

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

~~h.s.~~ ~~Main Post Office~~ - ~~Albertville, AL~~

AND/OR COMMON

Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

107 W. Main Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Albertville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

Four (4)

STATE

Alabama

CODE

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COUNTY

Marshall

CODE

095

2 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED
- NR

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

U. S. Postal Service - Headquarters

STREET & NUMBER

475 L'Enfant Plaza, S. W.

CITY, TOWN

Washington

STATE

DC 20260

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Marshall County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

200 W. Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Guntersville

STATE

Alabama

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Historical Report - Albertville, AL - Main Post Office

DATE

4/30/81

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Field Real Estate and Buildings Office

CITY, TOWN

Atlanta

STATE

Georgia 30341

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 main post office, located at 107 West Main Street in Albertville, Alabama, is in the central business district (CBD). No historically significant buildings were observed in the vicinity.

The building was constructed in 1931 under the WPA building program. It is typical of many post office buildings constructed during this period in that it is a two story with full basement brick structure with a mansard type roof. The building has remained relatively unaltered since its construction.

The exterior of the building is constructed with common brick which are laid with four stretcher bonds and on the fifth row every other brick is a header bond. This is very unusual method of laying brick. It is probably classified best as a deviation of the American bond. The roof is slight deviation of the bell-cast mansard. The mansard sides have a greenish tint slate and the upper part is built-up tar and gravel over felt. There are hooded dormer windows on both sides.

Windows are double hung wood sash with 12/12 lights with shaped stone lintels over each window on the first floor. They have a lugsill made of stone on the bottom.

Around the roof line on the front and both sides there is a parapet with balustrade. The eaves are boxed cornice style with decorated frieze constructed with concrete. Copper flashing is around the edges of the built-up section, the vents and chimney.

The front entrance has a single story portico with composite columns. The entrance is a three part decorated entablature with Doric style engaged columns. The entrance is more attractive than most post offices constructed during this period.

The water table is a straight course of cut stone. The corners of the building have quoins made of brick.

Interior construction features of the first floor consist of plaster walls and ceilings throughout. The customer and box lobby have white marble wainscoting and cap with green marble base. The floors are red quarry tile. Lighting is with fluorescent fixtures encased with plastic covers. The stairway has white marble risers and steps. There is no artwork in the lobby.

The workroom is typical of most workrooms. It has asphalt tile floors, plaster walls and ceilings and stem mounted fluorescent lighting. Heating is provided with gas fired hot water and cooling is with a central unit.

The basement is unfinished concrete which is used for storage only. The paint is peeling in many places due to moisture.

The second floor is mostly unfinished. The Postal Inspector's office, swing room and hallway have plaster walls and ceilings and vinyl tile floors.

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7. DESCRIPTION (cont'd.)

The building has been well maintained through the years. It has a section of roof that is leaking and peeling paint on the inside and outside trim. A contract will be let within a few weeks to correct these problems.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1931

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This building has a more attractive portico than the majority of the WPA post offices. It was constructed with excellent materials and workmanship. Since a large portion of the older buildings in Albertville have been removed and replaced with modern structures as part of their urban renewal program the post office is one of the few remaining structures that has remained relatively in its same state since construction in 1931. This structure is slightly more attractive than most post offices constructed under the WPA program.

The boundaries of this nomination include only that land occupied by the building.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Information obtained from files at Post Office

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .714 of an acre

Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nominated property is outlined in yellow on the attached map.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Hugh B. Hicks, Realty Management and Acquisition Specialist

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Field Real Estate And Buildings Office

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

2245 Perimeter Park Dr. - Suite 17

404/221-5243

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Atlanta, Georgia 30341

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

[Signature]
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

[Signature]

TITLE Director, Office of Real Estate

DATE 3/11/83

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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

[Signature]

**Entered in the
National Register**

DATE 6/20/83

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



U.S. POST OFFICE

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