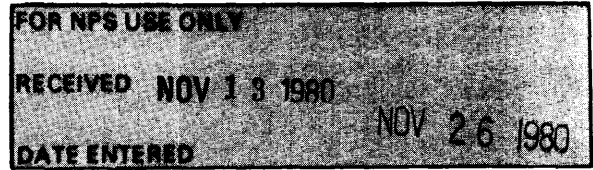


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Warren County, Kentucky

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St. Joseph's District
Wa-B-112-122
Description

Located at the western end of Main Street across the Louisville and Nashville Railroad tracks from the Downtown Commercial District, this residential district is closely linked with Bowling Green's first industrial area and consists largely of workers' houses built between about 1860 and about 1940 (approximately 70% are pre-1930 and 30% post-1930). Nearby industries included the L & N Railroad depot, a rock quarry, a woolen mill, a flour mill (Wa-B-132) and a planing mill (Wa-B-111). The religious and architectural focus of the nearly independent community is St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church (Wa-B-113, entered National Register 3 July 1975) and Wa-B-119). The church served more than a thousand Catholics in the area, many of whom were Irish immigrants employed by the L & N Railroad. The religious life of the community was augmented by the New Bethel Baptist Church (Wa-B-117), an 1890s Gothic Revival structure. The district today consists of both black and white residents, and the houses encompass all of the popular forms of residential structures of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries in both brick and frame construction; despite the variety of forms, a sense of coherence results from the dominance of small-scaled, modest-sized cottages built of frame and based on T-plans or tenant-house forms. In a number of instances, rows of identical structures reveal the speculative origins of much of the housing. The streetscape and individual house photographs provided on inventory forms for Wa-B-112,-116,-118,-121, and -122 may be considered representative of the housing in the district. Only one general store still functions within the boundaries of the district (Wa-B-120). The majority of the vacant lots within the boundaries of the district are on Scott, Barry and Nugent streets between Main and Church streets. Because of the heavy planting of trees and shrubbery, additional streetscape photographs are impossible to provide.

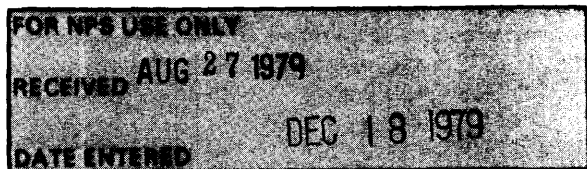
Significance

Although two of the three churches in the district possess architectural significance, and although many of the houses in the district are good representatives of workers' housing in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, the primary significance of the St. Joseph's District is historical. The residential district is locally recognized as a cohesive working class neighborhood having strong links to Bowling Green's industrial past, both because of the numerous nineteenth century structures and many of the original families' descendants remaining in the district.

The justification for the boundaries of the St. Joseph's District is that on all sides there are either empty lots or structures of less or unrelated historical or architectural significance or later construction dates. Commercial structures begin immediately to the east and south--across Browns Lock Avenue and Gordon (Potter) Street--and to the north and west are either empty lots or structures of mid-twentieth century origin.

Number of Buildings: 125 Number of intrusions: 2 (see Item Number 7,
Number of contributing buildings: 123 page 4)

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Acreage of Districts

- A. St. Joseph's District-35 acres
- B. Downtown Commercial District-24 acres
- C. Upper East Main Street District-9 acres
- D. College Hill District-38 acres
- Smith's Grove District-1 acre

