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6th Congressional District

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: BIBB	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 71.5.13.0008	DATE 5/27/71

1. NAME

COMMON:
Leroy Napier Home

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Leroy Napier Home

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
2215 Napier Avenue

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"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input 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:
Isaac J. Cravey

STREET AND NUMBER:
2787 Vineville Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: **Macon** STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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

STREET AND NUMBER:
Macon

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 and Russell Wright**

DATE OF SURVEY: **1970** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Middle Georgia Historical Society

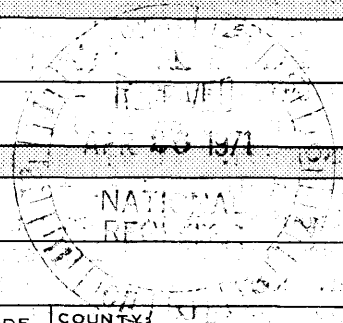
STREET AND NUMBER:
Macon Coliseum

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 type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Original Site <input type="checkbox"/>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Built in 1842 by Colonel Leroy Napier, Sr., this house is believed to have been designed by Elias Carter, and is almost identical to the house built by Colonel Napier's brother, Skelton, located on Rogers Avenue (now owned by Ralph Small) which too, is attributed to Mr. Carter.

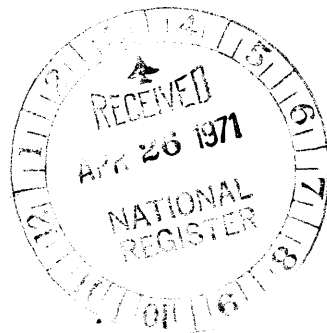
Originally built on a 125-acre site with terraced gardens and a deer park, this house contained 26 rooms and had 19 marble steps leading to the entrance porch. It was moved to its present restricted location, adjacent to its original site, to make room for Lanier Senior High School which was constructed on the original site.

The most dominating architectural feature of this house is the front elevation, composed of a first floor (entrance) and second floor porch, extending the full width of the house. There are six columns, four Greek Doric (fluted) intermediate columns and two square columns (not fluted) at the corners. These columns extend the full two-story height and support a cornice which is not fully developed in that there are no mutules, no triglyphs, and the guttae is continuous and not located just over the columns.

The frieze contains inverted laurel wreaths (at porch only). The window and door details are simple, but well defined. The 19 marble steps, as a result of relocation, have given way to fewer and less impressive concrete steps. Other than this, the exterior has undergone little change.

The interior has been altered to the extent necessary for it to contain several apartments, which are now rented.

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B. 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) 1842

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/>	Education <input type="checkbox"/>	Political <input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>	Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Phi- losophy <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Historic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industry <input type="checkbox"/>	Science <input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Architecture</u>
Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>	Invention <input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human- itarian <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Theater <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>	Literature <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>		_____
	Music <input type="checkbox"/>		_____

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

This large, columned house is similar in architecture to the Napier-Small house on Rogers Avenue in Macon. The Napier brothers, Skelton and Leroy, built these almost identical houses thought to be designed by Elias Carter.

The one located on Napier Avenue was built in 1842 on a 125-acre estate extending back to Pio Nono Avenue and containing a deer park. The house was moved to its present location about fifty years ago to make way for Lanier High School.

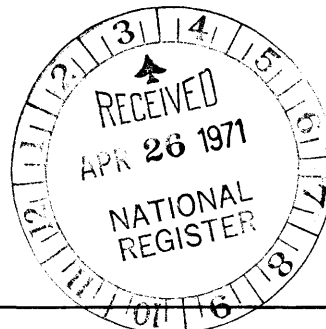
Colonel Leroy Napier, Sr. made the largest individual investment in the Confederate Loan Fund, subscribing \$58,000 in Confederate bonds in 1861. Six of his seven sons were in the Confederate Army, and a son-in-law, Dr. S. E. Chaille, was surgeon in charge of the Academy Hospital.

