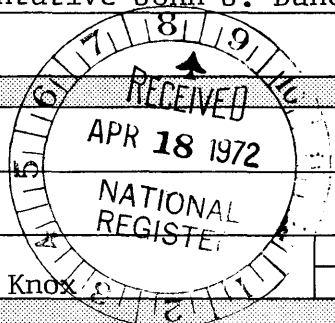


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

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| STATE: Tennessee | |
| COUNTY: Knox | |
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| ENTRY NUMBER OCT 18 1972 | DATE |



1. NAME

COMMON: James Park House (Representative John J. Duncan).

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 422 W. Cumberland Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Knoxville

STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47 COUNTY: Knox CODE: 093

3. CLASSIFICATION

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

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scientific | | |

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Knoxville Academy of Medicine

STREET AND NUMBER: 422 West Cumberland Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Knoxville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Knox County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: West Main Street

CITY OR TOWN: Knoxville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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STATE: Tennessee

COUNTY: Knox

ENTRY NUMBER: OCT 18 1972

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

 Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

 Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

 Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Park house is a two story structure of brick laid in flemish bond. The original entrance facade was the east front, which is of five bays, the center of which on the first floor was originally a doorway. This entrance led into a stairhall flanked on either side by a room containing handsome woodwork consisting of paneled dado, pilastered window surrounds and mantelpiece. The hallway partitions and stairway have been removed leaving this area as one large space, but the other woodwork (except for the mantle in the southeast room) is intact. There is a two story wing to the rear (southwest) into which the entrance now leads. To the south the Academy of Medicine has added a large wing the design of which is in sympathy with the older building.

The original wood cornice of the main structure is intact and has been reproduced on the addition. This cornice has an unusual profile giving the effect of brackets. The windows are double hung sash of twenty-four lights on both floors and the openings have flat arches of brick. The entrance porch in the northwest angle is a recent addition replacing a larger late 19th century one. The house is raised on a high basement in which there was originally a kitchen. The exterior brick-work has been painted.

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9. 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) ca. 1812

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/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Park house is one of the very few buildings of architectural distinction remaining from the earliest period of Knoxville's history. Although altered, the interior retains its fine Federal woodwork to a large degree. This simple but handsome woodwork (probably from the hand of Thomas Hope, early Knoxville joiner, cabinetmaker and "architect") gives the interior a distinction greater than that of any other surviving building of its date in the area.

The lot on which the house stands was owned for a time by John Sevier, Tennessee's first Governor. Tradition has it that this house was intended by Sevier to be his Knoxville residence, and that the foundations and basement walls were built by him. Not having funds sufficient to complete his mansion, it was sold in 1812 to James Park who with his brother William had recently come from Ireland. The new owner completed the house, using Sevier's plans and specifications.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Brandau, Roberta S. (Ed.) History of Homes and Gardens in Tennessee (Nashville, 1936).
 Knoxville News-Sentinel, December 26, 1955.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY | | | | OR | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES | | | | | |
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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: W. R. McNabb

ORGANIZATION: _____ DATE: 3/15/72

STREET AND NUMBER: 3636 Taliluna Avenue, Apt. 408

CITY OR TOWN: Knoxville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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| <p>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:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name <u>Herbert E. Harger</u></p> <p>Title <u>Director of Field Services Tennessee Historical Commission</u></p> <p>Date <u>4/3/72</u></p> | <p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p><u>Robert M. Utley</u> Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</p> <p>Date <u>10/18/72</u></p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p><u>William M. Harty</u> Keeper of The National Register</p> <p>Date <u>10-16-72</u></p> |
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