District UTM's

- A. St Joseph's District UTM's
 - A - 16 - 549360 - 4094800
 - B - 16 - 549160 - 4094660
 - C - 16 - 548620 - 4095260
 - D - 16 - 549040 - 4095500
- B. Downtown Commercial District UTM's
 - A - 16 - 549500 - 4094540
 - B - 16 - 549920 - 4094020
 - C - 16 - 549640 - 4093800
 - D - 16 - 549560 - 4094020
 - E - 16 - 549560 - 4094120
 - F - 16 - 549320 - 4094420
- C. Upper East Main Street District UTM's
 - A - 16 - 549960 - 4093980
 - B - 16 - 550100 - 4093820
 - C - 16 - 549960 - 4093680
 - D - 16 - 549860 - 4093860
- D. College Hill District UTM's
 - A - 16 - 549440 - 4094020
 - B - 16 - 549640 - 4093800
 - C - 16 - 549520 - 4093700
 - D - 16 - 549680 - 4093520
 - E - 16 - 549220 - 4093180
 - F - 16 - 548900 - 4093540

Smith's Grove District UTM's

- Wa 34 - 16 - 570400 - 4100780
- Wa 35 - 16 - 570420 - 4100780
- Wa 36 - 16 - 570440 - 4100800
- Wa 37 - 16 - 570420 - 4100820

Verbal Boundary Descriptions

- I. Individual sites in Warren County outside of Bowling Green: all less than 1 acre in area, with boundaries determined by domestic space, that is, the dwelling with its farm yard or lawn, usually fenced; the sites with architecturally significant out-buildings are Wa-73, Wa-91, Wa-116, and Wa-169; and these outbuildings at these sites are within the acre boundaries; no outbuilding beyond the acre boundaries are eligible; the single rural site requiring more than 1 acre is Wa-159 (see inventory form for verbal boundary description). The acreage for all individually nominated rural sites is required to preserve the visual qualities and intergrity of the structures .
- II. Individual sites in the city of Bowling Green: Property lines, except for structures on the Western Kentucky University Campus Wa-B-203-214 in which cases the foundations of the structures are the boundaries.
- III. Districts: boundaries follow curb lines or rear property lines as indicated in Maps 1-6.

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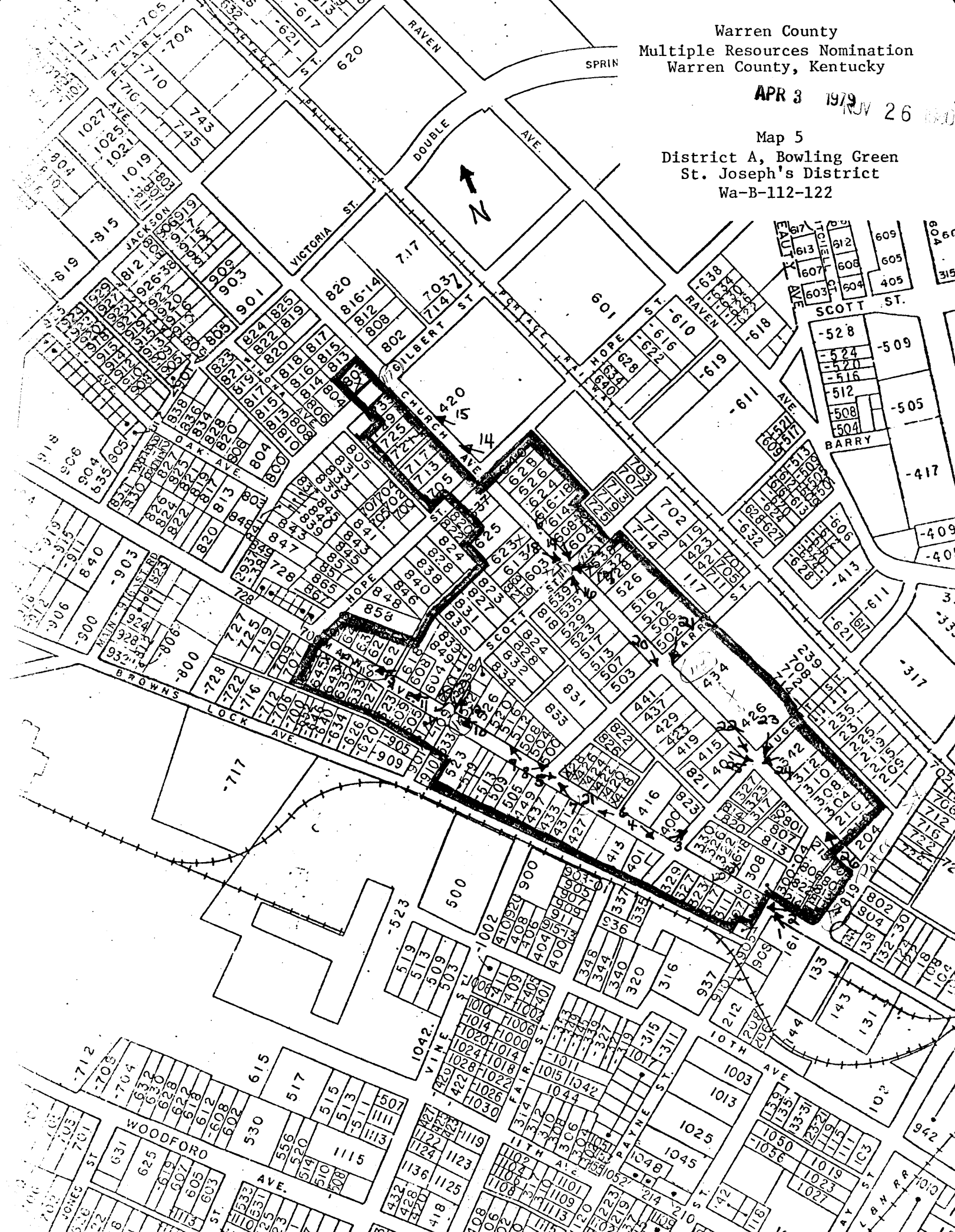
St. Joseph's Historic District

