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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC Heyburn Building

AND/OR COMMON Heyburn Building

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 332 West Broadway

CITY, TOWN

Louisville,

VICINITY OF

3 & 4

STATE

Kentucky

CODE

021

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNTY

Jefferson

111

CODE

3 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 checked="" 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 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 Ed Metzner

STREET & NUMBER 9814 Taylorsville Road

CITY, TOWN

Louisville

VICINITY OF

STATE Kentucky 40205

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Jefferson County Court House

STREET & NUMBER Jefferson Street

CITY, TOWN

Louisville,

STATE Kentucky

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input 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 Heyburn Building is located at the southern edge of downtown Louisville. It is on Broadway across from the Brown Hotel (National Register, Feb., 1978), and the old YMCA (National Register Dec., 1977), and Third Street across from the Weissenger-Gaulbert Apartments (National Register Dec., 1977). These four structures are exemplary of the redevelopment of the Broadway corridor after the turn of the century from a residential street to a major commercial hub.

The Heyburn Building is a seventeen-story structure of buff colored brick and stone, designed by the prominent Chicago architectural firm of Graham, Anderson, Probst and White. The overall design of this 1928 structure is based on the column principle; the structure being divided into a base, shaft and capital. On the Broadway facade, the ground floor consists of four large rectangular bays on either side of the main central entrance. The bays are sheathed in stone with large store windows. This floor is the only part of the building which has suffered some alteration from signs.

The second and third floors are divided from the first by a rounded, protruding string course. These two floors are of stone and follow the bay divisions of the first floor. The second and third floors are unified by the window treatment. Each floor has two windows per bay. The windows of the floors are divided horizontally by a wide stone panel with gullivanesque carving. The window pairs of the two floors are unified by a double arch surround with a central engaged column with a floriated capital. The fourth floor, also in stone, is articulated horizontally from the third by a stone band. The rectangular windows of the floor follow the same pattern of fenestration as the second and third floors. Wide stone pilasters with carved medallions provide the bay divisions and narrower pilasters with similar decorative motifs divide the window pairs. The lower four floors of the structure provide a richly varied and ornamented base for the upper twelve floors of the structure.

The fifth through sixteenth floors comprise the column section of the building. The unity of this section is obtained through the use of pilasters, which rise the height of the twelve floors. The bays are divided vertically by wider pilasters capped by stylized Corinthian columns. The window pairs are articulated by continuous narrow pilasters which are topped at the fourteenth floor by carved decoration. The windows of these floors are divided horizontally by stone panels which are embellished by alternating motifs of shields and scrolls, rosettes and rinceaux carvings. A continuous wide stone band divides the sixteenth and seventeenth floors. This band is embellished with large medallions and richly carved ornamentation.

The seventeenth floor or attic floor is in stone. The windows are capped by a shell motif adding extra height to the floor. The bays are divided by pilasters which are embellished by medallions and the window pairs are divided by narrow pilasters. This floor is capped by a stone band with

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
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<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 1926 - 1928 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Graham, Anderson, Probst & White

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Heyburn Building was constructed in 1926-1928 by the prominent local businessman William Heyburn, president of Belknap Hardware, the largest single unit hardware plant in the world. The design of the building was by the well-known Chicago architectural firm of Graham, Anderson, Probst and White, the successor firm of D. H. Burnham and Company. The property is one of the finest examples of the "tall building" in Louisville and is one of a number of commercial structures built in the downtown Broadway area between 1900 and 1930 which transformed the street from a fashionable residential district to a dominant commercial hub.

The Heyburn Building was constructed on the site of the Old Avery house which had been used as the YMCA. Broadway had been the most fashionable residential area in the city in the 1870s, with attractive mansions in the Renaissance Revival and Queen Anne style lining the street. The commercial expansion of the downtown area of Louisville pushed southward and from 1900 to the beginning of the Depression, the Broadway area developed into a major commercial area.

