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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Connecticut	
COUNTY: New London	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 70.12.09.0045	DATE 12/29/70

1. NAME

COMMON: **Dr. Daniel Lathrop School**

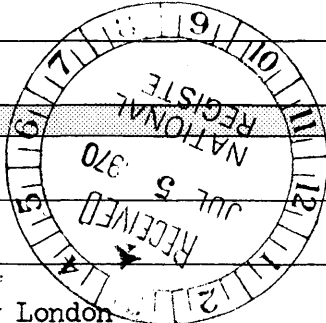
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
69 East Town Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Norwichtown

STATE: **Connecticut** CODE: **06360** COUNTY: **New London** CODE: **011**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural
 Commercial
 Educational
 Entertainment
 Government
 Industrial
 Military
 Museum
 Park
 Private Residence
 Religious
 Scientific
 Transportation
 Other (Specify)
Used for Municipal Elections

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
City of Norwich

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Norwich** STATE: **Connecticut** CODE: **06**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Norwich Town Hall

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Norwich** STATE: **Connecticut** CODE: **06**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Connecticut Historic Structures and Landmarks Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: **1968** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Connecticut Historical Commission

STREET AND NUMBER:
75 Elm Street

CITY OR TOWN: **Hartford** STATE: **Connecticut** CODE: **06**

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Deteriorated
 Ruins
 Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered
 Unaltered

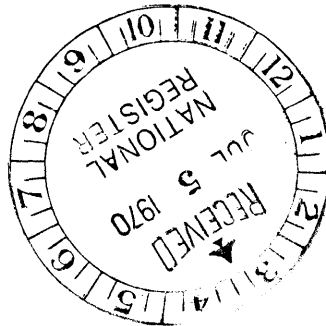
(Check One)

Moved
 Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The school faces southeast and stands on the northwest side of the village green next to the Joseph Carpenter Silver-smith Shop. It is a single room brick structure with a gambrel roof of wooden shingles. It is topped by a wooden belfry. The building is one and a half stories high and its dimensions are nearly identical to those of the shop next door.

The paneled door to the front of the school is located on the east end of the front of the school. Opposite it and on the rear of the building (northwest side) is a plank door. All the windows have twelve over twelve sash. The building rests on a stone foundation and there are stone steps at front and in the rear.



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3. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1782**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

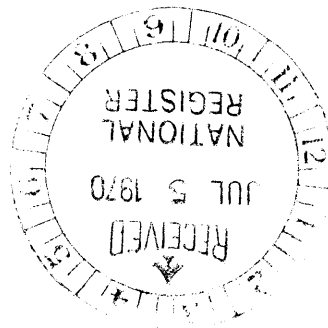
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This building is significant because of its situation on the Norwichtown green, its relation to the Joseph Carpenter Shop (also a National Register Nomination), and because it is one of the earliest brick school houses still standing in the state.

The school was named for Dr. Daniel Lathrop because of his efforts in fostering its erection. Dr. Lathrop left a legacy of 500 pounds for an endowed free grammar school in 1782. Later it was occupied by the Noah Webster Literary Association. It is now used by the City of Norwich for municipal elections.

The scale, size, and color of the building is identical to that of the Joseph Carpenter Shop immediately to the southwest. Taken together they are a diminutive pair which documents a common early American solution to the need for single room facilities, although the fact that the schoolhouse was built of brick suggests that whereas the silversmith shop was simply utilitarian, the schoolhouse was built with an eye to the future and was intended to last a long time.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Marian K. O'Keefe and Catharine Smith Doroshevich. Norwich Historic Homes and Families. Stonington, Connecticut: The Pequot Press, Inc., 1967.

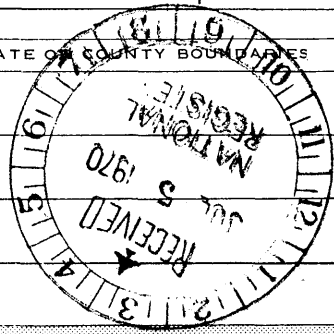
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	72°	05'	43"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: $\frac{1}{2}$

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Constance Luyster, Administrative Trainee

ORGANIZATION: **Connecticut Historical Commission** DATE: **June 23, 1970**

STREET AND NUMBER:
75 Elm Street

CITY OR TOWN: **Hartford** STATE: **Connecticut** CODE: **06**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: *[Signature]*
 State Liaison Officer and Chairman
 Title: _____
 Connecticut Historical Commission
 Date: June 23, 1970

