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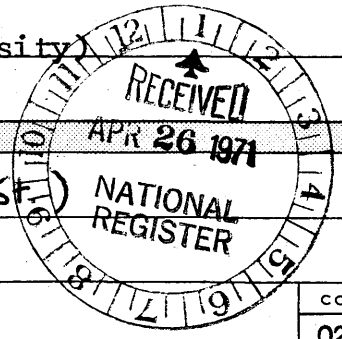
Form 10-300
(Dec. 1968)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: GEORGIA	
COUNTY: BI BB	
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ENTRY NUMBER 71.7.13.0030	DATE 7/4/71



1. NAME

COMMON:
W. G. Lee Alumni House (Mercer University)

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Bartlett House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1270 Ash Street (also called Coleman St.)

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 type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input checked="" 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:
Mercer University

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Macon** 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: **less than 1 acre**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: **1. The Historic Architecture of Macon by Carl Feiss & 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good <input 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

East Lake

This late victorian style, two-story frame dwelling was originally built as a one story cottage in the late 1800's. A second story has been added with sparkling fretwork around the porches, carved and turned spindels, paneled roof front, fancy door lights on both floors, balcony over front porch, and floor length front windows on both floors.

The lower porch extends across the front and around each side, with rounded extension at right corner.

A fancy patterned iron fence and posts extend around front and sides with Judge Bartlett's name on the front gate.

The interior of the house shows elaborate plaster ornamentation, cornices, and rosettes and recessed wood trim stairs in front hall and rooms opening from it.

The house is now used as Mercer University's Alumni Office and social center.

It is distinguished architecturally by the elaborate porches which create a lattice-work, screen-veranda effect for the front facade and around the front corners; the multi-gabled roof; and the pediments over the front entrance and second-story porch creating an imposing double-pedimented major feature at the entrance.

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9. SIGNIFICANCE

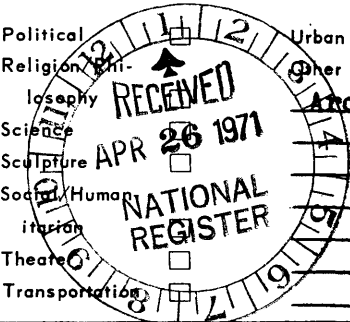
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1890's

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| 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 <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Industry <input type="checkbox"/> | Joseph <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Architecture</u> |
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| Art <input type="checkbox"/> | Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/> | |
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| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/> | Military <input type="checkbox"/> | Theatre <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| | Music <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> | |



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

This is the late Victorian style home of Congressman Charles L. Bartlett, whose name is imprinted on the iron gate at the entrance to the property, and it is now the W. G. Lee Alumni House of Mercer University.

The house was originally built in the 1860's as a one story dwelling and some years later the second story and some embellishment were added. Mercer University acquired the property twenty-three years ago and rejuvenated it for use as faculty apartments, infirmary, girls dormitory, and now alumni house.

Bartlett began his career as a public servant in 1880 by acting as attorney for the City of Macon after having come here from Monticello following the close of the War. In 1882 and again in 1884 Bartlett was elected to the State Legislature as a delegate from Bibb County; in 1888 he was elected to the State Senate.

At the 1892 Democratic convention at Indian Springs, Bartlett's name was placed in nomination for Congressman from the Sixth Congressional District, but was withdrawn before the election. The following year Bartlett was appointed to succeed the beloved Judge A. L. Miller as judge of the Superior Court. But he served only one year, resigning his position to run for Congress from the Sixth District of Georgia. This time he was successful, and he served his district and state in this capacity for twenty years.

It was Congressman Bartlett who in 1902 sponsored a bill to appropriate funds for the construction of the beautiful marble building which served as Macon's post office for over sixty years and is now used to house Federal offices and as a post office annex.

In 1909 President Taft and his party visited Macon and were entertained at an elaborate breakfast in the home of Congressman Charles L. Bartlett on Ash Street.

Property of Mercer University since 1939, the house was redecorated in 1962 and has become the Dr. W. G. Lee Alumni House. Dr. Lee was a trustee of Mercer and prominent in many of Macon's activities. His responsibilities included being Sixth District Savings Chairman, director of the American Camellia Society, president of the Macon Rotary Club, vice-president of the State Chamber of Commerce, director of the Georgia State Fair, chairman of the board of Alexander IV School, chairman of the Baconsfield Park Commission, member of Macon City Council, officer of the First National Bank and Trust Company, and a member of the President's Advisory Committee of Mercer University.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

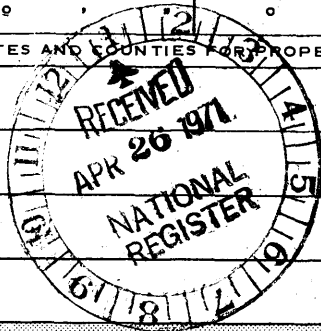
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 Records of Mercer University
 Young, Gholson & Hargrove. The History of Macon, Georgia 1823-1949.
 Macon, Georgia, 1950.

