

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

For NPS use only

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NOV 29 1983

date entered

1. Name

historic Seneca Hotel

and/or common Seneca Towers

2. Location

street & number 361 East Broad Street

N/A not for publication

city, town Columbus

N/A vicinity of

state Ohio

code 039

county Franklin

code 049

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
☐ district	☐ public	☒ occupied	☐ agriculture
☒ building(s)	☒ private	☐ unoccupied	☒ commercial
☐ structure	☐ both	☐ work in progress	☐ educational
☐ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	☐ entertainment
☐ object	☐ in process	☒ yes: restricted	☒ government
	☐ being considered	☐ yes: unrestricted	☐ industrial
	☒ N/A	☐ no	☐ military
			☐ museum
			☐ park
			☐ private residence
			☐ religious
			☐ scientific
			☐ transportation
			☐ other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. George G. Hughes

street & number 363 East Broad Street

city, town Columbus

N/A vicinity of

state Ohio 43215

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Franklin County Administration Building

street & number 410 South High Street

city, town Columbus

state Ohio 43215

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Ohio Historic Inventory FRA-1170-18 has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☒ no

date July 1975

☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Ohio Historic Preservation Office

city, town Columbus

state Ohio 43211

7. Description

Condition

☒ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Seneca Hotel was originally a 3 x 13 bay, 10 story structural steel and reinforced concrete building with English bond brick veneer. In 1924 a sympathetic 4-story addition was added to the east changing the facade (north elevation) to 7 bays and converting the plan to an L-shape. The exterior appearance is virtually unchanged since this 1924 addition.

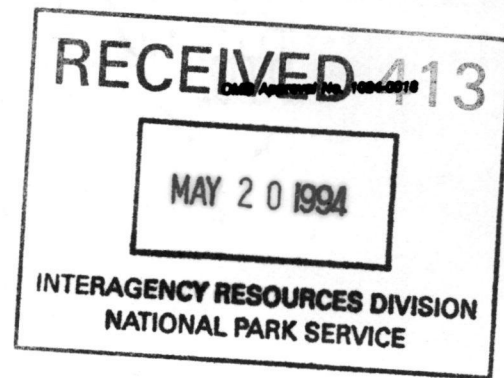
The design, by Frank L. Packard and David Riebel & Sons, is a typical approach to taller building construction of the early twentieth century. The building rests on a solid base with most of its floors set in a rather plain middle section and then it terminates in a decorative top section. This approach reflects the base, shaft and capital of the classical column. The base of this structure is three stories high with a high basement defined by a cut stone foundation facing and a terra cotta watertable. These three floors are adorned with elaborate glazed white terra cotta window and door surrounds, quoins, belt courses, and sculptures, all contrasting with the brick. The middle section is five stories tall, consisting of four shafts divided by light wells (facing Grant Avenue). The two center shafts are 2/3 the width of the end shafts. Openings in this middle section are paired 1/1 light double hung excluding in the light wells and in the center section of the east elevation. These are single 1/1 light double hung. The top section of the building is two floors high and the glazed white terra cotta ornament is repeated in the form of belt courses, spandrels, elaborate window surrounds with sculptures, and quoins. Atop the parapet is a flat, built up roof.

The building is notable for its silhouette and judicious use of the terra cotta ornamentation. This detailing lends to the building an atmosphere of sophistication without overdoing the embellishment or detracting from its composition. Its design is reflective of the English Renaissance Revival style of architecture.

It is also significant for extant original interior details in the lobby, in particular the wood wall panelings and balcony railings.

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Seneca Hotel (Amended Documentation),
Franklin County, Ohio

1. Seneca Hotel, Reference No. 83004300.
2. 361 E. Broad St., Columbus, Franklin County (049), Ohio (OH).
3. This amended documentation is provided by the owner in order to clarify the record for purposes of the Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credit.

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this NOMINATION meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property MEETS the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant LOCALLY.

