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National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

NATIONAL REGISTER

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 Cannon, E.W., House and Store  
other names/site number

2. Location

street & number 612 West Home Avenue  not for publication  
city, town Hartsville  vicinity  
state South Carolina code SC county Darlington code 031 zip code 29550

3. Classification

|   |   |  |                        |
|---|---|--|------------------------|
| <b>Ownership of Property</b>                | <b>Category of Property</b>                     | <b>Number of Resources within Property</b> |                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <b>Contributing</b>                        | <b>Noncontributing</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> public-local       | <input type="checkbox"/> district               | 4  | _____                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> public-State       | <input type="checkbox"/> site                   | _____                                      | _____ buildings        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal     | <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | _____                                      | _____ sites            |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> object                 | _____                                      | _____ structures       |
|   |   | 4  | 0 objects              |
|   |   |  | Total                  |

Name of related multiple property listing:  
Historic Resources of Hartsville, SC, c. 1817-c. 1941

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.  
Mary W. Edmonds 3/4/91  
Signature of certifying official Date  
Mary W. Edmonds, Deputy SHPO, S.C. Department of Archives & 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.  
Signature of commenting or other official Date  
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. 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:)  
Melvin Bryan 5/3/91  
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling  
Commerce/Department Store/General Store  
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Smokehouse  
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Garage

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling  
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Storage  
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Storage  
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Garage

**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Mid-19th Century

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brickwalls Wood/Weatherboardroof Asphalt

other \_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The E.W. Cannon House and Store are located at 612 West Home Avenue in Hartsville. This house is representative of residences in Hartsville associated with the community's industrial, commercial, and civic leaders.

This two-story residence is of frame construction with weatherboard siding. It has a rectangular plan, lateral gable roof, and two interior ridge brick chimneys with corbeled caps. The symmetrical three-bay facade has paired four-over-four double-hung-sash windows with shutters. The central entry has an arched-panel door, simple surround with sidelights and transom. A one-story, hip roof porch extends across the full facade. It features chamfered posts, sawn brackets, a pendant frieze, and turned balustrade. The house has a boxed cornice with returns and corner pilasters. The side elevations have polygonal bay windows.

The one-story gable roof rear wing was constructed c. 1840 and was incorporated into the house when built c. 1880.

The store is located to the rear of the house. Constructed c. 1870, it is an excellent example of a country store. It is one-and-one-half stories with a rectangular plan and gable roof. The construction is hand-hewn heavy timber frame with log joists and it sits on pole piers. The facade is three-bay with a central entry. The windows are shuttered with no sash and a loft window is located in the center of the gable. A secondary entry and loft window are located at the rear elevation. Side elevations have no openings.

The property also includes a frame garage (c. 1930) and a frame smokehouse (c. 1880-1900).

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**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

Period of Significance

c. 1870  
c. 1880-1911  
c. 1930

Significant Dates

c. 1870  
c. 1880

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The E.W. Cannon House and Store are significant as representative examples of the residential and commercial development of Hartsville prior to 1890 and for their association with Elihu W. Cannon (1841-1911), prominent Hartsville farmer and Darlington County politician.

The house has architectural integrity from c. 1880, and incorporates a small c. 1840 residence built for Isham Linton. In 1856 the original house was sold to D. Sidney Law, and at Law's death in 1864 his stepson, Elihu W. Cannon, acquired the property. Linton's house was described in 1911 as "the back part of the present residence of E.W. Cannon, a little pink-painted house of one story, containing four or five rooms." Cannon substantially altered and enlarged the house c. 1880, and lived here until his death in 1911. During the Civil War he served as a lieutenant in the "Hartsville Light Infantry," a local Confederate company in the 9th (later 6th) South Carolina Infantry. He was temporarily in command of the company when he was severely wounded in 1862, requiring the amputation of his right leg and his discharge from Confederate service. Cannon, a farmer, entered local politics soon after the war and was prominent throughout the 1870s and 1880s. During Reconstruction he organized and served as captain of the "Hartsville Light Dragoons," a company of "Red Shirts" who opposed the Federal military occupation of South Carolina and the policies which gave civil rights to freedmen. He served as jury commissioner 1876-1878, in the South Carolina House of Representatives 1878-1882 and again 1888-1890, and as treasurer of Darlington County from 1881 to 1884. Cannon was also a postwar member of the Hartsville Farmer's Club, which had been established in 1859 and which was reorganized for a short time during Reconstruction. (1)

The store, built c. 1870, also served as a post office from 1873 to 1878, when Cannon was Hartsville's postmaster. It is an excellent example of a country store, and is listed as one of five "general merchandise" stores in Hartsville in the 1880-81 South Carolina State Gazetteer and Business Directory. (2)

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**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:**

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

**Specify repository:**

SC Department of Archives & History,  
Columbia, SC

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of property 2.8 acres

**UTM References**

A 17 583820 3803580  
 Zone Easting Northing

C         

B           
 Zone Easting Northing

D         

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**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary of the nomination is shown as the broken line labeled "E.W. Cannon House and Store" on the accompanying map, "City of Hartsville," drawn at a scale of 1" = 500'.

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**Boundary Justification**

The nominated property includes the house, store, smokehouse, and garage, and their immediate surroundings.

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The c. 1880-c. 1900 smokehouse dates from Cannon's ownership of the property. It and the c. 1930 garage are significant as intact examples of secondary buildings in Darlington County, and illustrate the continuous occupation of the property over time.

## NOTES

(1) Lyndon Lee Cannon, Happy Heritage: Genealogies of Seven Southern Families (Columbia: The State Company, 1943), pp. 101-41; James Lide Coker, History of Company G, Ninth S.C. Regiment, Infantry, S.C. Army, and of Company E, Sixth S.C. Regiment, Infantry, S.C. Army. Prepared and Published by Request of the Survivors of these Companies. Charleston: Press of Walker, Evans, and Cogswell, 1899; Reprint Edition, Greenwood: The Attic Press, 1979), pp. 22, 43-44, 76, 92; J.L. Coker, Hartsville. Its Early Settlers. The Growth of the Town with Sketches of its Institutions and Enterprises. (Hartsville: Pee Dee Historical Society, 1911; Reprint Edition, Hartsville: Hartsville Messenger and Press, 1976), pp. 13, 18, 25, 29, 32; Clement A. Evans, Editor, Confederate Military History: A Library of Confederate States History, in Twelve Volumes . . . Volume V: South Carolina (Atlanta: Confederate Publishing Company, 1899), pp. 498-99; Darlington County Deed Book M, Page 26, Deed Book R, Page 519, Darlington County Courthouse, Darlington, S.C.

(2) National Archives Microfilm Publications, Record of Appointments of Postmasters 1832-September 30, 1971: South Carolina: Abbeville-Greenwood Counties, Microcopy 841, Roll 114 (Washington: National Archives, 1973); R.A. Smith, Editor, The South Carolina State Gazetteer and Business Directory for 1880-'81, Containing the Names, Business, and Address of the Merchants, Manufacturers, Professional and Business Men, and the Principal Planters and Farmers of the State, Together with a Brief Sketch of all Cities, Towns, and Villages, and How to Reach Them . . . (Charleston: R.A. Smith, 1880), p. 376.

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Name of property: E.W. Cannon House and Store  
(Historic Resources of Hartsville  
multiple property submission)

Location of Property: Hartsville, South Carolina  
Location of Negative: South Carolina Department of Archives and History  
Photographer: Staff, SC Dept. of Archives and History  
Date of Photograph: May 1990

1. Cannon House  
Front Facade
2. Cannon House  
West Elevation
3. Store  
Front Facade
4. Smokehouse