Planning for the Heyburn Building was begun as early as 1916 by William Heyburn, and was hailed as one of the most modern and commodius office buildings in the country when it was completed. The first and second floors contained shops and the upper floors were devoted to office space.

Louisville has traditionally been a city with a low skyline; fewer than a dozen buildings rose over twelve stories in the downtown area before the Depression. The Heyburn Building remains today as one of the most attractive skyscrapers in the city. The structure is similar to other Graham, Anderson, Probst and White designed skyscrapers of the 1920s.

The architectural legacy of Graham, Anderson, Probst and White extends back to one of the most distinguished Chicago firms, Burnham and Root. The early death of Mr. Root changed the firm to D. H. Burnham and Company. Ernest Graham was an active member of the early firm and participated in the erection of the buildings for the worlds' Columbian Exhibition in 1893. Graham was a virtual partner in D. H. Burnham and Company. The firm continued until Daniel Burnham's death in 1912, when the firm of Graham and Burnham was founded. The main partners of the firm were Ernest Graham, Pierce Anderson, Edward Probst, Howard White, Daniel Burnham, Jr. and Herbert

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see continuation sheet

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

3/4 of an acre

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approximately .6 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Louisville West Quadrangle

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 16 608665 4233580
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION City of Louisville Block 29B lot 49. The site extends from a point at the corner of Fourth and Broadway east 156 feet along Broadway; thence south 212 feet; thence west 161 feet to Fourth; thence 212 feet to the beginning point.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marty Poynter Hedgepeth

March 6, 1979.

ORGANIZATION

Louisville Landmarks Commission

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

727 West Main Street

TELEPHONE

(502) 587-3501

CITY OR TOWN

Louisville,

STATE

Kentucky 40202

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

Cedric W. Hunter

TITLE

DATE 5-19-79

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

Bill Klovich
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE July 16, 1979

ATTEST: *Jann H. Gilmore*
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE 7/12/79

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richly carved ornamentation and a protruding string course. The entire building is topped by a stone parapet which is decorated with cartouche motifs. Small stone pinnacles, which extend above the parapet and rest on pilasters and correspond to the lower bay division, complete the structure.

The main portion of the Heyburn Building is an L-shaped structure fronting on Broadway and Fourth Streets. A rear utility wing extends from the east side of the structure. The L-shaped construction allows window openings to offices in both the front and rear of the building.

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Burnham. The firm of Graham, Anderson, Probst and White came into existence on August 1, 1917. The firm's work combined principles of the Chicago School with eclectic decorative motifs. Skyscrapers made up a large portion of their commission. Some of the firms outstanding works include the Wrigley Building (1921); the State Bank of Chicago; the Field Museum of Natural History (1921); the Merchandise Mart; Marshall Field's main store and the Shedd Aquarium. (1930). Two other Louisville buildings were designed by the firm. They are the Belknap Hardware Building (1923) and the Starks Building addition in 1926. (The original section of the Starks Building was designed in 1912 by D. H. Burnham and Company).

The Heyburn Building is one of Louisville's finest structures of the twentieth century and is one of the last major buildings constructed in the city before the Depression. It is also a representative work of Chicago's leading architectural firm of the 1920s, Graham, Anderson, Probst and White.

