

WI-418
Fulton Station
Salisbury
Private

c. 1890

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MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: Fulton Station

MHT INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-418

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

1. Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture
Transportation

2. Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore

3. Chronological/Development Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance
870-1930

4. Resource Type(s): Frieght Office and Shed

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-418

Magi No.

DOE yes no

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Fulton Station Baltimore, Chesapeake & Atlantic Freight
and/or common Farmers & Planters Complex Office and Shed

2. Location

street & number Mill Street not for publication

city, town Salisbury vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
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<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Farmers & Planters Co.

street & number 210 Mill Street telephone no.:

city, town Salisbury state and zip code MD 21801

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town Salisbury state MD

7. Description

Survey No. WI-418

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Fulton Station, formerly the Baltimore, Chesapeake, and Atlantic Freight Office and Shed, is now part of the Farmers and Planters Co. complex located along Mill Street north of the US Route 50 corridor in the center of Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland. The station faces west with the principal roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Dating around 1890, the freight office and shed is a three-part structure erected along the former right-of-way for the Baltimore, Chesapeake, and Atlantic railroad. The extant portion of the freight office and shed is part of a larger group of buildings that served the railroad at this location. The construction of the widened US Route 50 highway required the destruction of a larger warehouse building that stood south of the two-story office.

Supported on a low brick pier foundation, the composite structure consists of a two-story, one-room plan office that anchors the south end of the building. The office is sheathed with asbestos shingles and covered by low pitched asphalt shingle roof. Extending from the north wall of the office is a long single story gable roof freight shed that is partially enclosed and partially open. The south end of the freight shed, the portion which is enclosed, is sheathed with board-and-batten siding, and the gable roof is covered with standing seam metal. Attached to the north end of the open shed is a third section of later date sheathed with pressed metal and covered with a shed roof.

The west (front) wall of the two-story office is defined by a center two-over-two sash window with an off-center door reached by a set of four steps and a stoop. The second floor of the office is lighted by a single two-over-two sash window. The roof is finished with extended eaves and exposed rafter ends. Extensions of the plate support the eaves on the north and south sides. Piercing the roofline is a single flue brick stove flue. The south wall of the office is defined by a centered door opening on the first floor and a two-over-two sash window on the second floor.

The north wall of the office is covered on the first floor by the single story gable roofed freight shed. An off-center two-over-two sash window pierces the west side of the second floor wall. The freight shed is enclosed with board-and-batten siding on its south end, whereas the north end has four open bays facing Mill Street. The enclosed portion of the freight shed is access by way of single and double width freight doors.

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Former Location of JACKSON BROS PLANNING

