

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

U.S. Post Office

AND/OR COMMON

Main Post Office

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

201-203 North Sycamore Street

NA NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Elizabethton

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

N/A VICINITY OF Johnson City 1st

STATE

Tennessee

CODE

47

COUNTY

Carter

CODE

019

2 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" 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 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

Memphis Field Real Estate and Buildings Office, U. S. Postal Service

STREET & NUMBER

1 North Front Street, P. O. Drawer 3744

CITY, TOWN

Memphis

NA VICINITY OF

STATE

Tennessee 38173-0744

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Carter County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

800 East Elk Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Elizabethton

STATE

Tennessee 37645

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

N/A

DATE

N/A

N/A FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

N/A

CITY, TOWN

N/A

STATE

N/A

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Elizabethton Post Office is a two-story, with basement, brick and stone building located in northeastern Tennessee in the county seat of Carter County with a population of approximately 12,000. The red exterior brick is matt face laid English Bond with recessed joints.

The evelated main floor is made accessible by a flight of granite steps with cast iron railings and the entrance is graced by lamp posts. The front facade is divided into nine bays reading window-window-window-door-door-door-window-window-window. These windows are wooden, double hung sash and a large paried transom appears above the central doors.

The public lobby has terrazzo floors with marble wainscot and border. The window sills are marble and there is a marble border up stairway to mezzanine. There are iron grills above the post office boxes. The wainscot in the building is wood with the exception of the public lobby. The building originally had hardwood (maple) floors but they have been removed and replaced with vinyl tile except for the lobby. The original tile roof has been removed and replaced with asphalt shingle.

The interior of building was modernized in 1965 whereby the heating and air conditioning system was updated and changes mentioned above were accomplished. Acoustical tile was added to some of the office space under this modernization project.

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input 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 1931/32/33 BUILDER/ARCHITECT C.A. Morrison & Son, Gen. Contractor
James A. Wetmore, Acting Supervising Architect

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This building is being nominated under National Register criterion C.

This late Beaux Arts building was constructed in 1932 and has an ashlar, raised basement, a front facade with eight Ionic columns in antis, and a hip roof with balustrated parapet.

It was quite an achievement for a town this small to secure a building of this size and style. The architecture was very unique for the area. The value is enhanced by the fact that the exterior of building today exists same as it did when newly constructed. The changes made to interior are considered minor and in no way effect the character of the building.

This buildings was designed in 1931, constructed in 1932, and occupied by the Post Office in 1933. This was done under the supervision of the Treasury Department and C. A. Morrison & Son was General Contractor. The 1965 modernization was accomplished under the auspices of the General Services Administration.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

U. S. Post Office Files
Blue Prints of Building

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .6026

UTM REFERENCES

A	1 7	3 9 0 9 7 0	4 0 2 3 1 2 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See continuation sheet for legal description. Copy of survey also attached.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
NA			
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
NA			

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ila Ree Odom, Realty Management & Acquisition Analyst

ORGANIZATION

Field Real Estate & Buildings Office

DATE

March 22, 1983

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Drawer 3744

TELEPHONE

901/521-3131

CITY OR TOWN

Memphis

STATE

Tennessee 38173-0744

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

Herbert L. Huger
Deputy STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National State Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

Dave W. Dogan

TITLE Dave W. Dogan, Director
Office of Real Estate

DATE 6/23/83

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Patrick Adams

DATE 8/9/83

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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Elizabethton, Tennessee - Legal Description

Situated in the 15th Civil District of Carter County, and in the City of Elizabethton, Tennessee, and described as follows:

(Parcel No. 1) Beginning at the corner of the Northwest intersection of "E" Street and Sycamore Street; thence along the Westerly side of Sycamore Street in a Northerly direction a distance of 150 feet to a point; thence in a Westerly direction, parallel with said "E" Street a distance of 175 feet to a point; thence in a Southerly direction parallel with said Sycamore Street a distance of 35 feet to a point, corner Dungan and Perry; thence in a Easterly direction along the Northerly line of Dungan and Perry and parallel with said "E" Street 50 feet to a point, corner Dungan and Perry; thence in a Southerly direction parallel with said Sycamore Street a distance of 115 feet to the Northerly side of said "E" Street; thence in an Easterly direction along the Northerly side of said "E" Street a distance of 125 feet to the point of beginning.