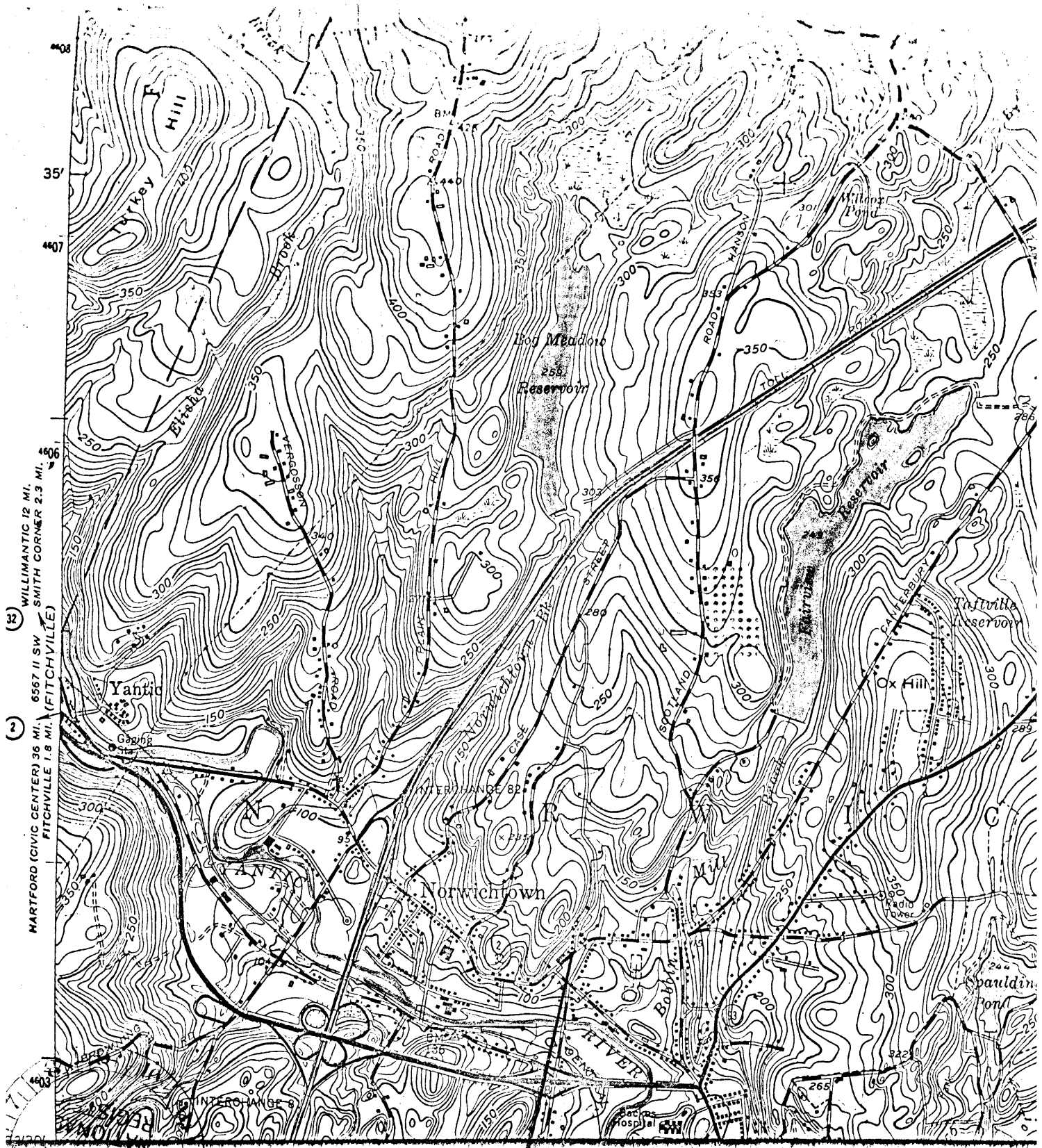
NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

[Signature]
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
DEC 29 1970

Date: _____

ATTEST:
[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
NOV 27 1970
 Date: _____



WILLIMANTIC 12 MI.
 SMITH CORNER 2.3 MI.
 (FITCHVILLE)
 6587 II SW
 36 MI.
 (CIVIC CENTER)
 1.8 MI.
 (FITCHVILLE)

RECEIVED
 JUL 5 1970



DR. DANIEL LATHROP SCHOOL

Latitude 41° 32' 59"

Longitude 71