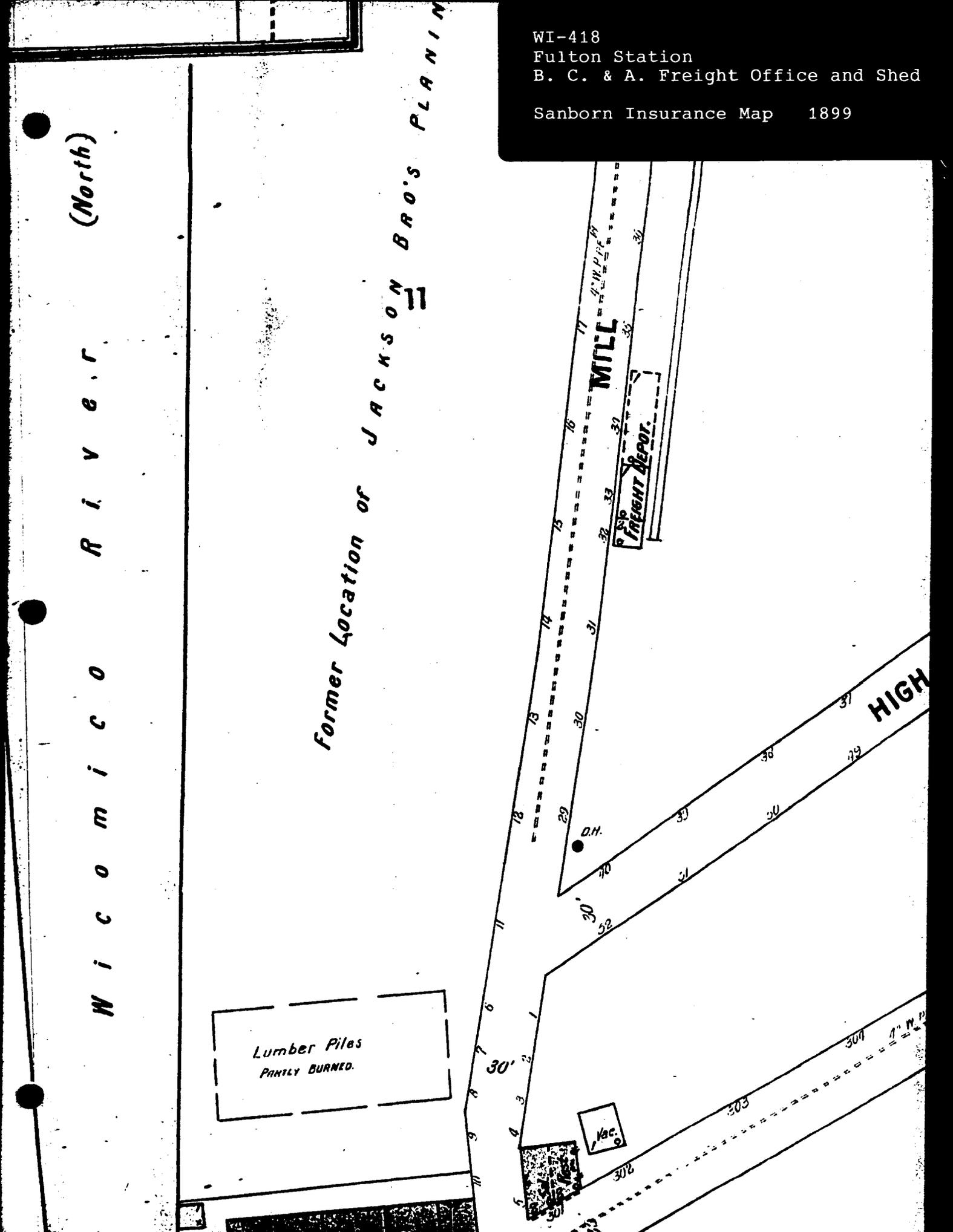
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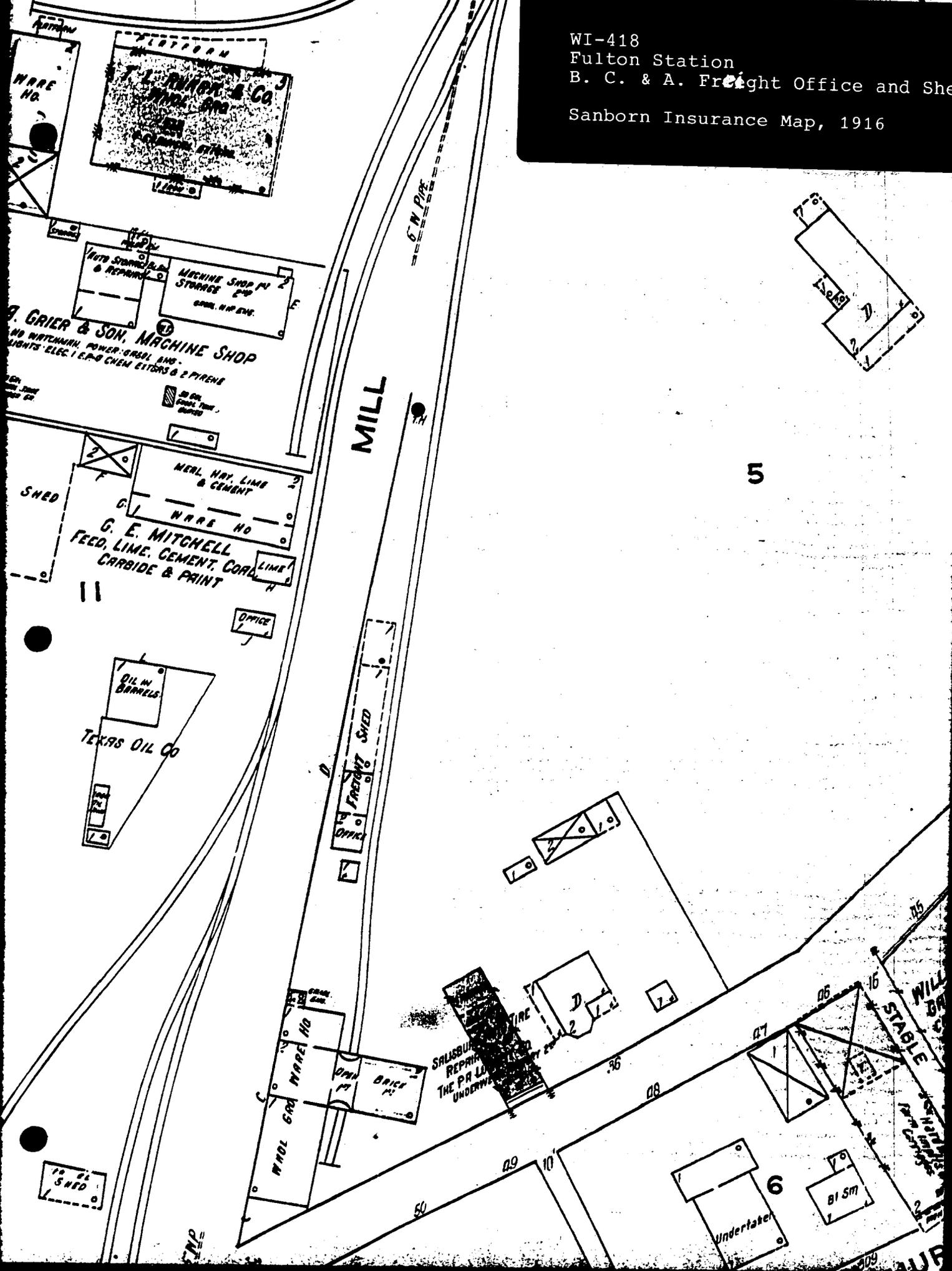
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Fulton Station
B. C. & A. Freight Office and Shed
Sanborn Insurance Map 1899



