

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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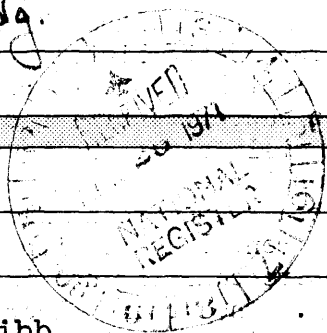
STATE: GEORGIA	
COUNTY: BISS	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
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1. NAME

COMMON: **Militia Headquarters Bldg.**
~~American Office Equipment Company~~
AND/OR HISTORIC: **(see letter)**
Office Building

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: **552 - 564 Mulberry Street**
CITY OR TOWN: **Macon**
STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13** COUNTY: **Bibb** CODE: **021**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>		

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: **Dorothy J. Horton (Mrs. T. O. Horton)**
STREET AND NUMBER: **P.O. Box 896**
CITY OR TOWN: **Milledgeville** STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: **Bibb County Courthouse**
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN: **Macon** STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13**

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **approximately 1 acre**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: **1. The Historic Architecture of Macon by Carl Feiss and Russell Wright**
* DATE OF SURVEY: **1970** Federal State County Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: **Middle Georgia Historical Society**
STREET AND NUMBER: **Macon Coliseum**
CITY OR TOWN: **Macon** STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13**

* 2. Historical Survey by Middle Georgia Historical Society
1970 Local

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

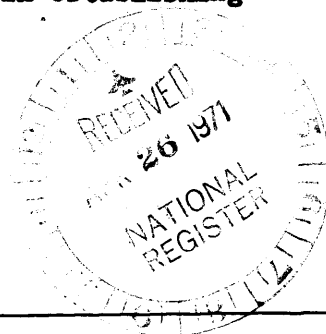
This Italianesque Victorian style 3-story brick building in downtown Macon overlooks another lovely median park on Mulberry Street. Its dominant features are a full width cast iron balcony at the second floor level supported on graceful double scroll cast iron brackets and elaborately molded cast iron arched lintels over the windows, semi-circular at the second story and segmental at the third story. The front parapet is capped with a metal cornice supported by large modillions and heavy consoles applied to a deep sheet metal freeze on the masonry wall. Rectangular louvered attic ventilators punctuate the front wall over the third floor windows.

Though the ground floor only as originally built was intended for use as shop rental area, with the upper two floors used as a public hostelry, the entire building now is occupied by one tenant, American Office Equipment Company. The ground floor shop fronts have been extensively altered and at some time in the 1930's a new entranceway at the sidewalk level to a stair which leads to the second floor was added. The ground floor level was originally above sidewalk level, but the original floor joists have been cut and the floor has been lowered approximately 18 to 20 inches over its original level. The second and third floors are essentially intact, though the third floor is neglected and is used as a storage area.

A central hall bisects the building front to back. There are five bedrooms on the alley side of the building and four rooms and a stair on the interior windowless side of the building. On the second floor level a very graceful stair rises to midway and to the right of the center hall to the third floor. This stair with turned mahogany balusters (now painted) and a large tapered octagonal newel post sweeps very gracefully to an intermediate landing and returns 180° with an open well in the center to the central hall on the third floor. The room fronting Mulberry Street on the right side and the room immediately behind it in plan, open with double sliding doors "ensuite" and were used as a parlor and probably a manager's office, respectively, for the hotel. The front room has an ornate cast plaster cornice and plaster ceiling rosette. Doors to the individual rooms are oversized and have four flat panels and carry wide molding wood trim. The former bedrooms on the alley each had connecting baths. The inner rooms adjacent to the stairwell at the second and third floor level have two double hung sash overlooking the stairwell for light and ventilation. Each room was heated by a fireplace, and several of the original simple pine chimney pieces remain, but most have been replaced with a non-descript type with tile facing. A mezzanine level has been added to the rear of the left hand half of the building between the ground level and second floor. A full basement beneath the building has access from an areaway outside.

The facade of this building is quite pleasing, and with the other historic buildings in the 500 block, contributes greatly in establishing the very unique character of downtown Mulberry Street.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1857**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/>	Education <input type="checkbox"/>	Political <input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>	Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Historic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industry <input type="checkbox"/>	Science <input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Architecture</u>
Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>	Invention <input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Theater <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>	Literature <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>		_____
	Music <input type="checkbox"/>		_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

This office building was erected in 1857 by Bostick and Kein, and its Italianesque Victorian facade contributes greatly to the unique character of Mulberry Street.

Here were the headquarters of the Army of Georgia Reserves from April, 1864, until the end of the War Between the States. Major General Howell Cobb was Commander of the Reserves, with Major Lamar Cobb as Assistant Adjutant and Inspector General. From July 22, 1864, it became the headquarters of all the Georgia militia.

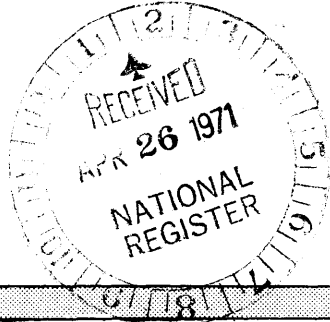
When Major General Wilson of the Union Army took charge of Macon after General Lee's surrender in 1865, he used these same headquarters.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Jones, Mary Callaway. Macon's Heritage in Architecture. Macon, Georgia, 1939, revised 1957.



