

WO-41  
Whaleyville Store  
Whaleyville  
Private

c. 1850

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: WHALEYVILLE STORE

MHT Inventory Number: WO-41

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE  
COMMERCE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):  
Agrarian/Industrial Transition  
1815-1870
- 4) Resource Type(s): Store

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WO-41

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common WHALEYVILLE STORE

## 2. Location

street & number Corner of Shepards Crossing and Circle Roads  not for publicationcity, town Whaleyville  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: storage

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

name Mrs. Arthur Cozzins

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town Whaleyville state and zip code Md 21872

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber FWH 382

street &amp; number Worcester County Courthouse folio 660

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

pository for survey records

city, town

state

## 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<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.

The Whaleyville store is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Shephards Crossing Road and Circle Road in the center of Whaleyville, Worcester County, Maryland. The single-story wood shingled frame store building faces south with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1850, this single-story wood shingled frame store building is supported by a brick pier foundation, and the structure is covered by a steeply pitched asphalt shingle roof. The eave is trimmed with a decorative bargeboard. An interior brick stove stack rises through the middle of the building.

The south (main) elevation is a gable front facade with a partially glazed front door and an adjacent six-over-six sash window. The door is sheltered by a gabled hood and poured concrete steps lead up to the door. Another six-over-six sash window pierces the upper gable.

The west elevation facing Shephard's Crossing Road is an asymmetrical facade with a side entrance and flanking six-over-six sash windows. The board door is hung on long strap hinges, and board shutters cover the two windows. The shutters retain strap hinges as well, and the southernmost shutter has a iron bar keeper also.

The east side is defined by three six-over-six sash windows, only one of which has a board shutter.

The north gable end is a plain wood shingled wall aside from a six-over-six sash window that pierces the upper gable.

The interior has been modified to some degree for the building was formerly used as a residence. Board walls and some shelving remain intact.

## 8. Significance

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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		
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian		
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)		

### 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.

Standing in the center of the rural community of Whaleyville, this single-story wood shingled frame store building was once part of the mercantile operation of John S. Timmons & Company during the post Civil War era. The firm of Timmons & Co. is designated on the 1877 Worcester County atlas. According to long-time residents of Whaleyville, this building served as a holding shed or store room for bartered goods accepted in trade for finished products and supplies. The other buildings associated with the property have been torn down. Distinctive to this structure is its shuttered windows, wood shingled walls, and decorated eave. Architectural features indicate the building was built around 1850, and it is the only wood shingled store left in the village.



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WHALEYVILLE STORE  
Whaleyville, Maryland  
Chain of title

FWH 382/660

James and Phyllis Cooper

to

1/24/1973

Arthur B. Cozzins  
Mary Francis Cozzins

FHP 18/564

Mary C. Whaley, Florence E. Dale,  
James P. Dale

to

4/24/1903

John E. Whaley

Whereas a certain Edward T. Whaley,  
late of Worcester County, deceased,  
who died about two years ago leaving  
real and personal estate, and children  
and heirs at law as follows; Mary C.  
Whaley, his widow, John E. Whaley, and  
Vina L. Whaley, his wife, Florence E.  
Dale and James P. Dale, her husband who  
have agreed to divide said real estate

2. all that lot and parcel of land  
together with the buildings and improvements  
situate in the town of Whaleyville, at  
present occupied by John E. Whaley being  
also one of the lots that John W. Staton,  
trustee conveyed to Edward T. Whaley by  
said deed dated December 30, 1899

$\frac{1}{4}$  acre

FHP 13/200

John W. Staton, trustee

to

12/30/1899

Edward T. Whaley

Whereas by a decree of Circuit Court  
whereon John W. Staton vs. George W.  
Purnell, James B. Whaley, Elvira G. Whaley,

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WHALEYVILLE STORE  
Whaleyville, Maryland  
Chain of title continued

