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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties, and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name North Washington Street Historic District

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 603, 605, 607, 609, & 611 N. Washington Street N/A not for publication

city or town Tullahoma N/A vicinity

state Tennessee code TN county Coffee code 031 zip code 34388

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, 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. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Herbert L. Hays 6/30/93
Signature of certifying official/Title Date
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Tennessee Historical Commission
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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 of the Keeper Patrick Andrews Date of Action 8/18/93

North Washington Street Historic District
Name of Property

Coffee Co., TN
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
7		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
7	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Historic & Architectural Resources of
Tullahoma, Coffee Co., TN

**Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register**

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling
DOMESTIC: secondary structure

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling
DOMESTIC: secondary structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: worker cottage

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE
walls weatherboard, vinyl siding
roof METAL
other WOOD

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- Criteria A, B, C, D with checkboxes and descriptions.

Criteria Considerations N/A

Property is:

- Criteria A through G with checkboxes and descriptions.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

INDUSTRY

Period of Significance

ca. 1910 - ca. 1920

Significant Dates

ca. 1910

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- Documentation checkboxes: preliminary determination, previously listed, designated landmark, recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey, recorded by Historic American Engineering Record.

Primary location of additional data:

- Location checkboxes: State Historic Preservation Office, Other State agency, Federal agency, Local government, University, Other.

Name of repository:

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

The North Washington Street Historic District is composed of a row of Worker Cottages located in the west central part of the town of Tullahoma. The district is situated along North Washington Street and includes about one-half of a block. The district is small but striking in its unity. These Worker Cottages are evenly spaced and uniform in their setback from the street. The surrounding neighborhood is residential built at various times from the 1920s up into the 1950s and is composed of houses of no particular architectural styles and is not an architecturally cohesive neighborhood. None of the surrounding houses resemble the uniform construction, technique and materials used in the five Worker Cottages.

All of the houses in the district are of frame construction, although only one, 603 North Washington Street, retains its original weatherboard siding. The other houses are covered with vinyl siding installed about fifteen or twenty years ago. Although the majority of houses are covered in synthetic siding, all retain integrity of form. All are one and one-half stories in height, all follow the common cross-gable plan, topped by side gable roof with the gable to the rear (west) side. The simple residences are arranged around a central chimney, with 609 and 611 having interior chimneys in the rear extension. All have front porches facing North Washington Street. The only deviation from the shed, full-length porch is 603 North Washington Street, with its front gable porch, changed from a shed porch by the owner about 1940.

Only slight differences distinguish the five houses from each other. As noted, 603 North Washington Street has a gabled front porch and is slightly higher in elevation than the other houses and is the only house that has not been covered with vinyl siding. The house at 605 North Washington appears to be only one story from the Washington Street facade, but its rear gable extension includes a window in the upper gable. The house at 607 North Washington has a side entry (south side) in its facade, a shed dormer at the front and rear, and once featured paired interior chimney no longer extant. Its full shed porch is supported by tapered wooden posts on brick piers. Its neighbor, 609 North Washington, follows a common saddle-bag arrangement with two front doors and no windows. It also has a full length front porch supported by lathe-turned posts with decorative brackets. The last of the houses, 611 North Washington, has its paired interior chimneys intact and a third in the rear gable extension. Delicate turned post shed posts across the facade are identical to the porch at 609 North Washington. Each house has a rear gable extension original to the house.

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Seven historic resources are located on the five properties in the district, five are contributing houses all built around 1910 and two circa 1920 dependencies.

INVENTORY

1. 603 North Washington Street. ca. 1910. Worker Cottage. One and one-half story, weatherboard, frame, corss-gable plan, three bay facade, concrete block foundation full length gable front porch supported by three wooden square posts, one interior brick chimney, small shed porch to north side. (C)

Outbuilding: ca. 1920, frame shed and garage. (C)

2. 605 North Washington Street. ca. 1910. Worker Cottage. One story with one and one-half story rear gable extension, vinyl siding, cross-gable plan, concrete block foundation, four bay facade, shed porch supported by four wooden turned posts, pressed metal roof, one interior brick chimney. (C)

3. 607 North Washington Street. ca. 1910. Worker Cottage. One and one-half story frame with vinyl siding, pressed metal side gable roof with interior chimneys removed, cross-gable plan, center shed dormer both front and rear of front gable, dormer with two light window, two bays, Bungalow influenced full length front porch supported by wooden tapered piers on brick posts, concrete foundation, wooden louvered shutters. (C)

Outbuilding: ca. 1920, one story weatherboard frame end gable tine roof. (C)

4. 609 North Washington Street. ca. 1910. Worker Cottage. One and one-half story frame covered with vinyl siding, pressed metal roof, cross-gable plan, one interior brick chimney in front gable and one in rear gable extension, full front shed porch with pressed mental roof supported by five wooden turned spindle posts, concrete block foundations, two bay facade. (C)

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5. 611 North Washington Street. ca. 1910. Worker Cottage. One and one-half story frame with vinyl siding pressed metal roof, cross-gable plan, porch roof supported by six wooden spindle posts with decorative scroll work, concrete block foundation, two interior brick chimneys in the front gable and one in the rear gable extension, three bay facade, lattice at south end of porch. (C)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The North Washington Street Historic District is nominated under National Register criteria A and C for its significance to Tullahoma, Coffee County, Tennessee in industrial development and architecture . The district is a strikingly cohesive collection of early twentieth century Worker Cottages set in a larger residential neighborhood and the five small houses are Tullahoma's best example of intact small scale vernacular housing. The district meets the criteria as set forth in the cover form "Historic and Architectural Resources of Tullahoma, Tennessee" for Residential Buildings constructed in the early twentieth century.