Barbara Power, Dept. Head, Planning, Inventory & Registration
Signature of certifying official/Title

5-13-94
Date

Ohio Historic Preservation Office, OH SHPO
State or Federal agency and bureau

All other sections of the original documentation should remain unchanged.

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Seneca Hotel (Amended Documentation)
Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

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Seneca Hotel Garage

Although clearly included within the boundaries of the National Register listing of the Seneca Hotel, 361 East Broad Street, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, the Seneca Hotel Garage is not discussed in the nomination. The following information is provided to supplement the record.

7. Description

The Seneca Hotel Garage is a two-story brick building located within the property boundaries of the Seneca Hotel. Fronting on Capital Alley, is located immediately east of the original hotel and immediately south of the hotel's 1924 addition.

The building rests on a poured concrete foundation and has a flat roof with parapet roofline and raised elevator housing at the southwest corner. The garage features seven bays on its main facade and eight bays on its visible east elevation. The main facade is wire cut brick, while other elevations are common brick.

Important features of the main facade include its original door and window openings on the ground floor and segmental-arched windows on the second floor with decorative continuous lintel course of soldier brick. At the center is the main garage entry door, with its original wood cross-bar door intact. To its east and west are man doors and windows with concrete lintels and continuous sill courses. At the west end is the automobile elevator entry, with an original or early rolling metal door.

Windows on the second floor are grouped in threes to either side of a single window at the center. The other elevations are unornamented except for segmental-arched window openings. Two-over-two windows still remain on the east elevation, but the north and west elevation windows have been blocked in for fire separation reasons. The interior of the building was used most recently for office space, but is currently vacant.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
— prehistoric	— archeology-prehistoric	— community planning	— landscape architecture	— religion
— 1400–1499	— archeology-historic	— conservation	— law	— science
— 1500–1599	— agriculture	— economics	— literature	— sculpture
— 1600–1699	☒ architecture	— education	— military	— social/
— 1700–1799	— art	— engineering	— music	— humanitarian
— 1800–1899	— commerce	— exploration/settlement	— philosophy	— theater
☒ 1900–	— communications	— industry	— politics/government	— transportation
		— invention		— other (specify)

Specific dates 1917 **Builder/Architect** Frank L. Packard, Architect - Columbus

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) David Riebel & Sons, Architect - Columbus
Criteria C S.D. Peacock & Sons, Contractor - Cincinnati

The Seneca Hotel is significant as the first of two known structures built in Columbus as highrise apartment hotels. The Seneca was built in 1917 and the other, The Charminel, was built in 1925. A third residential hotel also existing in Columbus today, The Norwich, was built as a commercial block originally. (The Lanman Block, c. 1890). It was converted to the residential use as early as 1899. As one of the few extant 1910's structures of any sort in the downtown area, The Seneca is also significant for its white glazed terra cotta architectural detailing influenced by the English Renaissance Revival style. Particular elements include belt courses, sculptures, elaborate window and door surrounds and quoins at both the base and parapet of the building. Furthermore, The Seneca is significant for having been co-designed by Frank L. Packard and David Riebel & Sons. Frank L. Packard was one of Columbus' best known and most prolific architects who practiced from 1892 to 1923. His most important works include three hotels - the Chittenden, the Virginia and the Seneca, and Memorial Hall, Elks Hall, Savings Bank & Trust Co., Huntington National Bank and the City Club. David Riebel was another popular Columbus architect who was particularly involved in public school designs.