10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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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 AND TITLE:
Mr. John J. McKay, Jr., President

ORGANIZATION: **Middle Georgia Historical Society, Inc.** DATE: **Feb. 26, 1971**

STREET AND NUMBER:
c/o Macon Coliseum

CITY OR TOWN: **Macon** STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Mary Gregory Juvett

Title State Liaison Officer

Date April 19, 1971

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 4/11/72

ATTEST:
William S. ...
Keeper of The National Register

Date APR 11 1972

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

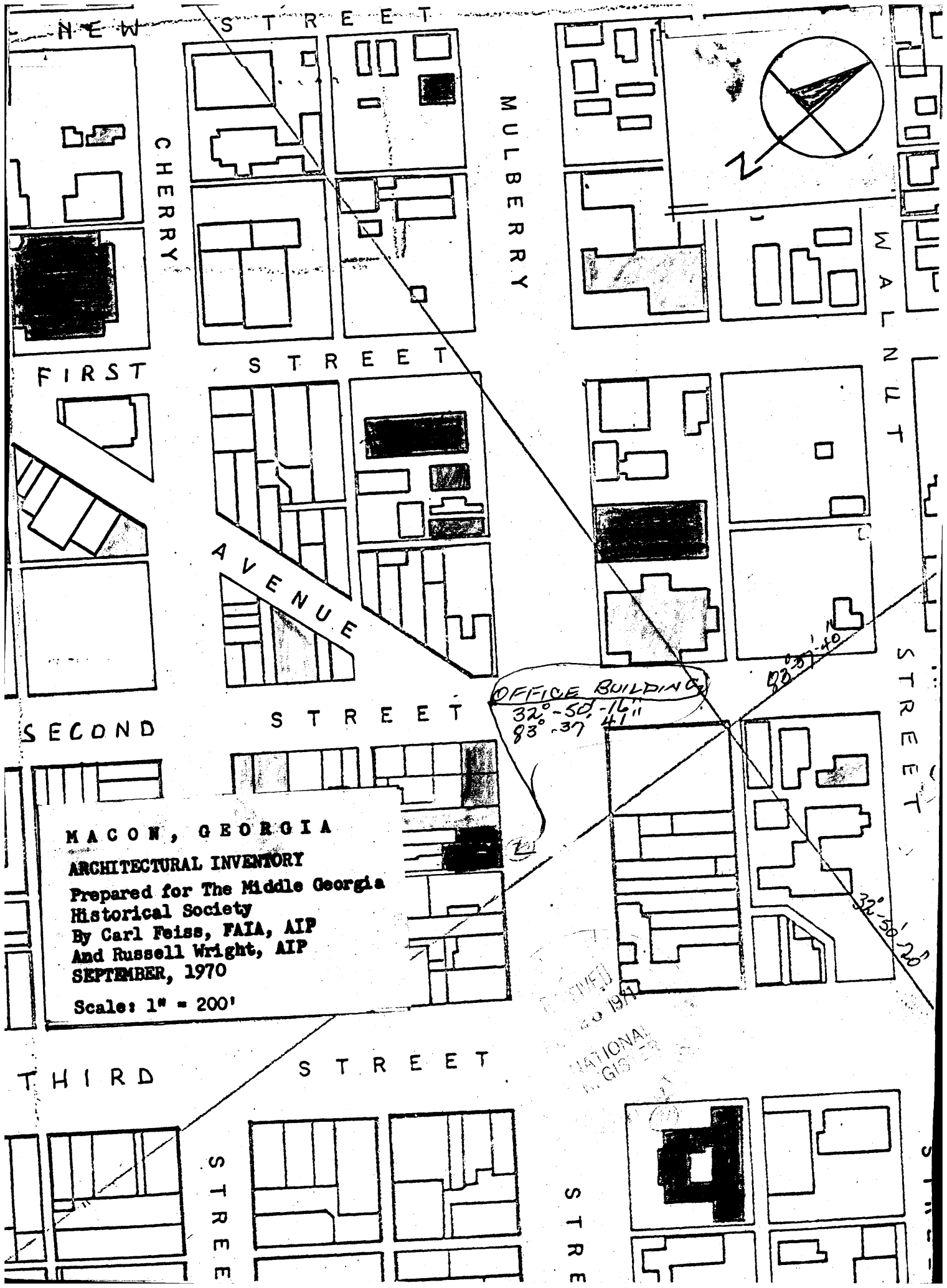
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
Macon, Georgia Architectural Inventory by Carl Feiss, FAIA, AIP and Russell Wright, AIP			
SCALE:			
1" = 200'			
DATE:			
September, 1970			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



NEW STREET

MULBERRY STREET

CHERRY STREET

MULBERRY STREET

WALNUT STREET

FIRST STREET

FIRST STREET

AVENUE

STREET

SECOND STREET

SECOND STREET

OFFICE BUILDING
 32°-50'-16"
 83°-37'-41"

83°-37'-40"

32°-50'-20"

MACON, GEORGIA
ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY
 Prepared for The Middle Georgia
 Historical Society
 By Carl Feiss, FAIA, AIP
 And Russell Wright, AIP
 SEPTEMBER, 1970

Scale: 1" = 200'

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