The houses, all built around 1910, are representative of the housing provided for workers employed in the town's early industries. These five houses were built by an investor as rental housing for the "blue collar" worker. In an interview, an older member of the community, Mrs. Rynarson, remembered the houses being built, living in one and renting it from the builder. Around this group of Worker Cottages, the residential neighborhood expanded on all sides.

These five houses are architecturally significant as Tullahoma's only remaining small collection Worker Cottages. Tullahoma has similar type houses, but only in this Washington Street location are they found in such concentration retaining their integrity. The majority of individual examples of Worker Cottages in Tullahoma no longer retain integrity of design or materials. This group of five and their dependencies is important in understanding the architectural development of residential housing, especially rental property for the working class of Tullahoma. Indirectly, this small group of Worker Cottages also is important in gaining a broad understanding of the development of the community, as these are the best preserved examples of such vernacular housing built specifically to accommodate those individuals who worked the industries, the mills and other commercial enterprises.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The North Washington Street Historic District includes the properties shown on the accompanying Coffee County Tax Map #124J, Parcels 3-6 of Block C.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundaries of the North Washington Street Historic District include all land historically and presently associated with the district's resources. Neighboring properties are of no particular architectural style or period.

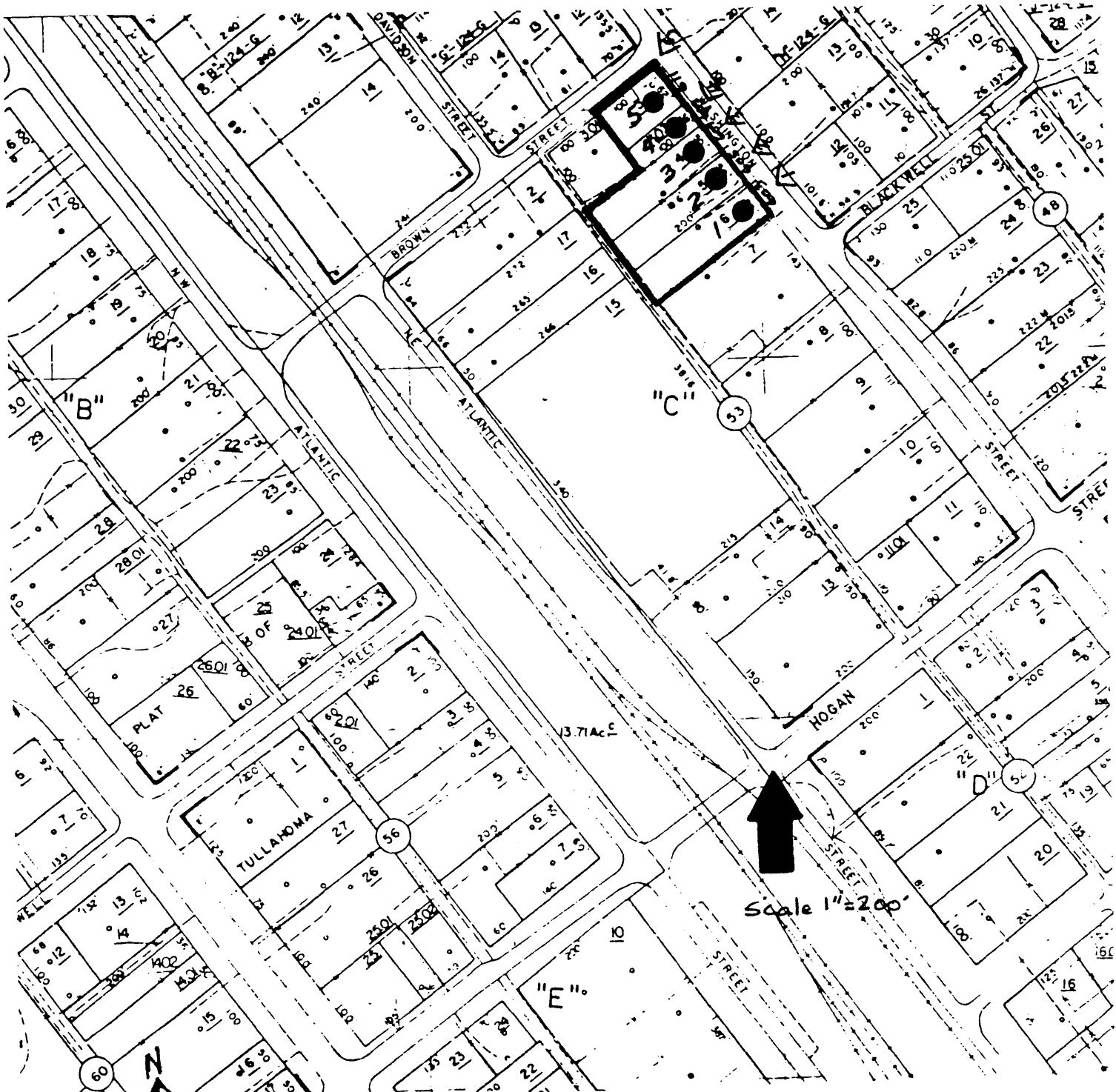
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North Washington Street Historic District
603-611 North Washington Street
Tullahoma, Coffee County, Tennessee
Photos by: Lynn Hulan
Date: September 1988
Negs: Tennessee Historical Commission
Nashville, Tennessee

Facing west, northeast facade of 603 North Washington Street
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Facing northwest, streetscape
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Facing west, northeast facade of 607 North Washington Street
#3 of 5

Facing southwest, streetscape
#4 of 5

Facing southwest, northeast facade of 609 & 611 North Washington Street
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