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Form 10-300
(Rev. 6-72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Michigan
COUNTY:	Lenawee
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY DATE	DEC 24 1974

1. NAME

COMMON: Hudson Downtown Historic District

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: West Main Street, between Howard and Market Streets
Church Street, between Seward and Railroad Streets.

CITY OR TOWN: Hudson CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Second

STATE: Michigan CODE: 26 COUNTY: Lenawee CODE: 091

3. CLASSIFICATION

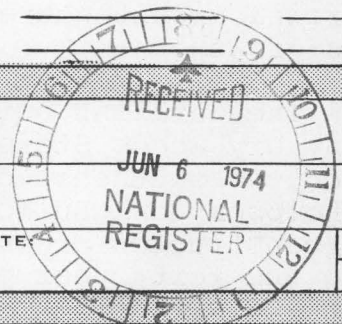
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Multiple Ownership

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:



5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Registry of Deeds, Lenawee County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Adrian STATE: Michigan CODE: 26

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Michigan History Division, Registered Local Site No. 268

DATE OF SURVEY: January, 1974 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Michigan History Division, Michigan Department of State

STREET AND NUMBER: 208 N. Capitol Ave.

CITY OR TOWN: Lansing STATE: Michigan CODE: 26

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Hudson Downtown Historic District ^{CONSISTS} is comprised of the commercial architecture standing along the north and south sides of West Main Street in the two-and-one-half blocks extending from Howard Street at the west to the west side of Market Street at the east. The district includes buildings on the east and west sides of Church Street, which intersects West Main Street at about midpoint in the district; south of West Main Street, it extends to Seward Street; and north of West Main Street, it extends to Railroad Street, including those structures on the east side of Church Street.

Main Street lies approximately parallel to the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, one block south, and runs perpendicular to the Tiffin River (Bean Creek). The commercial district sprang up to the west of the water supply, a source of power on which two sawmills were established in the 1830s.

Of the fifty structures included in the district, the majority are architecturally significant, representing the kind of street architecture that occurred in the nineteenth century in small midwestern towns. Interspersed among the early buildings are six newer structures: one gas station, two banks, the municipal building, and two storefronts. Typical of groups of commercial architecture, the buildings in Hudson reflect the town's growth.

The earliest building in the district, the J.K. Boise and Company Dry Goods Store (the Corner Store), was built in 1854-1855 on the southeast corner of West Main and Church streets. The Thompson Bank Building at West Main and Howard streets is being constructed presently. However, those structures built during the forty year period, 1854 to 1891, provide the thrust for this district.

Most are commercial buildings designed to house businesses and offices. These two and three story structures were built either as single stores or as business blocks, housing one large company or several smaller businesses. The four small stores at 212, 210, 208, and 206 West Main are noteworthy examples of the former; the Arcade Block, the J. K. Boise and Company Block, and Block at 304 West Main Street are examples of the latter. On South Church Street the Hill Piston Service Incorporated, formerly H. Kellogg, was constructed as a livery; and the structure to the immediate south was built for a small manufacturing business, first the Eugene Dow Barrel Manufactory, later Loyster and Sons Creamery.

Brick structure predominate, although a few frame buildings stand on Church Street. The 1869 Hudson City Directory list a brick and tile manufacturing company, where Joseph McKenzie employed a patented brick machine. No doubt this

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Physical Description 7. (1)

company supplied the building material for Hudson's downtown build-
ings. Local masons cleverly ornamented the structures by creat-
ing highly individualized facades---for example, in the Phillips
Drug Block, the round-arch motif is repeated above the windows;
in the Arcade Block, a series of intersecting arches is topped
by a stringcourse that articulates a frieze. The windows of sev-
eral fronts are enhanced by decorative brickwork. In some ex-
amples, a bracketed cornice surmounts the brick frieze (C.F. Smith
Store), and two brick structures, the Masonic Temple and the B.F.
Steger-H. L. Holmes Building, have fronts of galvanized iron.

Parts from common stock were seated on the rectangular-shaped
brick stores. These were ordered through catalogs and represent-
ed the beginnings of prefabrication: cornices, window caps and
sills, interior fittings, cast iron thresholds, columns. Many
remain in place today. Cast iron posts and lintels, and a thresh-
old were applied to the Kelly Building (ca. 1870s), 212 West
Main Street, a brick structure with end piers of rustic blocks ha-
ving chamfered joints. In this case, ^{the} supplier's name, Russell
Thayer, Toledo, Ohio is cast in the iron threshold.