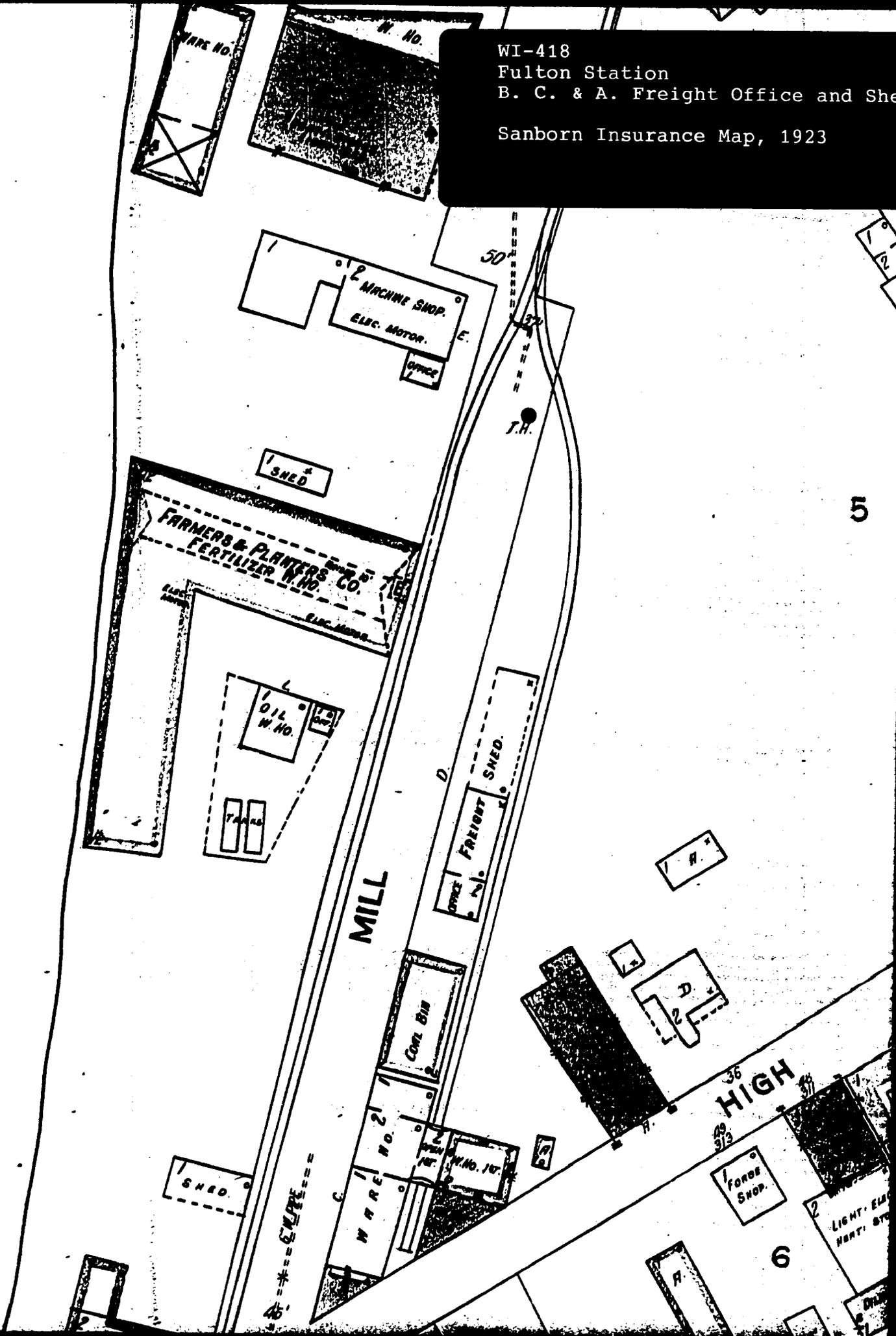
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Sanborn Insurance Map, 1916



