

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

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 Harrison-Hancock Hardware Company Building other names/site number 154-29

2. Location

street & number 24 East Main Street city, town Christiansburg state Virginia code VA county Montgomery code 121 zip code 24073

3. Classification

Table with 3 columns: Ownership of Property, Category of Property, and Number of Resources within Property. Includes checkboxes for private/public ownership and building/site/structure/object categories.

Name of related multiple property listing: Prehistoric and Historic Resources of Montgomery County

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. Signature of certifying official: Virginia Department of Historic Resources

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet. Signature of commenting or other official

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register.
determined eligible for the National Register.
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)

Commerce: business

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Commerce: business**7. Description**Architectural Classification
(enter categories from instructions)Other: early 20th-century commercial

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation concretewalls concreteroof metal: tin

other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The three-and-one-half story concrete-masonry shed-roofed commercial building is located on the north side of East Main Street in the middle of the 100 block of East Main Street. The walls are built of brick-sized concrete blocks with cupped fronts flanked by rock-faced strip pilasters on each side of the south front. Rock-faced concrete block string courses divide the floors on the south and west walls, set off by egg-and-dart courses below each string course. The west wall features wide alternating bands of smooth and cup-faced blocks in each story and strip pilasters divide the wall into structural bays. The south front and one bay at the south end of each side wall are capped by a pressed-metal modillion cornice. Acroteria above brackets ornament the ends of the south wall. One-over-one sash double-hung windows are original on the second and third floors, as are the smaller casements on the attic level. A modern wooden facade covers the transom over the modern storefront. The wide glass and aluminum storefront fills the entire south front on the first floor. A shed roof is concealed behind the stepped parapet side walls. The interior retains its original plain wood trim and ornamental ceiling. A dropped ceiling has been added below the original ceiling on the first floor. The open upper floors are unaltered.

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

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture
Commerce/Professional

Period of Significance

ca. 1910

Significant Dates

N/A

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 building is eligible under criterion C as one of a very few surviving commercial buildings in Christiansburg from the turn-of-the-century period of significance and the only such building in the town meeting the standards of integrity described in section F. The building is also significant under criterion A as the building best representing Christiansburg's predominance in the commerce of nineteenth- and early twentieth-century Montgomery County. It is important as an example of the commercial buildings that were once typical of the town during the late nineteenth- and early twentieth-century period in what was the commercial center of the county. The building, along with several others toward the western end of town, are the only commercial structures remaining intact from the period, and its building material, small concrete blocks, is unique in the county. Its alteration on the first floor does not overwhelm the integrity of the building's significant form and decorative elements.

The building housed the Harrison-Hancock Hardware Company, which sold hardware, furniture, stoves, coffins, and other goods. John Carper was a part owner and a clerk there for many years. It later housed Hall Brothers Appliances in the mid-twentieth century.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Harmon, William. Interview, December, 1987.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- 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:

Virginia Department of Historic Resources
221 Governor Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property less than one acre.

UTM References

A

1	7
Zone	

5	5	2	5	4	0
Easting					

4	1	0	9	3	4	0
Northing						

C

Zone	

Easting					

Northing							

B

Zone	

Easting					

Northing							

D

Zone	

Easting					

Northing							

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries of the property coincide with the edges of lot 527-(A)-32 in the town of Christiansburg.

