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- A. 72nd Street Control House
W. 72nd Street and Broadway, Manhattan
New York (036), New York County (061)
19th Congressional District
- B. Battery Park Control House
State Street and Battery Place, Manhattan
New York (036), New York County (061)
17th Congressional District
- C. Mott Avenue Control House
149th Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx
New York (036), Bronx County (005)
21st Congressional District
- D. Atlantic Avenue Control House
Flatbush and Atlantic Avenues, Brooklyn
New York (036), Kings County (047)
14th Congressional District

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72nd Street (A), Battery Park (B), and Mott Ave. (C):

John D. Simpson, Executive Director
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
347 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Atlantic Avenue (D):

James F. Capalino, Commissioner
Department of General Services
1800 Municipal Building
New York, New York 10007

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72nd Street (A), Battery Park (B):
New York County Register's Office
31 Chambers Street
New York, New York

Mott Avenue (C):
Bronx County Courthouse
851 Grand Concourse
Bronx, New York

Atlantic Avenue (D):
Kings County Register's Office
Municipal Building, 210 Joralemon Street
Brooklyn, New York

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and glass doors and windows were installed. A glass roof replaced copper sheets, and the exterior was cleaned and repaired. A new railing was installed in the center of the interior stairway. The control house serves as the entrance to the Bowling Green Station.

The Mott Avenue Control House (C), completed in 1905, is no longer used as a station entrance. It is situated near the southwest corner of 149th Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx and is finished on the street facade with Roman brick and limestone trim. Entrance was gained through a porch which extended beyond the building line. The porch was removed in 1918 when the Woodlawn branch of the IRT was completed.

The porch featured three large windows divided by pilasters on the front, and double entrance doors located on the sides. The building is finished at the top with a glazed terra-cotta cornice and a large name tablet of faience in three colors. The Mott Avenue Control House presently houses elevator machinery for the 149th Street subway station located below it. No important interior features remain.

Also no longer in use as a station entrance is the (D) Atlantic Avenue Control House (1908), at Atlantic and Flatbush Avenues in Brooklyn. The building is situated on a triangular traffic island similar to the one at 72nd and Broadway in Manhattan. The building itself is similar in appearance to the 72nd Street Control House, but has large, shaped gable ends with the words "Atlantic Avenue" executed in terra-cotta. The building is presently used as a concession stand, and is surrounded by a modern steel structure. The gable ends and general building outline are still clearly visible. No important interior features remain.

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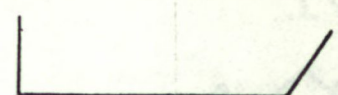
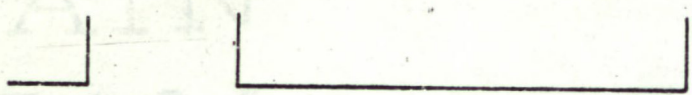
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- A. The 72nd Street Control House occupies a traffic island on Broadway bounded by the southern curb line of West 72nd Street on the north, and by Broadway on the east, south, and west, and which is contiguous to Manhattan Tax Map Blocks 1143 and 1163. Central Park Quadrangle, N.Y., N.J.
- B. The Battery Park Control House is situated near the northern edge of Battery Park on Manhattan Tax Map Block 3, Lot 1 in part. Jersey City Quadrangle, N.Y., N.J.
- C. The Mott Avenue Control House occupies Borough of the Bronx Tax Map Block 2346, Lot 43 in part. Central Park Quadrangle N.Y., N.J.
- D. The Atlantic Avenue Control House occupies a triangular traffic island, Borough of Brooklyn Tax Map Block 926, Lot 1. Brooklyn Quadrangle, N.Y.



4TH

AVE.

ATLANTIC AVE.

1979-80
TIMES PLAZA
913-656

FLATBUSH



BL 926
926
926

LOT 1

NEW I.D.# 913-56

DROP I.D.# 1849
I.D.# 913-56

PACIFIC

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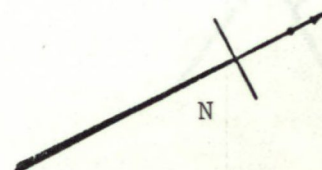
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AVE.

ATLANTIC AVENUE CONTROL HOUSE
Kings County, New York
New York City Tax Map Block 926.
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Property

Interborough Rapid Transit Subway
Control Houses; Schematic Resources

Ref. not on back

State

Bronx
NY - New York

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TECHNICAL

Photos

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Maps

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CONTROL

HISTORIAN

The Control houses are significant as the only remaining **ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**
~~examples~~ original entrances to NY's subway system which is described as the first such system
 in the US. Two of the four early 20th century buildings remain virtually intact. The other two have been
 substantially altered. Regardless, the buildings constitute an important group worthy of listing on the
 basis of their architecture and their association with the history of transportation.

Accept. P. Reed. 4/24/80 **ARCHEOLOGIST**

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(A) 72nd St. + (B) Battery Park Stations are eligible
 on basis of architecture + history. (C) Mott Avenue +
 (D) Atlantic Avenue have been altered; the case for
 historical significance is strong, so despite some loss of
 integrity, these appear to be eligible on the basis of history.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF
 Accept
 L. Reed
 4/25/80
BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up

Federal Register Entry

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Atlantic Ave. Control House
Kings Cty.

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Battery Park Control House
NY Cty.

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Control House on 72nd St.
NY Cty.

