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Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Kentucky	
COUNTY:	Boyle	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE	
	APR 11 1973	

Jail destroyed - new
Heritage program 11/25/75

1. NAME

COMMON: Boyle County Courthouse-Jail Complex

AND/OR HISTORIC:



2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Northeast corner Main & Fourth Streets

CITY OR TOWN: Danville

STATE: Kentucky CODE: 21 COUNTY: Boyle CODE: 021

3. CLASSIFICATION

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

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Boyle County Courthouse - Clerk's Office

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DATE OF SURVEY: 1971 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Kentucky Heritage Commission

STREET AND NUMBER: 401 Wapping Street

CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort STATE: Kentucky CODE: 21

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Deteriorated
 Ruins
 Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered
 Unaltered
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 Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

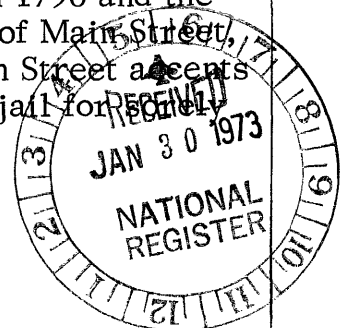
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B. SIGNIFICANCE

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) 1862 and 1875

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" 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) |
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Boyle County Courthouse-Jail Complex consists of the courthouse, built in 1862, the jail, built in 1875 and the Mid-town Park, a more recent addition. The Courthouse was built on the site of a previous courthouse that was destroyed in the Great Fire of 1860. The architect commissioned by the Magistrates to design and build the courthouse was James R. Carrigan who also built Jacobs Hall at the Kentucky School for the Deaf which is a National Historic Landmark. Carrigan was a great admirer of and was influenced by Sir Christopher Wren, the English architect. The courthouse is a handsome edifice, both well-proportioned and well-executed. Church-like in appearance it complements its older neighbor Trinity Episcopal Church (ca 1814), whose walls withstood the 1860 fire.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY One and one-half acres

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: Mrs. Joe A. Wallace, President

ORGANIZATION: Danville & Boyle County Foundation For Historic Preservation DATE: _____

STREET AND NUMBER: 346 West Main Street - Suite 100

CITY OR TOWN: Danville STATE: Kentucky CODE: 21

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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: Mrs. Simeon Willis

Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: January 23, 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

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

Date: 4/11/73

ATTEST:
[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date: 4.3.73

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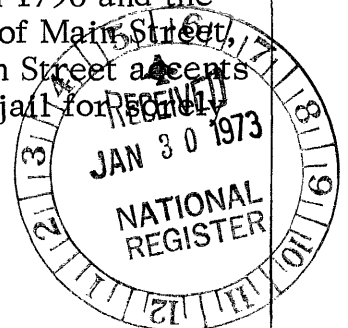
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Name: Mrs. Simeon Willis

Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: January 23, 1973

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

Date: 4/11/73

ATTEST:
[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date: 4.3.73

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