

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WHEN THE PROPERTY IS RETURNED.

DATE 8/4/70

NAME OF PROPERTY *Norman Print Shop*

SIGNATURE *MBolton*

The attached National Register Inventory-Nomination form (s) is (are) being returned to your office because the information checked below is lacking or has been incorrectly supplied.

☐ Insufficient locational information.

Comments: _____

☐ Geographical location codes missing or incorrect.

☐ Classification (Item #3) incomplete.

Comments: _____

☐ Owner of property/location of legal description necessary.

Comments: _____

☐ No Bibliography.

☐ Acreage of nomination is not given.

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☐ Longitude and latitude coordinates lacking, incorrect, or in wrong place.

☐ Form is not signed by State Liaison Officer (Item #12), on one map

☐ Photograph/map form(s) (10-301) required for each photograph/map).

☒ Insufficient map coverage of property.

Comments: property is not pin-pointed on the U.S. S.S. map

☐ Description (Item #7).

Comments: _____

☐ Statement of Significance (Item #8).

Comments: _____

☐ Xerox forms unacceptable.

Comments: _____

☒ Other

Comments: 2 photograph forms were included & only one photograph.

The inadequacies noted above must be rectified prior to the initiation of our professional review process. Correction of these technical errors does not necessarily indicate that the nomination will then meet all other National Register criteria.



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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

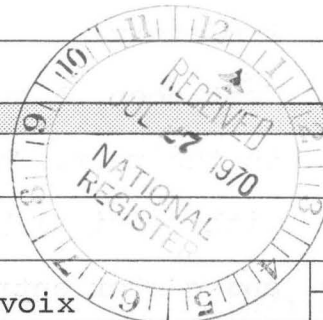
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COUNTY:
Charlevoix

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ENTRY NUMBER
71.1.26.0003

DATE
1/25/71



1. NAME

COMMON:
Mormon Print Shop

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Strang Print Shop

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Main and Forest Streets

CITY OR TOWN:
St. James

STATE
Michigan

CODE
26

COUNTY:
Charlevoix

CODE
029

3. CLASSIFICATION

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

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Beaver Island Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER:
A.J. Roy, 4816 Cimarron Drive, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

CITY OR TOWN:
St. James

STATE:
Michigan

CODE
26

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Registry of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER:
Charlevoix County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN:
Charlevoix

STATE
Michigan

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26

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Michigan Historical Commission Registered Hist. Bldg. No. 32.

DATE OF SURVEY:
1958

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Michigan Historical Commission, Historic Site Survey

STREET AND NUMBER:
505 N. Washington Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Lansing

STATE:
Michigan

CODE
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ Excellent☒ Good☐ Fair

(Check One)

☐ Deteriorated☐ Ruins☐ Unexposed

(Check One)

☐ Altered☒ Unaltered

(Check One)

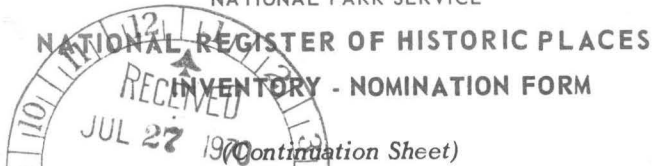
☐ Moved☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Mormon Print Shop, built in 1850, is a simple, two-story building approximately 30 feet wide and 20 feet deep. A one-story addition 19 feet wide is attached to the rear. The shop is built of squared logs covered with vertical board and batten. There is a gable roof and center entranceway. The foundation originally consisted on cedar posts sunk into the ground. These deteriorated, and have been replaced by cement blocks. A two-story wing and a one-story addition added during the period the building served as a hotel have been removed. The shop has recently been renovated and is in a good state of repair. It is situated near the waterfront of Beaver Harbor, on the main street of St. James.