This being a part of the property conveyed to Hester A. Emmert by Thos. Gouge and wife by deed dated September 23, 1907, and of record in the Register's Office for Carter County, Tennessee, in Deed Book 23 at Page 468.

AND (Parcel No. 2) Beginning at a point on the Northerly side of "E" Street 125 feet West of the Westerly side of Sycamore Street, corner of Hester A. Emmert; thence in a Northerly direction parallel with Sycamore Street along the line of said Hester A. Emmert a distance of 115 feet to a point; thence in a Westerly direction parallel with "E" Street following the line of said Hester A. Emmert a distance of 50 feet to a point, corner to C. C. Hacker; thence in a Southerly direction parallel with Sycamore Street along the property line of said C. C. Hacker a distance of 115 feet to the Northerly side of "E" Street; thence in an Easterly direction along the Northerly side of "E" Street a distance of 50 feet to the point of beginning.

This being the same property conveyed by Hester A. Emmert, a widow, to Sexton Dungan and Nat. T. Perry by deed dated August 17, 1928, and of record in the Register's Office for Carter County, Tennessee, in Deed Book 81 at Page 350.

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet**

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U.S. Post Office

Carter County, Tennessee

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION APPROVAL

83 00 3024

Delores Byers 7/15/93

Sewer in E St. and
Sycamore Street

No right of-way, sewer,
ditch, conduit, etc. on
this site. No set-back
building line established
for this site.

Surveyed and plotted by
[Signature]

Registered Engineer

Perm. License No. 136

March 16, 1931

This is to certify that
this plot correctly shows
the true street and lot lines.