Colonel Napier's son, F. Leroy Napier, a former member of the U. S. Cavalry and a graduate of West Point, was elected captain of the Bibb County Cavalry in March, 1861. He served as captain of the Napier Artillery, organized in 1861, which was one of the finest equipped batteries of light artillery in the Confederate service. Napier was later Adjutant of the 10th Georgia Infantry.

The house was occupied by the family until shortly before it was moved from its original site. It is now owned by Isaac Cravey who purchased it in a state of disrepair and has restored it to a satisfactory condition.

An outstanding Elias Carter house of solid Greek Revival architecture.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Jones, Mary Callaway. Macon's Heritage in Architecture. Macon, Georgia, 1939, revised 1957.
 Jones, Mary Callaway. Some Historical Spots. Macon, Georgia, 1937.
 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			OR	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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NE	° ' "	° ' "		80°	39'	25"
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: **Feb. , 1971**

STREET AND NUMBER:
c/o Macon Coliseum

CITY OR TOWN: **Macon** STATE: **Georgia** CODE: **13**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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 Mary Gregory Jewett
 Title State Liaison Officer
 Date April 19, 1971

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

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

MAY 27 1971

Date _____

ATTEST:

William M. ...
 Keeper of The National Register

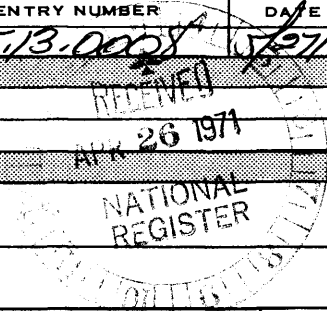
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

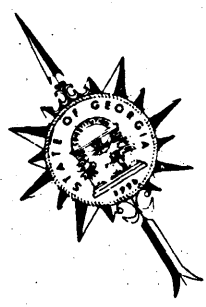
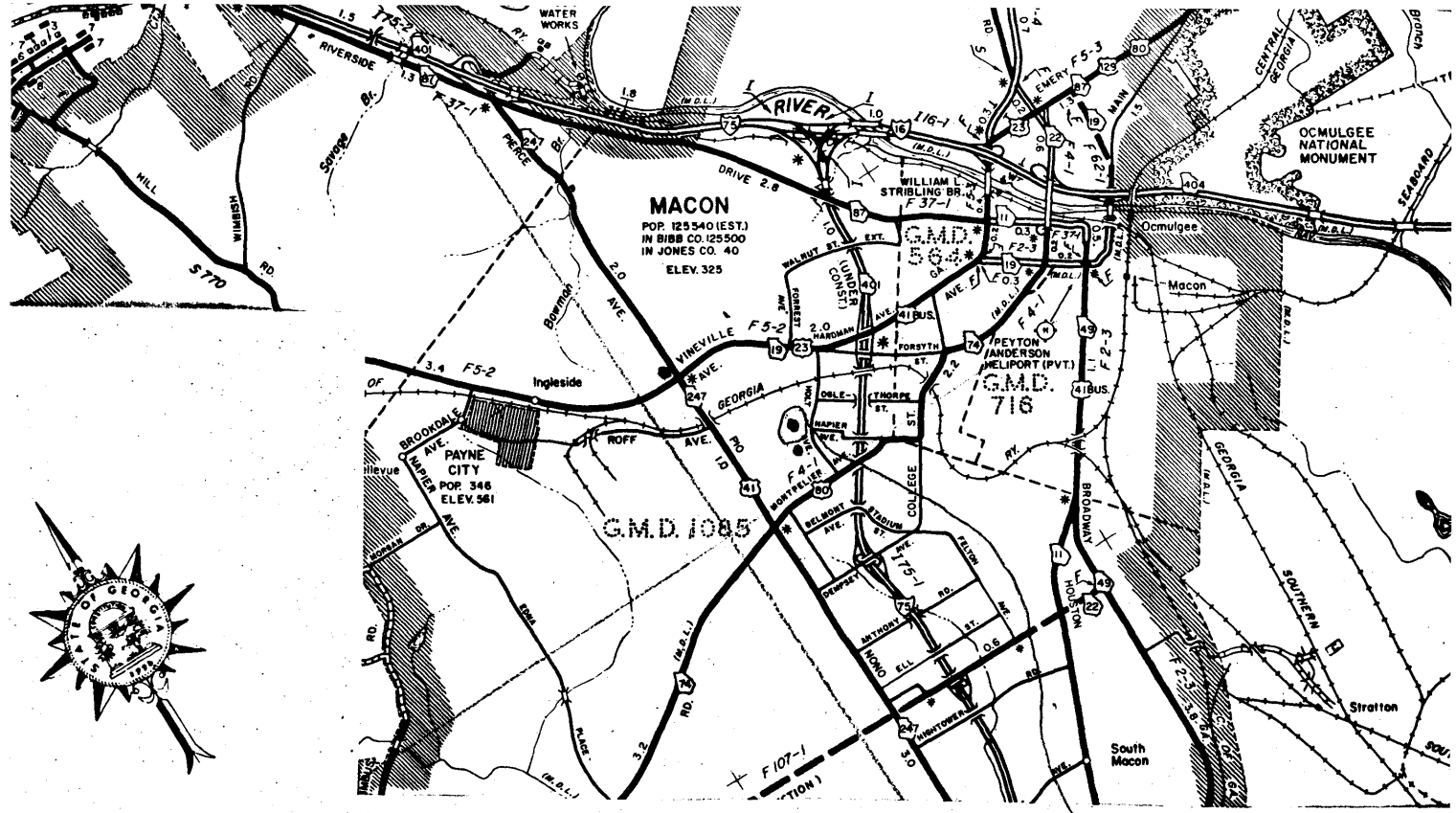
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CITY OR TOWN: Macon			
STATE: Georgia	CODE 13	COUNTY: Bibb	CODE 021
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: General Highway Map of Bibb County, Georgia State Highway Department of Georgia			
SCALE: 1" = 1 mile			
DATE: 1965			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