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8.2 Statement of Significance (cont'd)

There were numerous objectors to King Strang's rule among both his followers and the non-Mormons. By the mid-1850's tension had increased to the breaking point. In June, 1856, Strang was shot by two disaffected followers. The culprits were taken by a United States ship to Mackinaw Island, placed in jail for a short time, then granted their freedom. Strang was taken back to Wisconsin where he died on July 9, 1856.

Shortly after the shooting, the islands were invaded by an angry mob of non-Mormons from the mainland. Nearly all Mormon settlers were forced to emigrate, while buildings were sacked and the uncompleted tabernacle was burned. The Kingdom of St. James was destroyed.

On December 12, 1850, the first issue of the Northern Islander was issued from the newly-constructed printing shop on the harbor road at St. James. The paper, one of the earliest in northern Michigan, was published first as a weekly and later as a daily. General news was carried, but many of the columns dealt with religious questions and the ideas of Strang. A writer for Harper's Magazine in 1882 claimed that the quality of the sheet was higher than that found in most small frontier communities.

8. 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)

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

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☐ Art

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☐ Social/Human-

☐ Commerce

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☒ Communications

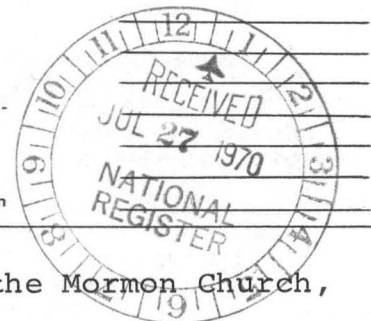
☐ Military

☐ Theater

☐ Conservation

☐ Music

☐ Transportation



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1844, Joseph Smith, head of the Mormon Church, was killed by a mob in Carthage, Illinois. James J. Strang, a follower of his, claimed to have been visited by an angel at the exact hour of the assassination and anointed as Smith's successor. His claims were not believed by most of the Mormons, but Strang did manage to establish his authority over a small group at Voree, Wisconsin. In 1847, Strang, hoping to establish his group in a more secure environment, first explored the largely uninhabited Beaver Islands in Lake Michigan. A small group of Mormons wintered on Beaver Island, the largest of the group, in 1847-48. In succeeding years the colony continued to grow.

By 1850, there were several thousand people in the Beaver Islands, most of them Mormon. At the annual meeting of the church in July of that year Strang was crowned king. The title seemed to have had mostly religious connotations, although Strang was also the leader in secular affairs. The capitol city of the kingdom was called St. James, and in 1853-55 Strang represented the Beaver Islands in the Michigan House of Representatives.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(See continuation sheet.)

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than 1 acre.

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: William Lowery, Curator of Historic Sites		DATE Jan. 30, 1970
ORGANIZATION Michigan Historical Commission		
STREET AND NUMBER: 505 N. Washington Avenue		
CITY OR TOWN: Lansing	STATE Michigan	CODE 26

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 Ralph A. MacArthur

Director,
Title Department of Natural Resources

Date 7/22/70

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

Ernest A. Connolly
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
JAN 25 1971

Date _____

ATTEST:

William J. Huustedt
Keeper of The National Register

Date DEC 1 1970

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8. Statement of Significance (cont'd)

The printing shop published a number of other items, including Strang's The Book of the Law of the Lord, the title page which listed the publisher as the Royal Press at St. James.

When the mainland mob fell upon Beaver Island in 1856, the printing office was one of the first places to be visited. A reminiscence by an eyewitness recalled how many volumes from Strang's extensive library housed in the print shop were thrown out the front door into the street. The mob took control of the building and issued another edition of the Northern Islander carrying a manifesto of their grievances. In later years the printing office became Mrs. Gibson's boarding house, with one journalist who visited there claiming it to be the best on Beaver Island.

The property is now owned by the Beaver Island Historical Society. It houses a local history collection which is open to the public in the summer. The printing shop is the principle building in the Beaver Islands associated with the Mormon period.

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References for Mormon Print Shop, Beaver Island.

