

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES  
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # Be-46  
Boone County

1. Name of Resource: Gordon's Hall

2. Original Owner: Mark Gordon

3. Other Names: Petersburg Opera House

4. Prehistoric Site  Building  Object   
Historic Site  Structure  Other

5. Location: 6561 Market Street  
Petersburg, KY

6. Owner's Name: Ms. Stella Smith [ ]

7. Owner's Address: Rt. 1  
Warsaw, KY 41095

8. Evaluation: National Register [ ]

9. Recognition & Date:  
Nat. Landmark \_\_\_\_\_ Local Landmark \_\_\_\_\_  
Nat. Register \_\_\_\_\_ HABS/HAER \_\_\_\_\_  
Highway Marker \_\_\_\_\_ KY Inventory 1977  
KY Landmark Certificate \_\_\_\_\_

10. N.R. Status & Date:

11. N.R. Group:  
District Name: [ ]  
Mult. Resource Area: Boone County [ ]  
Thematic Name: [ ]

12. Historical Theme:  
Primary: Commerce [ ]  
Secondary: Architecture [ ]  
Other: [ ]

13. Statement of Significance:  
This property is significant under criteria A and C as a good example of small-town commercial development in Boone County in the period 1870-1930 and is an unusual example of the Italianate style, exhibiting design elements uncommon in the area, especially the (Continued) [ ]

14. History:  
The brick for the building came from a demolished Boone County Distillery Building. The second floor hall was used for dances and for showing movies. Orchestras would travel down river on boats to play at the hall.

16. Date: 1892\*  
Original Building 4th & 19th c. [ ]  
Addition [ ]

17. Style: Italianate [ ]

18. Architect/Builder: unknown

19. No. of Stories: two [ ]

20. Original Floor Plan: unknown [ ]

21. Single Pile \_\_\_\_\_ Double Pile \_\_\_\_\_ N.A.

22. Roof Form & Material: Original   
gable / unknown Not Original

23. Structural Material: brick [ ]

24. Exterior Material: common bond brick [ ]

25. Foundation Material: brick [ ]

26. Major Alterations: None   
Moved/Rebuilt Other

27. Special Features: original storefront

28. Outbuildings: none [ ]

29. Original Function: store and dance hall [ ]

30. Present Use: none [ ]

31. Condition: good [ ]

32. Endangered: Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No

33. Attach Photos:  
Roll: 2 Photo Nos: 23 No. of Slides:  
9 31-36

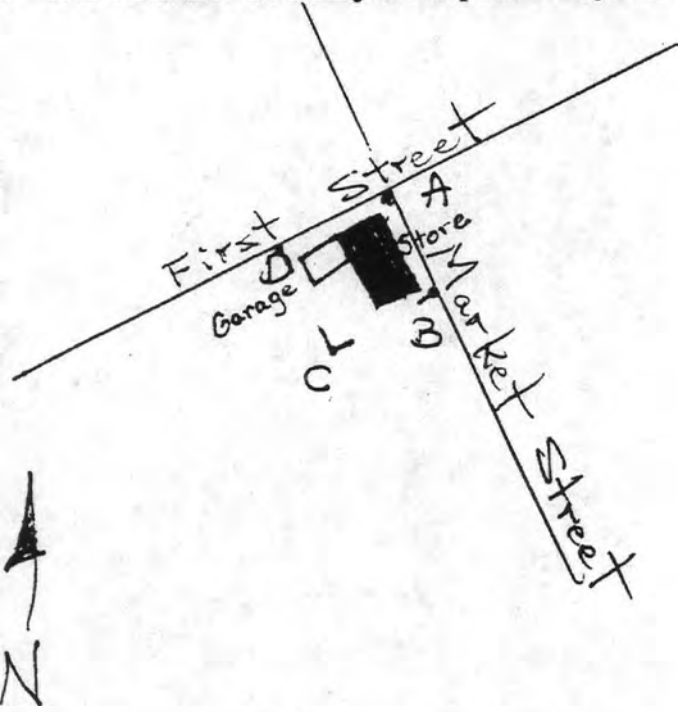
15. Source of historical information and/or contact person: William Conrad  
\*Loder Diaries