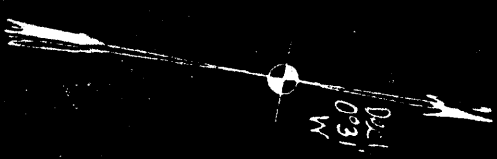
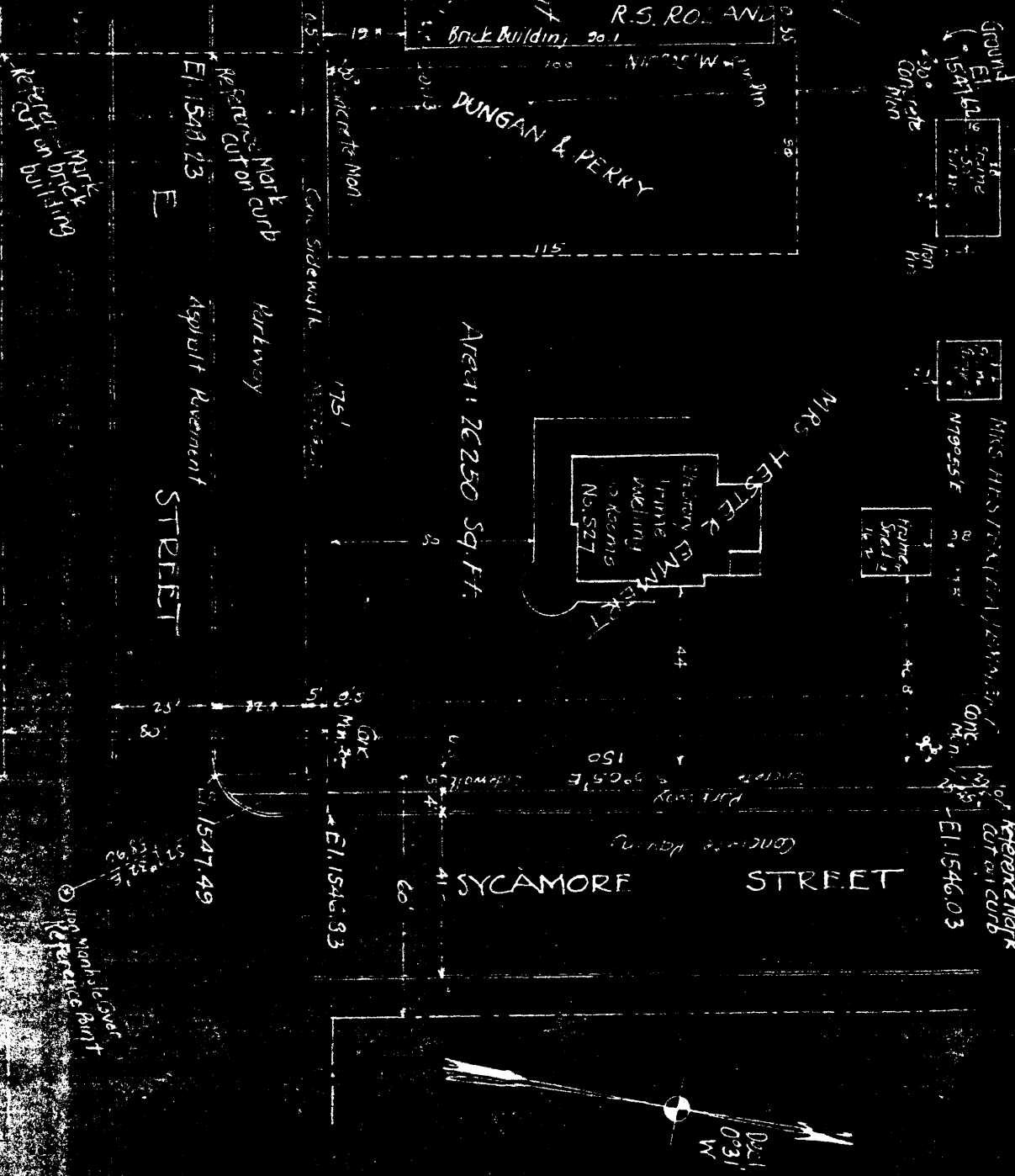
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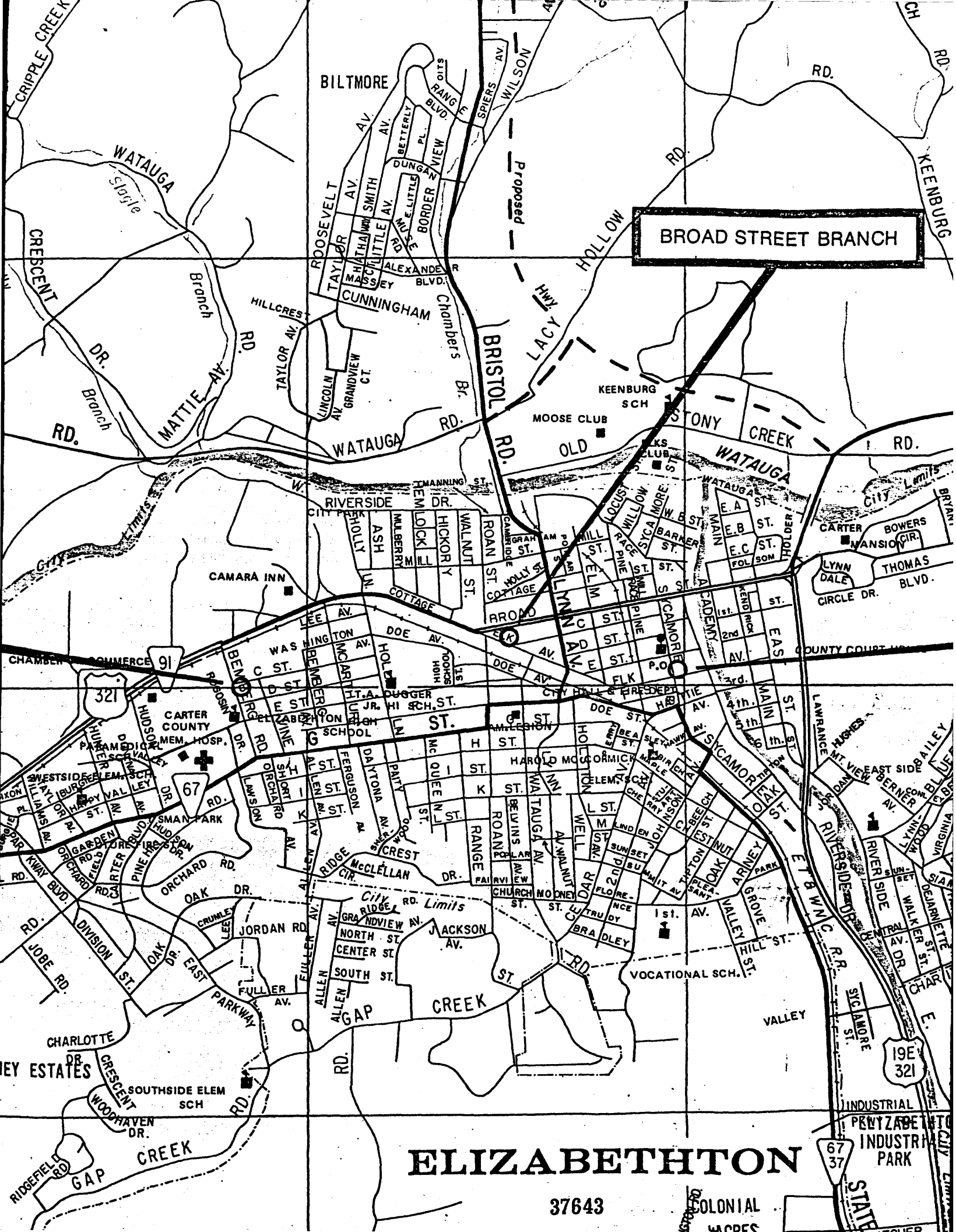
I have personally seen
concrete monuments in
place as shown in this
plot