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2. George S. May (ed.), James Strang's Ancient and Modern Michilimackinac (Mackinac Island: W. Stuart Woodfill, 1959).
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10. Henry E. Legler, "A Moses of the Mormons," Michigan Pioneer Collections, XXXII (1903).
11. M.L. Leach, A History of the Grand Traverse Region (Traverse City: Grand Traverse Herald, 1883).
12. J.S. Wright, The Ottawan (Lansing: Robert Smith and Company, 1895).





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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

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COUNTY Charlevoix	
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AND/OR HISTORIC: Strang Print Shop

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

Northeast corner of Main and Forest Streets

CITY OR TOWN:

St. James

STATE:

Michigan

CODE

26

COUNTY:

Charlevoix

CODE

029

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: A. J. Roy

DATE OF PHOTO: 1970

NEGATIVE FILED AT:

Michigan Historical Commission, Historic Site Survey

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

The building faces southeast.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

BEAVER ISLAND QUADRANGLE
MICHIGAN—CHARLEVOIX CO.
15 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

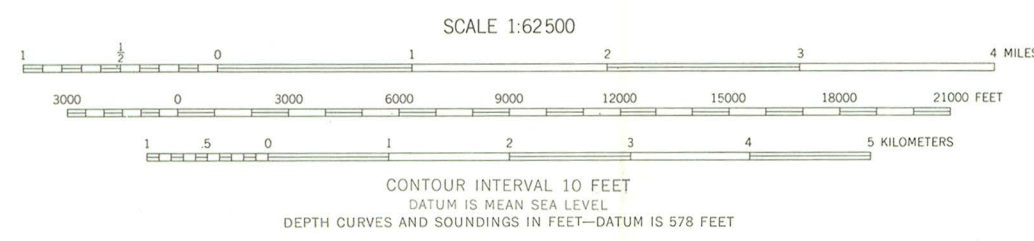


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Topography from aerial photographs by photogrammetric methods
Aerial photographs taken 1954. Field check 1956
Hydrography compiled from U. S. Lake Survey charts 704 and 706 (1957)
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Michigan coordinate system, central zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 16, shown in blue
Dashed land lines indicate approximate locations

