

SOUTHERN BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED
VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, BUILDING 13

(Southern Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer
Soldiers, Laundry)

(Hampton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Laundry)

(Hampton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Building 13)

Harris Avenue at its intersection of Black Avenue and Woodfin Street

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(Southern Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Main Laundry)
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Location: Harris Avenue

Significance: This building was erected as a part of the improvement of facilities at the Home during a building campaign of the 1880s. The growing member population at the Home prompted the expansion of the facility during this period to accommodate the increase among its resident population. Constructed in 1889, it is the building that retained the longest original use at the Home, ceasing function in 1997.

Description: Located on the west side of the facility, Building 13 is situated on the north side of Harris Avenue at its intersection with Black Avenue and Woodfin Street. The building sited among buildings dating to same period that serve a utilitarian purpose. It is two stories topped by a hipped roof with a projecting central stair bay topped by a parapeted gable roof. There are gabled-roof monitors situated along the roof ridge. The building is brick construction laid in 5-course American bond. Window openings punctuate the walls and are filled with replacement metal awning windows. Additions have been made to the north and west elevations that expanded the building.

The interior exhibits a large open two-story space at the east end for laundry washing. The wood-framed roof system is visible on this end of the building. The west end of the building comprises two stories with brick barrel vaulted ceilings on the first story. The second story comprises segregated lavatories for African Americans and whites, and male and female.

History: Building 13 was constructed as a laundry facility in 1889 and is attributed to architect, Charles Taylor Holtzclaw, of Hampton, Virginia. The building was erected during a building campaign at the Home during the 1880s to improve the services to the disabled veterans. The construction of the remaining service facilities dating to this period are attributed to Holtzclaw, who operated a firm, "Holtzclaw Brothers, Builders," with his brother, William Holtzclaw.

The building was expanded in 1935 and again in 1937 doubling its size. Building 13 served as the Home's laundry until 2007, when laundry services were contracted with an outside firm.