[Signature]
Registrar

5th Survey of 1928
with the land L+R 6-4-31
over *[Signature]*

ELIZABETHTON, TENN.





BROAD STREET BRANCH

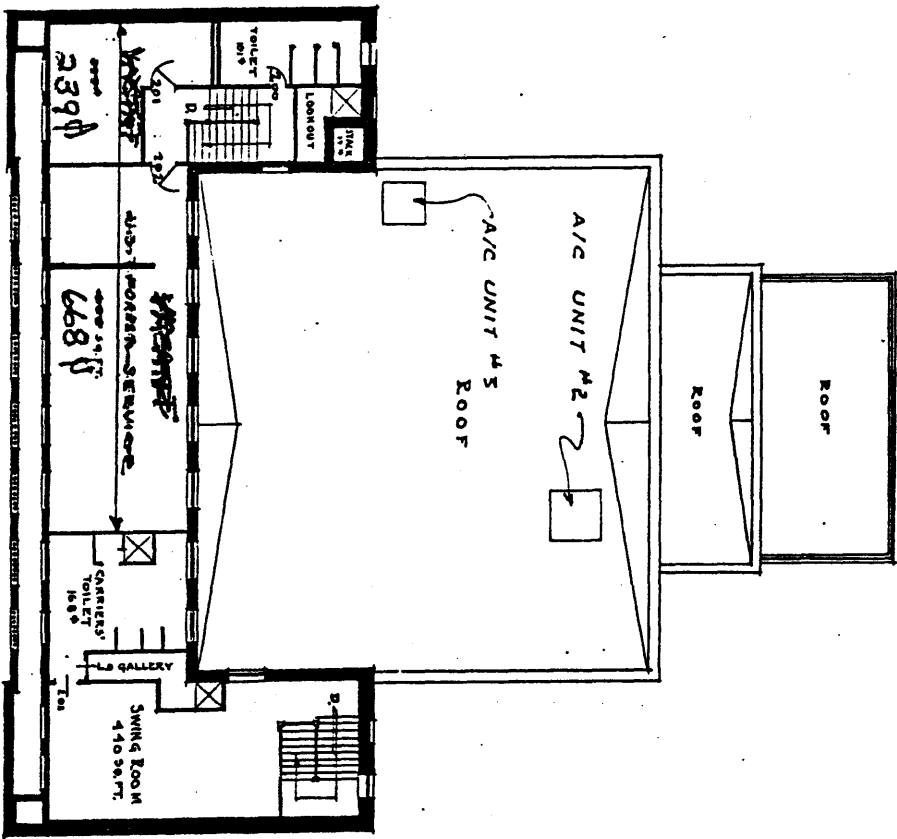
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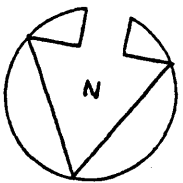
COLONIAL

