

SITE NUMBER: WA-IV-151

ADDRESS: 1-7 North Main Street, Smithsburg, MD

OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: Carl E. Clingan, 816/478, private (access to first-floor businesses during business hours)

BUILDING DATE: mid 19th/early 20th century

1-7 North Main Street is an east-facing, horizontally massed, symmetrical, three-story, nine-bay, freestanding, brick commercial and residential structure resting on a stone foundation. The building is actually composed of two buildings that have been joined by a common cornice and a flat roof. The buildings are similar in scale and detailing, one clearly being an addition to the other. The principal difference between the two structures is their window shape. The four south bays have segmentally arched, double-hung, two-over-two windows, while the five north bays have rectangular, double-hung, one-over-one windows with flat stone sills and lintels. The metal cornice joining the two structures is articulated with Colonial Revival detailing, including swags and dentils. There are several entrances to the building, including two at street level on the Main Street facade and one on the West Water Street elevation. In addition, there are three entrances at the second floor level on the Main Street elevation, that were accessed by two sets of wrought-iron stairs leading up to two wrought iron balconies set at either end of the facade. The northern set of stairs has been removed, rendering the entrance at that balcony inaccessible from the street. The set at the southern end of the facade still serves two second-floor entrances.

The building, which is set on original lot 38, originally had a two-story, three-bay structure facing Green Castle Street (Main), according to the 1814 plat of the town. Three large buildings on lots 38 and 39, all owned by a Mrs. S. Bishop, appear on the 1875 map of the town. It is possible that at least one of these buildings is part of the extant

building. The extant building is noted on the 1916 Sanborn as a general store and on the 1923 Sanborn as a store. Today, the first floor is divided into two commercial spaces--a laundry (entrance on West Water) and a crafts/gift shop. The upper floors have been divided into apartments.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the Development Period of Industrial/Urban Dominance, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning, as well as the Economic Historic Period Theme.

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