Conspicuous in the upper stories of Hudson's street archi-
tecture is the round-arched fenestration. Many of the windows
are ornamented with a rich variety of caps and sills. Eight-
light sashed windows, with circular architraves, embellish the
three story block at 304 West Main Street, resulting in the most
intricate windows on the street.

Today alterations exist at the ground level in many of
Hudson's storefronts, but enough fragments and intact examples
remain to tell the story of the street architecture in this
small agricultural and manufacturing community.



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Hudson Downtown Historic District

ADDENDUM

7.2 Description (Boundaries)

Delete paragraph one; insert the following paragraph.

The Hudson Downtown Historic District, the commercial center of Hudson, is oriented along West Main Street and is bounded as follows: beginning at the New York Central Railroad track at the point where an extension of Howard Street would intersect the tracks, thence easterly and southeasterly along the New York Central Railroad track to Market Street, thence southerly along Market Street to its intersection with Seward Street, thence westerly along Seward Street to its intersection with Howard Street, ~~thence northerly along Howard Street~~ and the line of this street's extension to the point of beginning.



8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Having been settled in 1834 by people from New York State and New England, the plat of the village of Hudson, on the Bean Creek or Tiffin River, was recorded 13 February, 1843. The village is located in the township of the same name, sixteen miles west of Adrian. First called Bean Creek, and renamed Lanesville in 1836, the town finally assumed the name also given to the township after Dr. Daniel Hudson of Geneva, New York, one of the first landowners in the town. Hudson organized as a village in 1853.

Hudson became a trading center, its street architecture serving an agricultural community. Several manufacturing concerns were established here as the South Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad was located through Hudson.

In the 1840s merchants opened establishments shortly after the Internal Improvement Act of January 1837, when it was determined that Lanesville would be on the route of the railroad which would span the state from Monroe to New Buffalo. Several buildings in the business district represent the establishments of these earliest merchants.

The J. K. Boise Dry Goods Company (Hudson Dry Goods) at the southeast corner of West Main and Church streets was built in 1854-1855 to house the expanded general dry goods business first established in 1840 by C. H. and M. H. Boise in a frame, one-story building. It is the oldest storefront in Hudson. The Arcade Block was erected after the mercantile business established by Joseph M. Johnson, who came to Hudson from Wayne in 1843, had prospered.

As early as 11 February 1859, the Hudson Gazette reports that business is brisk... "our streets have daily teemed with teams and people and we judge there has been considerable trading done."

(cont'd)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Hudson Gazette October 28, 1859

Whitney, W.A. and Bonner, R.I. History and Biographical Record of Lenawee County, MI. Adrian: W. Stearns & Co. 1879.

Blois, John T. Gazetteer of the State of Michigan
Detroit Sydney L. Rood & Co. 1838

Chapin and Pages Hudson Directory and Historical Record
Tecumseh: Chapin and Pages, 1869 (con't)

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	41° 51' 20"	84° 21' 26"				
NE	41° 51' 20"	84° 21' 14"				
SE	41° 51' 13"	84° 21' 14"				
SW	41° 51' 13"	84° 21' 26"				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: ten acres

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:
Kathryn Eckert, Historic Sites Specialist

ORGANIZATION: Michigan History Division DATE: April 3, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:
208 N. Capitol Ave.

CITY OR TOWN: Lansing STATE: Michigan CODE: 026

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 Samuel R. Weinstein

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date May 31, 1974

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

AR Morbeese
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 12/24/74

ATTEST:
Lois Kuntz
Keeper of The National Register

Date 12.24.74

NW 1/6 / 719 380
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 CD
 NE 1/6 / 719 650 / 4636 940
 SE 1/6 / 719 660 / 4636 740
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Statement of Significance 8.(1)

Hudson's earliest street architecture was destroyed by fires. In 1858 the most devastating fire obliterated all buildings on the north side of West Main Street and in 1864, another fire burned many buildings on the south side of West Main Street. The early wooden structures were replaced by the brick stores that stand today on West Main Street, comprising the Hudson Downtown Historic District.

