

WO-248  
Snow Hill Jaycees Hall  
Snow Hill  
private

c. 1900

Figuring prominently in the row of turn of the century buildings that line Washington Street, the Snow Hill Jaycees hall represents a rare survival of a Victorian storefront. The Washington Street elevation has changed little since initial construction with a mid-level bracketed cornice that tops the plate glass display windows and the recessed entrance. A secondary entrance to the north boasts a generous arched fanlight. Piercing the second floor are four two-over-two sash windows with segmental arches and marble sills. In addition the bracketed cornice continues to trim the top of the wall. Perhaps the rarest architectural feature is the oriel window that marks the clipped southwest corner of the building. Although the Jaycees currently hold their meetings in the large first floor room, older residents identify this site as the former location of Charles B. Timmons' furniture store.

HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: Snow Hill Lumber Hall

MHT Inventory Number: WO-249

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

1) Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture, Economic

2) Geographic Orientation:

Eastern Shore

3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

1890-1930 Industrial - Urban Dominance

4) Resource Type(s):

1. Standing Structure

a. Former Store Building

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic CHARLES B. TIMMONS FURNITURE STORE

and/or common SNOW HILL JAYCEES HALL

## 2. Location

street & number 300 Washington Street  not for publication

city, town Snow Hill  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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input 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: lodge

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

name Snow Hill Jaycees

street & number 300 Washington Street telephone no.:

city, town Snow Hill state and zip code MD 21863

## 5. Location of Legal Description

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

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

positive for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. W0-248

<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 Snow Hill Jaycess Hall, formerly the Charles B. Timmons furniture store, is located at 300 North Washington Street on the northeast corner of the intersection of Green and Washington streets in the central business district of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland. The two-story, four-bay structure faces southwest.

Built around 1900, the two-story, seven-course common bond brick commercial building is covered by a shed roof that slopes eastward. The southwest (main) facade is an asymmetrical elevation with an intact Victorian storefront that fills the southern half of the first floor wall. A recessed glazed door entrance is flanked by large plate glass display windows resting on paneled knee walls. A decorative bracketed cornice stretches above the storefront. Immediately north of the plate glass display windows is another glazed door entrance framed by sidelights and topped by a round arched transom with radiating muntins. A third glazed door, which provides access to a stair, fills the northernmost bay. It is topped by a two-light transom. Stretching across the full first floor elevation is a corrugated metal roof awning supported on metal posts. The second floor is lighted by four two-over-two sash windows which are distinguished by segmental arches and marble sills. Since the structure stands at the intersection of two streets the southwest corner of the building is clipped, and an oriel window extends from the second floor. The bell-curved roof of the oriel window is sheathed with pressed metal shingles. Small vents pierce the upper wall surface between the second floor windows and the bracketed cornice that finishes the top of the wall. Pyramidal shaped finials highlight each end of the cornice.

The southeast side elevation is marked by an asymmetrical fenestration with a single metal-grilled window on the first floor and a pair of two-over-two sash windows lighting the second floor. Star-shaped anchors hold the ends of a series of tie rods that extend through the building. Also a pair of interior brick stove stacks protrude through the side wall.

The northwest side is finished in a similar manner while the northeast (rear) elevation is partially covered by a single-story, shed-roofed concrete block addition. Two-over-two sash windows light the first and second floors.

The first floor interior has been generally reworked as a lodge room. A center stair in the back of the room, fitted with a turn of the century square newel post and molded handrails, rises to the second floor.

# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<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.

The Snow Hill Jaycees hall is a prominent two-story, four-bay turn of the century commercial building that marks the corner of Green and Washington streets in the heart of Snow Hill. The common bond brick structure was built to conform to its corner location with a clipped southwest side that features an oriel window covered by a pressed shingle roof. The Washington street commercial front has not changed significantly with a decorative bracketed cornice that stretches above the plate glass display windows and the recessed entrance. The upper level has survived intact as well with four two-over-two sash windows highlighted by segmental arches, and a bracketed cornice finishes the top of the wall.