Columbus, as both, a governmental and business center, had many downtown hotels. These included the Chittenden, Hotel Columbus, the Southern, the Northern, the Neil House, the Deshler, the Jefferson and the Virginia, to name a few. Of these, only the Southern remains standing. These were the hotels which catered primarily to the transient visitors to the community. The Seneca Hotel was not built to compete with these hotels, however. Although strategically located along the major east-west corridor of the city, it was too far east to be classified with the downtown. In the 1910's, the area of East Broad Street where the Seneca was built had already established itself as a prominent residential boulevard. As the prestigious area developed eastward along with the growth of the city in the late 1800's and progressively through the early 1900's, these areas already oriented to single-family residences also grew. The definition of downtown was moving eastward and multi-residential and commercial structures were being built in areas which were formerly residential. The Seneca Hotel was one of these new introductions. It made a grand statement when it was built and it continues to contribute significantly to the cosmopolitan flavor of the East Broad Street area. Although this type of hotel, that which caters to permanent residents, was common at the time to larger cities like New York, it was quite unusual for Columbus.

The Broadway Company was the owner, manager and operator of the Seneca Hotel. Frank C. Huling, its' president, was a prominent attorney and son of Cyrus Huling, founder of Columbus Savings Association. Mr. Frank Huling was married to Hester Vercoe, daughter of John Vercoe, who began Vercoe & Co., Inc., the well-respected brokerage firm active in the city today. Cyrus Huling was from Seneca County, Ohio, hence the name of The Seneca.

Various offices and commercial functions operated out of the Seneca, including the University Club of Columbus, the Junior League of Columbus, Anheuser-Busch, assorted cigar shops, clothing shops (including a corsetieres), beauty parlors, and a radio broadcasting station (WMAN and WSEN). Today the building serves as offices for the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, almost exclusively.

9. Major Bibliographical References

*Polk's city directories, 1916-present. *Columbus Dispatch, 2/1/67; 10/18/70; & asst. Sunday
*Baist's Property Atlases, 1910, 1920. magazine sections entitled "Real Estate", 1916-17.
*Architecture: Columbus, p. 149. *Columbus Building Permit Records
*Columbus Public Library resources i.e. card file, vertical file ("Columbus-Hotels"), circ. visuals.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name Southeast Columbus, Ohio

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References

A 17 329950 4425320
Zone Easting Northing

B
Zone Easting Northing

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification Parcel #s 4867 and 44660 (Lots #1 and #2 of Samuel Medary's Subdivision, each measuring 60' X 187.5') as recorded in Franklin County Administration Building, Map Room, Map Book G Page 29. The parcel is bounded by Broad St. (N), Grant Avenue (W), Capital St. (S) & east line of Lot #2.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
N/A			
N/A			

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kathy A. Mast, Historic Preservation Consultant

organization N/A

date March 21, 1983

street & number 257 Lakeview Avenue

telephone 263-3440

city or town Columbus

state Ohio 43202

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

 national state X local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

W. Ray Luce

title

SHPO

date

10/24/83

For NPS use only

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

Entered in the
National Register

date

12/29/83

for *Melores Byers*
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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Seneca Hotel (Amended Documentation)
Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

8. Statement of Significance

The Seneca Hotel Garage is a significant component of the Seneca Hotel property for two reasons: it was built specifically to service the hotel and it retains important physical features relating to its use as an early 20th century parking garage. The construction of this garage adjacent to the hotel in 1918 also helps to illustrate the status of the Seneca Hotel, one of only two known high-rise apartment hotels in early 20th century Columbus. Since the Seneca catered to permanent, rather than transient residents, the provision of a parking garage added a great deal of prestige to the site.

The Seneca Hotel Garage was constructed in 1918, one year after the adjacent Seneca Hotel was completed. It is first listed in city directories in 1918 as the "Seneca Garage" at 372 East Capital Alley. Built to service the hotel, the garage had capacity for 35 cars. It was used primarily for parking, but may have also been used for automobile servicing. When originally constructed, the building was not attached to the hotel.

The two-story garage retains its exterior physical character, including its brick facade with decorative brick lintel courses, its original cross-bar design wood garage door, and its automobile elevator with roll-down metal door. The building has integrity of setting, materials, design, and association with the Seneca Hotel. Its presence on Capital Alley reinforces its original function as a garage.

