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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

First Hawaiian Bank

AND/OR COMMON

Bishop National Bank of Hawaii, Waimea Branch
Bishop First National Bank, Waimea Branch

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

H I 50

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Waimea

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

2

STATE

Hawaii

CODE

15

COUNTY

Kauai

CODE

007

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- ___ DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- ___ STRUCTURE
- ___ SITE
- ___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- ___ PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- ___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

- ___ IN PROCESS
- ___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- ___ UNOCCUPIED
- ___ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

- YES: RESTRICTED
- ___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
- ___ NO

PRESENT USE

- ___ AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- ___ EDUCATIONAL
- ___ ENTERTAINMENT
- ___ GOVERNMENT
- ___ INDUSTRIAL
- ___ MILITARY
- ___ MUSEUM
- ___ PARK
- ___ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ___ RELIGIOUS
- ___ SCIENTIFIC
- ___ TRANSPORTATION
- ___ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

First Hawaiian Bank

STREET & NUMBER

161 South King Street

CITY, TOWN

Honolulu

VICINITY OF

STATE

Hawaii

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Bureau of Conveyances

STREET & NUMBER

403 South Queen Street

CITY, TOWN

Honolulu

STATE

Hawaii

96809

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Hawaii Register of Historic Places (Site #30-05-9311)

DATE

1971

___ FEDERAL STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Hawaii Register of Historic Places

CITY, TOWN

Honolulu

STATE

Hawaii

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The First Hawaiian Bank is a single-story concrete structure built in the Neo-Classic bank style prevalent after World War I. Like many buildings in Waimea, the first floor was constructed three feet off the ground to protect against flooding. This presented an opportunity for the architect to create an important entry porch. Stairs lead up to the main entry, which is flanked on each side by two classic columns of simple Ionic order supporting an entablature above which a dental cornice with crown mould surrounds the building, topped by a partially ballustraded parapet. Also, on each side of the entry are two rectilinear window openings. Although a small structure, it contributes a sense of permanence and solidity in the small town of Waimea.

The interior detail is mostly simple in form. Ceilings are supported by molded beams in both directions, creating a coffered system with decorative brackets supporting the beams at each wall. A rectilinear skylight with molded frame allows light into the center of the lobby. Extensive remodeling to the bank interior has altered the appearance from the typical 1920's era banking structure. The exterior, however, has retained most of its original appearance.

Separating the structure from the road has been accomplished by tasteful landscaping that is well cared for. The structure appears to be in excellent condition and is receiving consistent maintenance.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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		

J.L. Young Engineering Co. -

SPECIFIC DATES 1929

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Builder
John Mason - Architect

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

On December 29, 1929, construction was completed on the Bishop National Bank of Hawaii's Waimea Branch. It replaced an earlier structure on the same site which had been built in 1911. The earlier branch bank was the second oldest Bishop National Bank branch in Hawaii; younger by one year than the Hilo branch.

The Waimea branch at one time served the entire island of Kauai. As the economy of the island developed, however, additional branches were opened.

The structure is important mainly for its architectural value. Its eclectic style and solid, imposing appearance is typical of post-World War I banking architecture. It is designed to give an aura of permanence and stability--a visual assurance to Waimea's inhabitants that the bank was "here to stay."

Of course, the historic importance of the structure is like that of any local bank. Its contributions to the economic life of the area are many and varied.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Visiting the Branches," Bishop Banker, XII, No. 7 (August - September, 1959.

Personal Interview with Mr. Toby Gilje, Public Relations Department, First Hawaiian Bank, Honolulu, Hawaii 96801.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA *less than one*

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 7386 sq. ft.

UTM REFERENCES

A	04	430900	2428325	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The First Hawaiian Bank is bounded on the north by Old Main Road, by Panako Road on the west, by Kaumualii Highway on the south, and by the Waimea Garage on the east. The building is situated on TMK: 1-6-06:33.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE	Gary Cummins & Dorothy Roconda Pyle - Historians		
	Robert M. Fox - Architect		
ORGANIZATION	Historic Preservation Office		DATE
STREET & NUMBER	P.O. Box 621		TELEPHONE
CITY OR TOWN	Honolulu		STATE
			Hawaii 96809

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE Jane L. Silverman SHPO DATE June 6, 1978

FOR NPS USE ONLY	
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER	
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION	KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
ATTEST: <u>Bill Lebovich</u>	DATE <u>11/29/78</u>
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER	DATE <u>Nov 29 1978</u>