

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-935  
ADDRESS: 19 Potomac Street, Boonsboro, MD  
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: private  
BUILDING DATE: mid 19th century? pre-1877

19 Potomac Street is a south-facing, horizontally massed, two-and-a-half-story, three-bay, frame with brick veneer, freestanding, residential structure. The building, which is set directly at the public-right-of-way, rests on a dressed stone foundation and is laid in a light-brown brick in a flemish bond. It has a cross-gable, artificial shingle roof with open eaves, gable returns, and two chimneys. A flat-roof porch extends across the facade of the building and is supported by new iron railings. The center-bay entrance consists of a glazed and paneled door, topped by a single-light transom. Fenestration includes rectangular, double-hung, one-over-one windows with shutters. The structure has a large, rear, two-story ell with a two-story, open porch.

A building at this site is indicated on the 1877 map of the town. The 1897 and 1904 Sanborn maps note the building as 104 West Church and indicate that the front porch had not yet been added to the structure and that the building is of frame construction. They also note a grocery store between this building and 15 Potomac Street. By 1910, however, the porch and the brick veneer had been added. The grocery store was still standing in 1940, according to the Sanborn map of that date. It has since been demolished.

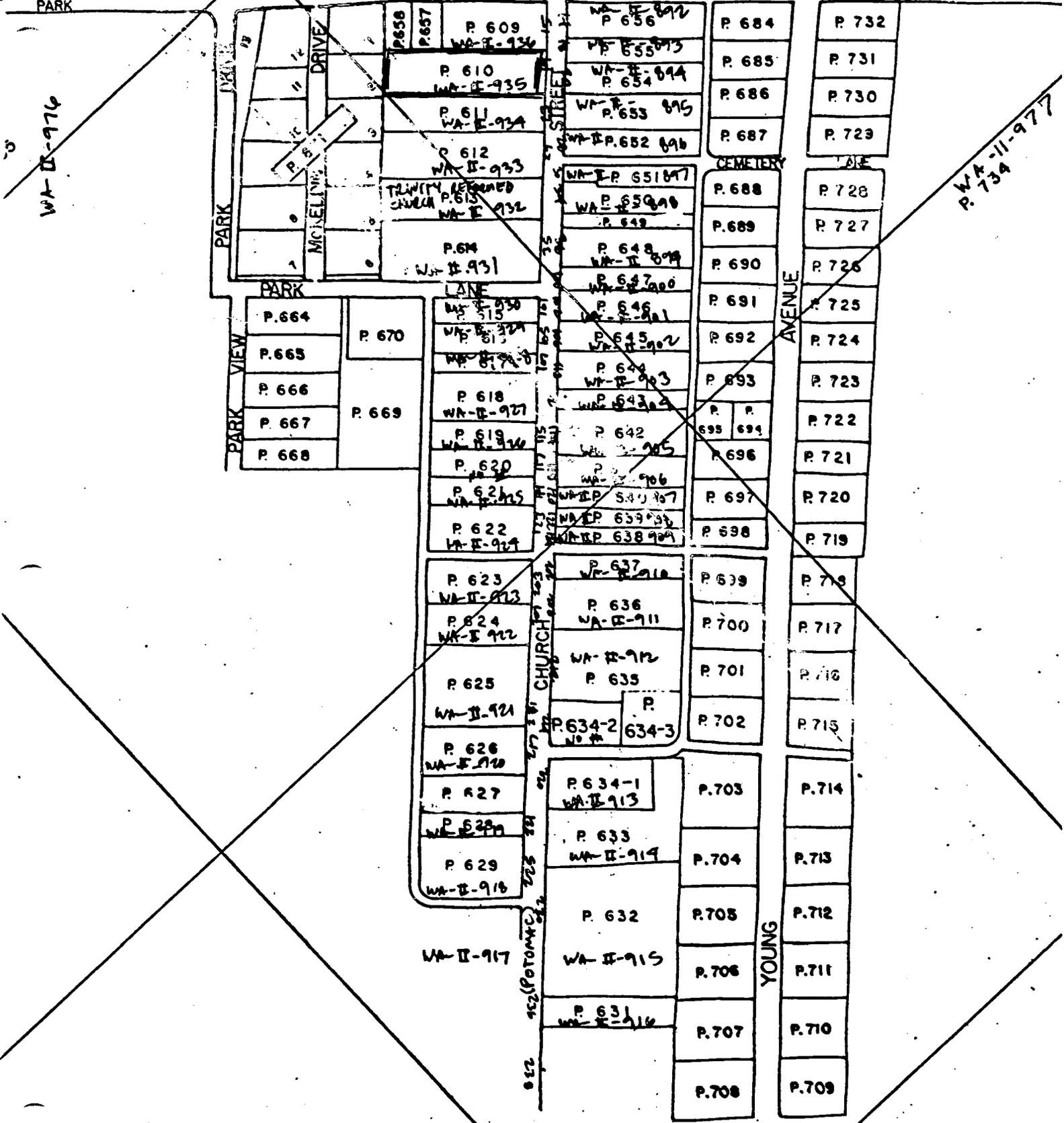
The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the probable Development Period of Agricultural-Industrial Transition, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning.

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