Oral tradition links the St. Joseph's district with the first major industrial development of Bowling Green. The nineteenth century inhabitants of the district are said to have supplied the labor for the construction and operation of the nearby L & N Railroad, and for the nearby rock quarry and woolen, flour and planing mills. The St. Joseph's district is the only cohesive residential district in the city built by or for the working class of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries and as such is the most significant reminder of a group that played a crucial role in making Bowling Green a regional industrial center following the Civil War.

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Map 5
District A, Bowling Green
St. Joseph's District
Wa-B-112-122



KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Wa-B-112

1. Historic Name (s)
Original Owner
Present Name

3. Owner's Name
W. D. Phelps

4. Owner's Address
109 Gordon - Bowling Green

5. Location
SW. corner Gordon - 107 109 (Potter) and Church

6. Open to Public
Yes No

7. Visible from road
Yes No

8. Ownership
Private
Local
State
Federal

9. Local Contact/Organization

22. ADD/County
BARTON

23. Zoning Classification
Magisterial District ~~(256)~~

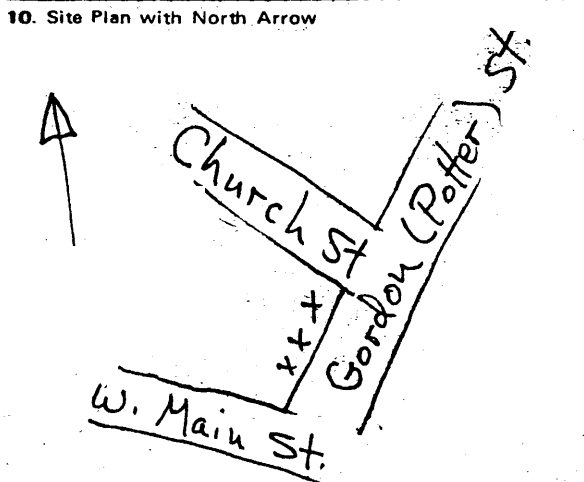
24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')
Bowling Green North

25. UTM Reference within District A
Zone Easting Northing

26. Prehistoric Site
Historic Site
Building
Object
Structure

27. District
Name: St. Joseph's
Yes No

28. Significance Evaluation
Ky. Survey



11. Architect

12. Builder

13. Date
late 19th c.

14. Style

15. Original Use
houses

16. Present Use
houses

17. Condition
Interior
Exterior good

29. Status
National Landmark
National Register
Landmark Certificate
Kentucky Survey
Local Landmark
HABS/HAER

30. Theme
Primary ethnic culture
Secondary railroads
Other

31. Endangered
Yes
No

32.

