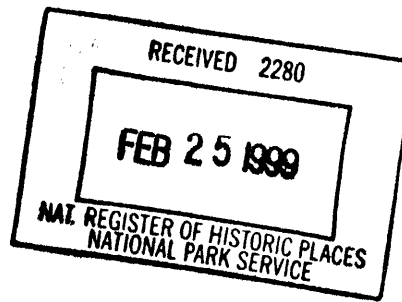


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**National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form**



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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations 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 any 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 Hotel Albert Commercial Block
other names/site number The Shoppes at the Albert House

2. Location

street & number 529, 539, 545 E. Washington St. not for publication
city or town Walterboro vicinity _____
state South Carolina code SC county Colleton code 029 zip code 29488

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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.)

Mary W. Edmonds 2/17/99
Signature of certifying official Date

Mary W. Edmonds, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, S.C. Dept. of Archives and History, Columbia, S.C.
State or 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 commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this 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] 3/25/99
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action
Edson H. Beall

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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)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
4		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
4	0	Total

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

Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register
0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Category: COMMERCE
COMMERCE
COMMERCE
DOMESTIC
COMMERCE

Subcategory: financial institution
specialty store
department store
hotel
restaurant

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Category: COMMERCE
DOMESTIC

Subcategory: specialty store
multiple dwellings

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Commercial Style

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick
walls Brick
roof Metal; Tin
other

Narrative Description

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

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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)

- X A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
X C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- a owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
b removed from its original location.
c a birthplace or a grave.
d a cemetery.
e a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
f a commemorative property.
g less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE
ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

1912-1949

Significant Dates

1912
1927
1936

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

Clayton, George F.

Narrative Statement of Significance

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

9. Major Bibliographical References

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

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 #

Primary location of additional data:

- X State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:
S.C. Dept. of Archives & History

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting Northing	Zone Easting Northing
1 17 531515 3640630	3 17 _____
2 17 _____	4 17 _____

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kerri S. Barile and Michael Trinkley
 organization Chicora Foundation, Inc. date 19 June 1998
 street & number P.O. Box 8664 telephone (803) 787-6910
 city or town Columbia state SC zip code 29202

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

Owner, Parcel 194:

name Gloria V. Cummings
 street & number 509 Churchill Rd. telephone _____
 city or town Walterboro state SC zip code 29488

Owner, Parcel 195:

name Justin Enterprises
 street & number 1219 Wappoo Rd. telephone (803) 556-9129
 city or town Charleston state SC zip code 29407

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Description

The Hotel Albert Commercial Block consists of four two-story brick structures located on the southeast corner of the intersection of East Washington Street and Wichman Street in Walterboro, SC. All four buildings were constructed in 1912 to replace the then worn-down Walterboro Hotel located on the same site. The architect, George F. Clayton of Atlanta, Georgia, designed the structures as an interconnecting complex, where each section augmented the function and operation of the other. Between 1912 and 1955, the buildings had dual uses, combining commerce and domestic functions, serving as a bank, a tack and carriage shop, a dry goods shop, and as part of the neighboring Lord Albert Hotel, housing the hotel restaurant and guest rooms.

The four buildings are two-story, five-to-one common bond, load-bearing masonry structures with a stepped roofline. All have rectangular plans, with the middle two structures measuring 130 feet by 30 feet, the northernmost structure measuring 130 feet by 20 feet, and the southernmost structure measuring 130 feet by 70 feet. The brick foundation is partly visible on the west elevation and is common bond. The primary (east) elevation of the northern portion has a cut-corner recessed doorway supported by a wooden tuscan column. There is one divisioned pane window with a three-part glazed transom on the first floor and three four-over-four paned double hung sash windows on the second. The middle building has a recessed entryway flanked by four divisioned pane windows with a five-part glazed transom above each side. The second floor contains six four-over-four paned double hung sash windows. The third, section has recently been divided into two sub-sections, each with a glazed entry door topped by a two-part glazed transom. Flanking these doors are single pane windows with five-part glazed transoms. The second floor contains four four-over-four paned double hung sash windows with one four paned casement window in the center. The lower floor of the southern section is asymmetrically arranged with (from the south, northward) a four-over-one paned double hung sash window at the corner of the building, a flush entryway consisting of a single doorway, four four-over-four paned double hung sash windows and then a large display window. What would have historically been under an entrance awning, are flush double doors flanked by four-over-four paned double hung sash windows. Beyond, and adjacent to the third building section is another large display window. The upper floor contains seven four-over-four paned double hung sash windows. There is a continuous molded wood water table along the entire primary facade of all buildings between the first and second floor, and another between the second floor and the roofline. All second floor windows have flush painted wooden lintels.

The south elevation evidences considerable reworking. On the lower floor there are five four-over-four paned double hung sash windows interspersed with four modern doorways (replacing original window openings). The second floor reveals five original window openings, three of which are closed and two of which have four-over-four paned double hung sash windows still in place. There is also a closed doorway, which may originally have been a window opening, toward the southwest corner of the building. Both first and second story window openings are arched.