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B. C. & A. Freight Office and Shed
Sanborn Insurance Map, 1923



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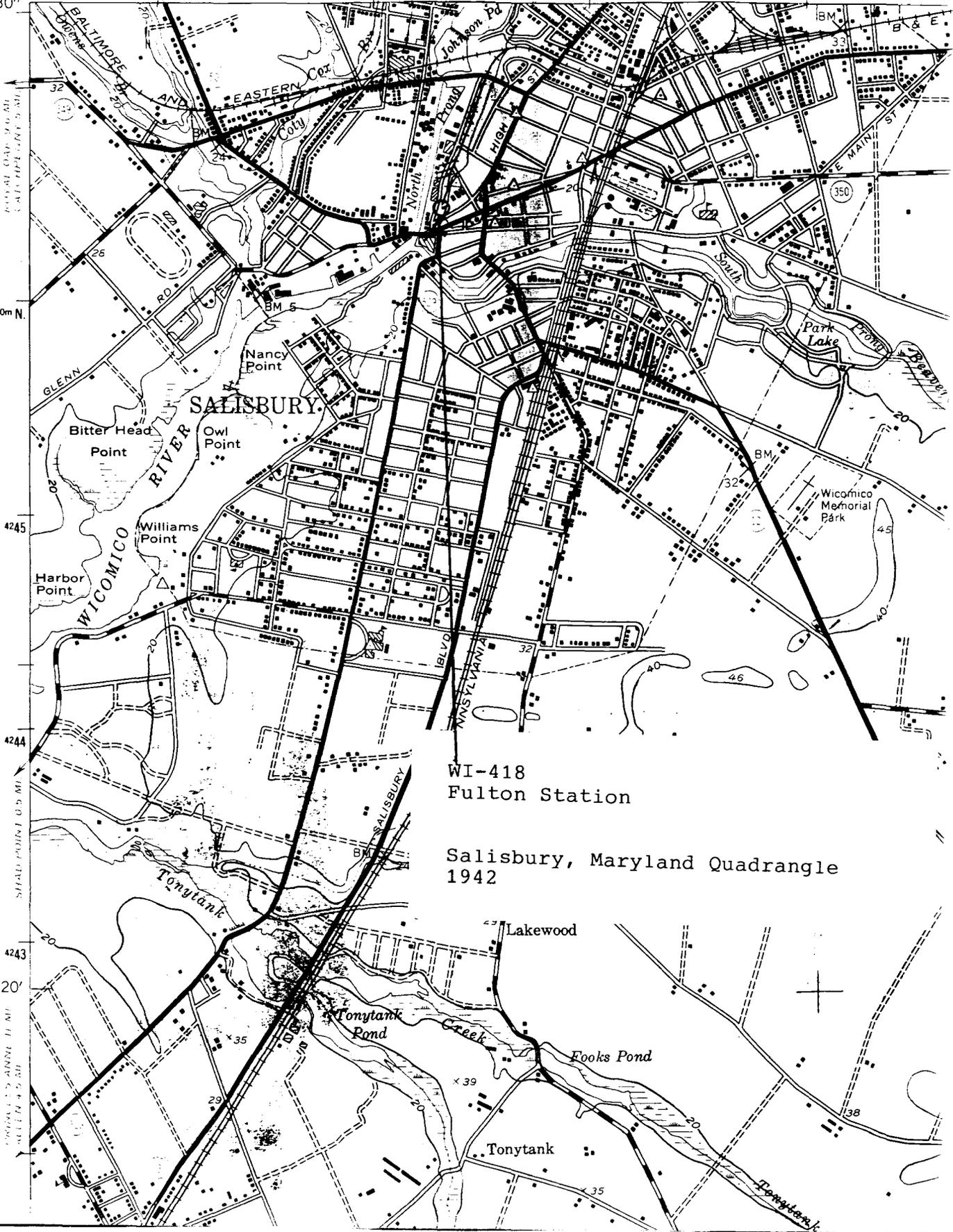
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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Fulton Station

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WI-418 (Lyon Sound
P. C. and A. Taylor Sea and Shore
(FARMERS AND MECHANICS FURRING BOARD)

Salisbury, New York, N. Y.

Sources - various

1/99, 1900 - 1901 PHOTOGRAPH

NE. / N.D. 14572000 Trees

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WI-419 Anna Stewart
A.C. and P. Stewart
(FARMERS AND PLANTERS EXHIBIT DEPT)

Smithsonian Institution, Wash., D.C.

Northwest elevation

2/99, PAUL TOWERS, PHOTOGRAPHER

NO. 1/MS. HISTORICAL ARTS

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