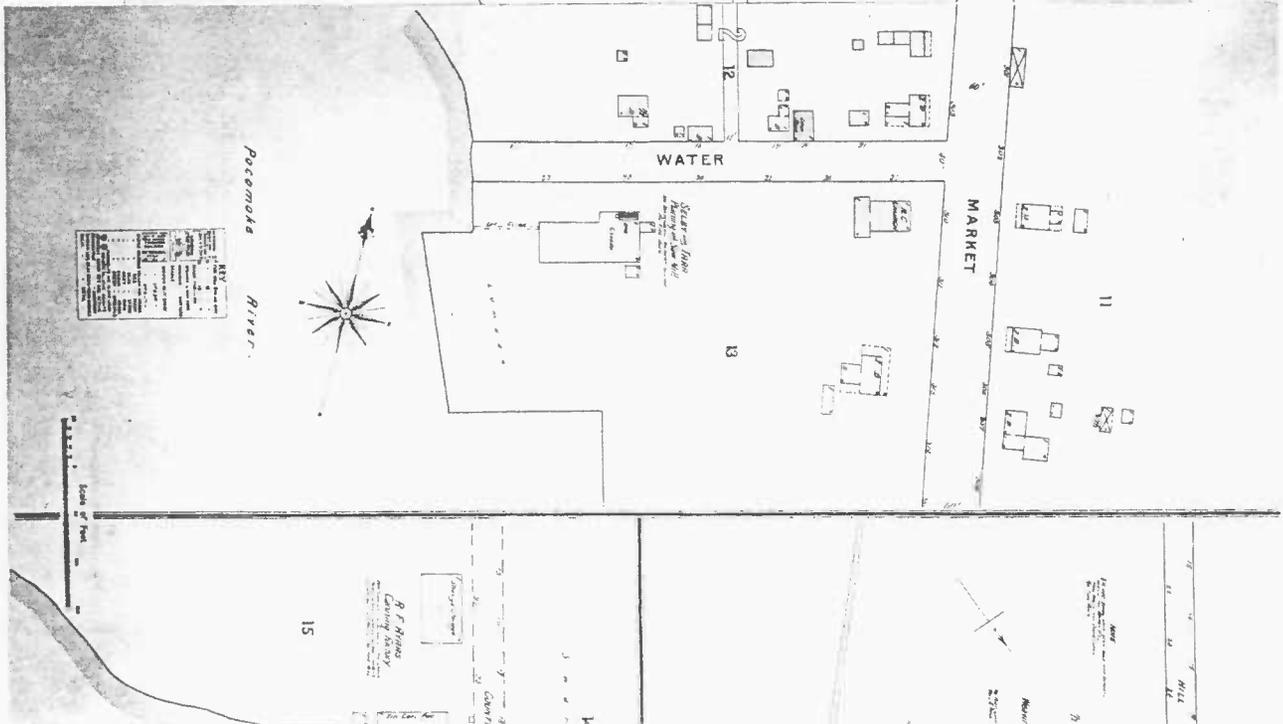
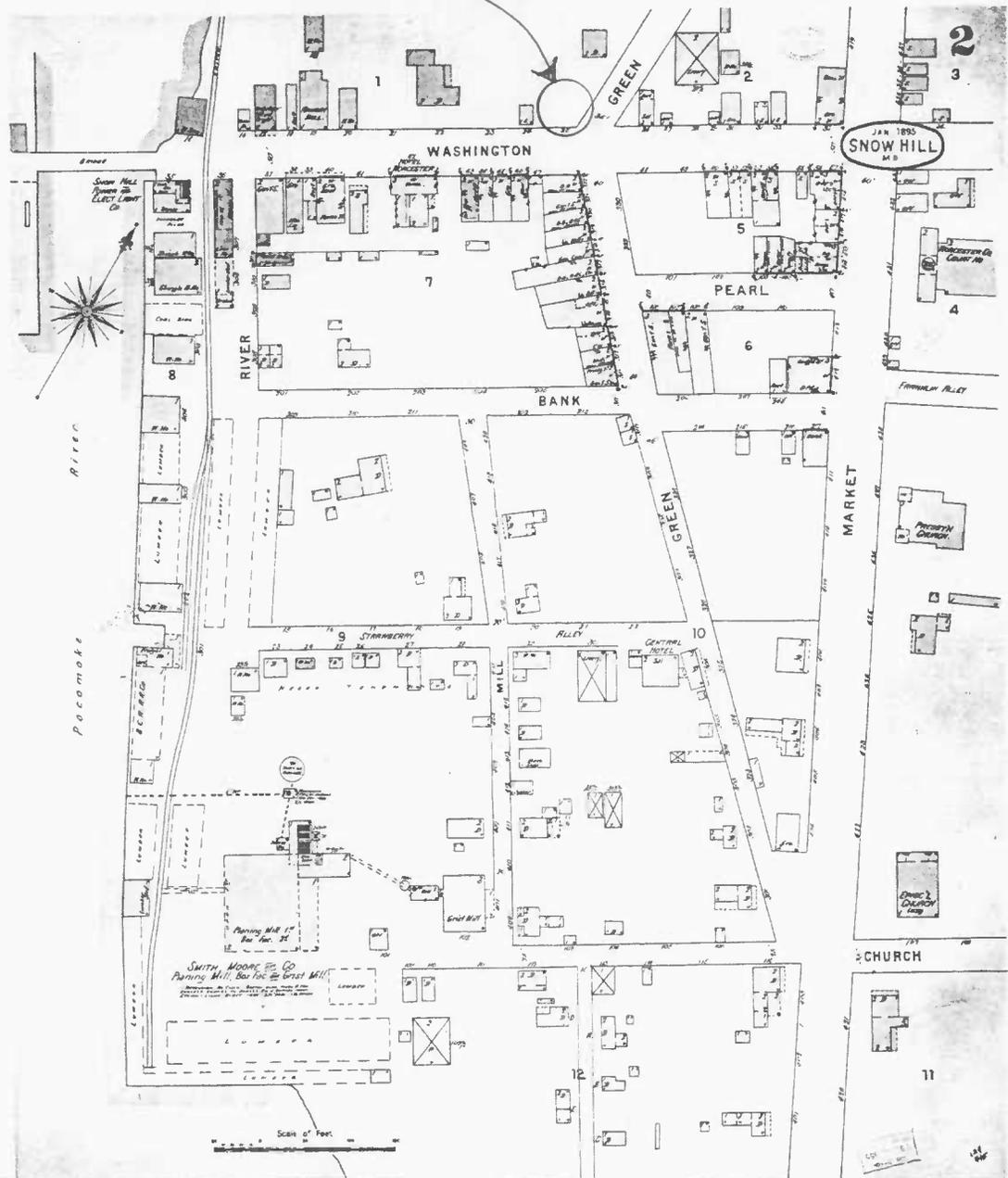
Most recently the Snow Hill chapter of the Jaycees occupies the main first floor room as a meeting hall. Older residents recall the building as Charles B. Timmons' furniture store.





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1895 SANBORN  
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Snow Hill Jaycees Hall  
Snow Hill, MD Quadrangle, 1966