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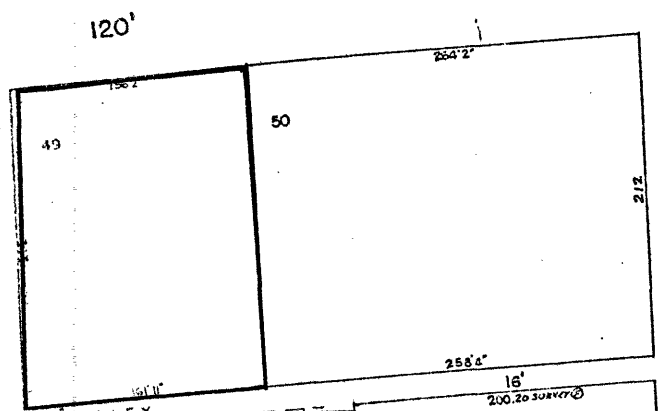
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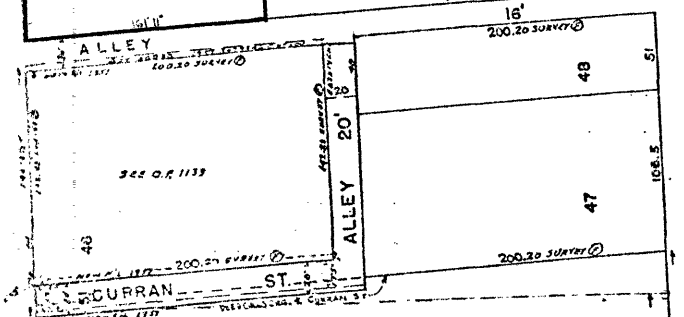
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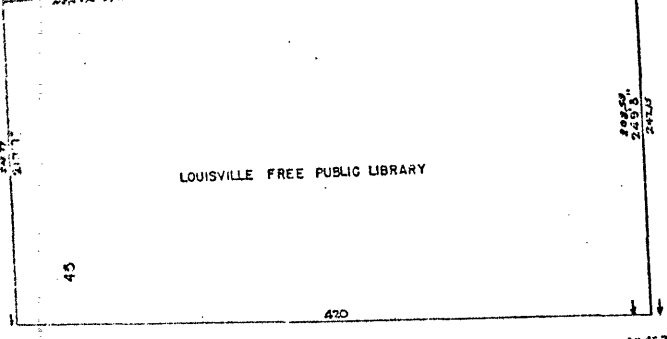
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4th



3RD.



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map, 1972

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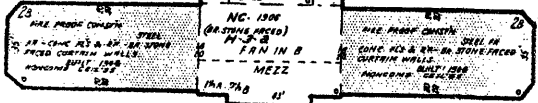
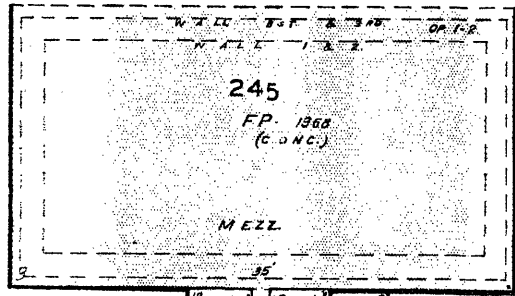
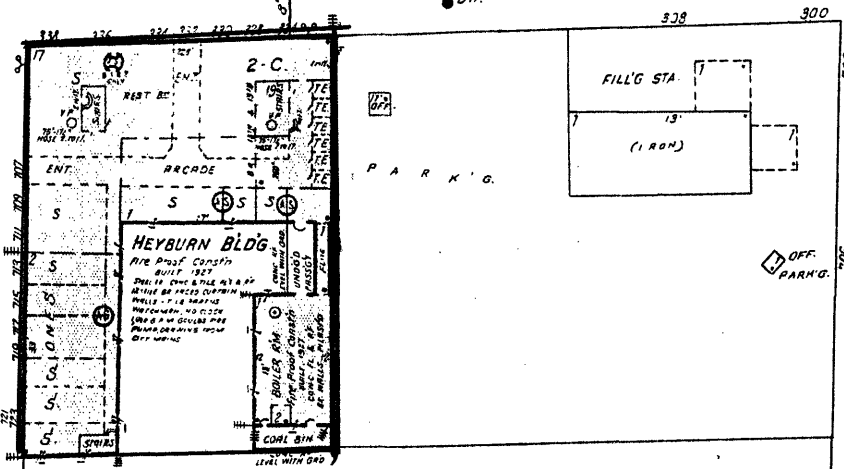
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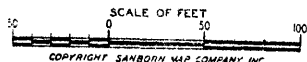
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