

SITE NUMBER: WA-IV-180

ADDRESS: 49 South Main Street, Smithsburg, MD

OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: H. Semler, 660/294, private

BUILDING DATE: mid-late 19th century

49 South Main Street is a west-facing, horizontally massed, symmetrical, two-story, three-bay, L-shaped, freestanding, frame residential structure. The building, which is sited directly at the public right-of-way, has undergone several alterations, including the addition of permastone siding and the remodeling of the front facade to reflect a bungalow aesthetic. The side gable roof has open eaves, an interior endwall brick chimney on the north elevation, and a large bungalow dormer on the front facade. The roof is covered with artificial roll. The entrance has been remodeled with the addition of a craftsman style, deep portico. Its gable roof is supported by battered frame posts resting on brick(?) piers that have been sheathed in the permastone siding. With the exception of the dormer window, the fenestration consists of single, rectangular, wooden sash, double-hung, six-over-one windows in simple wood frames. The dormer window has the identical configuration except that it has three windows set together in a single frame.

The building is set on parts of original lots 19 and 20, according to the 1814 plat of the town. Lot 19 had a two-story, two-bay house on it. The 1875 map of the town shows several buildings on this property. The 1916 Sanborn indicates a small, one-and-one-half-story log dwelling, which has been enlarged by 1923. The building indicated on the 1923 Sanborn matches the extant building's configuration. Two possibilities exist for the construction date of this building: 1) it is the log structure

noted on the 1916 Sanborn (and possibly the 1814 and/or 1875 plats) that has been extensively altered, or 2) the dwelling noted on these maps was demolished for the construction of the extant building. According to the Smithsburg Historical Society, the building had a stucco finish before the permastone was applied.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning.

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ZELDA M. GROVE, TRUST
922/37
264'

CHEWSVILLE CO-OP ASSOCIATION
290/173



WESTERN MARYLAND RAILROAD

HADLEY FARMS, INC.
827/139
0.58 A.

0.26 A.
264'

H. SEMLER
660/294
102'

HADLEY FARMS, INC.
776/647
182'03"

CLOPPER LANE

WA-14-180

HADLEY FARMS, INC.
913/746
1.50 A.

METHODIST CHURCH
264'

CLAUDE KING
384/508
264'

MARGARET A. BOSWELL
856/1028
254'

HENRIETTA ST.

SIMON CLOPPER
714/965

ST. PAUL'S
UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH
590/707

SIMON CLOPPER
246/216

WILLIAM J
MCKEYER
597/119
0.39 A.
109'82"

14953
SAMUEL
PRYOR
556/380

ROBERT
NAYLOR
347/816

THOMAS
ECKSTINE
726/923

DAVID H.
HORST
593/54

BISHOP LANE

TIMOTHY R. CAMPBELL
856 / 325
540 A.

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