

WILLIAMSPORT, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

Survey # WA-WIL-053                      Approximate date late 19th century  
Street Address 5-7 East Potomac Street  
Town, State Williamsport, Maryland  
private X, public \_\_\_\_

Description

Two story frame commercial building and residence. Late 19th century with altered facade. It has a shed roof with a prominent cornice. It represents Williamsport's late 19th century commercial construction.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):  
Industrial Urban Dominance - A.D. 1870-1930
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning  
Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- IV. Resource Type  
Category: Building  
Historic Environment: Urban  
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):  
DOMESTIC/single dwelling  
COMMERCE/TRADE/specialty store  
Known Design Source: Unknown

Photo Reference: Photo # 9

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Frame House at 5-7 East Potomac Street

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

5-7 East Potomac Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

**3 CLASSIFICATION****CATEGORY**

DISTRICT  
 BUILDING(S)  
 STRUCTURE  
 SITE  
 OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

PUBLIC  
 PRIVATE

 BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

IN PROCESS  
 BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

OCCUPIED  
 UNOCCUPIED  
 WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

YES: RESTRICTED  
 YES: UNRESTRICTED  
 NO

**PRESENT USE**

AGRICULTURE     MUSEUM  
 COMMERCIAL     PARK  
 EDUCATIONAL     PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
 ENTERTAINMENT     RELIGIOUS  
 GOVERNMENT     SCIENTIFIC  
 INDUSTRIAL     TRANSPORTATION  
 MILITARY     OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Fred W. Shawley, Sr.

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

7 East Potomac Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21795

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 582

Folio #: 605

STREET &amp; NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL     STATE     COUNTY     LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
 SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

WA-WIL-53

**CONDITION**

<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED	

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 DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is a two story frame structure with a shed roof, and a store front across the main facade except for one door that leads to the second floor stairs. The store is covered by a pent roof across the front. The building is situated on the north side of East Potomac Street facing south and has recently been covered with staggered layers of rough split cedar shakes. The second floor windows are two over two double hung sash and the building dates from the late 19th century.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Town lots # 5 and 7, 24' x 134'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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ORGANIZATION

Preservation Associates, Inc.

DATE

June 1980

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Sharpsburg

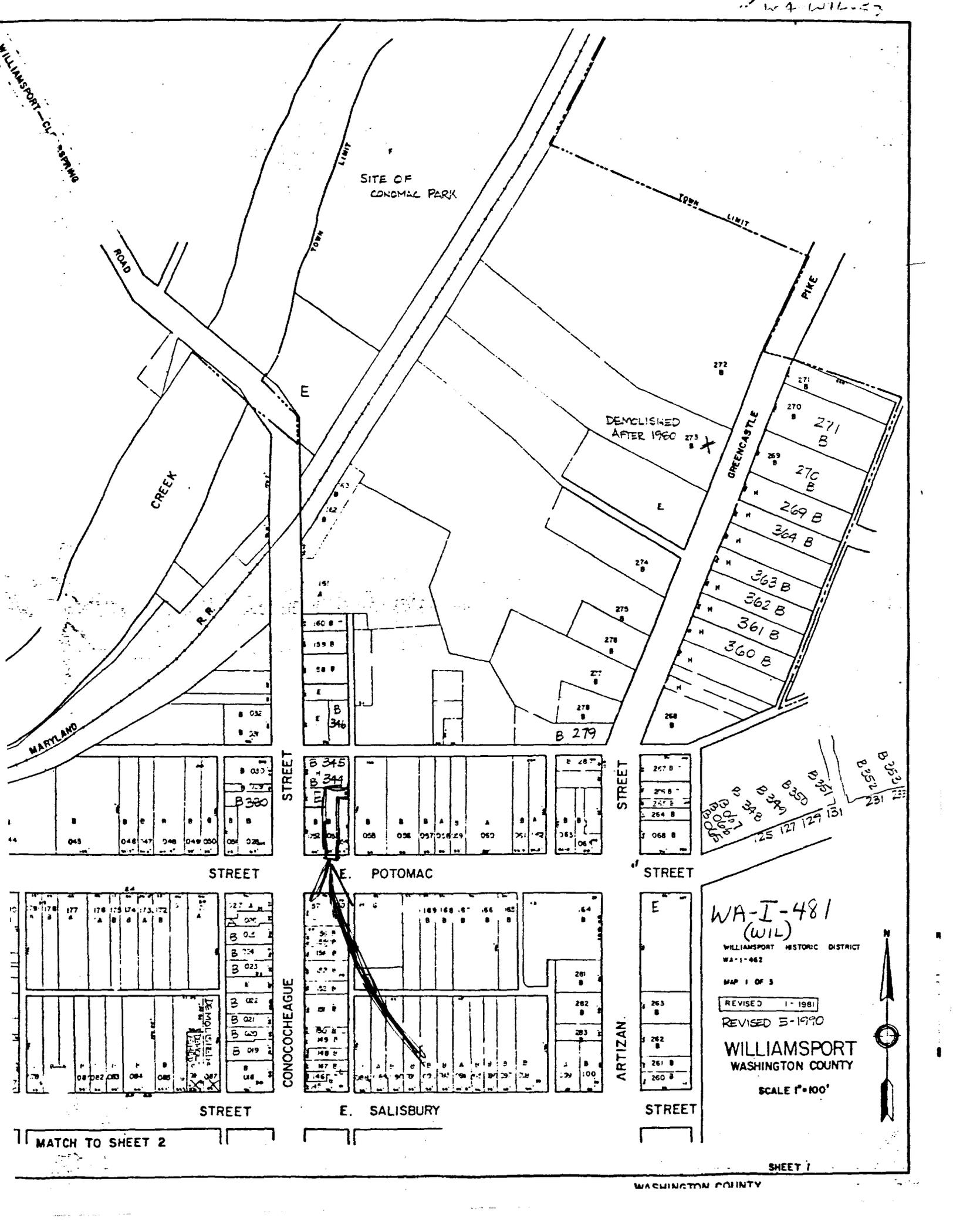
STATE

Maryland 21795

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
 (301) 267-1438



WA-I-481  
(WIL)

WILLIAMSPORT HISTORIC DISTRICT

WA-1-462

MAP 1 OF 3

REVISED 1-1981

REVISED 5-1990

WILLIAMSPORT  
WASHINGTON COUNTY

SCALE 1"=100'



SITE OF  
CONDONAL PARK

DEMOLISHED  
AFTER 1960

MARYLAND

CREEK

R.R.

MATCH TO SHEET 2

SHEET 1

WASHINGTON COUNTY



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Frame House, 5-7 East Potomac Street  
Williamsport, Maryland, Washington County  
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April, 1980  
Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Maryland  
South ELEVATION