

Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	South Carolina	
COUNTY:	Richland	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE	
	MAR 23 1972	

1. NAME

COMMON:
Sylvan Building

AND/OR HISTORIC:
(Central National Bank)

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1500 Main Street; NE corner of Main and Hampton Streets

CITY OR TOWN:
Columbia

STATE: South Carolina CODE: 45 COUNTY: Richland CODE: 079

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Sylvan Realty Corporation

STREET AND NUMBER:
1500 Main Street

CITY OR TOWN: Columbia STATE: South Carolina CODE: 45

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Richland County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:
1508 Washington Street

CITY OR TOWN: Columbia STATE: South Carolina CODE: 45

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
South Carolina Survey of Historic Places (Preliminary) *NARS*

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Department of Archives and History

STREET AND NUMBER:
1430 Senate Street, P.O. Box 11, 188 Capitol Station

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Built in 1870 in II Empire design, the building has bearing brick walls, brick relieving arches, and wood floors supported by wood joist. Three floors with full basement.

Mansard roof covered with slate; terminal and central pavilions each with its own roof; corner quoins on pavilions; central pavilion with hooded dormer of double windows; end pavilion with mainly segmented dormers. Other mansard roof windows are pedimented dormers. ~~Boxed cornice~~ with paneled frieze below mansard roof. Second story windows have arched dripstone with keystone; exception its octagonal west pavilion which has a door-size window facing southwest with pediment and dripstone.

~~Boxed cornice~~ with decorated frieze above first floor. Two side double doors with keystone arches. First floor windows to west of central pavilion are small rectangulars with keystone and dripstone; windows to east are full length with keystone and dripstone.

Originally, banking room floor at basement level and entrance was by a monumental stair down. Store end of building (to west of central pavilion) has a street floor entrance and display windows; high ceiling and balcony on interior with two floors above. The remainder of the building has three floors above basement.

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3. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1870**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Listed in the Historical American Buildings Survey, it is architecturally significant as one of the few undamaged examples of II Empire design still extant in the Southeast and the only commercial example of this type and period architecture in Columbia, South Carolina. Because of its rarity of type within the area, it is of extreme importance in local architectural history. Columbia architect Walter Petty, F.A.I.A., considers it the most important building on Main Street.

Built in 1870 as the Central National Bank, it survived the panic of 1871 and was absorbed by the Loan and Exchange Bank organized in 1886 under state charter. Used since 1906 as a jewelry store.

Attributed to Samuel Sloan by Dr. Harold N. Coledge, Jr., Alumni Professor of Architecture at Clemson University. Listed in Group I of Coledge's "City of Columbia Historical and Cultural Buildings and Sites List" of 1967. Buildings in this group constitute a primary delineation of Columbia's material, visual history and "by any means possible...should be conserved and/or restored on their original sites."

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Coolidge, Harold N., Jr., P.H.D. The Classification, Preservation and Restoration of Historic Structures Within the Limits of the Area Whose Cultural Nucleus is the City of Columbia: A First Survey And Feasibility Study. Columbia, S.C.: No Publisher, May 11, 1966.

Hennig, Helen Kohn. Columbia, Capital City of South Carolina. Columbia, S.C.: The R.L. Bryan Company, 1936.

Historic American Buildings Survey. A Check List of Subjects, Additions to Survey Material Deposited in the Library of Congress Since Publication of the Historic American Buildings Supplement ,

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0 0 0	0 0 0		34	00	19
NE	0 0 0	0 0 0		81	02	06
SE	0 0 0	0 0 0				
SW	0 0 0	0 0 0				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than 1/4 acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Dollie McGrath, Historic Resources Assistant

ORGANIZATION: South Carolina Department of Archives and History DATE: 11/29/71

STREET AND NUMBER:
1430 Senate Street, P.O. Box 11,188 Capitol Station

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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 Charles E. Lee
Charles E. Lee

Title Director, S.C. Department of Archives and History

Date December 16, 1971

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Ernest R. O'Rourke
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
DEC 23 1971
MAR 23 1972

Date _____

ATTEST:
William J. Mumford
Keeper of The National Register
MAR 7 1972

Date _____

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SYLVAN BUILDING (CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK)

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

January 1959 -- January 1963.

Entry: Central National Bank, Columbia (SC-255), 3 photos,
4 data sheets. Washington, D.C.: National Park Service, 1963.

1872 letter from Addison Hutton to his partner (possession of
Mrs. Robert D. Yarnall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)

1872 Map of the City of Columbia, South Carolina.