The Hudson Gazette for 6 April 1867 gives a brief sketch of the various establishments of the town's mercantile firms: "6 dry goods, 2 wholesale establishments, 4 druggists, 7 boots and shoes, 2 hardwares, furniture stores, groceries, hotels, livery businesses, barber shops, insurance, sewing machines, telegraphs, post office, professionals." Seven years later the Combination Atlas Map of Lenawee County, 1874, refers to it as a "wide awake enterprising place...the trade being large in proportion of its population."

A concern for the appearance of the town is expressed as early as 1859 in the Hudson Gazette for October 28. "The last and most essential improvement is the grading of Main Street.. the side walk has also been graded to correspond to the height of the road. We shall soon have a continuous plank walk from the residence of S. A. Eaton at the end of Main Street to High Street on the east side of the creek." Later, in 1882, an ordinance was passed to guarantee the planting of shade trees. These maples, now a century old, grace the residential streets of Hudson.

Again, in 1891, a building boom is reported in the Hudson Gazette for 25 September. "It is perceptible to the unassisted visitor that this promising town is expanding. There is hardly a portion of the village that is not adding to its collection of buildings. Carpenters, masons, and day laborers are all busy on the various contracts." This same article noted the double B.J. Steger and N.J. Holmes stores, with their handsome iron fronts, "...an excellent showing for our thrifty town."

The sheet metal fronts on the Steger-Holmes Building and the Masonic Temple resemble those described in Sheet Metal Fronts for Buildings and other articles appearing in the trade journals in the 1890s.

Footnote

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Statement of Significance 8, (2)

Cumming's and Miller's pattern book, Architecture, Designs for Street Fronts, Suburban Houses and Cottages, etc., supplied the model for the architectural details on at least two of Hudson's business blocks. The cornice of the Arcade Block is directly inspired by this source, Plate 4, figure 4, showing, "a cornice having a frieze formed of intersecting arches, terminating on corbels; under the arches are panels and above them are corbelled projections." Again the brick cornice on the block at 300 West Main Street is borrowed from the same source, Plate 4, figure 2, displaying, "a cornice having corbel arches at the bottom, projecting 4 inches from the wall. The frieze has recesses 8 inches deep. The balustrade is pierced with square panels."

Individually, much of Hudson's street architecture is significant, for it represents the nineteenth century street architecture that occurred in midwestern America's small rural towns. Taken as a district, the impact of these buildings increases enormously. Situated in a fine agricultural region, Hudson is the business center for an early Michigan community that also contains many excellent examples of residential architecture.



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Chronicle of Hudson's Century of Progress for Centennial Homecoming Aug. 2-4: 1833-1933 Hudson, Michigan

Cummings, M.F. and Miller, C.C. Architecture. Design for Street Fronts, Suburban Houses and Cottages. Troy: N.Y. Young and Benson Publishers, 1865

Combination Atlas Map of Lenawee County Chicago: Everts & Steward, 1874.

Hogaboam, James J. The Bean Creek Valley Hudson: James M. Scarritt 1876.

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Hudson Post

Plat of the Village of Hudson. Recorded Feb. 13, 1843.

Gazetteer of the State of Michigan. John T. Blois. Detroit: Sydney L. Rood & Co. and New York: Robinson, Pratt and Co, 1838.

"Sheet Metal Fronts for Buildings" Carpentry and Building Vol XXII, 1900.

Whitney, W. A. and Bonner, R. I. History and Biographical Record of Lenawee County, Michigan Vol I. Adrian: W. Stearns and Co. 1879.



PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WHEN THE PROPERTY IS RESUBMITTED. DATE: 9-24-74
NAME OF PROPERTY Hudson Downtown Historic District, Mich.

The attached National Register Inventory-Nomination form is being returned to your office for clarification of the information indicated below.

- 1. Name. _____
- 2. Location. _____
- 3. Classification. _____
- 4. Owner of Property. _____
- 5. Location of Legal Description. _____
- 6. Representation in Existing Surveys. _____
- X 7. Description. The boundaries described here are not the same as those shown on the sketch map. Do they extend all the way to Seward St. on the South & Railroad St. on the
- 8. Statement of Significance. _____
- 9. Bibliography. _____
- 10. Geographical Data.
 - a. Longitude and Latitude Coordinates. _____
 - b. Acreage. _____
- 11. Form Prepared By. _____
- 12. Certification. _____
- X Photographic Coverage. Please include some streetscape photos of the NW side of West Main Street and of Church Street.
- Map Coverage. Please use a map bearing an identified system of coordinates, preferably an original USGS, which allows us to check latitude-longitude.
- X Other. Please send a map form and please write the name of the property and coordinates on the map

Clarification or correction of the above items must be made prior to the initiation of our professional review. Correction of these technical errors does not necessarily insure that the nomination will then satisfy the National Register criteria in full.