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Seneca Hotel (Amended Documentation)

Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

Photograph Views

The following information is the same for all photographs:

Seneca Hotel Garage
361 East Broad Street
Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio
Photo by Judy Williams
April 28, 1994
Negative located at 2237 Cambridge Blvd., Columbus, Ohio

1. Main facade of garage, looking north
2. Main facade of garage, looking northeast
3. Detail of main facade, looking northwest
4. View of main facade, showing relationship to hotel,
looking west
5. South and east elevations, looking northwest
6. View of garage, showing relationship to hotel and 1924
addition, looking northwest
7. View of Seneca Hotel and Garage, looking north

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Seneca Hotel
Franklin County
OHIO

NOV 29 1983

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85

Date Due: 12/29/83 - 1/13/84

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12/29/83

☐ RETURN

National Register ☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

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

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

____ 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
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ unaltered
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	☐ original site
		☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

8. 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

Seneca Hotel
Franklin County
OHIO

☐ NR decision

☐ appeal

☐ request

☐ sample

Substantive Review: _____

Reviewer's comments: _____

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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 _____

title _____

date _____

☐ no

☐ yes

Has this property been determined eligible? _____

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Check one
☐ original site
☐ moved

Check one
☐ undisturbed
☐ altered

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Condition
☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Seneca Hotel
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: OHIO, Franklin

DATE RECEIVED: 5/20/94
DATE OF 16TH DAY:
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/04/94

REFERENCE NUMBER: 83004300

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

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

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 6/27/94 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional documentation describes and explains the significance of the automobile garage historically associated with the Seneca Hotel. Although the garage ~~was~~ is located within the boundary of the listed area, it was not mentioned in the nomination for the hotel.

RECOM./CRITERIA accept additional documentation
REVIEWER Patrick Anderson
DISCIPLINE Historian
DATE 6/27/94

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

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Seneca Hotel Garage

Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

#1



NOV 11 1908

Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., OH

#2



1-K 111066

Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., OH

#3



058 0111 N-2

#4

Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., OH



Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., OH

#5



Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus, Franklin Co., OH

#6



Q111 N-2

Seneca Hotel Garage
Columbus Ohio

#7



THE SENECA HOTEL

361 E. Broad St., Cols Oh

Kathy A. Mast, 991 Manor Ln., Cols
February 1983

West & North elevations

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THE SENECA HOTEL
361 E. Broad St., Cols OH

Kathy A. Mast, 991 Manor Ln., Cols
February 1983

East & South elevations

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THE SENECA HOTEL

361 East Broad St, Cols OH
Franklin County

Kathy A. Mast, 991 Manor Ln, Cols
May, 1983

Interior lobby details



THE SENECA HOTEL

361 EAST BROAD ST, COLS. OH

FRANKLIN COUNTY

KATHY A. MAST, 991 MANOR LN., COLS. OH.
MAY 1983

INTERIOR LOBBY DETAILS



THE SENECA HOTEL
361 EAST BROAD ST., COLS OH
FRANKLIN COUNTY

KATHY A. MAST, 991-B MANOR LN., COLS
MAY 1983

INTERIOR LOBBY DETAILS.



