

LANDMARK



SURVEY

IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 331-333 W. Main Street
Map and Parcel: 32-192
Census Tract & Block: 1-309
Present Owner: Altamont Land Trust
Address: P.O. Box 1151 City 22902
Present Use: Store
Original Owner: Johnson W. Pitts
Original Use: Residence

BASE DATA

Historic Name: Pitts-Inge (C M R A),
Date/Period: 1820
Style: Federal
Height to Cornice:
Height in Stories: 2
Present Zoning: B-4
Land Area (sq.ft.): 23 x 85
Assessed Value (land + imp.): 3510 + 1050 = 4560

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Inge Store is one of the oldest remaining structures on what was a rural "three notched road" leading from the town of Charlottesville to the University. It is built of brick, laid in Flemish bond on the facade and in common bond on the sides and rear. Typical of a house of this period is the "mouse-tooth" cornice, the stepped gables, and the slender buttressed chimney on the east end. The original fenestration has largely been obscured by the introduction of large areas of glass characteristic of nineteenth century commercial buildings. Adjoining the main structure is a smoke house, one of the last reminders of the many similar out buildings which have disappeared.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

The land upon which the Inge Store was built was purchased by Joseph Bishop in 1803 from John Carr. The existing structure was constructed by Bishop's son-in-law, Johnson W. Pitts c. 1820. The property was sold on September 29, 1821 to Lawrence Catlett for \$1,000. The dwelling house served as a parsonage for the Charlottesville Methodist Church from 1840 until default of payment forced its sale in 1842 to Nimrod Sowell, who paid \$1,220 for the title. The father of the present owner bought the building in 1890, some 37 years after it had ceased to be used as a residence. Deed references; ACDB 22-416, 27-256, 30-363, 39-152, 40-104, 55-248, 60-218, 65-194, City DB 1-440.

SIGNIFICANCE

This building, with its stepped gables and mousetooth cornice, is a fine example of the Federal Style. It is the oldest surviving building on West Main Street, the old Three-Notched Road. George P. Inge, who bought it in 1890, was a very successful black businessman and a college classmate of Booker T. Washington, who was a frequent guest there.

CONDITIONS

Average

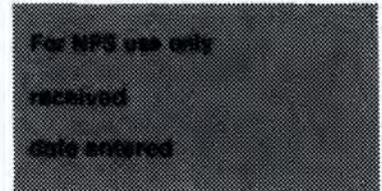
UTM: 17/720590/4211990

SOURCES

City/County Records
Alexander's Recollections, p. 98N.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Charlottesville Multiple Resource Area
State Virginia

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

71. Enderly Servants' Quarters *Substantive Review* Keeper BT

Attest _____

Reserve
72. C & A Ry Co.-Va. Public Service Co.

Substantive Review

Keeper Wright Dubois 1/10/84

Attest _____

Reserve
73. Sparks-Garrett House

Substantive Review

Keeper RET ^{CD} BT 1-10

Attest _____

Reserve
74. Pitts-Inge

Substantive Review

Keeper Linda McClelland

Attest 10-24-82

75. Wheeler House

Substantive Review

Keeper RET

Attest _____

76. Wheeler-Dyer House

Substantive Review

Keeper RET

Attest _____

77. Paxton Place

Substantive Review

Keeper Linda McClelland

Attest 10-21-82

Reserve
78. Hotel Gleason/Albemarle Hotel, Imperial Cafe

Substantive Review

Keeper accept Patrick Andrews 8/10/83

Attest _____

Reserve
79. Holsinger-Thomas Building

Substantive Review

Keeper RET ^{CD} RET 1-10-83

Attest _____

80. Delevan Baptist Church

Substantive Review

Keeper Linda McClelland

Attest 10-24-82

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Pitts-Inge (Charlottesville MRA) VIRGINIA

Working No. 9/7/82-2435
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83
Date Due: 10/2/82 - 10/22/82
Action: ACCEPT 10/2/82
 RETURN
 REJECT

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*Sign for example of arch of Federal period,
And for association w commercial
development of W. Main
and black settlement
of Charlottesville*

Recom./Criteria Accept A+C
Reviewer DMcCallash
Discipline Arch
Date 10/20/82
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Area 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

Site _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed *Anda J. McClellan* Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

Architectural And Historic

Survey

Graphics



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000882