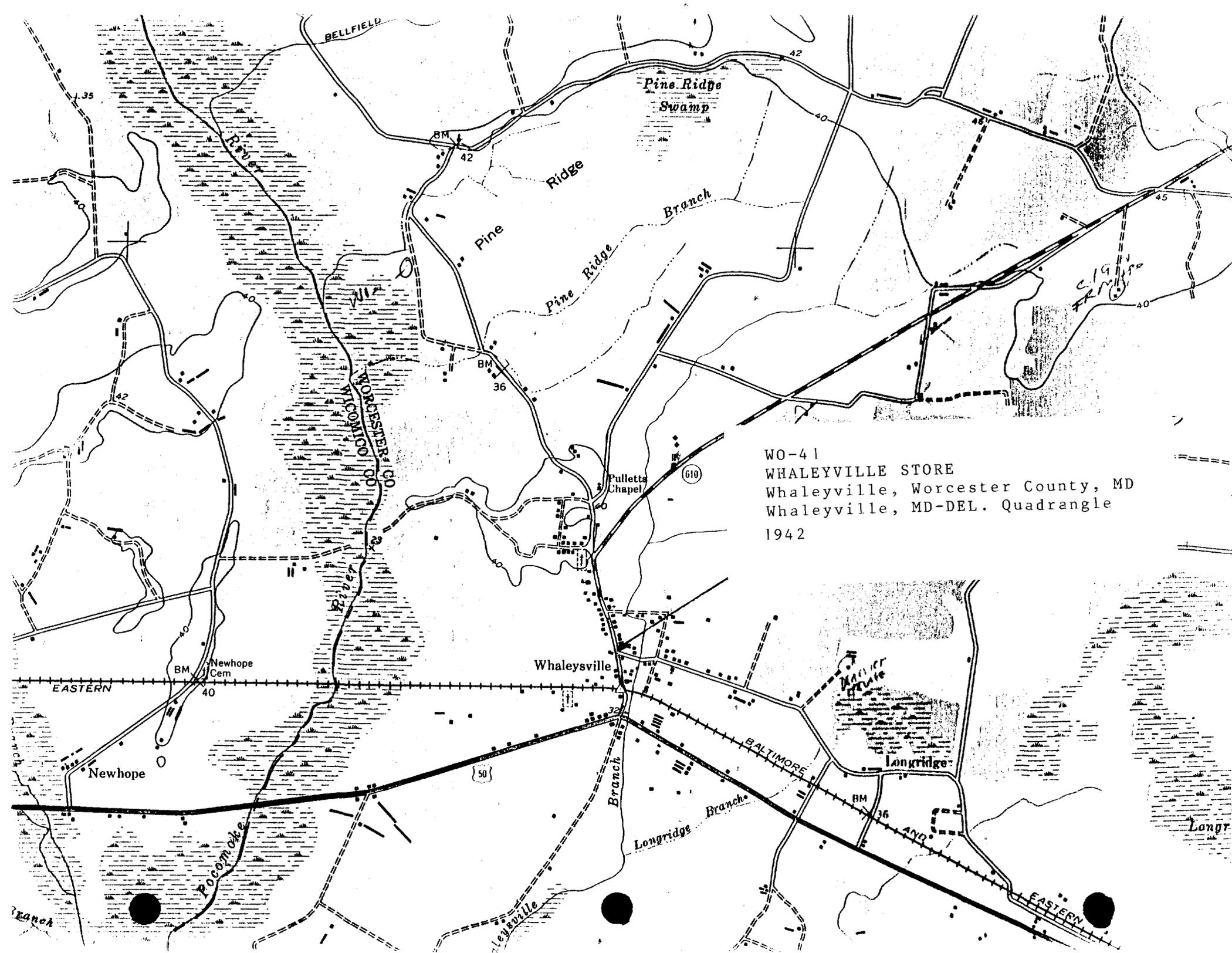
and John W. Staton, administrators of Benton H. Whaley, deceased and George S. Payne were defendants, case no. 1723

2. all that lot and parcel of land together with buildings and improvements thereon being and erected situated in the town of Whaleyville...at present occupied by Edward T. Whaley & Son and particularly described...containing  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre...The interest of said Benton H. Whaley in the property described in this item was an undivided five-eighths interest in the said store house and land, an undivided one-half interest in the granary and corncrib, and an entire interest in the building known as "Hammond's old shoe shop."

1877 LAKE, GRIFFING AND STEVENSON ATLAS

Whaleyville Timmons & Co. (John S. Timmons)





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WHALEYVILLE STORE  
Whaleyville, Worcester County, MD  
Whaleyville, MD-DEL. Quadrangle  
1942

Whaleyville

Longridge

Longr

BELLFIELD

Pine Ridge  
Swamp

Pine  
Ridge

Pine Ridge  
Branch

WICOMICO  
CO. DE.

WORCESTER  
CO. MD.

Pulletts  
Chapel

(610)

50

BM  
36

EASTERN

BALTIMORE

Longridge  
Branch

EASTERN

Pocomoke

Newhope

Branch