

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

MENASHA U. S. POST OFFICE BUILDING

AND/OR COMMON

N/A

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

84 Racine Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

CITY, TOWN

Menasha

VICINITY OF
CODE

STATE

Wisconsin

55

COUNTY

Winnebago

CODE

139

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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: *(If applicable)*

U. S. Postal Service - Field Real Estate & Buildings Office

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 69069

CITY, TOWN

St. Paul

VICINITY OF

STATE

Minnesota 55169-0069

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Recorder of Deeds, Winnebago County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

415 Jackson Street

CITY, TOWN

Oshkosh

STATE

Wisconsin 54901

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Wisconsin Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

1977, 1985

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

CITY, TOWN

Madison

STATE

Wisconsin

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT

GOOD

FAIR

DETERIORATED

RUINS

UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED

ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE

MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Menasha U. S. Post Office Building is located in the industrial city of Menasha, at the northern end of the central business district. Situated on Racine Street between Broad and First Streets, the Post Office is a two-story government building of Period Colonial Revival design. The plan configuration is rectangular and the roof form is both Mansard and flat. The visible roofing materials are slate, the walls are red brick with an American bond, and the foundations are concrete. The fenestration is formally balanced from the pedimented dormers to the stilted-arch windows of the front facade, except for a well-integrated addition on the north. On the original building and street facades of the addition the windows have double-hung, multi-paned sash; on the north and west facades the frames are aluminum. Decorative features include a brick parapet around the mansard roof, Colonial Revival lanterns, and Mankato stone cornice, keystones, quoins, aprons, and tablet inscribed UNITED STATES POST OFFICE. The entryway, also of Mankato stone, consists of pilasters and entablature, supporting a swan's neck pediment.

The interior is typical of post offices from that era. A glazed vestibule provides access to a lobby with Mankato stone wainscotting, variegated tile floor, wrought iron cages, and coffered beam ceiling. Some original bronze furnishings also remain in place. Behind the cages the Post Office is a modern, functioning facility, the additions distinguished by the transition from wood to brick wainscotting.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Glaab, Charles N. and Larsen, Lawrence H. Factories in the Valley. State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 1969. Madison, Wisconsin.
Menasha Record, 1931-1933.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .66 Acres

UTM REFERENCES

A	16	384430	4895150	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Original plat of Menasha; Lots 1, 2, 23 and 24; also the east 10 feet of Lot 3, Block 17.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Jeffrey H. Mulvey and Peter Adams

ORGANIZATION

Peter James Adams and Associates

DATE

August 15, 1985

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 341

TELEPHONE

414/722-8963

CITY OR TOWN

Neenah

STATE

Wisconsin 54956

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

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

TITLE

Realty Specialist, Senior

DATE

6-5-86

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

Patrick Anders

DATE

8/22/86

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER