

Form 10-300
(Rev. 6-72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Virginia
COUNTY:	Bedford
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY DATE	JUL 24 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:	Old Rectory
AND/OR HISTORIC:	Rectory for St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 5 of Perrowville, Va 663			
On Route 663, c. 1 1/4 miles South East of Perrowville junction with Route 644.			
CITY OR TOWN:		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:	
near Perrowville		Sixth, M. Caldwell Butler	
STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Virginia	51	Bedford	019

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☐ Site ☐ Object	☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Public ☒ Private ☐ Both	☒ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	☒ Yes: ☒ Restricted ☐ Unrestricted ☐ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Agricultural ☐ Commercial ☐ Educational ☐ Entertainment	☐ Government ☐ Industrial ☐ Military ☐ Museum	☐ Park ☒ Private Residence ☐ Religious ☐ Scientific	☐ Transportation ☐ Other (Specify)	☐ Comments
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4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:			
Mrs. Clarence H. White			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
Old Rectory, Route 2			
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:	CODE
Forest		Virginia	51

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:			
Bedford Courthouse			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE	CODE
Bedford		Virginia	51

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:			
Bedford County Historic Pilgrimage			
DATE OF SURVEY:	1972	☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☒ Local	
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:			
Bedford County Historical Society			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	☒ Excellent	☐ Good	☐ Fair	☐ Deteriorated	☐ Ruins	☐ Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	☒ Altered	☐ Unaltered	☐ Moved	☒ Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Old Rectory was built as a T-shaped frame dwelling with exterior-end chimneys of irregularly bonded brick. The foundations and partition walls, except for later additions, are laid in a similar bonded brick. Service additions in the southeast jog of the house were made in the twentieth century. In the earlier part of this century, there were service additions set next to the south chimney, but these have now been removed. At that time, a porch chamber, approximately 20' by 20', was centered on the second floor of the entrance facade. It was supported by wooden pillars set on brick piers. A porch deck, supported by similar piers, surrounded a major part of the house. The present owner removed the porch chamber and cut its roofing back about 10' to form a one-bay, two-story portico supported by four fluted Doric columns. The portico pediment is ornamented with dentils and has a semi-circular window. On the entrance facade, the cornice of the house has a similar modern dentil cornice. The original portions of the house are sheathed with early beaded siding. Windows are 9-over-9 on the first floor and 9-over-6 on the second. Shutters held back by S-shaped catches now frame most of the windows. 4-light attic ventilation windows flank the flues of the two end chimneys of the house. The gable roofs are now covered with seamed tin painted black.

Inside, the living room, sitting room and front hall have flat paneled wainscoting while the dining room, upstairs central bedroom, and hall have a plaster dado. The first floor rooms also have shallow dentil cornices. The living room mantelpiece has a thin strapwork band, gouged pilasters, a frieze with lateral trusses and a central, raised panel, and a reeded cornice. In the sitting room, next to the fireplace a chimney pent forms a press which has double, two-panel doors. The mantel in this room has a molded surround (which includes a rope molding), reeded pilasters supporting a frieze with trusses and a central panel, and a dentil cornice also decorated with rope molding. The entrance hall has a simple rail stairway with straight balusters, leading to the second story with two flights broken by a landing. The newel post, as well as the landing posts, is unmolded and capped by a ball finial.

The fireplace in the upstairs north bedroom has been closed. In the south and central bedrooms, the mantelpieces have molded surrounds surmounted by friezes with flanking and blocks under mantel shelves. The end blocks of the central bedroom mantel are fluted. The upstairs rooms have thin, molded cornices.

Doors throughout the house are six-paneled with the long sides of the four lower panels running longitudinally while the long sides of the two small upper panels run transversely. The door architraves are molded. Above the entrance doorway, there is a four-light transom with the narrow panes set transversely.

At the rear of the house stands the old log kitchen which has been weather-boarded and has had a frame section added to it.

Old Rectory is part of a 25-acre tract which adjoins several other parcels of land also held by Mrs. C. W. White. The house is set in fine, rolling

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(Continuation Sheet)

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country with views to the North, Elk Hill in the middle distance, and spurs of the Blue Ridge Mountains in the background. Across the way to the South, and visible from the front porch, is the handsome farm Berkeley, also known as the Perrow Place.



SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian☐ 16th Century☒ 18th Century☐ 20th Century☐ 15th Century☐ 17th Century☐ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1787

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Aboriginal☐ Education☐ Political☐ Urban Planning☐ Prehistoric☐ Engineering☐ Religion/Phi-☐ Other (Specify)☐ Historic☐ Industry

losophy

☐ Agriculture☐ Invention☐ Science☒ Architecture☐ Landscape☐ Sculpture☐ Art☐ Architecture☐ Social/Human-☐ Commerce☐ Literature

itarian

☐ Communications☐ Military☐ Theater☐ Conservation☐ Music☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The original portion of Old Rectory is a typical example of the handsomely proportioned frame farmhouses built in Bedford County in the late eighteenth century, and is an integral part of the St. Stephen's Road rural neighborhood. The interior woodwork is finely executed and is almost completely intact.

The house was erected around 1787 for Waddy Cobb who also had nearby Elk Hill built about ten years later. From around 1828 to 1904 the house served as the rectory of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. The following succession of Saint Stephen's rectors (with the dates of their arrival given) is believed to have resided at Old Rectory: Nicholas Hamner Cobb, 1828; I. S. Marbory, 1839; Q. A. Kinsolving, 1844; R. H. Wilmer, 1852; W. H. Pendleton, 1855; George A. Gibbens, 1870; Albert Ware, 1876; Edmund W. Hubord 1881; T. W. Jones, 1896; F. L. Lemosy, 1897; R. R. Claiborne, 1903; E. B. Meredith 1904.

