

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Globe Hotel  
and/or common Dunn House

2. Location

street & number 20 Jonesboro Street N/A not for publication  
city, town McDonough N/A vicinity of  
state Georgia code 013 county Henry code 151

3. Classification

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. John R. Davis and Mr. George Stanford  
street & number 1679 Conyers Road  
city, town McDonough N/A vicinity of state Georgia 30253

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Superior Court  
street & number Henry County Courthouse  
city, town McDonough state Georgia

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title See Continuation Sheet has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no  
date  federal  state  county  local  
depository for survey records  
city, town state

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> moved date <u>1938</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Globe Hotel is a two-story wood-framed structure of residential character dating from two historic periods in the 19th century. It is located in the downtown area of McDonough, a small piedmont Georgia town and the county seat of historically rural Henry County. Moved in the 1930s from its antebellum location facing the courthouse square, the building is situated less than a block from its original setting along a downtown thoroughfare. It has been converted recently into an apartment building in a rehabilitation project that met the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

The oldest portion of the Globe Hotel, dating from 1827, is the current west half of the structure. It is arranged more or less symmetrically around what was originally a simple, massive central chimney. The front (north) facade of this half of the building features a five-bay arrangement of windows and doors (the westernmost is original) on the ground floor and a three-bay arrangement of windows above. Original windows contain nine-over-nine double-hung sash. A two-story shed, which appears to be original, and a one-story gabled ell, which may date from the late 19th century, extend from the rear of this portion of the building. Inside the 1827 building, on each level, are two large rooms across the front and two smaller rooms across the rear. The front rooms are located on either side of the original central chimney. Additional rooms are contained in the rear ell. The easternmost ground-floor room in this half of the building originally contained a boxed stairway leading to a narrow lateral hallway on the second floor; the stair and hall were removed during recent rehabilitation to accommodate new apartment layouts. Each of the two two-story apartments in this half of the building now contains its own stairs. Simple historic mantels, some paneled doors, and doorway and window surrounds remain in place. Chimney-stack bricks are exposed. Sheetrock covers otherwise intact original hand-planed sheathing boards on the walls. Original pine floors have been refinished.

The newer portion of the Globe Hotel, dating from the last quarter of the 19th century, is attached to the eastern end of the antebellum portion of the building. (The connection between the two parts of the building is marked by a narrow vertical surface board.) From the street, the newer portion presents a two-bay composition of windows and a door asymmetrically arranged under a cross-gable roof. A central chimney with corbelled cornice projects through the cross-gable roof. Windows in this portion of the building are four-over-four double-hung sash. The front door features a single large top light and Eastlake-style detailing. Inside this portion of the building, on each level, are two end rooms and an interior hallway with stairs. The two rooms are located on either side of the central chimney stack. Although a portion of the wall separating the two downstairs rooms has been removed and some plaster walls have been sheetrocked, most other interior materials and finishes remain, including filleted door and window surrounds with bull's-eye corner blocks, beaded tongue-and-groove ceilings, wood floors, and simple bracketed mantels. The stairway features turned balusters and newel posts. Weatherboards on the original east end of the antebellum house, historically left exposed in the second-floor stairhall in this portion of the house, have been replaced by sheetrock.

The Globe Hotel was originally located a half block to the east facing the courthouse square. It was moved down the street to its current location in 1938 to make way for the construction of an automobile service station. At that time a two-story front porch was removed, and the present one-story shed porch was constructed.

The building now stands between the commercial brick buildings surrounding the courthouse square and a small residential neighborhood to the west. Its yard is informally landscaped with lawn, large shade trees, shrubbery, and non-historic wood fences. A new paved driveway providing access to a parking area in the rear cuts across the east side yard of the house.

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On October 6, 1982, this property received a preliminary certification of significance from the Preservation Services Branch of the National Register Programs Division, National Park Service, Southeast Regional Office. On April 4, 1984, this same office certified that completed rehabilitation met the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation."

# 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input checked="" 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		

Specific dates 1827, last quarter 19th Century, 1938 Builder/Architect Unknown

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Globe Hotel is significant in terms of architecture and commerce/transportation as a good example of the once common but now relatively rare small, wood-framed, county seat hotels that catered to rural business and travel needs in the 19th century. It is also the oldest extant commercial building in McDonough. Its significance supports National Register eligibility in terms of criteria A,C, and criteria consideration B.

Architecturally, the Globe Hotel is significant as a good example of the small, wood-framed hotels found in virtually every Georgia county seat during the 19th century but now increasingly rare due to fires and succession by larger brick buildings. It possesses the residential character and modest qualities that typify these historic structures. A simple, straightforward organization of rooms, with little specialization of function, and plain fit and finish are the hallmarks of these structures. This building also retains evidences of its somewhat unusual two-phased construction (1827 and the last quarter of the 19th century) which reflects two significant periods in McDonough's history - its early 19th-century founding and its post-Reconstruction prosperity - and two distinct architectural periods. Significant antebellum features surviving in the west half of the structure include its overall "Plantation Plain" style massing (two-over-two rooms, narrow end profile, rear shed), cornices with returns, heavy timber frame sheathed with weatherboards, nine-over-nine windows, simple late Federal-style mantels, and, although covered by sheetrock, hand-planed boards sheathing interior walls. Characteristic postbellum features in the east half of the house include raked cornices without returns, balloon framing sheathed with weatherboard, four-over-four windows, corbelled chimney, "side hall" plan, filleted moldings with bull's-eye corner blocks, turned balusters and newel posts, beaded tongue-and-groove ceiling boards, bracketed mantels, and Eastlake-style front door. The moving of the building in the 1930s, to save it from demolition, did not impair these significant architectural features, and recent approved rehabilitation work, while compromising some of the building's historic features, has preserved its essential historic character.

In terms of commerce and transportation, the Globe Hotel is significant as a good surviving example of the once-common small hotels found in Georgia's rural county seats. Located on or near the courthouse square, these simple structures catered to the modest needs of businessmen, politicians, salesmen, and the traveling public in the 19th century. They reflect an era when simple bed and board rather than luxurious accommodation was the rule of thumb for country travelers. They were also among the principal historic businesses in small county seats, and by their very nature brought more business to downtown areas. Their best business was usually done during court sessions at the county courthouse. This particular hotel was one of four in McDonough, one of the earliest (built just four years after McDonough was founded), and the only one to have survived. It is also McDonough's oldest extant commercial building.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Davis, John R., and Susan S. Prosser, "Historic Property Information Form: Globe Hotel" 1982, based on deeds, county history and interviews; on file at the Historic Preservation Section, Atlanta Georgia.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acree of nominated property less than one acre

Quadrangle name McDonough, Georgia

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References

A 

1	6	7	6	5	1	1	2	1	0	3	1	7	0	1	4	3	1	4	1	0
Zone	Easting					Northing														

B 

Zone	Easting					Northing														

C 


D 


E 


F 


G 


H 


Verbal boundary description and justification

The nominated property is all that remains associated with the hotel and all that the owners own at this location. It is marked on the accompanying Henry County, Georgia, Tax Map, Sheet 16, Block 3, Parcel 2.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

## 11. Form Prepared By

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## 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

Elizabeth A. Lyon  
Elizabeth A. Lyon

title Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

date 7/11/85

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

Alouise Byer  
Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the  
National Register

date

9/5/85

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration