

**I. IDENTIFICATION**  
 PROPERTY NAME: AAA Vacuum Cleaner Supply House  
 HISTORIC NAME: "City Fire Dept., Station No. 1"  
 STREET ADDRESS: 1338 and 1340 Broadway CITY: Columbus COUNTY: Muscogee  
 PRESENT OWNER: Floyd Day MAILING ADDRESS: 5733 Green Island Drive  
 CITY: Columbus STATE: Georgia ZIP CODE: 31904  
 CURRENT USE: Vacant ACREAGE:  
 U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE: Columbus, GA-AL U.T.M. REFERENCE: 16-688610-3594335  
 V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 5/18/5

**II. DESCRIPTION**  
 ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Bungalow; one story tall, square floor plan, hipped roof with hipped dormers, porch runs length of front facade; stretcher bond brick construction concrete foundation underground, yellow brick; red tile roof; front facade is three bays wide with central entrance containing wide double leafed four part door, flanked by two doors with transoms, four square brick pillars support the porch and central pediment, columns have three tiered square capitals with each tier progressively larger, the top tier has a curved bracket rising out of it on all four sides, building has wide eaves, south side of building has three bay windows; east and west facades the same, each fronting on a commercial (CONT'D)

**III. HISTORY**  
 ORIGINAL OWNER: City of Columbus (Fire Dept.) ORIGINAL USE: Fire Station  
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER: HISTORIC ACREAGE: 7  
 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1920 DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS: In early 1950's, a vault was installed by First National Bank, about the time this (CONT'D)  
 HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT):  
 This building was constructed as a fire station in 1920. In the early 1950's, the First National Bank of Columbus secured the property and converted the structure from a fire station to a branch bank. During the bank's stay in the building, it leased half of the structure to the Columbus Chamber of Commerce for office space. In the latter part of 1955, First National closed the branch, and, as a result, the building remained vacant for several years. AAA Vacuum Cleaner Supply House, Inc., later occupied the property. Presently, the structure is vacant.

**IV. SIGNIFICANCE**  
 N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, Local History LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local  
 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Architecture: This building is significant as it shows the adaptation of the Bungalow style to meet community needs, rather than just residential. Thus, this Bungalow type fire station employs a tile roof, wide eave overhangs and the proportioning of that style while meeting the needs of a fire station. Local History: This building is significant as a 1920's Columbus fire station, which served the downtown mills and Broadway business establishments.

**V. SOURCES**  
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 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Columbus-Muscogee County, Georgia. 1976 state survey, Historic Preservation Section, DNR, Atlanta, Georgia.  
 SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Polk's Columbus and Bibb City, Ga. City Directory, 1923, 1951.  
 Interview with Robert Amon, vice pres., 1st Nat'l Bank of Columbus, Mar. 20, 1980. (CONT'D)



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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: thoroughfare, situated in a downtown commercial area with the Triangle Building to the south and c. 1890-1930 one and two story commercial buildings on all other sides, no landscaping, fair condition.

DATES OF ALTERATIONS: building was converted to a branch bank; otherwise, very few alterations.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Woodall, Walter J. The Industrial Index. Columbus, Georgia. Dec. 1, 1920, p. 25.