The north elevation, running along Wichman Street, shows evidence of once having the continuous water tables as seen on the primary facade, but they have been removed. Both the first and second floors have a series of intermittent large and small four-over-four pane double hung sash windows with a flush painted wooden lintel. There is a raised roofline with perforated brickwork along the crest.

The west elevation is similar to the north elevation with a series of large and small four-over-four paned double hung sash windows, but the lintels are arched, not flat. On the first floor, there is one wooden single door entry with a brick jack arch and one larger arched double stable door entry which has been bricked up and converted into a single door entryway. Surrounding this door are vertical joined wooden weatherboards. The roofline, as seen by this facade, slopes to the west with an overhang supported by the roof rafters and is

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covered by pressed tin. The south elevation of the buildings cannot be seen as it is blocked by a contiguous structure.

The interior of the buildings has undergone recent renovation. On the first floor, the buildings are interconnected through large double archways. The walls are covered in painted plaster and in the center portion, the original pressed tin ceiling has been restored. The flanking portions have dropped ceilings to support modern lighting. There are nine apartments on the second floor. All apartments were remodeled after the original hotel room configuration, using guest room walls as interior apartment room divisions and creating closets out of unneeded hallways. New plumbing was added to existing bathrooms and new bathrooms were shaped from guest room antechambers in an attempt to recreate the hotel once occupying this space.

The setting of the commerce complex remains as it did at the time of its construction. Hotel amenities not housed in these three buildings were located in the structure adjoining these buildings to the south, which was also constructed in 1912 and is currently in need of restoration. The intersection of East Washington Street and Wichman Street remains on the outskirts of town but busy, as travellers pass by this historic structure.

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Statement of Significance

The Hotel Albert Commercial Block is historically significant for its contributions to the social development of Walterboro, South Carolina, and as an ideal example of a turn of the century commerce and domestic center. The complex was built to answer the town's need for a modern hotel with amenities to attract the newly developing automobile travelling trade, as well as establish a social haven for local residents¹. In addition, the complex pushed the boundaries of a rapidly growing town while providing much needed businesses, such as a bank, tack and carriage shop, and dry goods retailer. Architecturally, due to the size and out of the way location of Walterboro, the Hotel Albert complex has retained much of its original fabric and is a quintessential example of a small town hotel and commercial structure of the 1910s and 1920s.

Historical background and significance:

The town of Walterboro (Figure 1) has always been noted for the "sunny temperament" of both its weather and its residents. Founded in 1783 by Paul and Jacob Walter, it was chosen as a haven for their families who were stricken with malaria². Soon, several coastal plantation owners joined them in calling Walterboro, or what was then known as Ireland Creek³, as their summer home. By 1800, Walterboro had turned into a significant "pine-barren" resort⁴, called so because of its wooded location and the timber fabricated cabins. It was named as the county seat of Colleton County in 1817⁵, officially adopting the name Walterboro at this time. Not more than a decade later, the town had grown to a summer population of 900, with over 450 full-time residents⁶. The town grew slowly but steadily through the antebellum years, catering to the same plantation owners that founded the town in the summer months. Several businesses and industries developed to support the growing community and their tourist traffic including churches, restaurants, general stores, and government buildings⁷.

The population of Walterboro increased dramatically during the Post-Reconstruction period. "After the [Civil] war, Walterboro became a gathering place for deposed Ashepoo, Edisto and Combahee planters"⁸, growing from a population of 691 in 1880 to a booming business town and summer resort of 1,500 permanent residents in 1900⁹. Its reputation as a peaceful, mild temperament vacation get-away was augmented by improved roadways and better rail accessibility. By the mid-1890s, Walterboro had the largest railway station on the line between Charleston and Savannah¹⁰, bringing in rail tourists. Travelers on US Highway 17 and SC Route 30 also saw Walterboro as a convenient and beautiful place to rest¹¹. With such an increase in tourism, accommodations were a great need. Also, a major tornado passed through town in 1879, destroying many of the existing structures and necessitating new development to handle the influx of visitors to the town.¹²

In the early 1880s, one of the town's most prominent business leaders constructed a new, large hotel on his property at the intersection of what would become Wichman and East Washington streets.¹³ This man was Albert Wichman. He named the hotel after the town it served, the Walterboro Hotel (Figure 2). Wichman ran the hotel until his death at the turn of the century. He passed the hotel and his property to his wife, Mrs. M.A. Wichman. By the early 1900s, the hotel had become run down and lacked modern amenities. The Walterboro Hotel, like many Victorian-era hotels of its type¹⁴, had become an eyesore and no longer served the needs of the town's inhabitants.

In 1911, Mrs. Wichman deeded the property and the hotel to her son, Mr. R. H. Wichman.¹⁵ Realizing the need of the town for a larger hotel with better facilities, Mr. Wichman petitioned the city council of Walterboro for a franchise permit to construct a new hotel and commercial complex on the property now containing the Walterboro Hotel.¹⁶ The current hotel was to be torn down (Figure 4).

