

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: Boonsboro Maintenance Inventory Number: WA-II-790

Address: 227 North Main Street, Boonsboro, Maryland

Owner: Boonsboro Mayor and Council

Tax Parcel Number: 337 Tax Map Number: 601

Project: Boonsboro Streetscape - WA960A21 Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration

Site visit by: John Milner Associates, Inc. Staff: no yes

Name: Kerri Culhane and Rachel Mancini Date: June 1999

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Is property located within a historic district? no yes Name of district: Town of Boonsboro

Is district listed? no yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Boonsboro Streetscape, Alternate US 40: MD 68 to East of Mousetown Road, Washington County, Maryland, SHA Report 215 (JMA 1999) and Final Report: Architectural and Cultural Survey of Boonsboro and Clear Spring, MD (Mueller 1992).

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

No. 227 North Main Street is the former Evan Smith Gas Station. Only half of the business was left intact when Orchard Street was cut through in the mid-twentieth century. In front of a nineteenth-century building, formerly located south of the extant building, was where the gas pumps used to stand. Smith was reportedly an independent gas dealer and mechanic. The two-story, rusticated concrete block-faced masonry building was built during the early 1920s. The flat roof is hidden behind a stepped parapet. A single garage bay remains, paired with the now bricked-up former window opening. As an example of twentieth-century commercial architecture in Boonsboro, this building is contributing to the Town of Boonsboro Historic District.

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Comments: _____	
_____ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	_____ Date 12/31/99
_____ Reviewer, NR program	_____ Date 10/12/00

**PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS**

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
 Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
 Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
 Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
 Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
 Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
 Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
 Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
 Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
 Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
 Government/Law
 Military
 Religion
 Social/Educational/Cultural
 Transportation

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building
Historic Environment: Village
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): COMMERCE/TRADE/specialty store; TRANSPORTATION/road related
Known Design Source: none

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-790
ADDRESS: 227 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: Veterans of Foreign Wars
BUILDING DATE: 1910-1924

227 North Main Street is a west-facing, horizontally massed, one-and-two-story, concrete block, freestanding, commercial structure. Resting on a concrete foundation, the building is set directly at the public-right-of-way at the northeast corner of Main Street and Orchard Drive. The side of the building is constructed on smooth-faced block, while the front is covered with rock-faced block. The building, which was originally constructed as a garage, appears to have been altered many times over the years. The front of the building is extensively remodeled--the garage openings have been entirely enclosed.

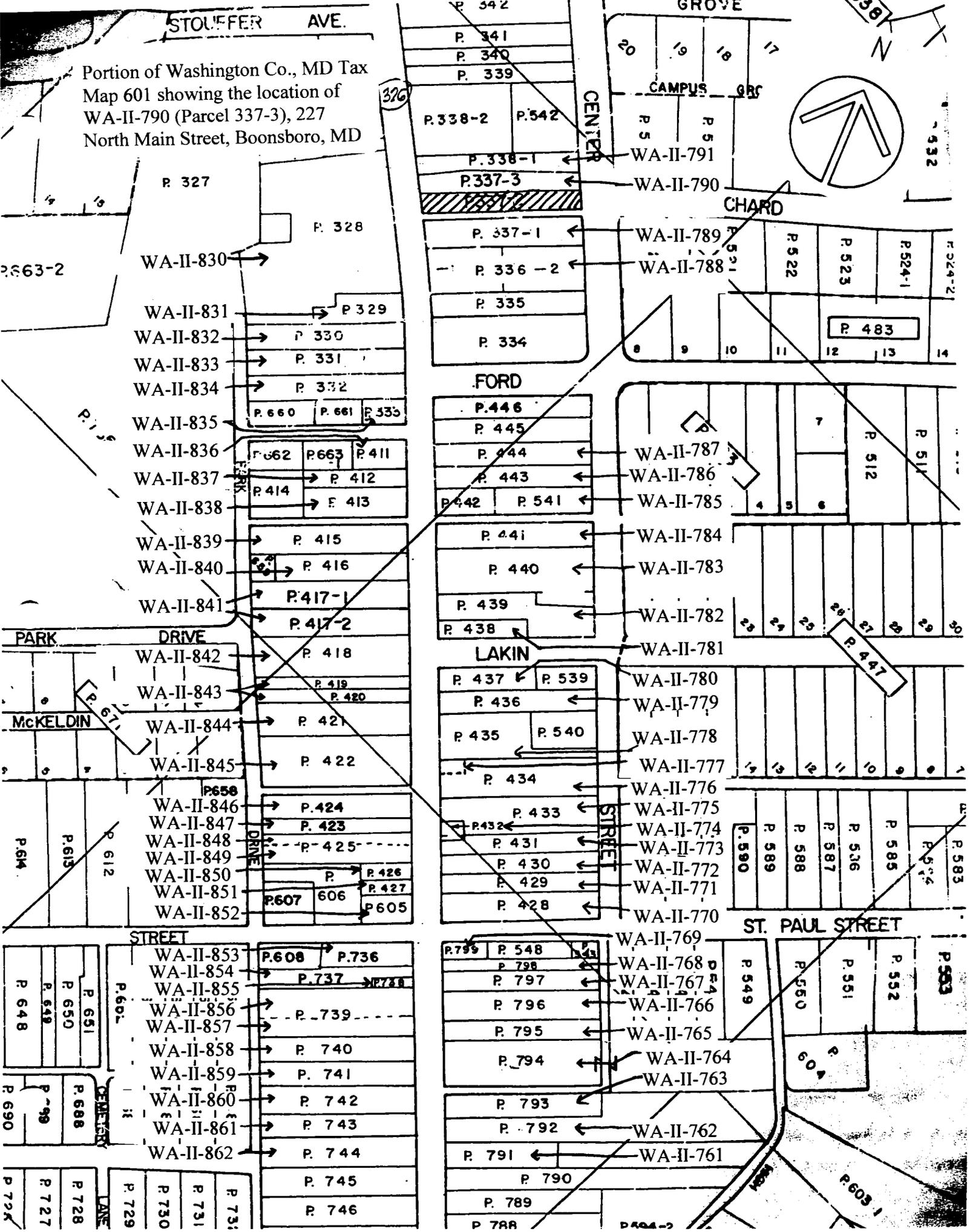
The first building indicated on historic maps at this location was a very small, two-story structure that housed a grocery store in 1904 and an office in 1910, according to the respective Sanborns. The 1924 Sanborn shows a Auto Repair shop built of concrete block. This building was enlarged by 1940. According to Doug Bast, the building served for many years as an auto repair shop and filling station, offering gasoline from many companies. According to a sign on the building, the structure serves the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the Modern Development Period, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Economic.

Prepared by Julianne Mueller, July 1992

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Portion of Washington Co., MD Tax Map 601 showing the location of WA-II-790 (Parcel 337-3), 227 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD



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