

Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. W I-52

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Pittsville Store

other _____

2. Location

street and number 7415 Maple Street

not for publication

city, town Pittsville

vicinity

county Wicomico

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

name Jackson's Floral Design

street and number 7415 Maple Street

telephone

city, town Pittsville

state

MD

zip code

21850

4. Location of Legal Description

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

tax map and parcel Map P

city, town Salisbury, Maryland

liber

folio

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
 Other:

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function		Resource Count	
				Contributing	Noncontributing
district	public	agriculture	landscape		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	commerce/trade	recreation/culture	1	buildings
structure	both	defense	religion		sites
site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	social		structures
object		education	transportation		objects
		funerary	work in progress		Total
		government	unknown		
		health care	vacant/not in use		
		industry	other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the inventory	

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7. Description

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Condition

	excellent	deteriorated
x	good	ruins
	fair	altered

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

The Pittsville Store stands at 7415 Maple Street in the town of Pittsville, Wicomico County, Maryland. The store has an western exposure with the roof oriented on an east/west axis. The store formerly stood in the center of town between Main Street and Railroad Avenue. In 1980 the store was moved to its present location on Maple Street.

Built around 1870, the two-story, three-bay by three-bay, gable-front frame store is supported on a concrete block foundation, and the exterior is clad with plain weatherboards. The medium pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The west (main) facade is an asymmetrical three-bay elevation with four principal openings on the first floor and three on the second floor. The first floor is defined by a series of alternating window and doors with large scale six-over-six sash windows flanking double leaf doors. The main entrance is fitted with partially glazed double doors with heavily molded panels below the lock rail. The south end door is a fully paneled double leaf door and a third door pierces the south corner for access to a narrow hall that provides access to the second floor staircase. Each of the openings is topped by bracketed lintel, and the entire first floor is sheltered by a metal awning. Under the awning is a mid-level bracketed cornice. The second floor is defined by three six-over-six sash windows finished with bracketed lintels. Trimming the building are paneled pilasters that rise to bracketed capitals under the main cornice of the roof. The wide eave is trimmed the paired brackets fixed above the window openings. The gable end pediment, sheathed with plain weatherboard siding, is pierced by a six-over-six sash window also trimmed with a bracketed lintel. Two sawn brackets are fixed under the eave in line with the sides of the attic window.

The south side elevation is defined by six-over-six sash windows on the first and second floors, and each window is trimmed with a bracketed lintel. The main cornice is fitted with sawn brackets that are set in line with the three second floor windows. The north side is partially covered by a single story frame hyphen that joins the store with the nineteenth century house next door.

The east elevation is detailed in nearly the same fashion as the west end a double door entrance, six-over-six sash windows trimmed with bracketed lintels, and a pediment framed gable end. The first floor is sheltered by an metal roofed awning like the west end also.

The interior retains a row of nineteenth-century shelves fitted with drawers below counter level. Fixed in the narrow hall on the south side of the store is a flight of steps that provides access to the large meeting room on the second floor. The meeting room is finished with a narrow beaded board ceiling.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
1600-1699	agriculture	economics	health/medicine	performing arts
1700-1799	archeology	education	industry	philosophy
x1800-1899	x architecture	engineering	invention	politics/government
1900-1999	art	entertainment/	landscape architecture	religion
2000-	commerce	recreation	law	science
	communications	ethnic heritage	literature	social history
	community planning	exploration/	maritime history	transportation
	conservation	settlement	military	other:

Significance dates

Architect

Specific dates

Builder

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

The Pittsville Store is one of the most unusual and best preserved nineteenth-century commercial buildings in Wicomico County. Moved to this site in 1980, the two-story, gable-front, frame building was designed with two fronts, one facing Main Street and the other facing Railroad Avenue. Trimming both front and rear elevations are rows of decorative eave brackets, corner pilasters, and bracketed lintels over each window and door opening. The first floor store interior survives with a row of original shelving along with board walls. A staircase, fitted within a side hall, provides access to a large second floor meeting room.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Eastern Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture

Resource Type: Standing Structure

Category: Store

Historic Environment: Residential Neighborhood

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Commercial

Known Design Source:

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Pittsville Store
7415 Maple Street
Pittsville, Wicomico County, Maryland
Chain of title for original site of store

Map 301, Parcel 1170

978/329

Charles W. Clark
Grace P. Clark

to

9/10/1982

Pittsville Volunteer Fire Department

AJS 873/711

Bette Jane Patt

to

4/15/1977

Charles W. Clark
Grace P. Clark

AJS 873/707

Charles W. Clark
Grace P. Clark

to

4/15/1977

Bette Jane Patt

AJS 819/52

Robert L. Clark, et ux

to

3/26/1974

Charles W. Clark
Grace P. Clark

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JWTS 624/358

Herman E. Perdue
Lloyd O. Whitehead, Trustees

to

2/7/1966

Charles W. Clark
Grace P. Clark
\$1,500 Chancery Court Case, 11/17/1965, No. 12,698