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8. Atlantic Avenue Control House (D) Bronx, New York
Flatbush and Atlantic Avenues, Brooklyn
Photo by: Stephen L. Senigo 1979 Kings County
Neg. at: New York City Landmarks
Preservation Commission

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View from north Thematic Resources

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9. Atlantic Avenue Control House (D) *Bronx, New York*
Atlantic and Flatbush Avenues, Brooklyn,
Photo by: Stephen L. Senigo 1979 *Kings County*
Neg. at: New York City Landmarks

Preservation Commission

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Close-up of gable *Thematic Resources*

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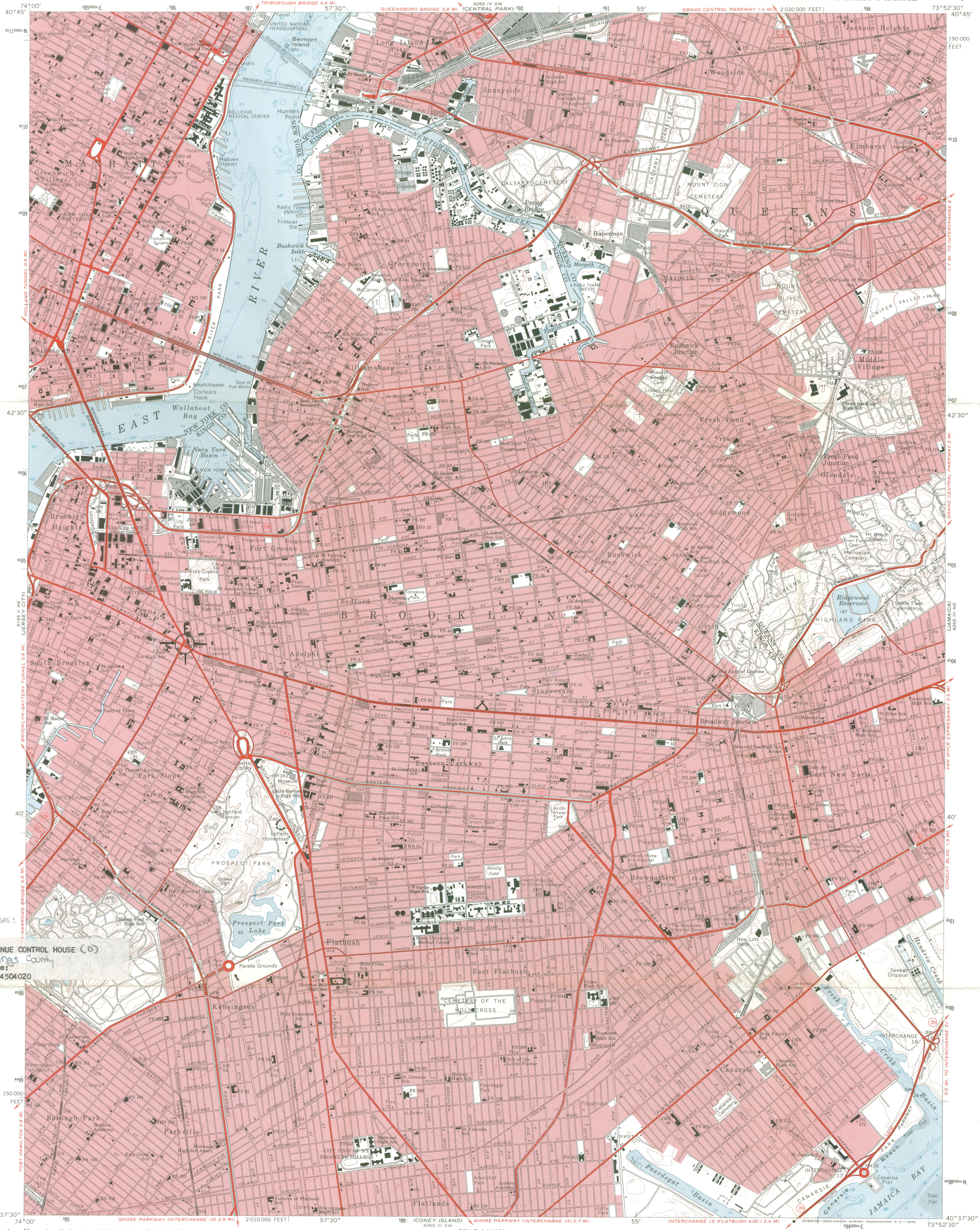
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BROOKLYN QUADRANGLE
NEW YORK
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NW/4 BROOKLYN 15' QUADRANGLE



ATLANTIC AVENUE CONTROL HOUSE (O)
Brooklyn, Kings County
UTM Reference:
18/ 586330/ 4504020

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
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Estimate and Apportionment
Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
taken 1954, and from USC&GS Charts T-5094, T-5335, T-5454
T-5459, T-5460, and T-8449
Topography by planetable surveys 1955-1956. Revised from
aerial photographs taken 1966. Field checked 1967
Selected hydrographic data compiled from USC&GS Charts
275 (1964), 542 (1967), and 745 (1966). This information
is not intended for navigational purposes
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on New York coordinate system, Long Island zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 18, shown in blue
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Entire area lies within New York City



SCALE 1:24,000
1 000 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET
1 KILOMETER
CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
DOTTED LINES REPRESENT 5-FOOT CONTOURS
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL
DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER
SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN LOW WATER
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 4.2 FEET IN THE EAST RIVER
AND 5.2 FEET IN JAMAICA BAY
THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Unimproved dirt ———
Interstate Route ——— State Route ———

BROOKLYN, N. Y.
NW/4 BROOKLYN 15' QUADRANGLE
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1967
AMS 6265 III NW—SERIES V821