The complex was contracted to Mr. George F. Clayton, architect, of Atlanta, Georgia, who had the competition "skinned [by] a block".¹⁷ Construction began in October, 1911 and was

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completed by September 1912. The result was magnificent. The final complex consisted of a total of four individual buildings, all interconnected through interior archways. All portions were steam heated, lighted by gas lamps, had interior plumbing with hot and cold running water, and fire-proof doors. The main hotel building sat directly to the south of the three commercial buildings. The northernmost building of the complex was the bank building, immediately sold after construction to the Farmers and Merchants Bank.¹⁸ This portion had an Italian marble tile floor, mahogany fixtures, and copper grill work around the transaction windows. The building housed the bank vaults, offices, and even contained a ladies department, which was railed off separately.¹⁹

The second and third buildings housed the stores of A. Wichman & Son, both having mission oak accessories, pressed tin ceilings, and a supply elevator. The second building, adjoining the bank, was used for vehicles, farming implements, and harnessing, and was housed in both the upper and lower floors. The third building was divided with its lower floor used as a dry goods shop and the upper floor as hotel guest rooms.²⁰ Architecturally, the complex had no equals in town. It was the first hotel and among the first public building to have steam heat and a cooling system, creating year round pleasant conditions.²¹ This enabled the towns tourism, one of its primary revenue makers, to extend into the winter months (Figure 5).

The complex remained as originally constructed until 1927. In that year, Mr. C.M. McTeer purchased the southern two portions²², changed them completely to hotel uses, and changed the name from the Lord Albert Hotel and commercial center to the Cooper-Reed Hotel (Figure 6).²³ At this time, the hotel complex became a member of the American Automobile Association and was listed in their national hotel guide.²⁴ This was another attempt to draw people to the hotel, which was still the leading accommodation in Walterboro.²⁵ Reflecting the extra flow of patrons, Mr. McTeer added several guest rooms on the upper floor and a restaurant and parlor on the lower floor.²⁶ In 1936, McTeer sold the property to Nina Courson,²⁷ who also purchased the northernmost portion from the Farmers and Merchants Bank²⁸, bringing the property to its current configuration. She added more guest rooms on the upper floor, for a total of thirty additional rooms, and more lobby area on the first floor. She also changed the name to the Lord Colleton Hotel.²⁹

The property was sold in 1946 and went through several owners. It remained as a hotel until 1960, when several of the windows were bricked up and the upper floor was rented out as apartment rooms.³⁰ During this time, the corner entryway of the northernmost building was also bricked in (Photographs 1 and 2). Over the next thirty years, the property passed through numerous owners, using the buildings as antique shops and commerce buildings.

In 1995, the property was purchased by Justin Enterprises (Figure 2) which undertook the largest single restoration project in Walterboro history.³¹ The complex was restored to its 1936 configuration based on a 1913 photograph (Photograph 3) and a 1940s era postcard (Photograph 5), with an estimated 85% of the materials used in the restoration being original to the buildings.³² They unbricked windows and entryways, scraping paint off of original window panes and replacing broken panes with window glass found at the property. Original interior and exterior doors were repaired and reused when possible. For example, the original exterior entrance door for the Bank was discovered in the attic during restoration and was rehung in the reopened space. Damaged interior walls were patched and replastered. Unfortunately, the pressed ceiling, found covering the ceilings in all three portions, was heavily damaged. Pieces were salvaged and rejoined in the center portion, returning what was the hotel lobby area back to its original grandeur (Photograph 6), and installing modern drop ceilings in the flanking portions to meet fire and safety codes.³³ Apartments were fashioned out of remaining guest rooms on the upper floor retaining the original hotel room configuration and molding remaining historical fabric into useful space. Currently, the lower floor houses several commercial venues including an art store, an antique store and the apartment lobby, thus appearing just as it had over eighty years ago.

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By examining the Sanborn Insurance Maps of the town of Walterboro and direct observation, the site of the 1880s Walterboro Hotel is partially intruded upon by the current complex. However, the western portion of the site has remained protected under several layers of gravel. The surface scatter indicates good preservation. This site has not yet been explored archaeologically, but excavation should be considered due to the rarity of investigated urban archaeological sites in South Carolina, outside the city of Charleston.³⁴

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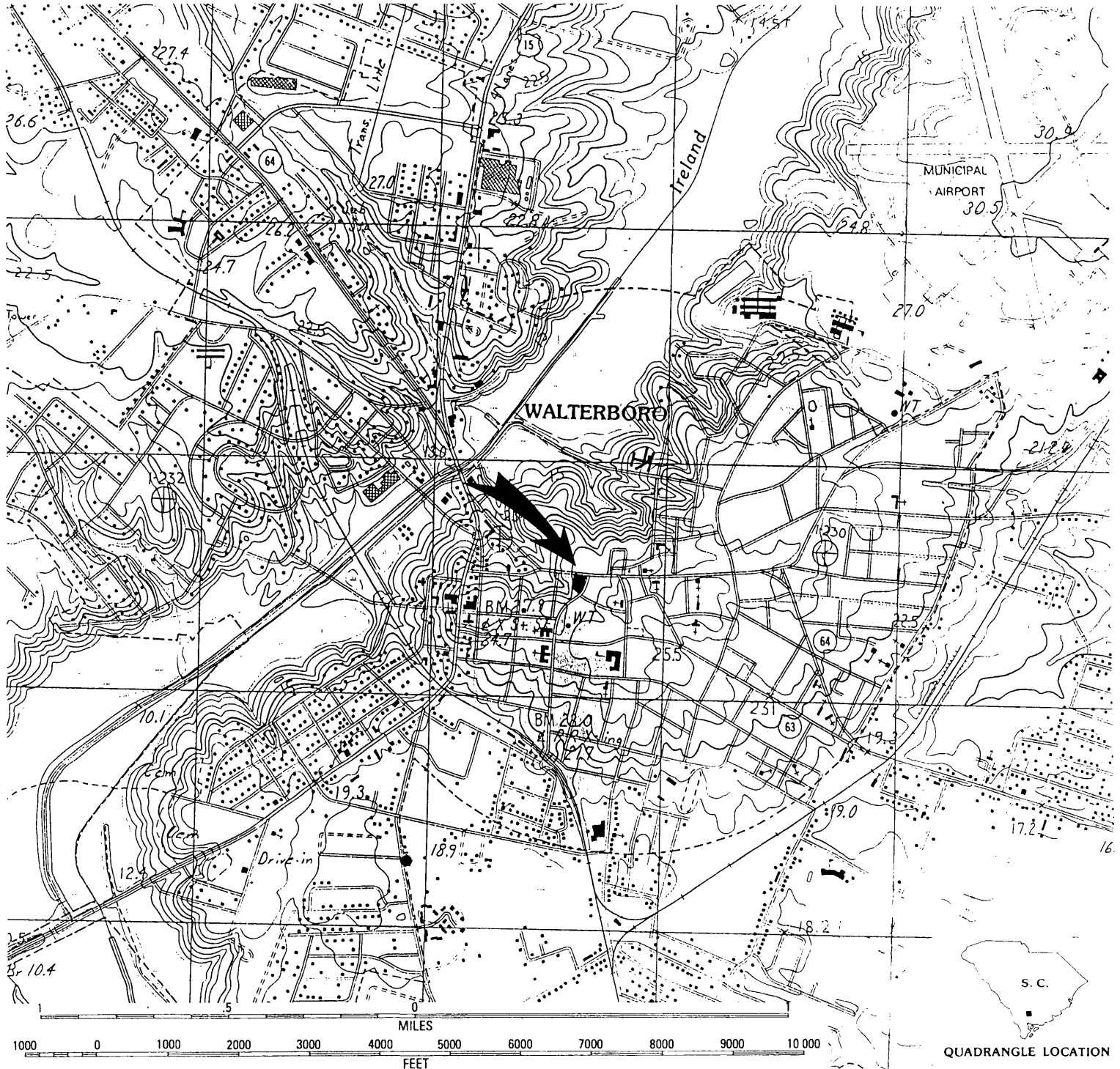
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Figure 1. USGS Walterboro 7.5' topographic map. Nominated property is marked.



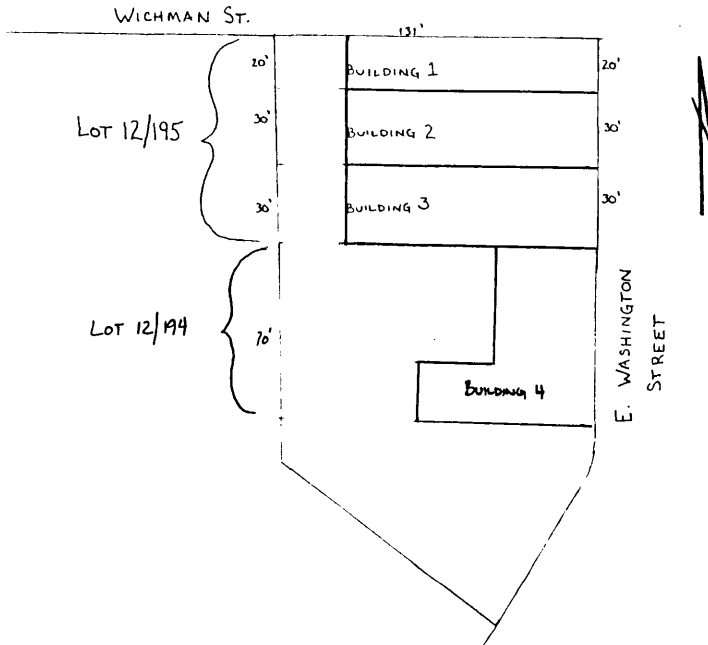
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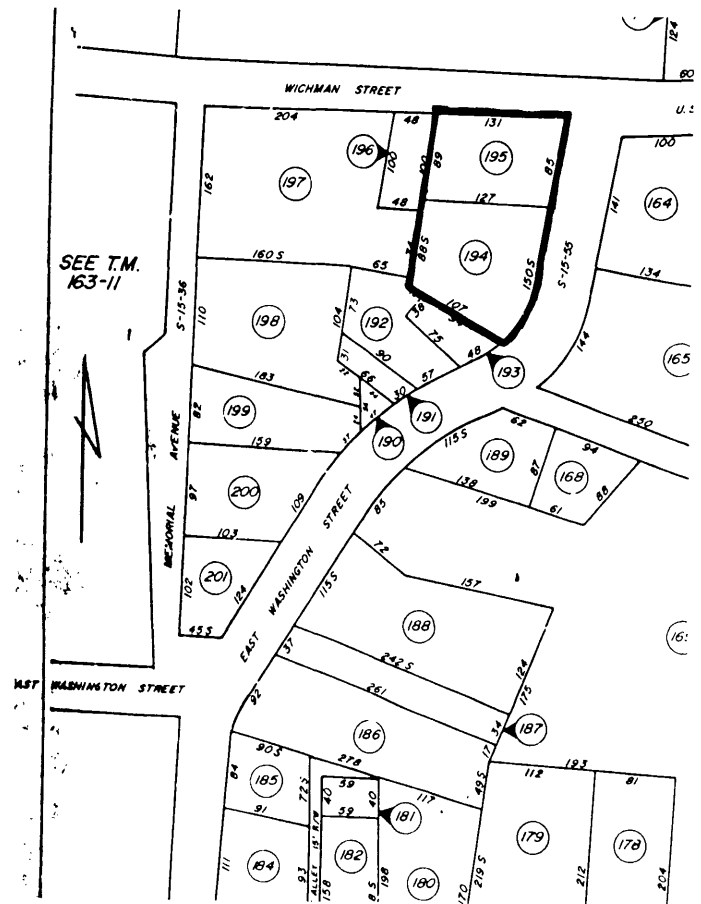
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Figure 2. Sketch map showing building sections and tax map section showing property lines of nominated property.



Sketch map by Barile and Trinkley
Not to scale



Colleton County Tax Map 163-12
Dated March 1981
Scale shown here is 1 inch = 200 feet

Hotel Albert Commercial Block encompasses
all of Parcels 194 and 195

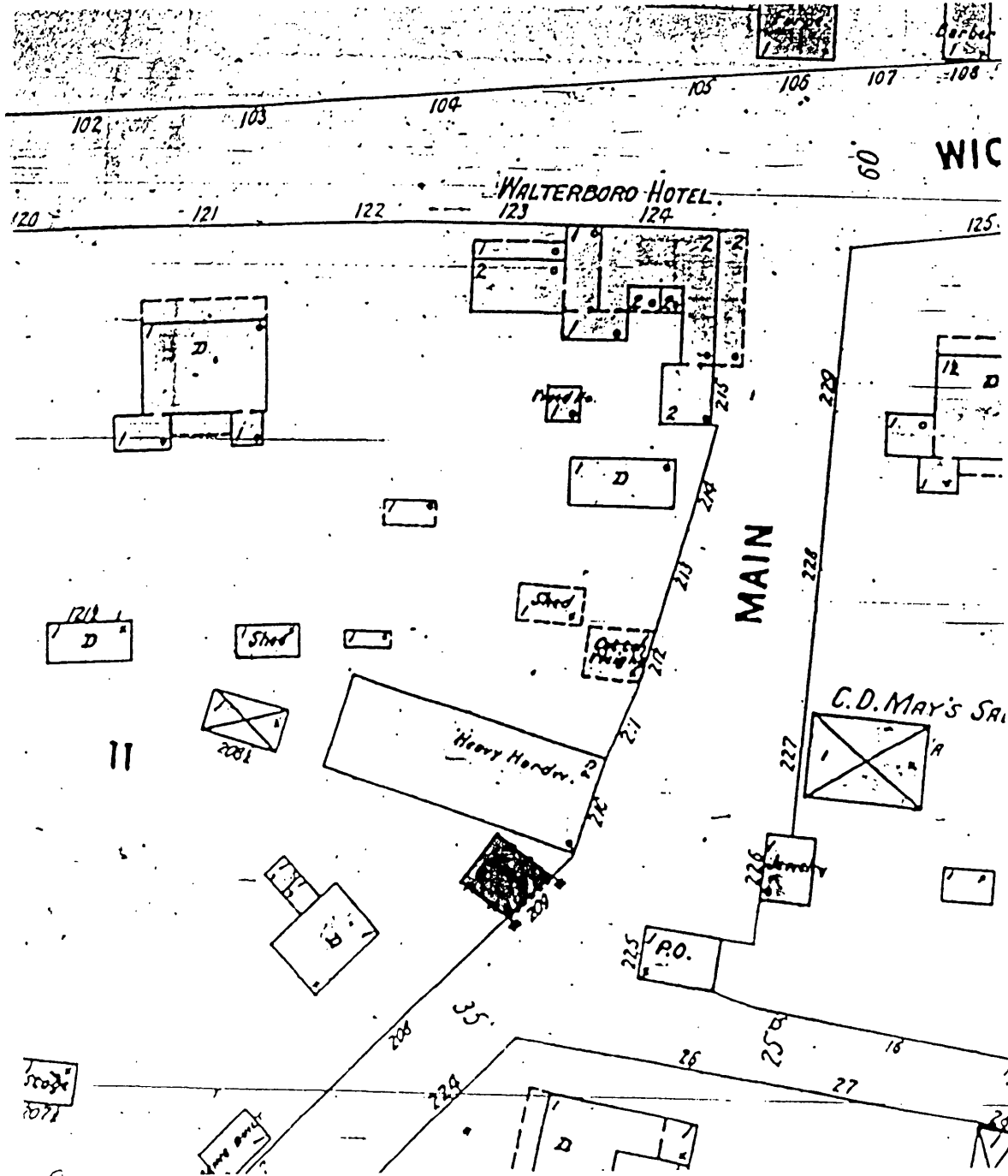
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Figure 3. 1905 Sanborn Insurance Map (South Carolina Library, Columbia, SC).