TRUE NORTH
MAGNETIC NORTH
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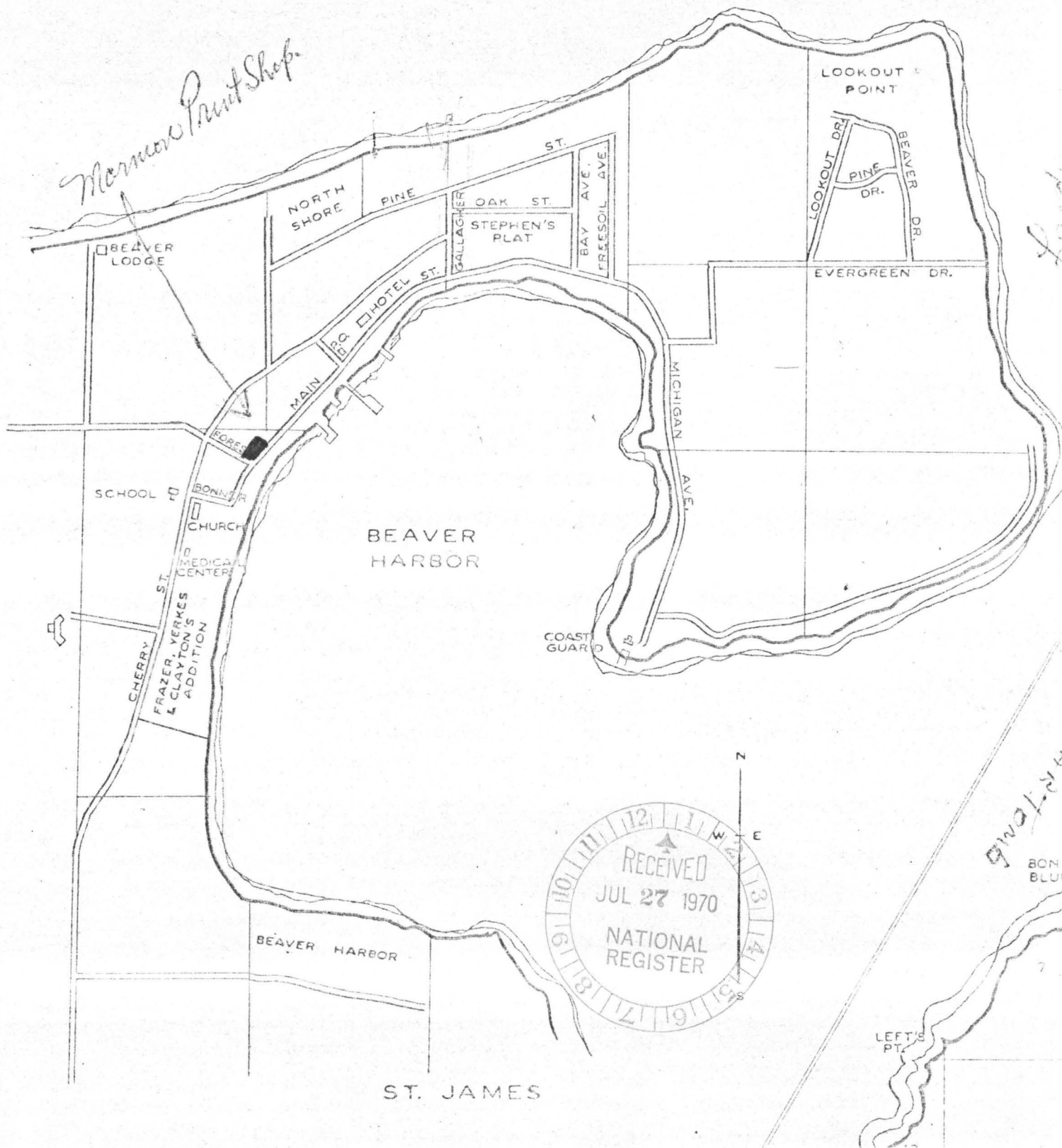
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Mormon Print Shop