34. Prepared by: Kenneth T. Gibbs  
35. Organization: Boone Co. Hist. Pres. Rev. Brd.  
36. Date: September 1986  
37. New Survey \_\_\_\_\_ Resurvey

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38. UTM Point of Primary Building: Quadrant: <u>Lawrenceburg</u>	Zone <u>16</u>	Easting <u>684460</u>	Northing <u>4326420</u>	39. G.I.S. Mod. [ ]
41. UTM Points of Boundary (for N. R. eligible sites only):				40. Coordi.Accuracy [ ]
A. -----			D. -----	
B. -----			E. -----	
C. -----			F. -----	
42. Total Acreage in Present Property: .134	43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary: .134			
44. Site Plan (and boundary description and justification for N.R. sites):				



The nominated property is the east 90' of city lot 61. The boundary includes the part of the city lot that has historically been associated with the building. Boundary A-B is on the west side of Market Street, and boundary D-A is on the south side of First Street.

Contributing: 1 building

45. Description and House Plan:

The rectangular mass of this combination store and dancehall is emphasized by the parapet gable-ends, which conceal the shallow pitched roof. The wall surface is broken with recessed panels that mark the bays, four on the front and rear faces and two on the sides; some of the panels are set with windows and others are blind. The storefront is original, as are the separate doorways on the main (north) front and the First Street side of the building.

The hoodmolds over the upper windows of the main front and the principal architectural elements of the storefront are of cast metal; other lintels are of plain stone. The lower sashes of the double-hung windows have been replaced with aluminum storm windows, but the original 6-pane upper sashes remain, concealed by plywood. The two-car garage of concrete block construction is a mid-20th century addition to the south face of the building.

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13. Statement of Significance: (Continued)

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recessed panels marking the bays, the bracketed hoodmolds, and the shallow-pitched gable roof. The garage addition on the rear (west) and the replacement of the lower window sashes are unfortunate, but the building still conveys its major design elements and historical associations.



12/28/88

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Continuation Sheet

Section number \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Boone County MRA  
State KENTUCKY

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
31. Florence Fire Station <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
32. Florence Hotel <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
33. Gaines, Benjamin R., Farm <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
34. Gordon's Hall <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
35. Hamilton School <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
36. Hebron Deposit Bank <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
37. Hicks, Harvey A., House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
38. Hind, Samuel, House <i>Substantive Review</i> <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	for Keeper <u>Patricia Andrews 6/14/90 Pat</u> Attest _____
39. Hopeful Lutheran Church <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____
40. Horton, Agnes, House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	for Keeper <u>Melvin Byers 2/6/89</u> Attest _____

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Gordon's Hall

MULTIPLE NAME: Boone County MRA

STATE & COUNTY: KENTUCKY, Boone

DATE RECEIVED: 12/28/88      DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/10/89  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 1/26/89      DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/11/89  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 88003260

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N    DATA PROBLEM: N    LANDSCAPE: N    LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N    PDIL: N    PERIOD: N    PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N    SAMPLE: N    SLR DRAFT: N    NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT     RETURN     REJECT    2/6/89 DATE

Entered in the  
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_  
REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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CLASSIFICATION

count       resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

historic       current

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DESCRIPTION

architectural classification  
 materials  
 descriptive text

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SIGNIFICANCE

Period      Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates      Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph  
 completeness  
 clarity  
 applicable criteria  
 justification of areas checked  
 relating significance to the resource  
 context  
 relationship of integrity to significance  
 justification of exception  
 other

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage       verbal boundary description  
 UTM's       boundary justification

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps       USGS maps       photographs       presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





SPEED  
LIMIT  
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Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000206