18. Description
3-story - T plans - frame - identical originally and built at same time



19. History

Roll No. 10
Picture No.
Direction

20. Significance
close proximity to other inter-related structures.

33. Tape No. Negative No.

34. Prepared by:
KTG-JCH

35. Organization
KHC

36. Date
Spring 1978

21. Source of Information

37. Revision Dates
38. Staff Review

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Wa-B-113

1. Historic Name (s)
Original Owner
Present Name
St Joseph's Church and School - 1911*

3. Owner's Name
Trustees - Parish of St Joseph's Church

4. Owner's Address
426-434 Church St. Bowling Green

6. Open to Public Yes No
7. Visible from road Yes No
8. Ownership Private
 Local
 State
 Federal

9. Local Contact/Organization

22. ADD/County **BARIV/WA**

23. Zoning Classification
Magisterial District **#4**

24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')
Bowling Green North

25. UTM Reference within District #
Zone Easting Northing

26. Prehistoric Site
Historic Site **Building**
Object Structure

27. District Yes No
Name: **St. Joseph's**

28. Significance Evaluation National Register

10. Site Plan with North Arrow

11. Architect

12. Builder

13. Date
1860*

14. Style
Gothic Revival

15. Original Use
Church & School

16. Present Use
" "

17. Condition
Interior **excellent**
Exterior **excellent**

29. Status
National Landmark
National Register
Landmark Certificate
Kentucky Survey
Local Landmark
HABS/HAER

30. Theme
Primary **religion**
Secondary **architecture**
Other **ethnic culture**

31. Endangered Yes No

18. Description **see NR files**



19. History **see NR files**
In 1857 the Rev. Joseph DeVries came to B.G. He organized his parish and built a mission. The present structure was begun in 1859 and on Easter Sunday 1860 the first services were held. The church was enlarged in 1884 and dedicated in 1889

Roll No. **11**
Picture No. _____
Direction _____

20. Significance **see NR files**
St. Joseph's was the center of a very large and solid Catholic community.

33. Tape No. _____ Negative No. _____
34. Prepared by:
ICTG-JCH

21. Source of Information *** School plaque - See Natl. Reg. form**
*** Beard**

35. Organization
KHC

36. Date **Spring '78**

37. Revision Dates _____ 38. Staff Review _____

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Wa-B-117

1. Historic Name (s) New Bethel Baptist - 1884 * (organized)

Original Owner _____
Present Name _____

3. Owner's Name New Bethel Baptist Church

4. Owner's Address Trustees - New Bethel Baptist Church
803 Church St., Bowling Green

5. Location SW cor Church St and Gilbert 803 Church

6. Open to Public Yes No

7. Visible from road Yes No

8. Ownership Private
 Local
 State
 Federal

9. Local Contact/Organization _____

22. ADD/County Warren

23. Zoning Classification Magisterial District #68

24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') Bowling Green North

25. UTM Reference within District A
Zone _____ Easting _____ Northing _____

26. Prehistoric Site _____ Object _____
Historic Site _____ Structure _____
 Building

27. District Yes No
Name: St. Joseph's

28. Significance Evaluation NR

10. Site Plan with North Arrow _____

11. Architect _____

12. Builder _____

13. Date c. 1890
last 1/4 19th c.

14. Style Gothic Revival

15. Original Use church

16. Present Use church

17. Condition Interior Exterior excellent

29. Status _____ Date _____

National Landmark

National Register

Landmark Certificate

Kentucky Survey

Local Landmark

HABS/HAER

30. Theme architecture
ethnic culture
railroads

31. Endangered Yes No

18. Description 1-story brick; segmental and pointed arch openings; corbel tables; projecting entry porch;



19. History remodeled 1974 and 1975 *

Roll No. 13

Picture No. _____

Direction _____

33. Tape No. _____ Negative No. _____

20. Significance Particularly clear illustration of a common style; close proximity to other interrelated historic structures.