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THE SENECA HOTEL
361 EAST BROAD ST., COLS. OH
FRANKLIN COUNTY OH

KATHY A. MAST, 991 MANOR LN, COLS. OH.
MAY 1983

INTERIOR LOBBY DETAILS

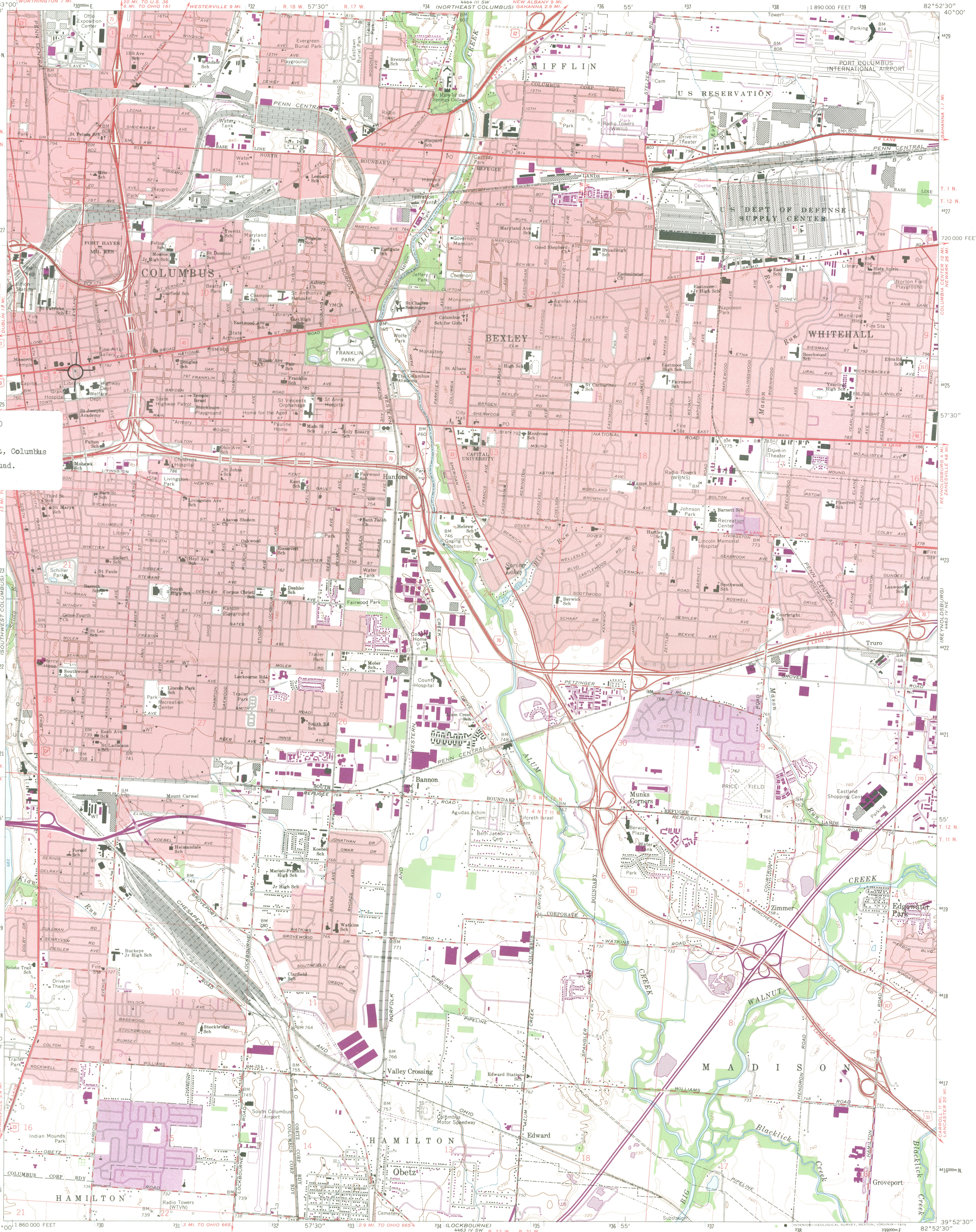
UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

SOUTHEAST COLUMBUS QUADRANGLE
OHIO—FRANKLIN CO.
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

The Seneca Hotel
361 East Broad Street, Columbus

Southeast Columbus Quad.
17 329950 4425320



Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Revised in cooperation with State of Ohio agencies
Control by USGS, USC&GS, and City of Columbus
Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken
1953 and 1954. Topography by planetable surveys 1955. Revised 1964
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Ohio 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
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Area north of Base Line lies within the United States Military District
Land lines based on the Base Line of the United States Military District
Area south of Base Line lies within Congress Lands east of the Scioto River
Land lines within Ts. 4 and 5 N. R. 22 W. based on the Scioto River Base
Land lines within Ts. 11 and 12 N. R. 21 W. based on the Ohio River Base