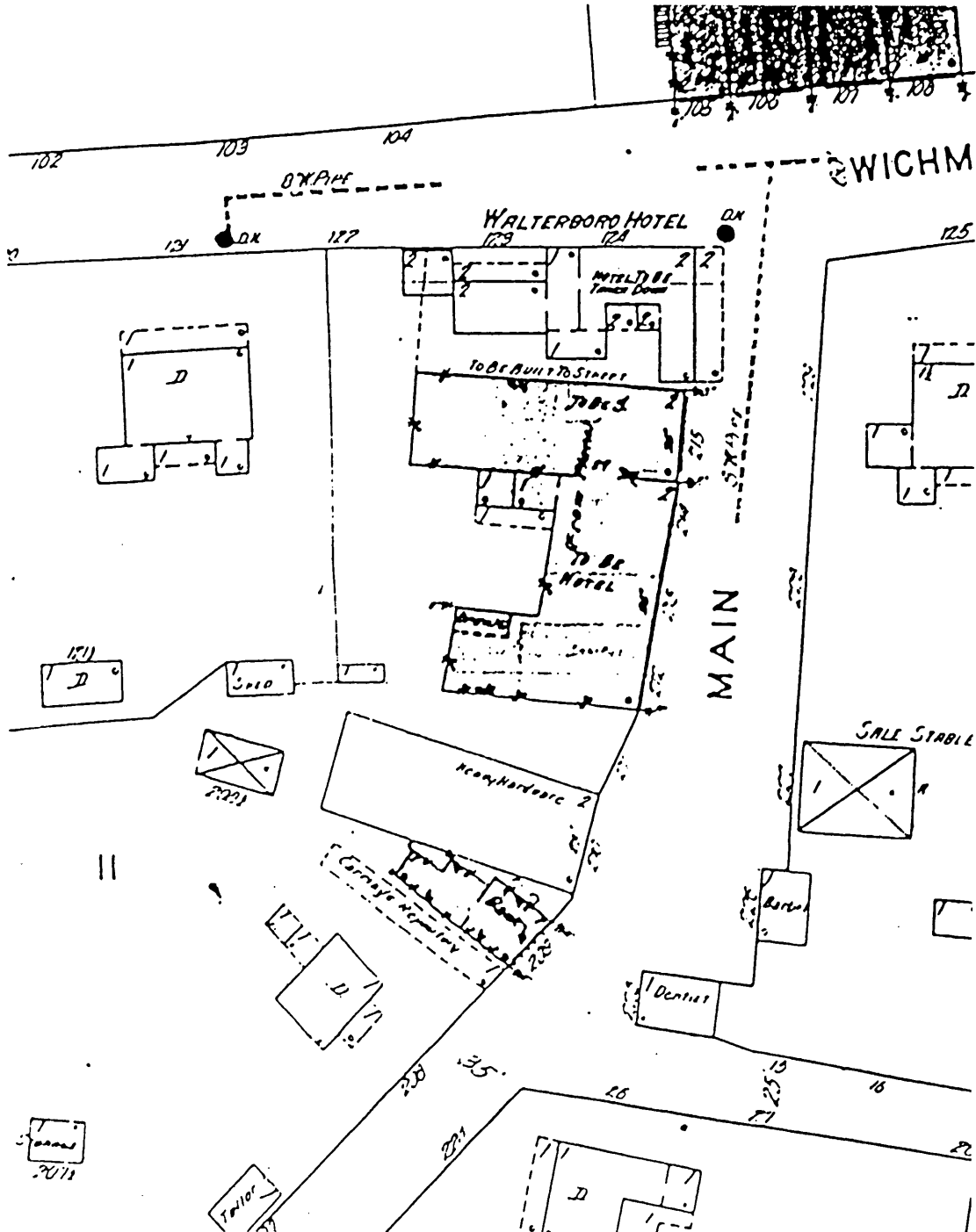
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Figure 4. 1912 Sanborn Insurance Map (South Caroliniana Library, Columbia, SC).