See continuation sheet

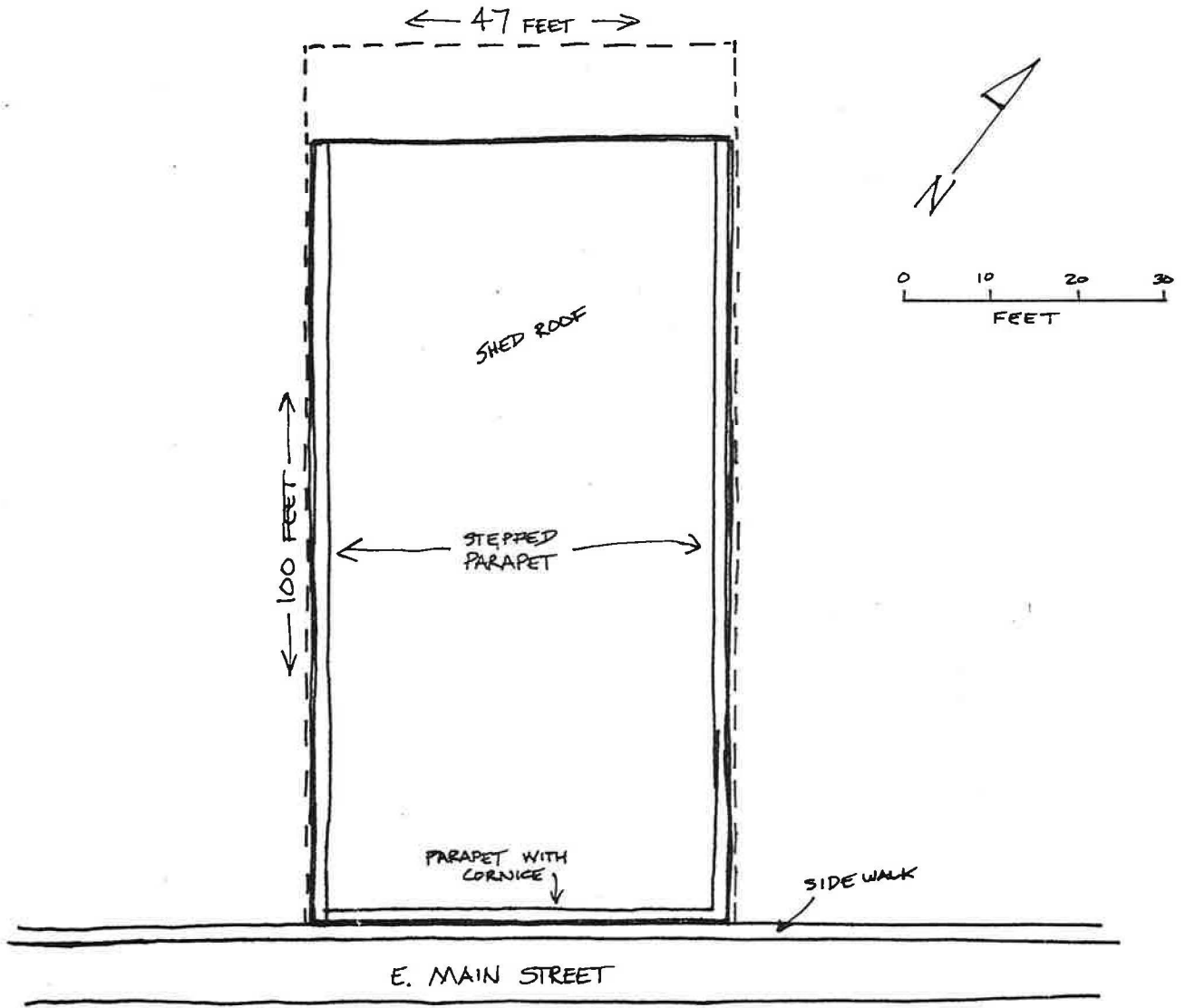
Boundary Justification

The boundaries represent the historic site of the building and represent the lot on which the building was constructed.