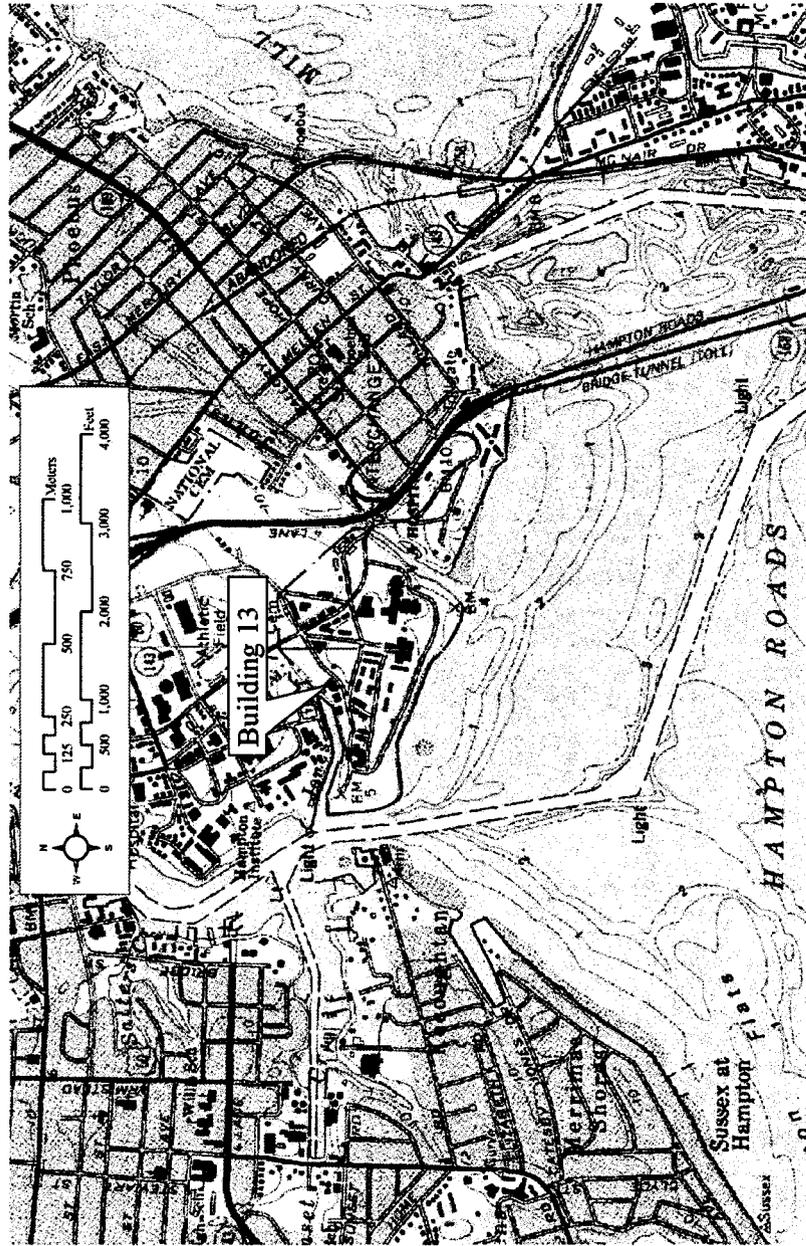
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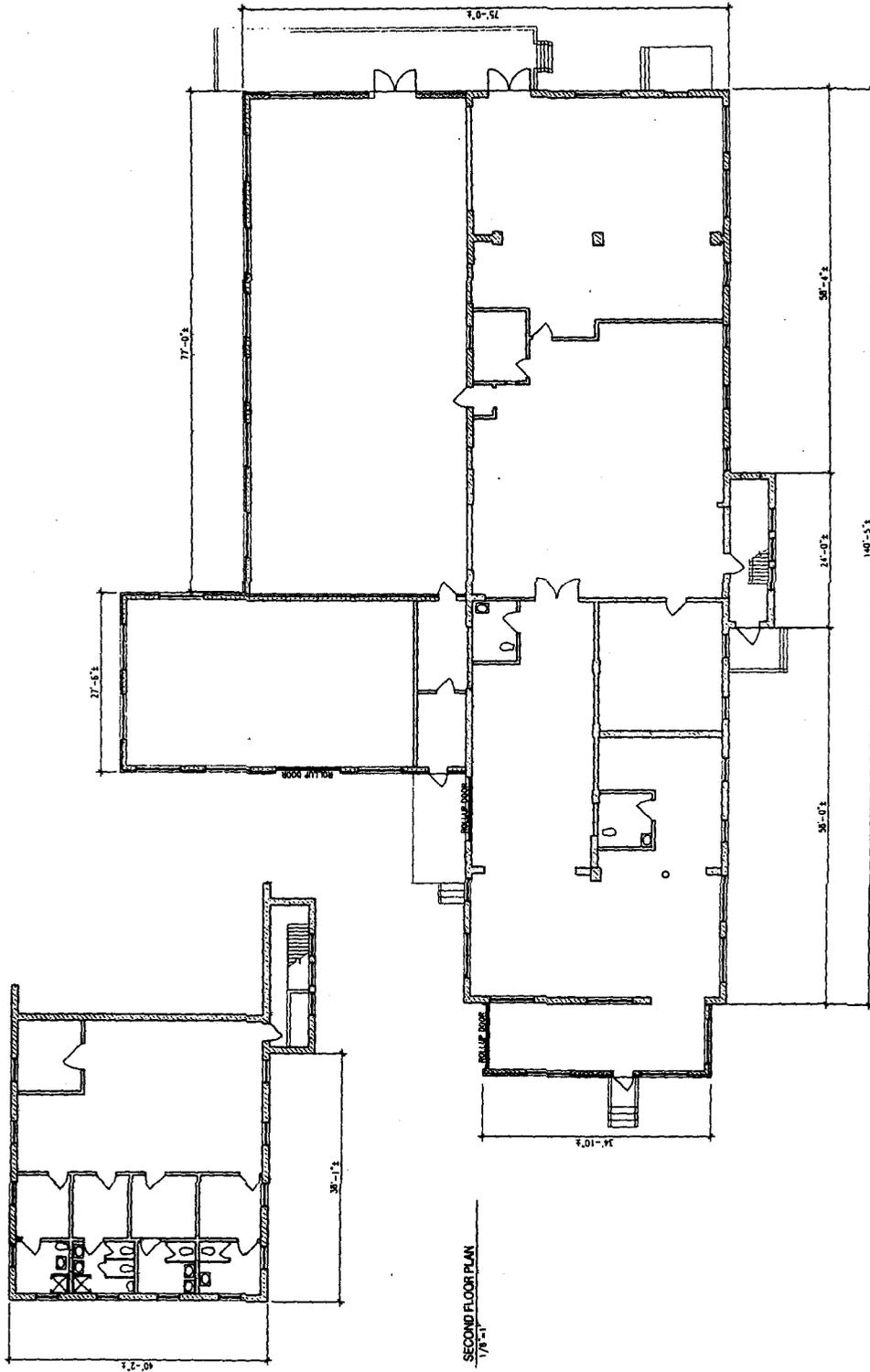
the National Register of Historic Places and the determination is located in the History Division,
National Park Service.

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SECOND FLOOR PLAN
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SOUTHERN BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, BUILDING 13
FIRST FLOOR PLAN
1/8"=1'