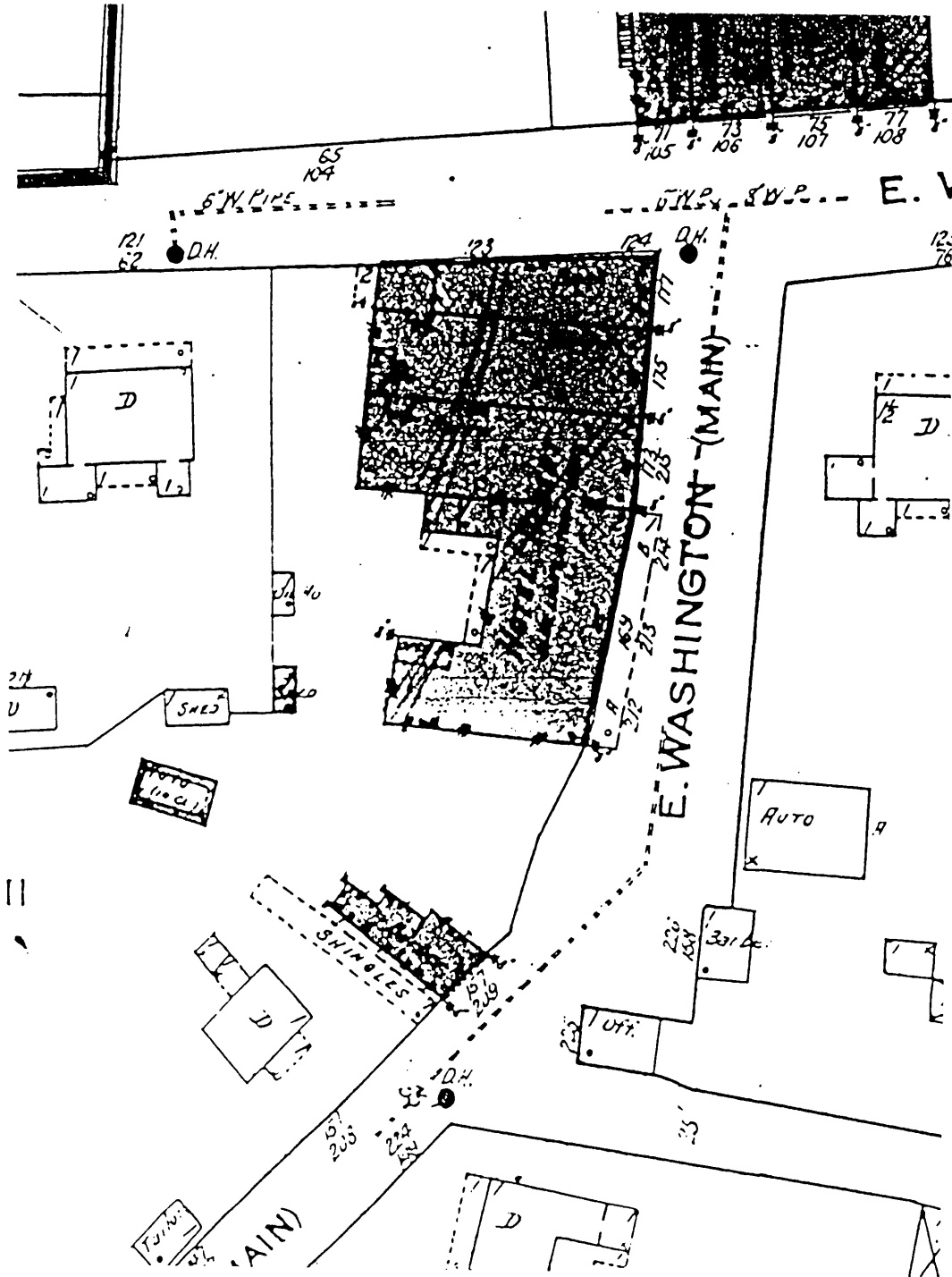
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Figure 5. 1920 Sanborn Insurance Map (South Caroliniana Library, Columbia, SC).