JWTS 276/368

Edward E. Brittingham, et al, Trustees of the Wicomico
County, No. 53, Junior Order of American Mechanics

to

1/30/1946

Edward E. Brittingham
Whereas, the hereinafter described property was conveyed by
James R. Freaney and Martha Freaney to L. Teagle Truitt, P.
Taylor Baker, and Verdie D. Parsons as Trustees of
Wicomico Council, No. 53, Junior Order of American
Mechanics, 5/6/1910, EAT 68/384

EAT 68/384

James R. Freaney
Martha Freaney

to

5/6/1910

L. Teagle Truitt, et al.

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7415 Maple Street
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Chain of title continued

EAT 57/206

George W. Bell, Trustee

to

2/10/1908

James R. Freeney
Whereas By A Decree of Circuit Court, William E. Laws et al.
against James R. T. Laws, No. 1611 Chancery, ordered to
sell real estate of James Laws, deceased

\$875

SPT 2/328

Peter S. Parsons, George W. Parsons, Samuel M. Riley,
Trustees of the M. E. Episcopal Church property

to

2/27/1877

James Laws

said lot and building offered at public auction...and sold the
same to James Laws for the sum of \$150

....all that lot or parcel of ground and the building thereon
known as the 'Old Cross Roads M. E. Church'...beginning at
a Sycamore tree standing on the North west corner of said
Church lot....the said lot lying on the north side of the
Wicomico & Pocomoke Railroad and surrounded by lands
owned by said James Laws....

