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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maine	
COUNTY: Penobscot	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
0001-3-1972	OCT 3 1972

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1. NAME

COMMON:
Grand Army Memorial Home

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
159 Union Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Bangor

STATE: Maine CODE: 23 COUNTY: Penobscot CODE: 019

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Both in trust for public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	*live-in
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	meeting place for several	custodian
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	patriotic societies	

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Sons of Union Veterans

STREET AND NUMBER:
159 Union Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Bangor

STATE: Maine CODE: 23

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Registry of Deeds, Penobscot County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Hammond Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Bangor

STATE: Maine CODE: 23

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

A Greek Revival style, two story building of brick with granite footings, lintels and sills, wood window and door frames, two elaborately facaded wooden dormers which may have been added to the original structure. The building has a portico on three sides, the pillars are wooden, fluted Ionic, resting on granite bases. The floor of the portico is granite. The roof is ridge with slate shingles, on upper level, replacement asphalt on lower, decorative iron snow-stops, four semi-elaborate symetrically placed end chimneys. The windows on the first floor are regularly spaced with 6/6 panes. One window on the NE side of the building has been bricked in. There is an arched louver in the NE gable. On the second story, the windows are regularly spaced varied in design, diamond panes in the high front and rear windows. The doorway is centered, a heavy double door with oblong glass insets. A kitchen el extends off NW rear of building. An addition was made circa 1945 to front of el. The foundation is stone, the cellar has a partial dirt floor, some basement windows in granite wells.

The interior of the building was altered circa 1952 to accomodate the Bangor Historical Society collections and live-in custodian. A circular staircase was lost at that time and the decor altered for the worse.

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5. SIGNIFICANCE

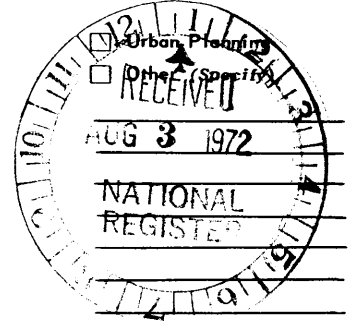
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

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"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture |
| ? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The G.A.R. Memorial Home was built for Thomas A. Hill, prominent Bangor businessman, circa 1840. It was occupied by Bangor's first Mayor, the Honorable Allen Gilman, later by Samuel H. Dale, Mayor in 1863-66, 1871-72, died 1872. Mayor Dale's portrait hangs in the house. President Ulysses S. Grant was entertained at a reception put on at the house by Mr. & Mrs. Dale during the two day celebration of the dedication of the European and North American Railway, October 18 and 19, 1871. Special china was ordered for the affair and extra interior decorating efforts were made.

Three generations of Dale descendants occupied the house. It was bought by Dr. James F. Cox, prominent Bangor doctor, from the Walker family. In 1944, the Sons of Union Veterans acquired title and currently hold the building in public trust. The Bangor Historical Society (founded 1864) moved its museum collections to the second story in 1952 under agreement with the Sons.

The architect for the building was Richard Upjohn.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Vickery, James B., editor. An Illustrated History of the City of Bangor, Maine. Bangor, 1969

400 1/2 S. Main St. Bangor, Me. 04410

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 TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **one half acre, or less**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Alice N. Wellman, Recording Secretary

ORGANIZATION: Bangor Historical Society DATE: May 30, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER: 159 Union Street

CITY OR TOWN: Bangor STATE: Maine CODE: 23

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: Laurence Stuart
 Commissioner, Parks - Recreation

Date: July 27, 1972

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

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

Date: 10/31/72

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

Date: 10-31-72

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