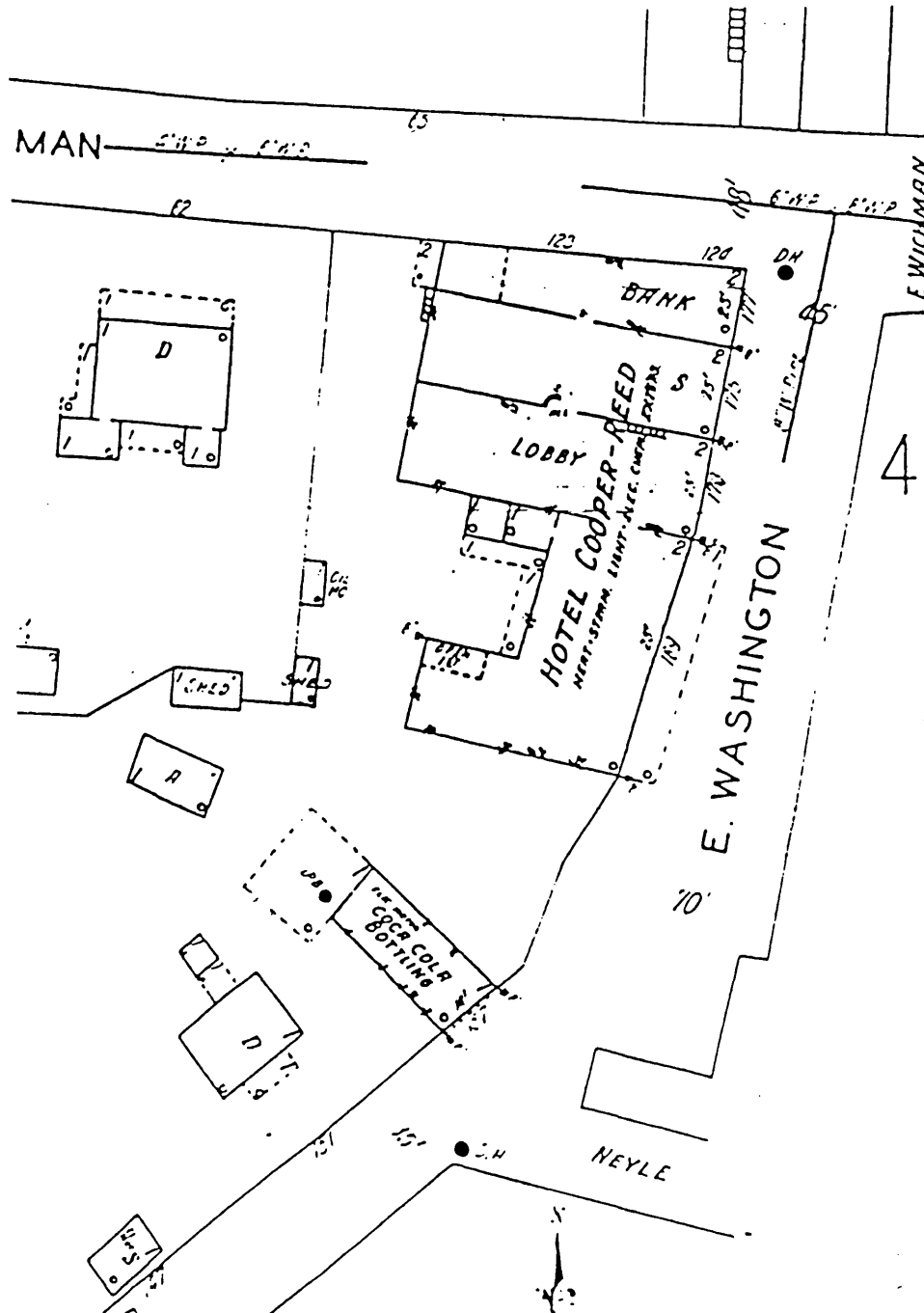
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Figure 6. 1931 Sanborn Insurance Map (South Caroliniana Library, Columbia, SC).



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Verbal Boundary Description

In Colleton County, South Carolina, the town of Walterboro, all of Tax Map 163-12, Parcels 194 and 195, inclusive of both buildings and open ground areas. Bounding to the north on Wichman Street a distance of about 131 feet; to the east on East Washington Street a distance of about 235 feet; to the south bordered by adjacent property owners a distance of about 107 feet; and to the west by adjacent property owners for a distance of approximately 177 feet, for a total of approximately 0.62 acres.

Verbal Boundary Justification

The nomination property includes the four buildings and acreage historically associated with the complex. The boundary also incorporates the associated open ground on which any archeological remains associated with the hotel and other business would be found.

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Captions for Photographs

Photograph 1.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Lee Pye
6/95
Justin Enterprises, Inc., copy negative with SC Department of Archives and History
NE oblique view of building prior to renovation efforts in 1995

Photograph 2.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Lee Pye
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Justin Enterprises, Inc., copy negative with SC Department of Archives and History
N elevation of building prior to renovation efforts in 1995

Photograph 3.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Photographer unknown
c. 1913
Justin Enterprises, Inc., copy negative with S.C. Department of Archives and History
NE oblique view of building c. 1913

Photograph 4.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Photographer unknown
c. 1929
copy negative at South Caroliniana Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia
NE oblique view of building c. 1929

Photograph 5.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Photographer/artist unknown
c. 1940
Justin Enterprises, Inc., copy negative with S.C. Department of Archives and History
SE oblique view of building from c. 1940 postcard

Photograph 6.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Kerri S. Barile
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S.C. Department of Archives and History
Restored interior pressed-tin ceiling

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East (primary) elevation

Photograph 8.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Kerri S. Barile
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S.C. Department of Archives and History
NE oblique

Photograph 9.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Kerri S. Barile
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S.C. Department of Archives and History
N elevation

Photograph 10.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Kerri S. Barile
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W elevation, site of 1880s Walterboro Hotel

Photograph 11.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
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Detail of W elevation, original rear carriage door entrance

Photograph 12.
Hotel Albert Commercial Block
Colleton County, SC
Suzanne Coyle
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NW oblique showing section 4 of the block and hotel