Worcester
Wicomico County
Land Record

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of project area

Acreage surveyed

Quadrangle name

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared by

name/title Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian

organization Private Consultant

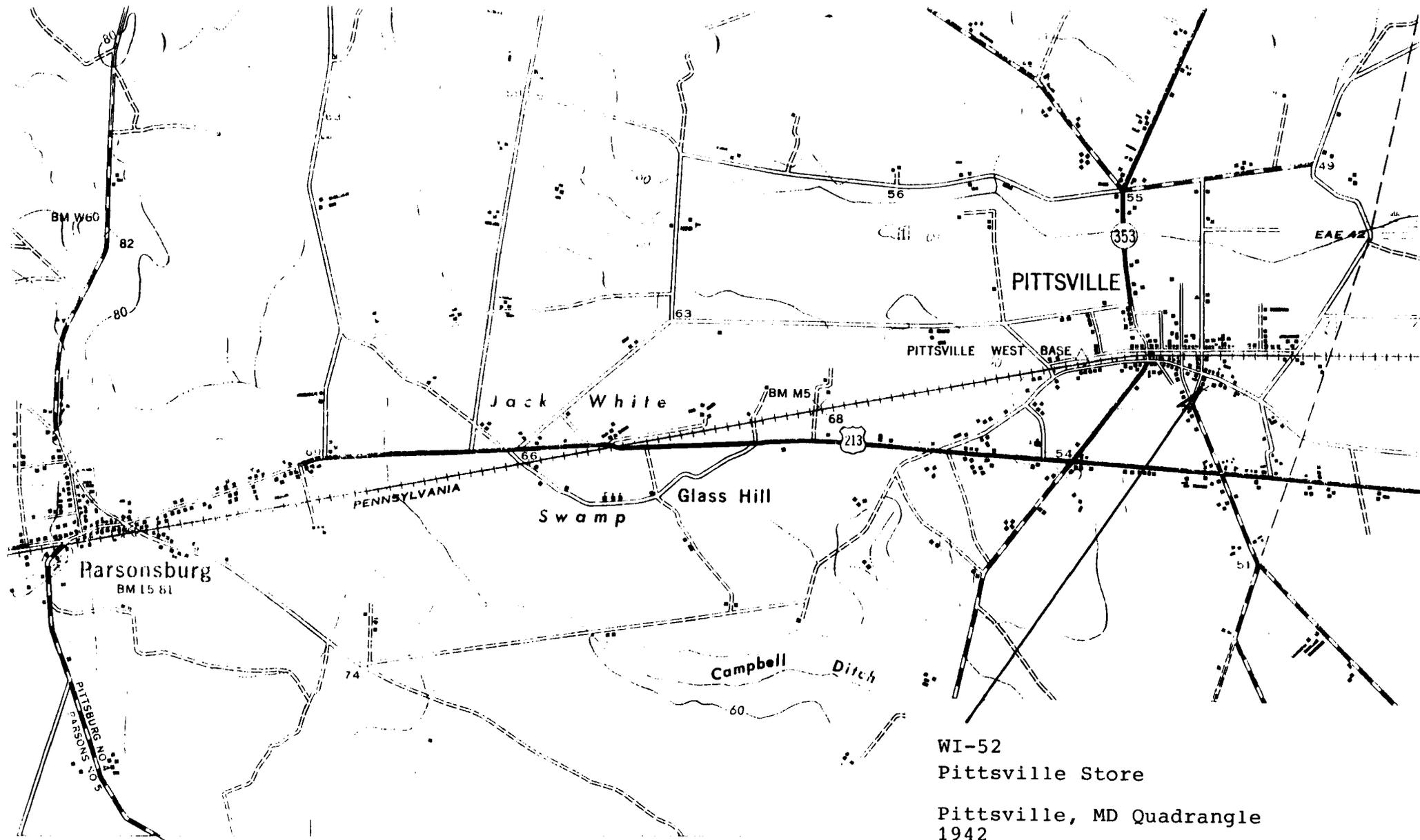
street & number P. O. Box 5

city or town Westover, Maryland 21871

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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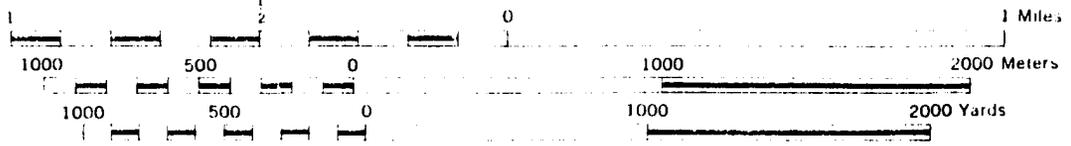


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 Pittsville Store
 Pittsville, MD Quadrangle
 1942

SHAVOX 1.4 MI
 WASTE GATE 2.4 MI

27 30'

SCALE 1:24 000



(AM), U. S. Army.
 IV NW, 1942.
 phy by plane-
 surveys by

CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
 DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

POLYCONIC PROJECTION



VICTORIAN STORE in PITTSVILLE

1927

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Pittsville Store
MD 353 and Railroad Avenue
Pittsville
PITTSVILLE quad

Mid 19th Century

The Pittsville Store is a fairly simple 2-story frame building, constructed on brick piers, 3 bays long and 3 bays deep. The 1st story facade is assymetrical, having 2 floor-length show windows flanking a double glazed door. To the east of this are two separate doors, possibly to the second story. Although it is partially hidden by a leanto roof, there is a bracket cornice between the 1st and 2nd stories, which is the same design as the main cornice. The brackets of the main cornice are situated on each side of and above the 2nd story windows, which have cornices consisting of two rows of dentils, and at the corners. Since the cornice continues around the building, the gable is a pediment, which has a single window. At the corners of the building are pilasters in the Greek Revival manner.

Although naive in design, the store is an interesting survival of rural commercial architecture of the mid 19th century.

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brick piers

frame - clapboard

3 bay facade with 2 large floor length windows flanking double doors with glazing plus 2 other doors (apparently to upstairs)

3 bays deep

6/6 sash

cornices above windows - double row of dentils - brackets in cornice - 2 beside all windows, 2 a corners - and between floors of facade where there is a leanto shed roof

pediment - 1 window w/ cornice - 2 brackets

corner pilasters 2/ dentil cornice then 2 brackets

(notes)
MOB Summer 1971

Pittsville Store
 75357 E. Pittsville Ave. Pittsville, Va.

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frame - clapboard

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1/6 ash -

Corries above windows - double row of dentils -

Brackets in cornice ^{2 beside all windows - 2 at corners} ~~and~~ and b/w floors of facade