Thank you for your attention to the above items checked.

over →
SIGNED: Charles A. Murray

7. north or not? if so, please correct the sketch map.
A note on how the boundary is visually distinguished
from the area around it (because of open space or
a change in building style & or scale, e.g.) would also
be helpful to us.

RECEIVED

SEP 30 1974

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
NATURAL RESOURCES

PROPERTY Hudson Downtown Historic District STATE Michigan 14000992

WORKING NUMBER 6.6.74, 922

TECH REVIEW
PHOTOS 6
MAPS 1

CONTROL REVIEW Map form is missing.
otherwise OK

OK
6.7.
74

HISTORIAN Nomination needs tightening, but I'm not sure it should be returned. Boundaries on sketch map confusing. - Does district go to R.R. tracks or Railroad Street? on South - To Seward Street or not (see written boundary statement) I will call on boundaries if we do not return.

(over)

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN In addition to map problems there are many passages that make only minimal sense to me. Also most photographs are essential - there are none of Church St & home structures on it. I will include 5 Aug 74

Return JCT 8/2/74

ARCHEOLOGIST Boundary problems include not only the conflict between verbal & drawn boundaries but also the question of whether or not ~~parts~~ of the town should have been included. (#8 indicates that it should) I find the repeated use of "street architecture" a little out of place.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF Return sheet good.

Return Cole 9/12/74

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back 9.27.74

Federal Register entry _____

Re-submit 12.11.74

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I'm glad they included the last Pon significance,
but

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Lenawee

CONTROL REVIEW
OK

cm
12.11.
74

HISTORIAN

Accept
w. R. Luce
12/13/74

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN
Question on how boundaries were drawn is still not answered. CMU - Kathryn Eckert; on all sides but east, nature of dist. changes (residential), on east the commercial bldgs. continue, but are all much newer -

Accept
Shorman
12-13-74

ARCHEOLOGIST

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

accept
Cole
12/19/74

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Wm
12/24

National Register Write-up 1/12/75

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Federal Register entry 2-4-75

Re-submit _____

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INSTRUMENTS
& OFFICE SUPPLY

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OFFICE SUPPLY & INSTRUMENTS
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3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Michigan History Division			
DATE OF PHOTO: December 1973			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Michigan History Division Michigan Department of State			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Kelly Antenna Supply and Batteries (Nolan Kelly Building), 212 West Main Street, south facade			

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FURNITURE RUGS

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MAYOR'S FURNITURE

APPLIANCES

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D.C. STORES

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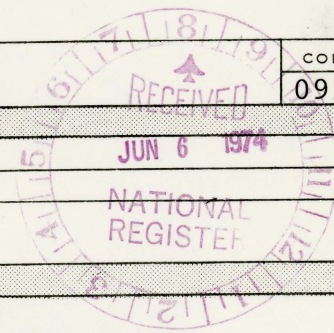
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West Main Street, between Howard and Church streets, north facades			
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C.F. SMITH
— CO. —
PURE FOOD
STORES.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE
PAID FOR EGGS

MORE ^{OR} LESS MONEY

INFLAMMATION

AUTHORIZED WESTINGHOUSE
Laundromat
EQUIPPED
HALF HOUR LAUNDRY

GLOVERIZED
COIN
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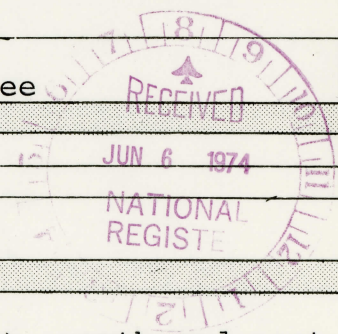
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C. F. Smith Company, 323 West Main Street, north and east facades			
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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. West Main Street, between Church and Market streets, north facades (Arcade Block, Thompson Savings Bank, J. K. Boise Company)			