INDUSTRIAL PARK
STATE

ASSIGNMENT
MEZZANINE PLAN
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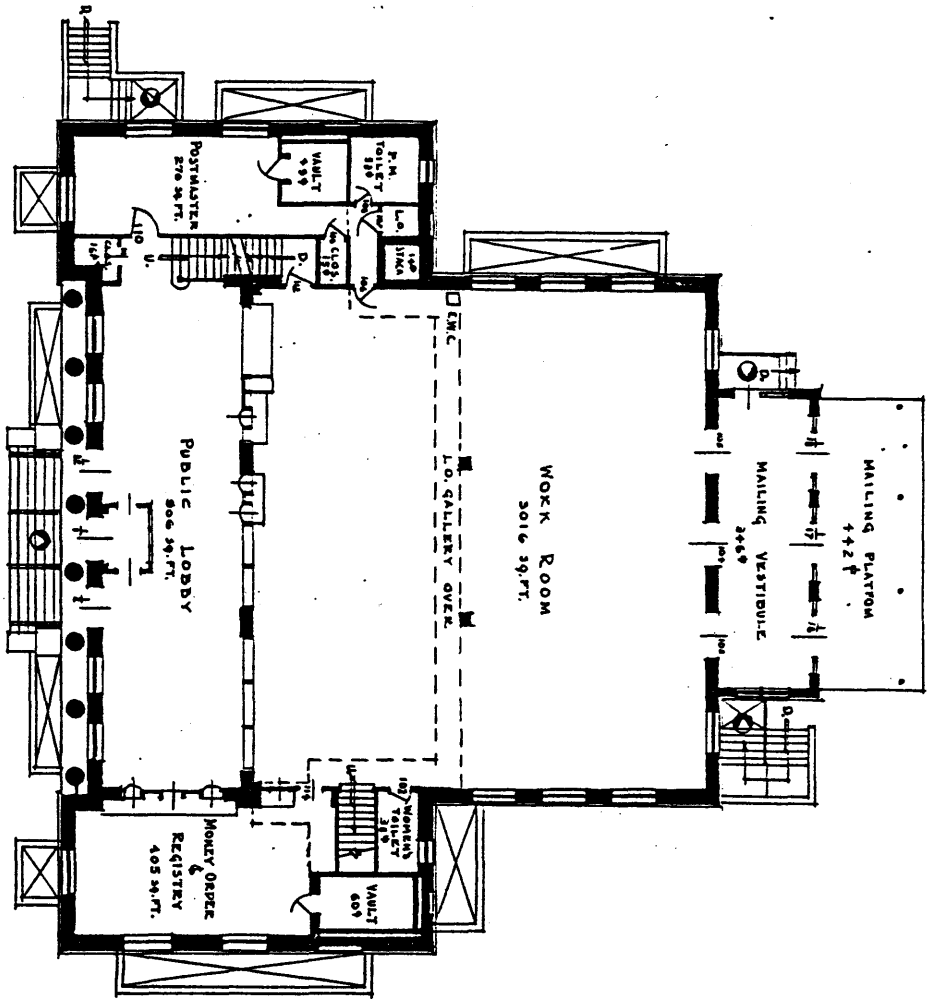


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GODWIN 2-10-36
KENNEDY 12-22-37