34. Prepared by: KTG-JCH

35. Organization KHC

36. Date Spring 1978

21. Source of Information plaque *

37. Revision Dates _____ 38. Staff Review _____

1. Historic Name (s)
 Original Owner
 Present Name

22. ADD/County BARRETT

23. Zoning Classification
 Magisterial District (133)

3. Owner's Name 643- Zula Starcks
645- French Austin, 39 Quitman Apt 1-B, Newark NJ 07103

24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')
Bowling Green North

4. Owner's Address
Zula Starcks 643 West Main St - Bowling Green

25. UTM Reference Within District A
 Zone Easting Northing

5. Location (between Hope and Scott)
South side - West Main - 643, 645, 647

26. Prehistoric Site Object
 Historic Site Structure
 Buildings

6. Open to Public
 Yes No

27. District Yes No
 Name: St. Joseph's

7. Visible from road
 Yes No

28. Significance Evaluation NR

8. Ownership
 Private
 Local
 State
 Federal

9. Local Contact/Organization

29. Status
 National Landmark
 National Register
 Landmark Certificate
 Kentucky Survey
 Local Landmark
 HABS/HAER

10. Site Plan with North Arrow

11. Architect

12. Builder

13. Date
all - 1890's

14. Style

15. Original Use
houses

16. Present Use
houses

17. Condition
 Interior
 Exterior good

30. Theme
 Primary ethnic culture
 Secondary railroads
 Other architecture

18. Description Three separate structures - all one story - brick - T plans - nearly identical form - coupled segmental openings - projecting bays

31. Endangered Yes No

32. 

19. History

Roll No. 10
 Picture No. _____
 Direction _____

20. Significance close proximity to similar and interrelated structures; particularly dear illustration of a common type; strongly contributes to the form of the community.

33. Tape No. _____ Negative No. _____

34. Prepared by: KTG-JCH

35. Organization KAC

36. Date Spring 1978

21. Source of Information

37. Revision Dates _____ 38. Staff Review _____

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Wa-B-120

1. Historic Name (s)
 Original Owner
 Present Name
 3. Owner's Name
 4. Owner's Address
 5. Location
 6. Open to Public Yes No
 7. Visible from road Yes No
 9. Local Contact/Organization
 8. Ownership
 Private
 Local
 State
 Federal

22. ADD/County
 Barren River/Warren
 23. Zoning Classification
 Magisterial District ~~139~~
 24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')
 Bowling Green North
 25. UTM, Reference within District #
 Zone Easting Northing
 26. Prehistoric Site Object
 Historic Site Structure
 Building
 27. District Name: Yes No
 St. Joseph's

10. Site Plan with North Arrow

11. Architect
 12. Builder
 13. Date
 early 20th c.
 14. Style
 15. Original Use
 Commercial
 16. Present Use
 commercial
 17. Condition
 Interior
 Exterior good

28. Significance Evaluation
 Inventory
 29. Status
 National Landmark
 National Register
 Landmark Certificate
 Kentucky Survey
 Local Landmark
 HABS/HAER
 30. Theme
 Primary ethnic culture
 Secondary Commerce
 Other railroads
 31. Endangered Yes No

18. Description
 2 story frame commercial - gable
 end front



19. History

32.
 Roll No. 10
 Picture No.
 Direction

20. Significance
 close proximity to other interrelated
 historic structures.

33. Tape No. Negative No.
 34. Prepared by: KTG-JCH
 35. Organization KHC
 36. Date Spring 1978

21. Source of Information

37. Revision Dates 38. Staff Review

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Wa-B-121

1. Historic Name (s) Hudson, McFarland & Wakefield

22. ADD/County BARI/WA

Original Owner
Present Name 420- L.L. Hudson - 420 W. Main, B.G.

