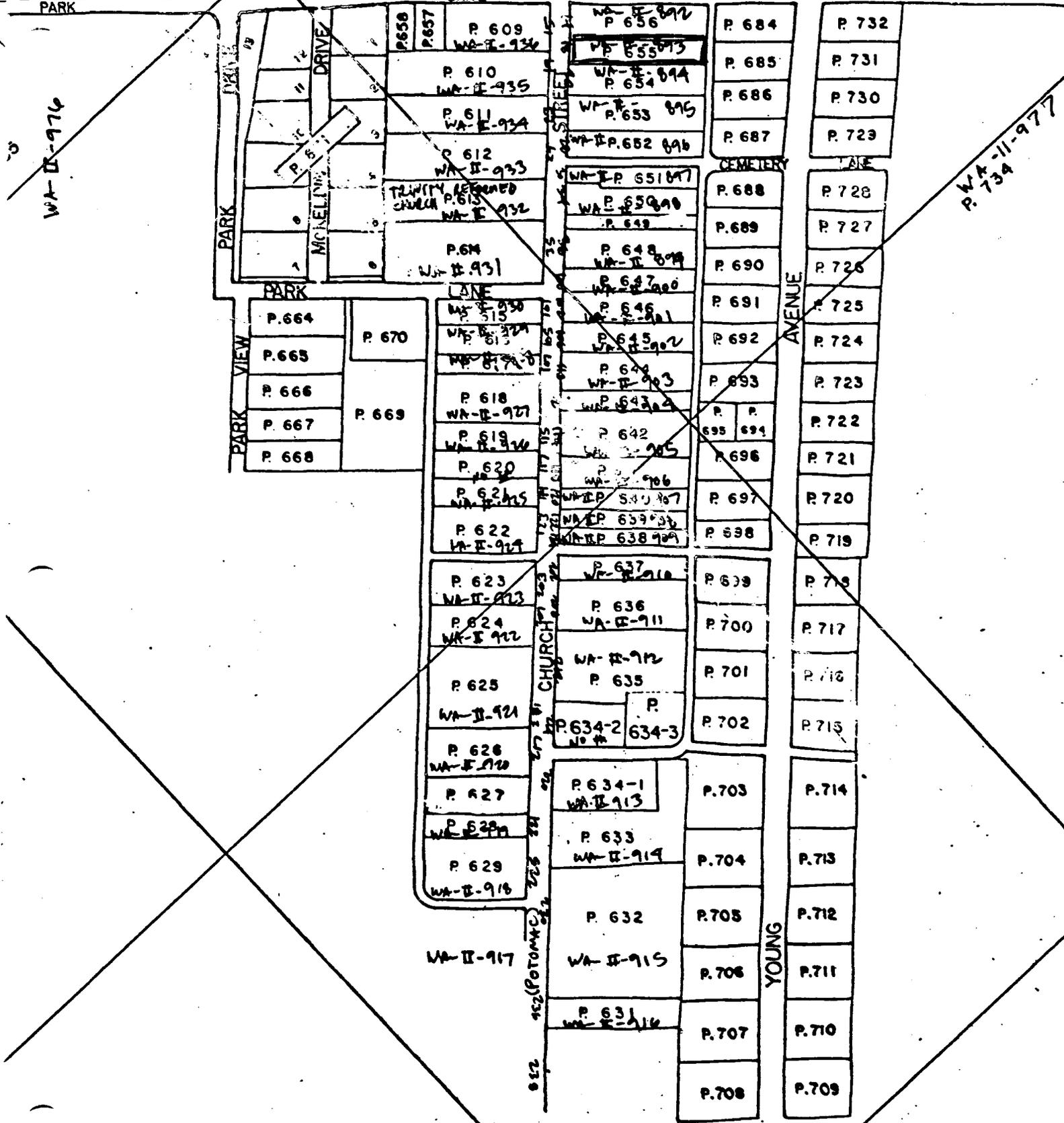
The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic

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Organization, the Development Period of Industrial/Urban Dominance,
and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Architecture,
Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning.

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