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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SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Mr. John J. McKay, Jr., President

ORGANIZATION: **Middle Georgia Historical Society, Inc.** DATE: **March, 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 May Guppy Jewett

Title State Liaison Officer

April 19, 1971

Date _____

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

Ernest A. Connolly
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

JUL 14 1971

Date _____

ATTEST:
William M. Mundy
 Keeper of The National Register

Date **JUN 21 1971**

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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
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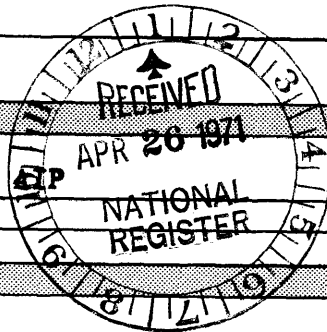
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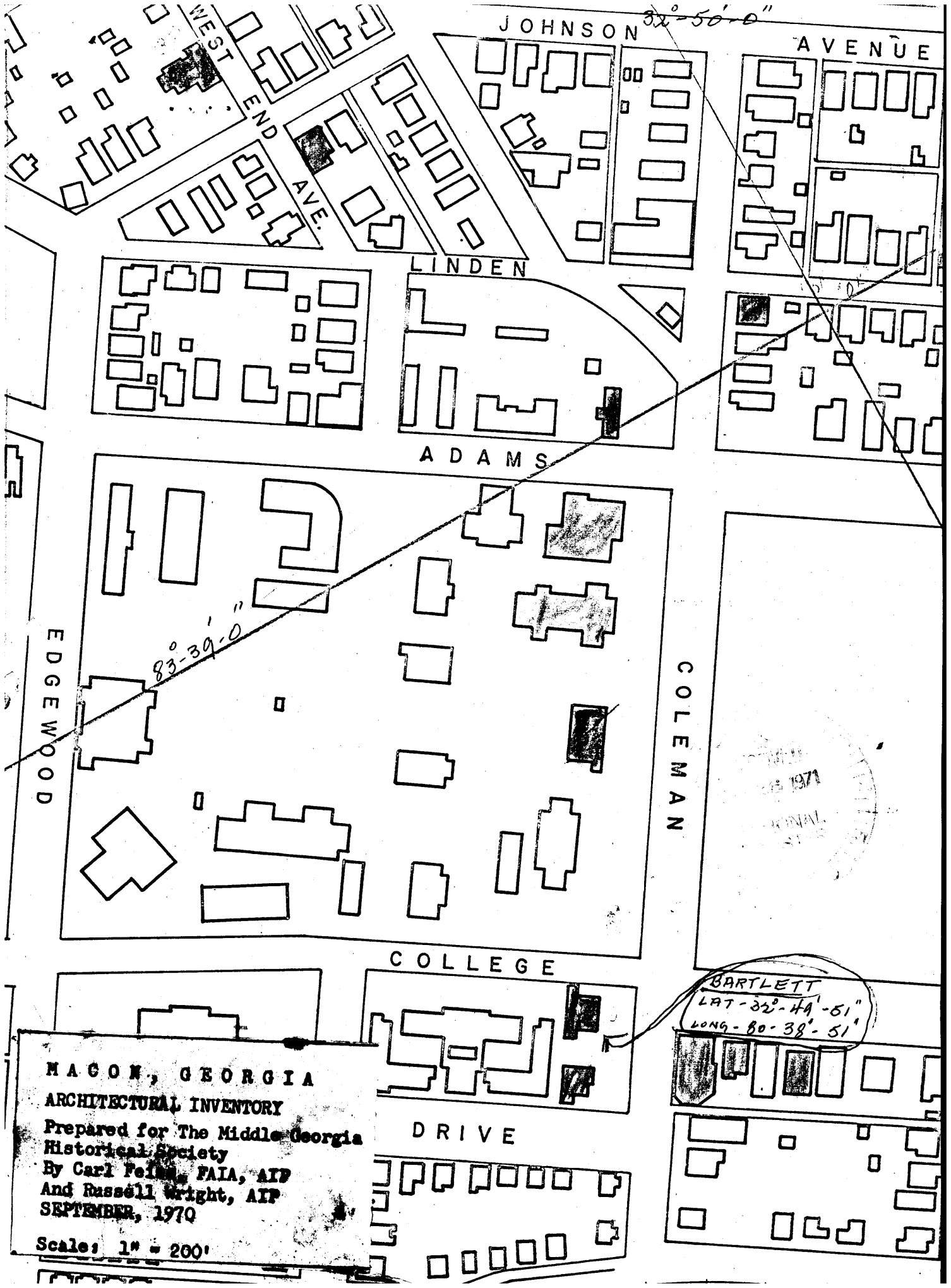
DATE: **September, 1970**

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.





JOHNSON AVENUE

AVENUE

WEST
END
AVE.

LINDEN

ADAMS

EDGEWOOD

83-39-0

COLEMAN

1971

ANAL

COLLEGE

BARTLETT
LAT - 32° - 49' - 51"
LONG - 80° - 38' - 51"

DRIVE

MACON, GEORGIA

ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY

Prepared for The Middle Georgia
Historical Society

By Carl Fein, FAIA, AIP

And Russell Wright, AIP

SEPTEMBER, 1970

Scale: 1" = 200'