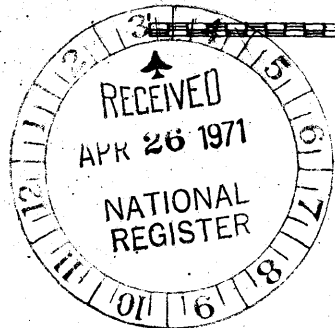


GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP BIBB COUNTY GEORGIA

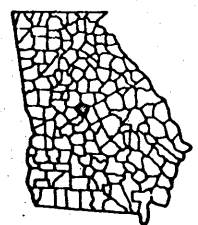
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STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA
DIVISION OF HIGHWAY PLANNING
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BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

NAPIER
LONG-80-39-25
LAT-32° 50'-30"

SCALE IN MILES



1965



REVISIONS:

FEATURE	DATE
COMPLETE REINVENTORY	JUNE, 1965
FEDERAL-AID PRIMARY & SECONDARY ROUTES CORRECTED TO	MAR. 4, 1965
SR 48 REDESIGNATED AS SR 19 SPUR	MAY 29, 1965
SR 22 RELOCATED	OCT. 19, 1965
SR 361 ADDED	OCT. 19, 1965
US 80, US 129 RELOCATED	NOV. 27, 1965
SR 22 RELOCATED, SR 22 CONN. DESIGNATED, SR 74 EXTENDED	DEC. 19, 1965
CONSTRUCTION STATUS OF INTER-STATE ROUTES	MAR. 17, 1966
SR 19 RELOCATED	MAR. 21, 1966

TRANSVERSE MERCATOR CONFORMAL PROJECTION

12,500-FOOT GRID COMPUTED FROM
"TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION TABLES FOR GEORGIA"

OCMULGEE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT embraces this county.

GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP

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