23. Zoning Classification
Magisterial District (33)

3. Owner's Name 422- Joe McFarland - 807 Wakefield

24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')
Bowling Green North

4. Owner's Address 424- Zelpha Hampton - 424 W. Main, B.G.
426- Sterling Gill - 426 W. Main, B.G.

25. UTM Reference within District A

5. Location 428- Herman Green - 428 W. Main Bowling Green

Zone Easting Northing

6. Open to Public No

26. Prehistoric Site
Historic Site Buildings

7. Visible from road Yes

27. District St. Joseph's

8. Ownership Private

28. Significance Evaluation Inventory

9. Local Contact/Organization

29. Status Inventory

10. Site Plan with North Arrow

National Landmark
National Register
Landmark Certificate
Kentucky Survey
Local Landmark
HABS/HAER

11. Architect

12. Builder

13. Date 1st third of 20th cent

14. Style

15. Original Use dwellings

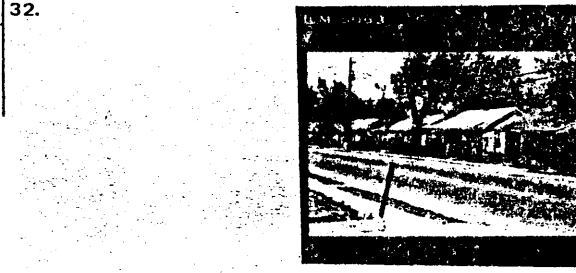
16. Present Use dwellings

17. Condition Interior
Exterior Fair/Altered

30. Theme ethnic culture
rail roads

18. Description 1 story frame-Cumberland houses (6)
modest scale and design

31. Endangered No



19. History

Roll No. 10
Picture No.
Direction

20. Significance close proximity to other interrelated historic structures.

33. Tape No. Negative No.

34. Prepared by: KTG-JCH

35. Organization KHC

36. Date Spring 1978

21. Source of Information

37. Revision Dates 38. Staff Review

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Wa-B-122

1. Historic Name (s)
Original Owner
Present Name

3. Owner's Name
Jason R. Skaggs

4. Owner's Address
725 E 10th St. B.G.

5. Location
316, 318 West Main

6. Open to Public
Yes No

7. Visible from road
Yes No

8. Ownership
Private
Local
State
Federal

9. Local Contact/Organization

22. ADD/County
BARI v/ WA

23. Zoning Classification
Magisterial District

24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')
Bowling Green North

25. UTM Reference within District A
Zone Easting Northing

26. Prehistoric Site Object
Historic Site Structure
Building

27. District
Name: St. Joseph's

10. Site Plan with North Arrow

11. Architect

12. Builder

13. Date
last 1/4 19th c.

14. Style

15. Original Use

16. Present Use

17. Condition
Interior
Exterior

28. Significance Evaluation
Ky. Survey

29. Status
National Landmark
National Register
Landmark Certificate
Kentucky Survey
Local Landmark
HABS/HAER

30. Theme
Primary ethnic culture
Secondary railroads
Other

31. Endangered
Yes
No

32. *

18. Description
1 story frame - double family dwelling - each unit is a side passage shotgun with front gable and common front porch.



19. History

20. Significance
Close proximity to other interrelated historic structures.

Roll No. 10

Picture No.

Direction

33. Tape No. Negative No.

34. Prepared by: KTG-JCH

35. Organization KHC

36. Date Spring 1978

21. Source of Information

37. Revision Dates 38. Staff Review