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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Federal Building
other names/site number Federal Building and Post Office (BL-83)

2. Location

street & number 201 East Broadway N/A not for publication
city, town Maryville N/A vicinity
state Tennessee code TN county Blount code 009 zip code 37801

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u> </u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u> </u> objects
			<u> </u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Hist. & Arch. Resources of Blount Co.
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

[Signature] 7/31/89
Signature of certifying official Date

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

[Signature] 6/8/89
Signature of commenting or other official Date

Deputy SHPO, Tennessee Historical Commission
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:)

[Signature] 8/31/89
Entered in the National Register Date of Action

[Signature]
Signature of the Keeper

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

GOVERNMENT/Post Office

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

GOVERNMENT/Post Office**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concretewalls Brickroof OTHER/Compositionother Stone

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Federal Building is a Colonial Revival influenced two-story brick, five bay, rectangular plan building with a rear one-story wing built in 1916. The building has a brick foundation, flat roof of rolled roofing and is of Flemish bond construction. On the central bay of the main (S) facade is the main entrance with c. 1970 metal and glass double doors and a single light transom. The door surround is of stone panels with Doric pilasters and a stone cornice. Flanking the entrance bay are twelve-light casement windows with six-light sidelights on the first story and multi-light arched casement windows on the second story. Over the entrance is a similar arched window on the second story. The arched windows have brick relief arching and scrolled stone keystones.

Dividing the three central bays are Doric brick pilasters with stone capitals. Above the second story windows is a stone plain frieze and at the roofline is a stone cornice with dentils. Dividing the first floor and basement level is a stone belt course and soldier brick coursing. The basement level has two light casement windows with metal bars across the openings. Between the two windows flanking the entrance bay are stone rectangular panels. Other windows are 12/12 rectangular sash with stone sills and soldier course lintels. At the rear is a one story wing added c. 1960 with a loading bay area and matches the original section in construction and detailing. The interior retains the original tile lobby plus postal boxes. It is not known if the interior ever retained decorative detailing but the interior presently displays little embellishment. Other areas of the building were not accessible. The building is sited on an urban lot in the downtown area of Maryville.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G N/A

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture
Government

Period of Significance

1916 -ca. 1939

Significant Dates

1916

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Wetmore, James A. - Architect

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Federal Building is significant under criterion A and C for its architectural design and as the only major federal government facility built in the county in the early 20th century. The building was constructed in 1916 to serve as the post office for Maryville and also contained other federal offices. The building was designed with Colonial Revival detailing and has horizontal proportions and prominent Doric pilasters, arched windows and roof balustrade on the main facade.

Prior to 1916, the Maryville post office had leased space in several different buildings. In 1911, the U.S. Government chose Maryville to receive a separate postal facility and purchased the house and lot owned by George Toole on Main Street. Construction began in 1915 with James A. Wetmore the supervising government architect. When the building was completed in 1916 it was a large two-story brick facility with postal offices on the first floor and other federal offices on the second floor. It was designed with Colonial Revival detailing and was similar to other post office designs of the period. The building was constructed under the auspices of the Public Buildings Act of 1913 which authorized public buildings and standardized designs.

Since its construction in 1916, the building has served as Maryville's main postal facility and has been the center for federal government operations. It is the only major federal government facility built in the city in the early 20th century and alterations have been limited to rear additions.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Blount County Deed Records. 1800 - 1989. Blount County Courthouse, Maryville, Tennessee.

Blount County Historic Trust. Back Home in Blount County: An Illustrated History of Its Communities. Salem, West Virginia: Walsworth Press, 1986.

Burns, Inez E. History of Blount County, Tennessee: From War Trail to Landing Strip. Tennessee Historical Commission, Mary Blount Chapter DAR, 1957.

Maryville-Alcoa Daily Times. 1960-1989, Maryville, Tennessee.

See continuation sheet

- Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A
- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
 - previously listed in the National Register
 - previously determined eligible by the National Register
 - designated a National Historic Landmark
 - recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
 - recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acres of property Less than 1 acre.

UTM References

A

1	7	2	3	1	3	8	0	3	9	6	0	8	4	5
Zone		Easting				Northing								

B

Zone		Easting				Northing								

C

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D

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Maryville Quad

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary for the Federal Building is illustrated on accompanying Blount County tax map 57-D, lot 15, which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 100'.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary for the Federal Building includes the entire city lot which has been historically associated with the property.