UTM GRID AND 1973 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with
State of Ohio agencies from aerial photographs taken
1973. This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
Interstate Route U. S. Route State Route

SOUTHEAST COLUMBUS, OHIO

N3952.5—W8252.5/7.5

1964
PHOTOREVISED 1973
AMS 4463 IV NW—SERIES V852



IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

MID-ATLANTIC REGION
NATIONAL REGISTER PROGRAMS DIVISION
U.S. CUSTOM HOUSE, ROOM 251
2ND & CHESTNUT STREETS
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106



F78(MAR-TAB)

March 29, 1993

Robert N. Shamansky
Samuel C. Shamansky
245 East Gay Street
Columbus, OH 43215

PROPERTY: Seneca Hotel, 361 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH
CONTROL NUMBER: 111900H
TAXPAYER'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 292-24-7495

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your submission of the "Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 2" for the above property pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and U. S. Department of the Interior Regulations 36 CFR 67.

The Mid-Atlantic Regional Office of the National Park Service has determined that the proposed rehabilitation project described in the submitted documentation will meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation" providing that the following conditions are met:

The decorative iron rail and newel posts should not be removed from their historic location at the upper floors and reinstalled as part of the restored main stair that will run from the first to the third floors. Instead, we suggest that a new but compatible stair should be designed.

Material submitted for conformance with the above condition should be submitted to this office through the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office. This office will review any additional material relating to this condition as soon as it is made available. Any substantive change in the work as described in the application should be brought to our attention in writing prior to execution to ensure continued conformance with the Standards.

In addition, we note that the adjacent garage is not specifically mentioned in the National Register nomination, despite its clear inclusion within the boundary description. Therefore, we recommend that a supplemental listing record, documenting the garage's historic significance and its relationship to the Seneca Hotel, be submitted to the Ohio SHPO.

This letter is a preliminary determination, since a formal certification of rehabilitation can be issued only to the owner or qualified lessee of a "certified historic structure" after the rehabilitation work is completed. To request certification upon completion of the project, a "Request for Certification of Completed Work" should be completed and submitted to the State Historic Preservation Office along with photographs, both interior and exterior, that fully depict the completed rehabilitation work, and documentation of fulfillment of the above condition. An on-site inspection of the final project may be made by an authorized representative of the Secretary of the Interior prior to final certification of rehabilitation.

Should you have any questions as the rehabilitation work continues please call your State Historic Preservation Officer, or Dennis Montagna of this office at (215) 597-5824.

Sincerely,

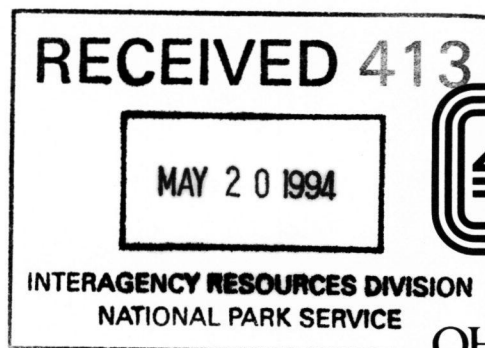
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for John D. Hnedak
Chief, Technical Assistance Branch
Cultural Resource Management

cc:
OH/SHPO

Ohio Historic Preservation Office

Ohio Historical Center
1982 Velma Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211-2497
614/297-2470
Fax: 297-2546



**OHIO
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**
SINCE 1885

May 16, 1994

Carol Shull, Chief of Registration
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
P. O. Box 37127
Washington, DC 20013-7127

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed please find additional documentation for the Seneca Hotel, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio. This property was originally listed in the National Register in 1983. The amendment provides information about the parking garage (historic), which was not described in the original nomination form.

Please review this material at your earliest convenience. If you have comments or questions contact my staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W. Ray Luce".

W. Ray Luce
State Historic Preservation Officer

enclosure