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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 Hotel Earlington
other names/site number Hotel Earlington (HK-138)

2. Location

street & number 118 E. Main St. not for publication
city, town Earlington vicinity
state Kentucky code KY county Hopkins code 107 zip code 42410

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Hopkins County Multiple Properties Listing
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.

David L. Morgan
Signature of certifying official David L. Morgan Date 10-26-88
State Historic Preservation Officer, Commonwealth of Kentucky
State or Federal agency and bureau

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

NA
Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____
NA
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register. Patrick Andrus 12/13/88
 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 of the Keeper _____ Date of Action _____

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling
DOMESTIC/hotel

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

LATE VICTORIAN/Italianate

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick
walls Brick

roof Stone/slate
other Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Hotel Earlington is a two-story brick Italianate building constructed ca. 1880 in an asymmetrical plan. The house is located on an urban lot in the community of Earlington. The main facade is oriented towards E. Main Street and a cast iron fence is located at the sidewalk level.

On the main (west) facade is a one-story porch added ca. 1940 with tapered box posts and a wrought iron railing. The original second story porch has been enclosed with metal siding and one-over-one sash windows. The main entrance has original double doors of frame and glass and original screen doors. Above the doors is a segmental arched two-light transom. Windows are both rectangular and segmental arched one-over-one sash with the arched windows displaying brick relief arching and inscribed stone keystones.

The house has a gable roof of original slate shingles, a brick foundation, interior end brick chimneys and decorative eave brackets. On the north facade are two two-story flat-roofed polygonal projecting bays featuring small stained glass windows in the central facade. At the rear of the house is an original two-story frame porch which was enclosed ca. 1930 and now displays metal siding. There is also a small brick wing which contains the basement door.

The interior of the building retains original Italianate design mantles, four panel doors and the original staircase with an elaborate milled newel post and balusters. In front of the house is an original cast iron dart fence which is a contributing structure. In the rear is a ca. 1920 frame shed which is contributing to the site.

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 NA

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Commerce

Period of Significance

ca. 1890-ca. 1935

Significant Dates

ca. 1890

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

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

The Hotel Earlington is significant for its association as a hotel during the growth and development of the coal town of Earlington in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The building is the only relatively unaltered hotel of the late 19th century in Hopkins County. Although the porch has been altered the building retains its original form and design as well as interior detailing.

The building was originally constructed as a residence for Thomas McEuen who was a stockholder of the St. Bernard Mining Company. As Earlington developed in the 1870s and early 1880s, McEuen had this two-story Italianate design residence built on Main Street. The building was completed around 1880 and it remained McEuen's residence until his death in 1885. By the early 1890s the building was used both as residence by McEuen's widow and as a hotel to serve visitors to the city.

Known as the Hotel Earlington, the building was mentioned in accounts of the period and is listed on the 1898 map of the city. The hotel was the largest in th community and it remained the most popular hotel during the early 20th century. In 1914 Mrs. McEuen died and hotel was purchased by the St. Bernard Mining Company who ran it until 1924. The Hotel Earlington continued to operate through the 1930s but by then the decline of the railroad traffic through the community resulted in fewer visitors and guests. In 1945, the hotel was renamed the Guest House and operated as a boarding house for several decades.

The Hotel Earlington is one of the few remaining structures associated with the early commerce of the town and it is the only relatively unaltered 19th century hotel standing in the county. Porch changes on the main facade render it ineligible under criterion C.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Previous documentation on file (NPS): NA

- 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 # _____

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

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

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property Less than 1 acre

UTM References

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Zone				Easting				Northing						

B

Zone				Easting				Northing						

C

Zone				Easting				Northing						

D

Zone				Easting				Northing						

Madisonville West Quad

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description _____

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification _____

See continuation sheet

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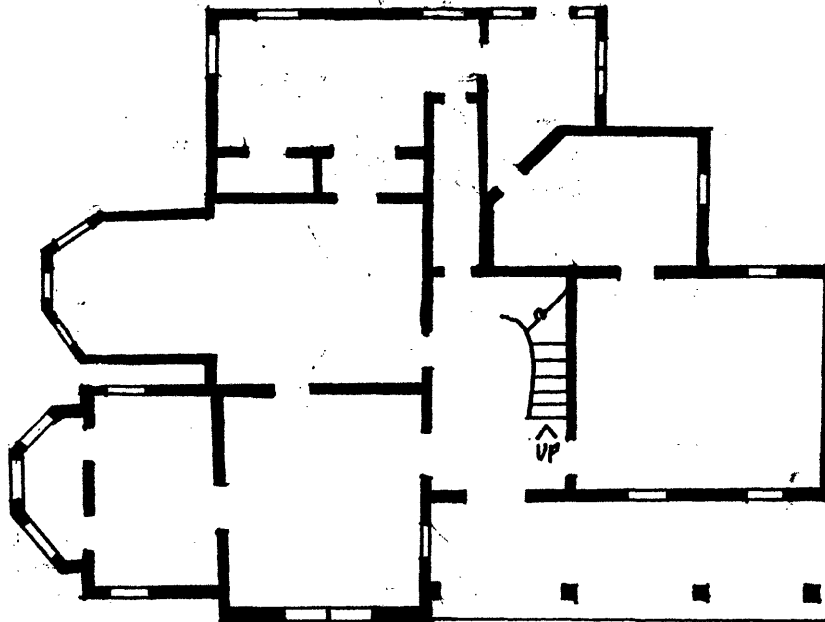
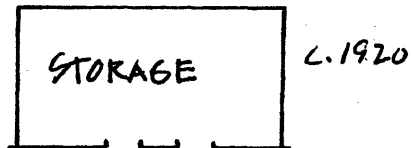
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Hopkins County Multiple Properties Listing

Verbal Boundary Description: The boundary for the Hotel Earlington is all of block 20, lot 6 illustrated on accompanying Hopkins County tax map 26 which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 200' and the accompanying sketch map.