Saint Stephen's was temporarily closed in 1904 and Old Rectory passed into private hands. It was first owned by the Caskie family and later went to an in-law, Jim Owen Watts. The house was acquired by the Clarence Whites in 1928.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission files.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
NW	Degrees Minutes Seconds 37 ° 24 ' 16 "	Degrees Minutes Seconds 79 ° 20 ' 23 "		Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	
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SE	37 ° 24 ' 01 "	79 ° 20 ' 08 "				
SW	37 ° 24 ' 01 "	79 ° 20 ' 23 "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 25 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
A. C. Lee

ORGANIZATION
Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

DATE
April 1973

STREET AND NUMBER:
Room 1116 Ninth Street State Office Building

CITY OR TOWN:
Richmond

STATE
Virginia

CODE
51

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 Junius R. Fishburne
Junius R. Fishburne, Director
Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission
Title _____

Date JUN 19 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Robert H. Utley
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 7/24/73

ATTEST:

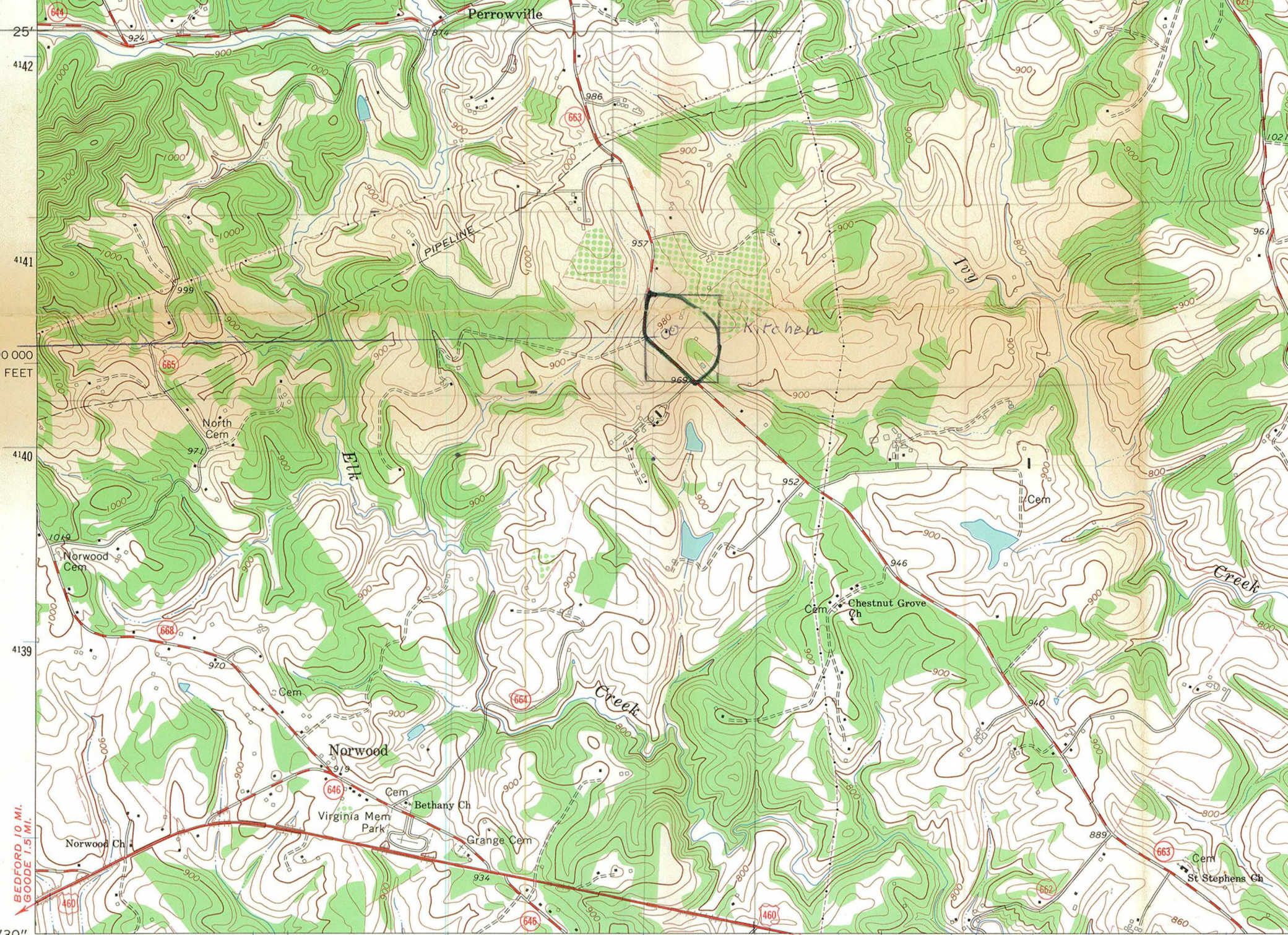
Keeper of The National Register
Date 7/23/73

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

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OLD RECTORY



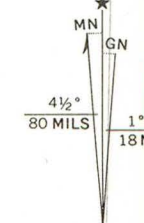
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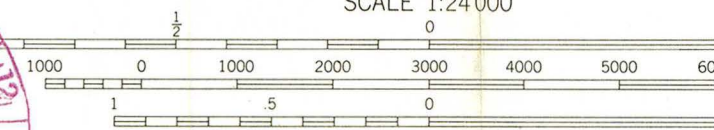
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1963. Field checked 1965

Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Virginia coordinate system, south zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 17, shown in blue

Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



FOREST 2.4 MI.
LYNCHBURG 11 MI.



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

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