See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

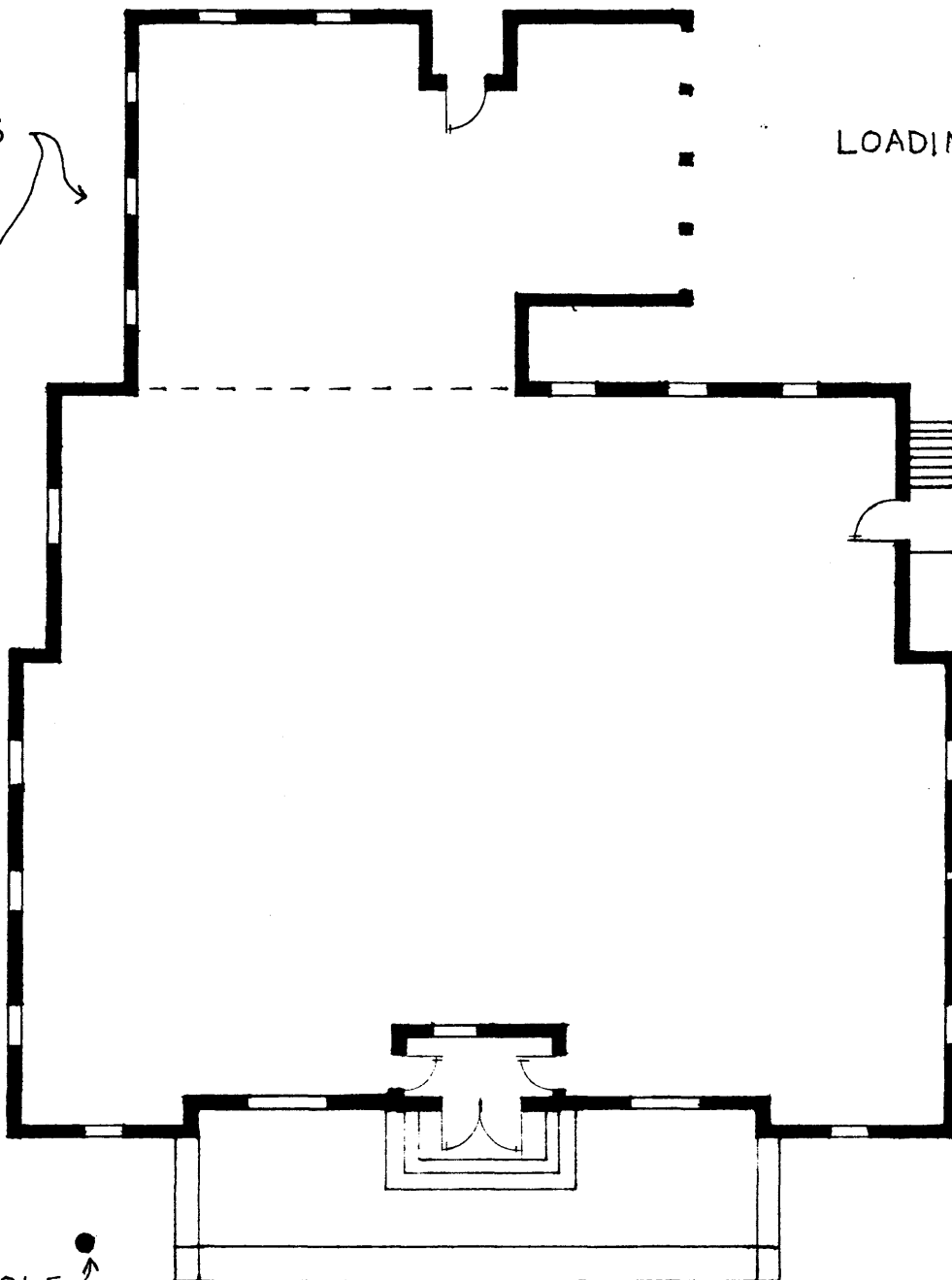
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ADDITIONS



LOADING DOCK



FLAGPOLE



BROADWAY

Federal Building
(BL-83)
Blount County
1" = 100'