Verbal Boundary Justification: The boundary includes the entire city lot that has historically been associated with the property.

HK-188 - HOTEL EARLINGTON



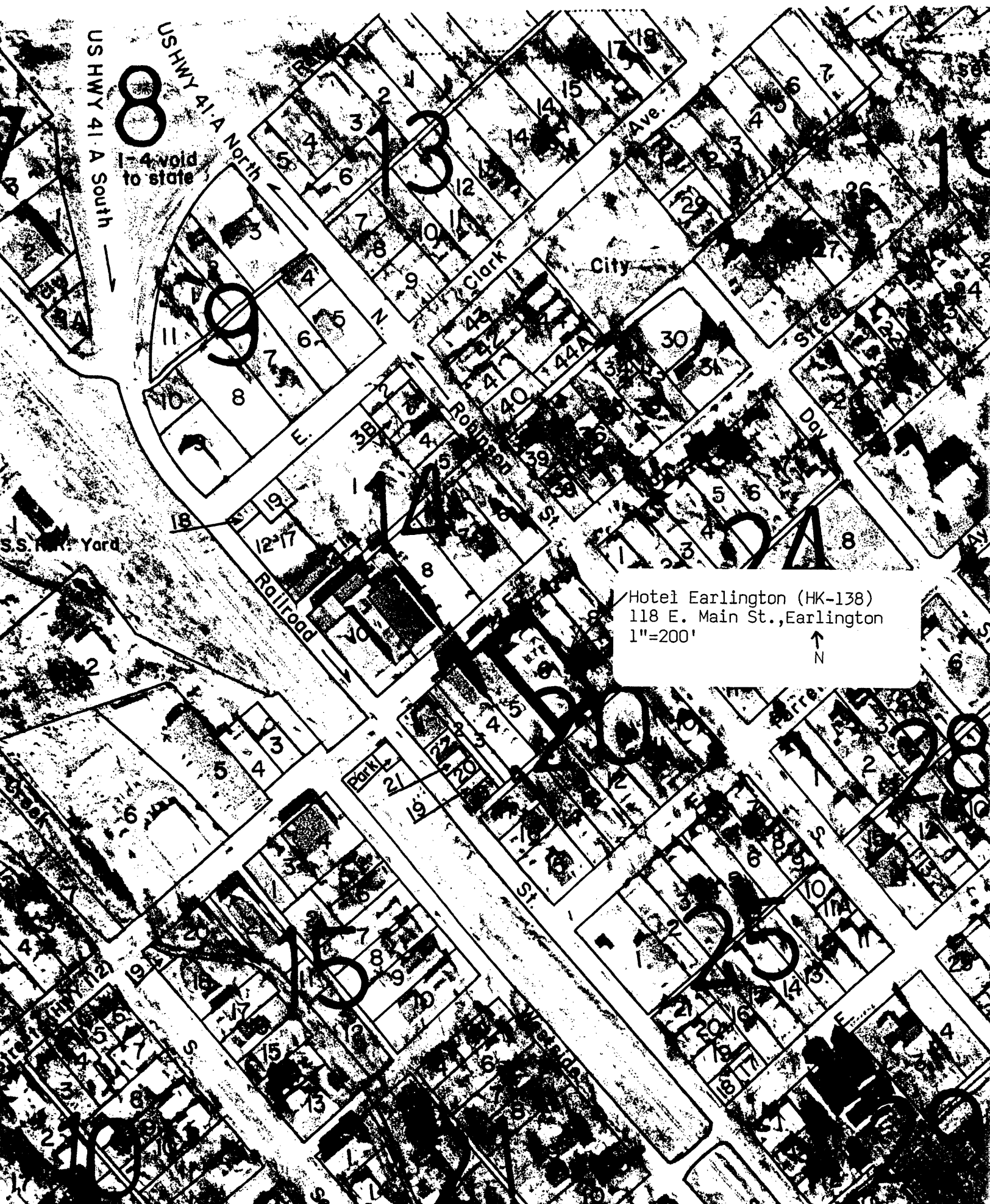
NOT TO SCALE

US HWY 41 A South

US HWY 41 A North



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Hotel Earlington (HK-138)
118 E. Main St., Earlington
1"=200'



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Photo Key

1. Hotel Earlington (HK-138)
Location: 118 East Main St., Earlington
Photos: Thomason and Associates
Neg: KY Heritage Council
Date: February 1988
View: Southeast, of Main (northwest) facade.
Photo #: 1 of 4

2. Hotel Earlington (HK-138)
View: South, of northeast and northwest facades.
Photo #: 2 of 4

3. Hotel Earlington (HK-138)
View: West, of southeast and northeast facades.
Photo #: 3 of 4

4. Hotel Earlington (HK-138)
View: North, of southeast and southwest facades.
Photo #- 4 of 4

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 88002725

Date Listed: 12/13/88

Hotel Earlington
Property Name

Hopkins
County

KY
State

Hopkins County MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Patrick Andrews
for Signature of the Keeper

12/13/88
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

The nomination form lists two contributing buildings and one contributing site. According to National Register definitions, the resource count should be one contributing building (hotel), and two contributing structures (fence and frame shed). Marty Perry with the KY SHPO agrees and the form is officially amended to reflect this resource count.

DISTRIBUTION:

National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)