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MEYER'S DEPT. STORES

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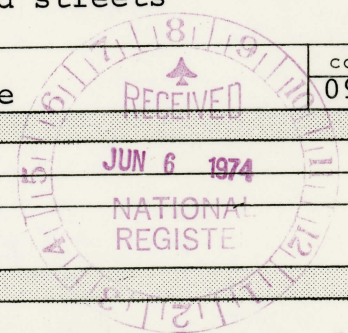
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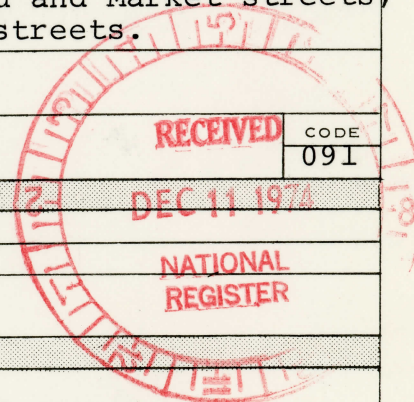
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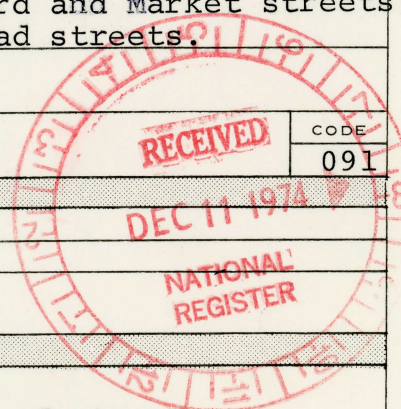
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Hudson operates on the Mayor-Council plan with the Mayor, Councilmen, City Clerk, City Treasurer and Assessor elected to a 2-year term. Elections are held in April of the odd number years. The city is divided into 3 precincts or wards, each ward having two representatives in Council.

A special Charter Commission has been engaged in a study of changing to the City-Manager type of city administration. Recommendations of the special commission have been published and the matter will be decided at a special election, for the purpose, to be held in January 1956. The present City Council is progressive and deeply interested in developing the city's industrial status. The Council will work very closely with any committee, representing a stable business, with the view of locating in Hudson.

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FIRE PROTECTION

With numerous hydrants, ample hose and an inexhaustible supply of water, coupled with a fast acting, efficient volunteer department, Hudson fire protection is unequaled anywhere. Loss by fire for the entire year 1954 totalled less than \$500.

The department consists of a Chief, ass't. chief and 13 volunteer firemen. A buzzer system, installed in the home of each fire fighter, is connected to the signal siren, and simultaneously calls each man with the sound of the siren. This department has a record of having put a truck in the street in just under 3 minutes, in the middle of the night.

The equipment is adequate for a community two or three times the city's present size and consists of a 1949 Ford F7 type truck with an 800 gal. tank, 500 gal. pump, 2500 ft. of hose, a CO-2 type fire extinguisher and several small

COMMUNICATIONS

With the completion of present plans, Hudson, thru the services of the Union Telephone Company, will be one of the first small towns to have 'direct-dial' telephone service. 'Direct-dial' means that the local operator can dial the number direct to cities utilizing this type of modern telephone service, without going thru other exchanges.

The Union Telephone Co., operates over 80,000 phones in

type extinguishers. A Ford V8 tank wagon with 1250 gal. tank, 500 gal. pump, 2500 ft. hose, CO-2 extinguisher and small hand type extinguishers. A GMC truck with 450 gal. pump, plus the above mentioned equipment, plus 2-35 foot extension ladders. Each of the 2 trucks above also carries 35 or 45 ft. ladders.

The department also operates a Rescue Truck equipped with portable lighting system, 4 salvage covers, 2 tank-type smoke masks, 2 canister-type smoke masks, a CO-2 fire extinguisher and a combination aspirator, inhalator and resuscitator. A smoke ejector is also part of the equipment.

The department furnishes protection to the surrounding area. Average age of all members is 35 years with average years of fire fighting experience being 6. Future plans call for radio communication between trucks and station.

eight districts in Michigan. The company also owns and operates an extensive network of long distance lines which connect with those of the Michigan Bell system and other independent telephone companies.

The Western Union Telegraph Company operates services in Hudson and its facilities are available, to all parts of the world.

POLICE PROTECTION

Crime is practically unknown in Hudson and juvenile delinquency a rarity. The 3 man police force is courteous, efficient and friendly and consists of the Chief and 2 patrolmen. There is also a relief officer and in an emergency members of the fire department are incorporated into the police to augment its force. The regular police patrol the city and maintain a door to door check in the business section, nightly.

The department operates 2 radio equipped police cars and

are in instant contact with the State Police and Sheriff's department. Hudson police work closely with school safety programs.

