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#6 of 35 ROLL NO. -- FRAME NO. ---NEGATIVES FILED: Georgia Department of Natural Resources

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For sketch plan, SEE Inventory Form #11,
Cornelius Church Residence.

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HISTORICAL NARRATIVE:

began selling Fords and was renamed Church Motor Company. Parts were shipped from Atlanta and the cars assembled on the site until 1927. In 1924 and again in 1930 the garage was enlarged. During the mid 1930's, Chevrolets were sold. The station continued to serve as gas station and garage until 1970 and today is vacant.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

business in Clarkesville. Gasoline and oil, replacement parts, repair service, and automobiles themselves were all made available through this building. The service station was the first of its kind in Clarkesville, and it was owned and operated by Cornelius Church, a local businessman, developer, and builder, whose house and store are nearby. In terms of transportation, the building is significant for reflecting the introduction of the automobile into this part of the state. Widespread use of the automobile was encouraged by the establishment of this full-service gas station. Shortly after this gas station opened, the local trolley (which ran down the street in front of this property) was discontinued.