



City of Winchester

125 West Boscawen Street

Tax Map Number: 192-1-O- 10-

DHR Resource Number: 138-0042-0049

Resources: 1 single dwelling

Date/Period: ca. 1810

Style: Federal

Sources: Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps; Quarles, *The Story of One Hundred Old Homes*



Architectural Description

Site Description: This two-story, single-family dwelling is located on the south side of West Boscawen Street and directly abuts the concrete sidewalk. The property gently slopes to the north. An asphalt parking lot is located west of the building and a second asphalt parking lot is sited south of the building. A metal fence bounds the small backyard.

Secondary Resource Summary: There are no visible secondary resources associated with this property.

Primary Resource Description: Constructed circa 1810 by John Slagle, this two-story, single-family dwelling was designed in the Federal style. The façade (north elevation) of the building has been altered and was likely originally three-bays wide with a two-story, one-bay addition to the east (side) elevation. Set on a solid brick foundation, this wood-frame and log building is clad with weatherboard wood siding. A side-gabled roof, covered with standing-seam metal, caps the building and is accented by a boxed cornice and raking wood boards. An interior-end brick chimney rises from the west (side) elevation and has a plain cap. An exterior-rear concrete block chimney is located on the south elevation and has a plain cap. A single-leaf, paneled wood door is located in the easternmost bay of the main block and is surmounted by a four-light wood transom. Additional window openings on the façade hold 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash. Each window opening has a wood sill and operable paneled wood shutters. The fenestration the west (side) elevation is limited to a 1/1, double-hung, wood-sash window, which has a square-edged wood surround. The rear (south) elevation is fenestrated with 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash windows.

A two-story, one-bay addition is located on the east (side) elevation of the main block and now reads as original to the main block. The addition was constructed prior to 1885 and is noted on the 1921 Sanborn map as a grocery. The addition is clad with weatherboard wood siding and is capped by the side-gabled roof of the main block. The façade (north elevation) is fenestrated with 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash windows. Each window has a wood sill and operable paneled wood shutters. The rear elevation is fenestrated with a 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash window. A one-story addition extends from the easternmost addition of the two-story addition and was constructed ca. 1970. The wood-frame addition is clad with weatherboard wood siding and is capped by a shed roof of asphalt shingles.

A one-story block extends from the westernmost bay of the rear elevation and was constructed prior to 1885. The wood-frame addition is clad with weatherboard wood siding and is capped by a shed roof of standing-seam metal. A one-story ell extends from the rear elevation of the one-story block and was constructed prior to 1885. The wood-frame ell is clad with weatherboard wood siding and is set on a solid foundation. A front-gabled roof, covered with standing-seam metal, caps the ell. A boxed cornice finishes the roof. Two interior brick chimneys pierce the ridge of the roof and each has a plain cap. A louvered vent is located in the north upper gable end.

A one-story addition is located on the rear elevation of the main block and it extends to the rear elevation of the two-story addition. The wood-frame addition, constructed circa 1960, is clad with weatherboard wood siding and is capped by a shed roof of asphalt shingles. A single-leaf, paneled wood door is located on the rear elevation of the addition.

Significance Statement: Constructed circa 1810, this two-story, single-family dwelling was designed in the Federal style. Known as the Josiah Massie's Hatter Shop, this building was constructed circa 1810 and sold to Massie in 1815. This single dwelling retains integrity of materials, workmanship, and design, despite the construction of a rear addition. Although the façade of the building has been altered, this single-family dwelling retains integrity of materials, workmanship, and design. Further, this dwelling retains integrity of location and setting. All of these aspects contribute to integrity of feeling and association. This single dwelling is a contributing resource to the Winchester Historic District under Criteria A and C.