Average age of officers in the department is a little over the 40 year mark and an average of 11 years of police work per man. All officers have had police experience before joining the Hudson force. The city clerk assists in the office of the police department which is located in the City Offices, in the center of the business section.

AIR FACILITIES

Local air facilities are available at Adrian or Hillsdale airports; while commercial air services are within 48 miles, at Willow Run, near Detroit; Toledo, Ohio, 55 miles East; and Jackson, Mich., 35 miles North.

Local air service at Adrian consists of 3-3400 foot runways, 4 large hangars, 3 T-hangars, storage and repair services for major aircraft. Hillsdale offers runways one of which is 1950 x

200 feet, the other being 1850 x 200 feet, with clear approach in a 65 acre field. Service includes a Quonset type 7 plane hangar, overnight storage, gas and minor repairs.

Jackson airport offers all regular airfield services. Flights and air freight services, to all points in the world, may be arranged at either Jackson, Toledo or Willow Run.

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Recreational programs, sponsored jointly by City officials and the School Board, are a big part of spring and summer activities for the young folks. These programs are under the direction of the High School Athletic Director. Under this program we have softball and baseball, and other supervised activities to keep our children healthy and vigorous.

Hudson is in the heart of fine hunting, fishing and vacation land. A few short miles to the north are Devil's and

Round Lakes and just beyond lie the hills and valleys of famous Irish Hills, rich in historic lore and scenery. Boating, swimming, skating, and all the other summer sports are abundant.

Fall, in the Hudson area, is another of Michigan's outstanding sights. With so many small wooded plots surrounding the city, the change of nature's summer green to the riotous colors of fall is beautiful beyond compare. Cool, crisp fall days are ideal for small game hunting. Ice fishing is a popular sport thru the winter. Automobile tours for the week-end will be an instructive and enjoyable experience.

HOSPITAL

Medical services for the community are provided by Thorn Memorial Hospital. The building and grounds were a gift to the city by Mr. and Mrs. James B. Thorn and the hospital has been serving the needs of the city since 1924. It is an 18 bed institution with accommodations for 24 in an emergency.

The operating room is modern and completely equipped. The delivery room is up to date and there are facilities for six bassinets in the nursery. The X-ray room contains both stationary and portable X-ray equipment. Ambulance service is maintained by local funeral homes. The emergency room is equipped with an Armstrong Portable Resuscitator and various emergency and first aid supplies. The laboratory is equipped for routine 'lab' work.

A nursing staff of 5 full time and 3 part time registered nurses is augmented by 4 registered practical nurses and 2 full time and one part time nurses' aides. Mrs. Nina Jones RN has been superintendent since 1944 and was,

for many years prior to that time, associated with the hospital in various capacities.

Staff doctors are Drs. Harry M. Dickman, chief of staff; Lowell E. Blanchard; and A. O. Abraham. The chief of staff is rotated each year. Dr. J. W. Boyd is staff radiologist. The hospital treated 2466 patients during the year 1954.

Plans for a new hospital are about complete and funds in the amount of \$250,000 have been pledged for its construction. The building, when completed in 1958, will represent a total investment of half a million dollars. The new Meridian Road Hospital will be located about 5 miles south of the city of Hudson on U. S. 127 and will serve the southwestern Lenawee county area as well as the southeastern section of Hillsdale county and the northern section of Fulton County, Ohio.

It will be a 30 bed institution with a staff of between 30 and 40 persons. The new building will be modern both in design and equipment and will be situated in grounds totaling about 10 acres.

WATER

Hudson's water supply is derived from 4 deep (80 ft.) wells with 2 additional wells of the same depth in reserve. Pumping facilities at present are more than adequate for a much larger community and consist of the following: 3 Peerless Electric Lift Pumps and an Allis-Chalmers Centrifugal Pump equipped with 25 h.p. electric motor. Maximum daily demand at present is about 300,000 gallons, about 2/3rds of the capacity of one pump. Maximum pumpage with all present equipment would total 2,500,000 gallons. Reservoir level is maintained by drawing on each well in rotation. Water analysis is as follows:

	per gal.
total hardness as CaCO ₃	18.9
calcium hardness as CaCO ₃	11.3
magnesium hardness as CaCO ₃	7.6
Phenolphthalein Alk. as CoCO ₃	0.0

Total Alkaline (MO) as CaCO ₃	17.5
Free Carbon Dioxide as CaCO ₃	0.2
Chloride as NaCl	2.4
Sulfate as Na ₂ SO ₄	4.0
Silica as SiO ₂	1.1
Iron as Fe in parts per million	1.4
P H	7.60

The water is clear and colorless with a very slight amount of red-brown suspended solids.