Pediment

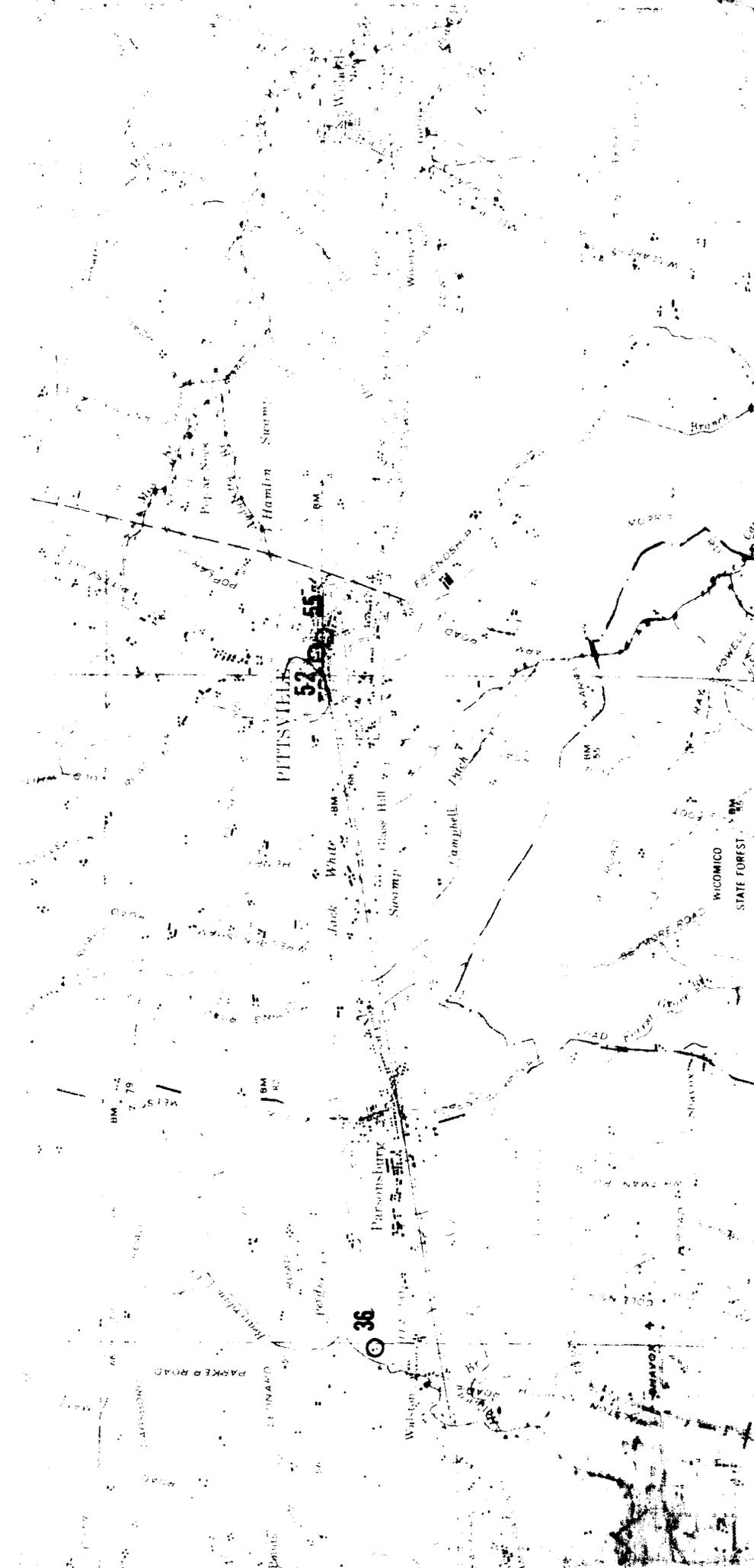
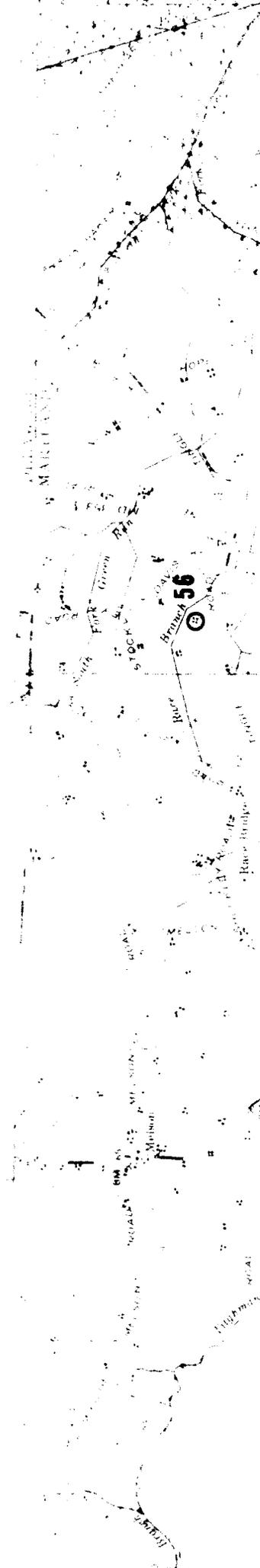
where there is a hipped roof

1 window w/ corrie - 2 brackets

Corner pilasters w/ dentil cornice then 2 brackets -

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