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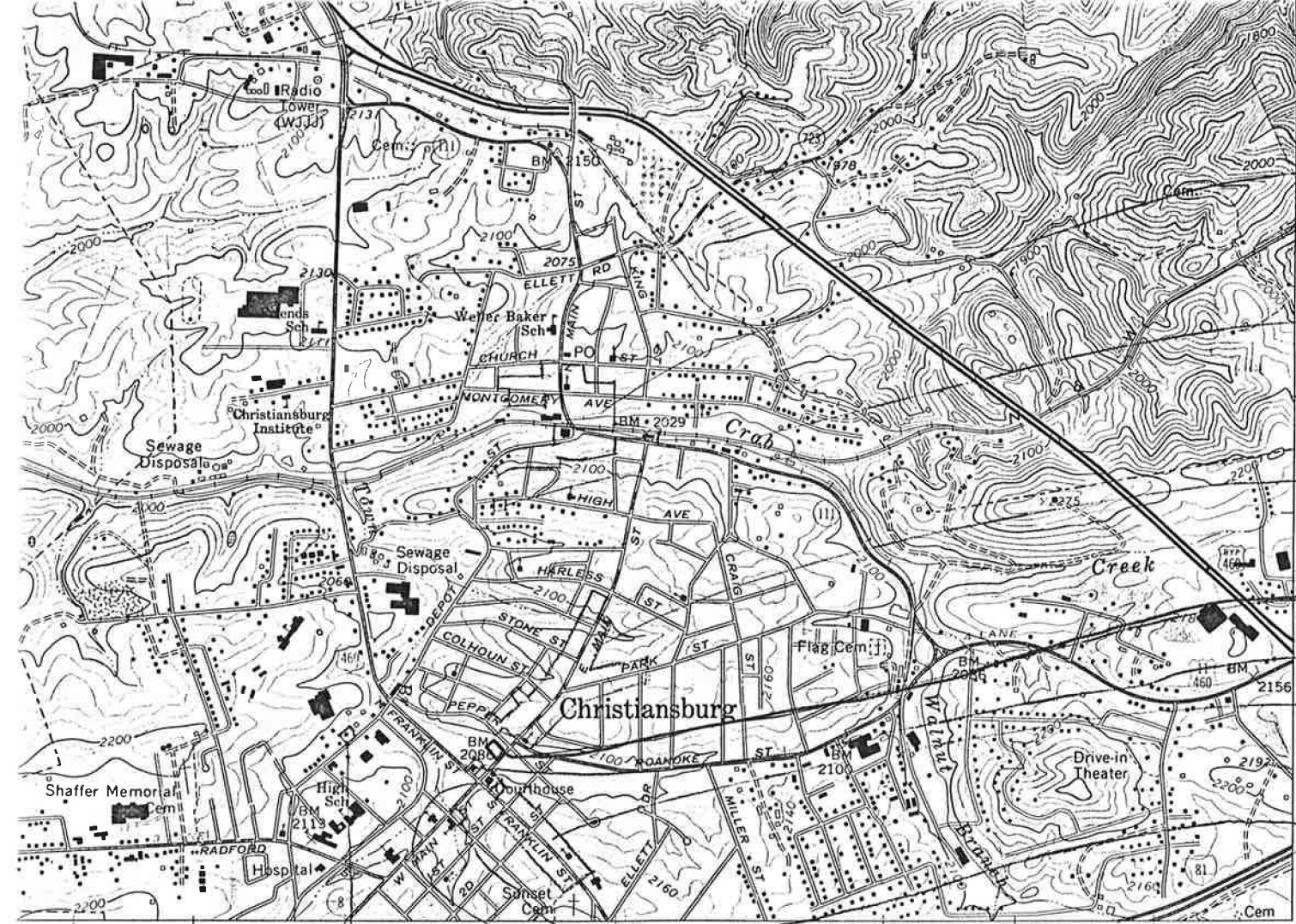
11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Christiansburg

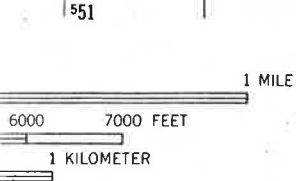


HARRISON-HANCOCK HARDWARE COMPANY BUILDING
154 - 29

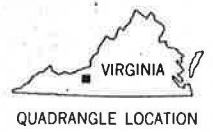
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- CAMBERIA HISTORIC DISTRICT
- 17 553530 4110420
- 17 553420 4110805
- 17 553420 4110010
- 17 554830 4110485
- 4111
- SURFACE HOUSE
- 17 552595 4110280
- E, MAIN ST, HISTORIC DISTRICT
- 17 552520 4109410
- 17 552900 4109890
- 17 553178 4109562
- 17 552690 4109300
- HARRISON-HANCOCK HARDWARE
- 17 552510 4109270 BLDG
- CHRISTIANSBURG POST OFFICE
- 17 552430 4109220
- S. FRANKLIN ST, HISTORIC DISTRICT
- 17 553440 4109017
- 17 553320 4109320
- 17 553045 4108910
- 17 553200 4108805
- A.L. JOHNSON STORE BUILDING
- 17 552410 4109070



MONTGOMERY WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS COTTAGE
17 551985 4109360



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty ————— Light-duty —————

Medium-duty ————— Unimproved dirt =====

○ Interstate Route ◻ U. S. Route ○ State Route

PHLEGAR BUILDING
17 552540 4109160

SALEM 27 MI.
WYTHEVILLE 41 MI.

STANDARDS
VIRGINIA 22092
WYTHE, VIRGINIA 22903
AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Boundary lines shown in purple compiled from latest information available from the controlling authority

BLACKSBURG, VA.
N3707.5—W8022.5/7.5
1965
PHOTOREVISED 1978
AMS 4958 III NW—SERIES V834