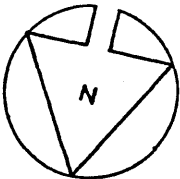


U. S. POST OFFICE
ELIZABETHTON, TENN.
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CHECKED BY - STEWART

ASSIGNMENT
FIRST FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

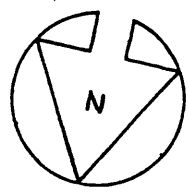
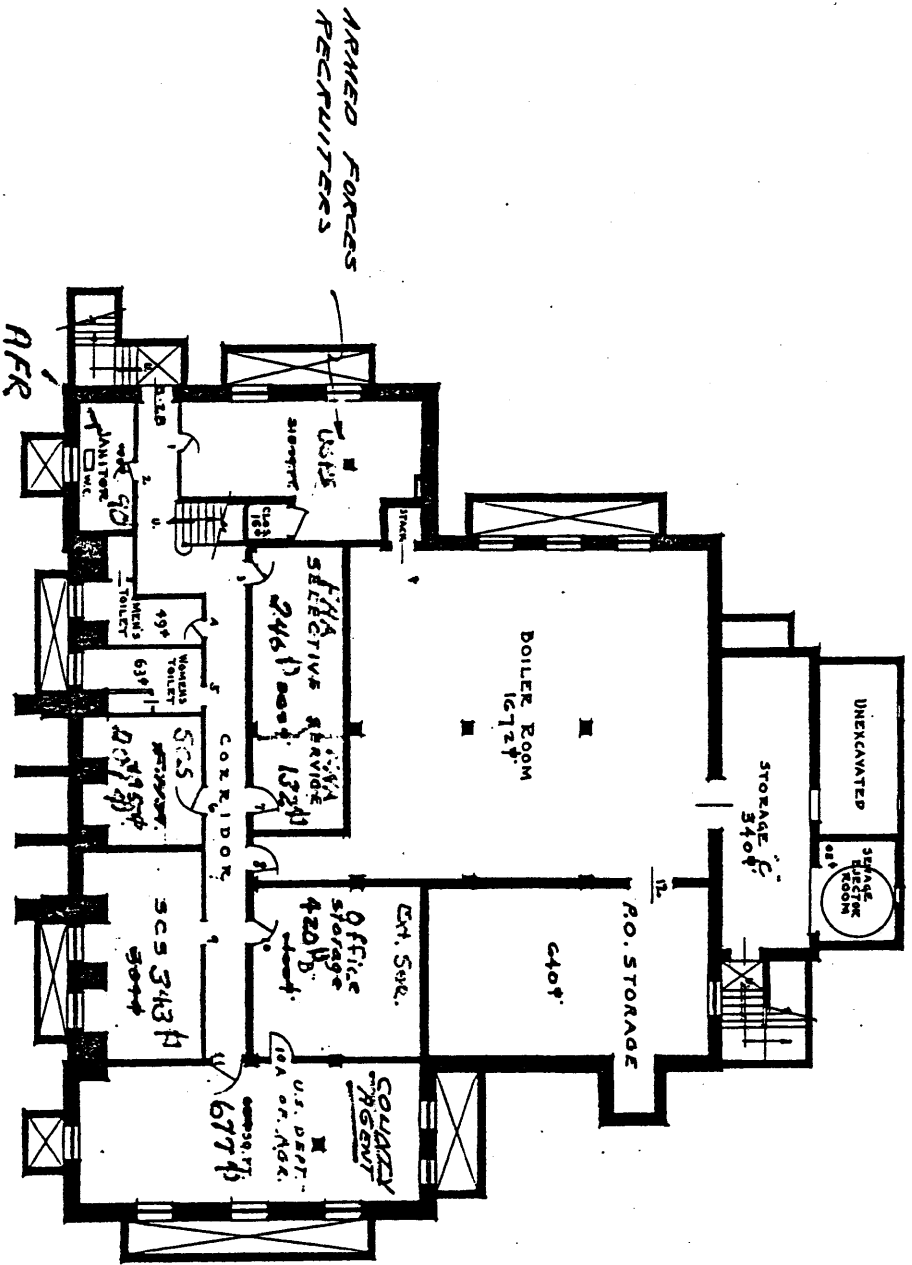


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DRAWN 2-6-16
CHECKED 2-10-16
KANNADY 10-10-67



U. S. POST OFFICE,
ELIZABETHTON, TENN.
DRAWING NO. - A.S. 3
DRAWING BY - STEWART
CHECKED BY -

ASSIGNMENT
BASEMENT PLAN
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"



REVISED
CEAID 2-5-56
COWIN 2-18-56
KENNEDY 12-20-57
MORSE 12-26-57

U. S. POST OFFICE
ELIZABETHTON, TENN.
DRAWING NO. - A.5. 2
DRAWING BY - STEWART
CHECKED BY -