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4. REQUIREMENTS			
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1. Property boundaries where required.			
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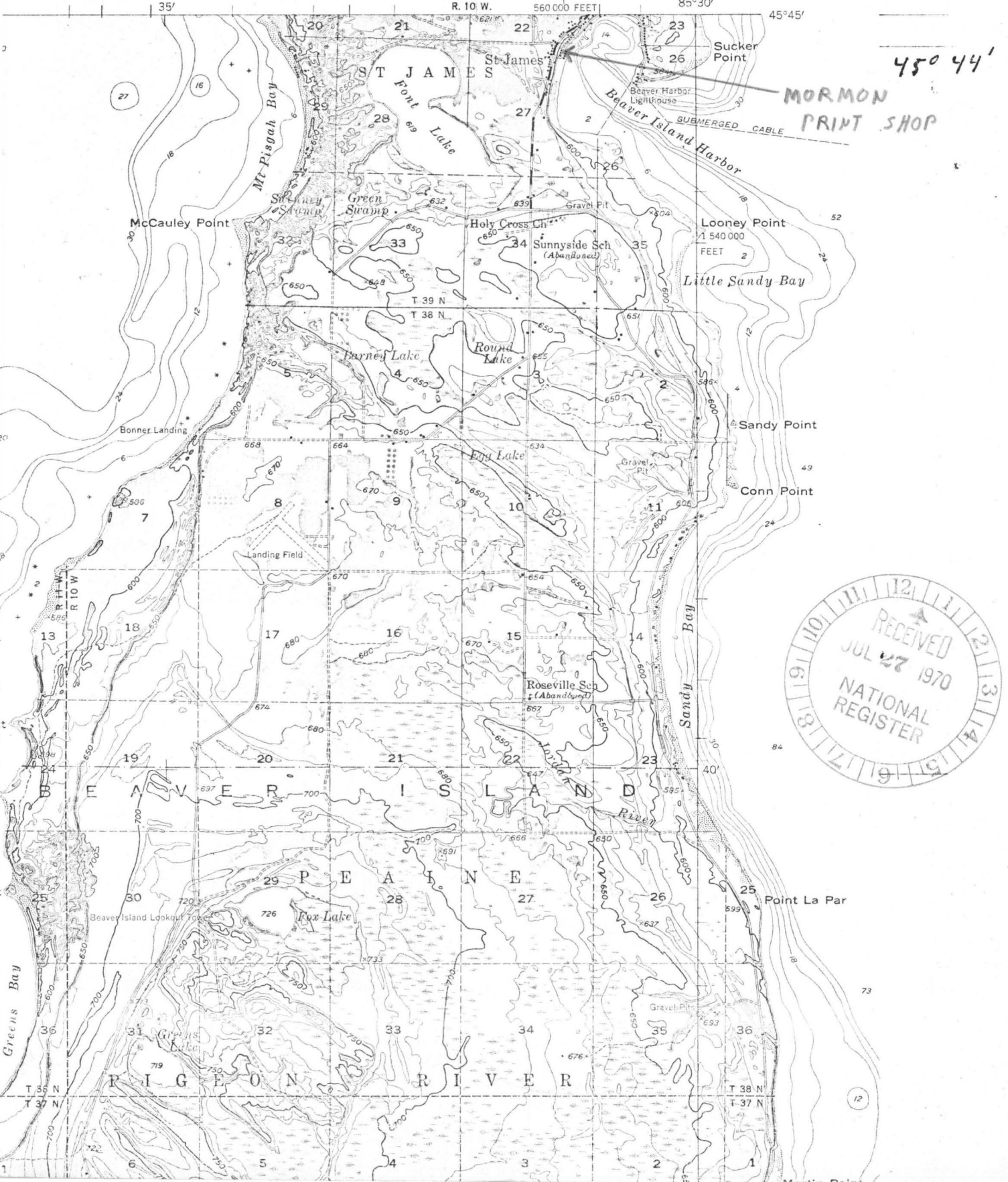
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MICHIGAN—CHARLEVOIX CO.
15 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

(HOG ISLAND)

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45° 44' 47"

MORMON
PRINT SHOP



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MICHIGAN HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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October 23, 1970

Dr. William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
National Park Service
801 19th Street NW, Room 618
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

Enclosed are eight site nominations to the National Register:

- ✓ Sanilac Petroglyphs
- ✓ State Capitol
- ✓ New Fort Brady
- ✓ Old Fort Brady
- ✓ Grindstone City
- ✓ Walker Tavern
- ✓ Mormon Print Shop
- ✓ Mission Church

All of these sites had been nominated earlier but were returned for minor additions and explanations. Your staff sheet listing the work to be done is at the beginning of each nomination folder. We hope you now have sufficient information on these sites to make a National Register appraisal.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Don Chaput".

Donald Chaput
Chief Historian

DC/ce

cc: Norman Smith, Office of Resource Planning, Department of
Natural Resources

OCT 29 1970

Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

MICHIGAN

The Mission Church
The Mormon Print Shop
The Sanilac Petroglyphs
The State Capitol

Mackinac County, Michigan
Charlevoix County, Michigan
Sanilac County, Michigan
Ingham County, Michigan

The Mormon Print Shop
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JAN 25 1971

Mr. Ralph A. MacMullan
Director
Department of Natural Resources
Stevens T. Mason Building
Lansing, Michigan 48926

Dear Mr. MacMullan:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Senators Philip A. Hart and Robert P. Griffin and the appropriate Representatives have also been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed for each of the property owners. Please withhold any publicity on this until you have received a carbon copy of the Congressional correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Ernest Allen Connally
Chief, Office of Archeology
and Historic Preservation

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Sincerely yours,

John F. Holt

Assistant Director

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