

CARR - 677

ABANDONED HOUSE

late 19th century

Avondale Road  
Westminster vicinity

private

The Abandoned House on Avondale Road is located on the south side of the road facing the railroad tracks approximately two-tenths of a mile east of Medford Road. It is a large, imposing structure built in a turn-of-the-century style. It has unusual features for this area including its two-bay main facade and its entrance in the east gable end under the front porch that wraps around one bay on each gable end. The house has a balloon frame covered in German siding with corner boards and wood cornices.



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WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT

FIELD SHEET---HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

315

SURVEY NUMBER: CARR-677

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: New Windsor

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: residence

ORIGINAL USE: residence

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:  
Excellent ( ) Good ( )  
Fair ( ) Poor ( )

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT: late 19th century

COUNTY: CARROLL

TOWN: Medford

LOCATION: Avondale Road, .2 mile east of  
Medford Road

COMMON NAME:

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: house

OWNER: S. Bair

ADDRESS:

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:  
Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted ( )

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
Local ( ) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone () Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
- Wall Structure
  - Wood: Log ( ) Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ()
  - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other
- Wall Covering: Weatherboard ( ) German Siding () Board and Batten ( )  
Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( ) Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( )  
Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )  
Bonding Pattern: Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Roof Structure
  - Truss: Wood () Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
  - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Sheet Metal ()  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches () Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys ( ) Sheds ( )  
Ells ( ) Wings ( ) Other:

Roof Style: Gable () Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( )  
With False Front ( ) Other:

Number of Stories: 2

Number of Bays: 2 x 3

Approximate Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrance Location: side

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:  
No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
Development ( ) Deterioration ()  
Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:  
Positive ( ) Negative ()  
Mixed ( ) Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

a large imposing structure built facing the RR track  
unusual side entrance under a 1-story porch that wraps around one bay on the ~~side~~  
gable ends of the house  
period wood ornamentation of late 19th-early 20th century



RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

none

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

REFERENCES:

1862 Martenet's Map:  
1877 LG & S Atlas:

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497/685

785/850

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane ( ) Woodland ( ) Scattered Buildings ( )  
Moderately Built Up ( ) Densely-Built Up ( )  
Residential ( ) Commercial ( )  
Agricultural ( ) Industrial ( )  
Roadside Strip Development ( )  
Other:

RECORDED BY:

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ORGANIZATION:

DATE RECORDED:



U.S.G.S. MAP  
NEW WINDSOR, MD.  
1:24000 SCALE



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ABANDONED HOUSE

Ason date Road

Medford

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north elevation

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Acadale Rd.

Medford

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west elevation

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