

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-899
ADDRESS: 36 Potomac Street, Boonsboro, MD
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: private
BUILDING DATE: early 19th century? pre-1877

36 Potomac Street is a north-facing, horizontally massed, two-and-a-half-story, five-bay, brick, freestanding, residential structure. The building, which is set directly at the public-right-of-way, rests on a stone foundation and is laid in a flemish bond painted red. It has a side-gable, tin roof with open eaves, gable returns and two, massive, interior, endwall brick chimneys. A flat-roof porch, supported on pronounced ionic columns resting on brick piers, extends across the facade. The porch frieze has swags that are similar in design to those found on 20 Potomac Street. The door, which is deeply recessed into the wall, has a four-panel door surmounted by a two-light transom. Fenestration includes rectangular, double-hung, one-over-one windows on the first floor and two-over-two windows on the second. All windows have shutters. The property has a side yard with a detached garage.

A building at this site is indicated on the 1877 map of the town. The map notes that the property belonged to J. Brown "Surveyor and Conveyancer. Deeds, Mortgages, and other legal papers carefully prepared." The list of patrons of the atlas indicates that Brown owned 17 acres of land and came from Hillsboro County, New Hampshire. His date of settlement (in Boonsboro?) is given as 1826. The 1910-1940 Sanborns number the structure as 80 Potomac Street and indicate that a full porch was in place in 1910.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the probable Development Period of Agricultural-

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Industrial Transition, and falls within the Historic Period Theme
of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning.

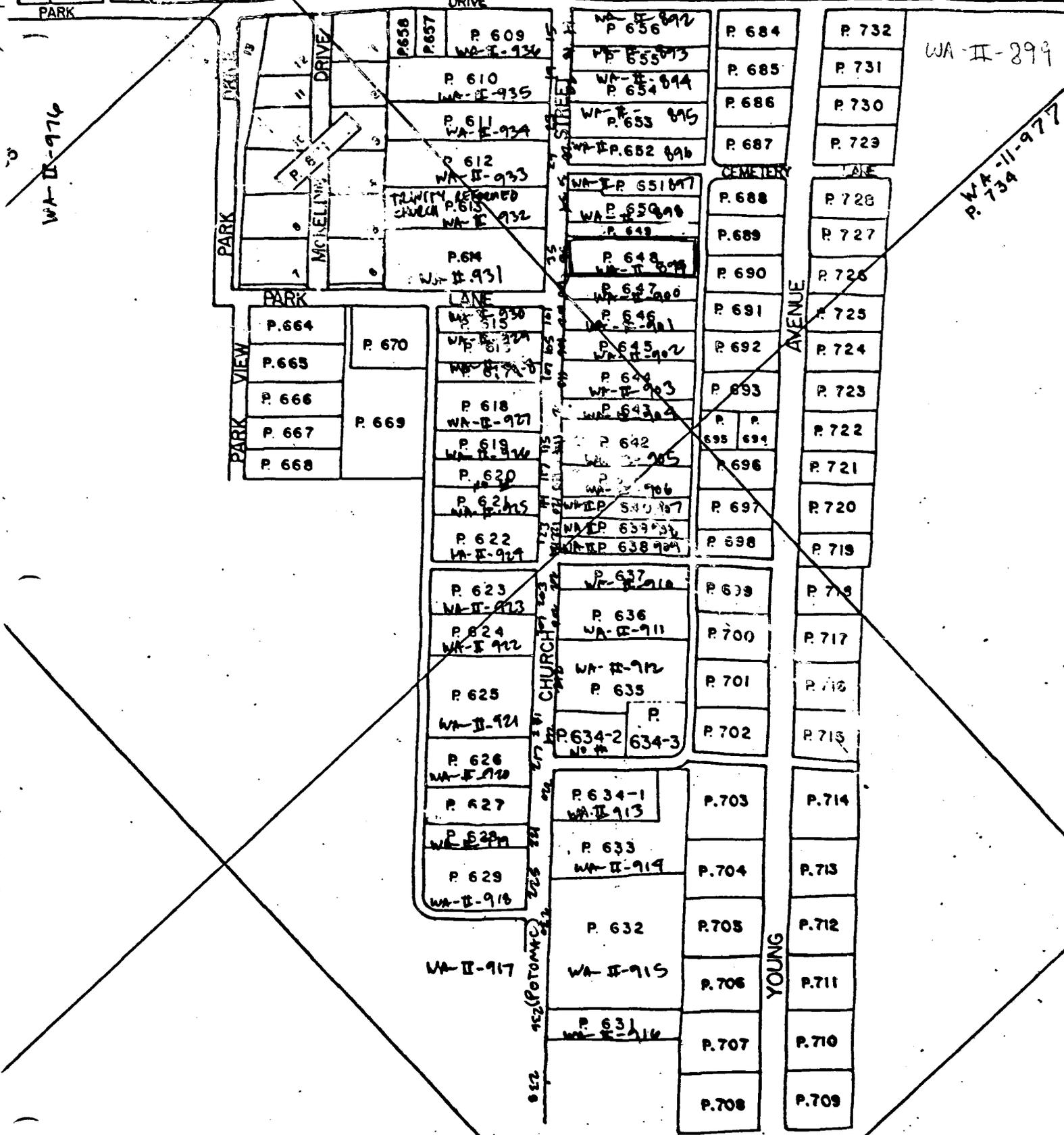
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