The city recently installed meters and rates for water consumed ranges from 30c scaled downward to 15c per thousand gallons.

The Municipal Disposal Plant is of the trickling filter type with a capacity for a population of 5500. The plant was built in 1939 and has been modernized at intervals. The disposal plant operates under the supervision of the Municipal Water Works of which Fred W. Sievers is Superintendent.

HOUSING

Altho Hudson has experienced no building boom, new construction has kept pace with demand. Of the 600 odd dwelling units within the city's limits less than 2% are unoccupied. About 25 new homes have been built in recent years, and there are several development companies and independent builders ready to assist you in building and financing your new home in Hudson.

Rent for an average 6-room

house is around \$60 per month with 3-room apartments about \$45. Fine building lots are available from \$1000 up. Selling price for an average 6-room house is about \$9000.

Over 80% of the homes in the city are owner-occupied. Hudson has many choice building lots available within the city limits, while just outside the city limits there are many ideal locations.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation into or out of Hudson is fast and economical. Three lake ports, Detroit, Monroe and Toledo provide ready access to the St. Lawrence Seaway. Four Motor freight lines service the city and the New York Central Railroad System offers 4-way freight facilities. (See map on inside cover). Nearest airports are located at Adrian and Hillsdale,

each about 18 miles distant, while larger metropolitan airport service is available at Toledo, Ohio, and Willow Run, near Detroit.

Two entry ports of the Ohio Turnpike are within 30 miles of Hudson, bringing the great cities on the east coast 5 to 7 hours closer. Chicago, with the completion of the Indiana Turnpike, will be only 3 or 4 hours away.

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LOCATION

Hudson, population 3,000, lies amid rolling farm land in the southeastern section of Michigan. It is 75 airline miles southwest of Detroit, 170 east of Chicago and 45 west of Toledo, Ohio.

Hudson lies in the extreme western end of Lenawee County, about 10 miles north of the Ohio-Michigan State Line. Lenawee County is listed as 157th, in the 200 leading income counties of the nation.

Hudson, ideally located in southern Michigan's expanding Industrial Belt, offers rail, air, motor freight and water connections that are unsurpassed by any small community in the area.

Hudson was first settled in 1833 and even in its earliest years was an active center of trade and manufacture. Many items, such as carriages, harness, wood cabinets, flour, leathers, barrels, washing machines, foundry products and a number of other products have borne the stamp 'made in Hudson, Mich.'

At the close of the Civil War, timber and wood products were

listed as the largest output. However, in 1903 the Hook-Hardie Co., later renamed the Hardie Mfg. Co., started in the business of manufacturing spray pumps. In 1909, the Helvetia Milk Condensing Co. started operation. This plant is now The Pet Milk Co., and is 2nd oldest manufacturing business in the city today.

In later years, M & S Mfg. Co. Metalloy Foundry, Tri-State Products Co., Con-O-Lite Vault Co., and others began production and at this time Hudson has 14 manufacturing plants producing upwards of \$17,000,000 worth of products annually. These products are shipped into every state in the nation and nearly every foreign country.

The trade area, or Hudson area as defined in this brochure comprises 324 square miles or an 18 mile square. One half of this area lies in Hillsdale county on the west. Hudson's corporation limits are right on the County line.

POPULATION

Hudson's population is estimated at 3,000. The U. S. Census of 1950 listed 2777 while 1940 census 2426. Over the past 20

year period, Hudson has shown a steadily consistent population increase. Approximately 55% of the population is native born.

CLIMATE

Hudson is 920 feet above sea level and enjoys a consistently moderate climate. Summers are warm with an average high in the low 80's while winters are somewhat mild, seldom registering temperatures below 20 degrees above zero.

Rainfall is consistent with other section of southern Michigan and averages about 32 inches.

Lightest rainfall generally is in January with 2.01 inches and the heaviest occurs in May, registering 4.05 inches. Other months register a fairly even rainfall.

Annual snow fall in this area is about 35 inches. The growing season lasts about 154 days. First killing frost usually occurs around Oct. 8th., with the last frost generally about May 7th.

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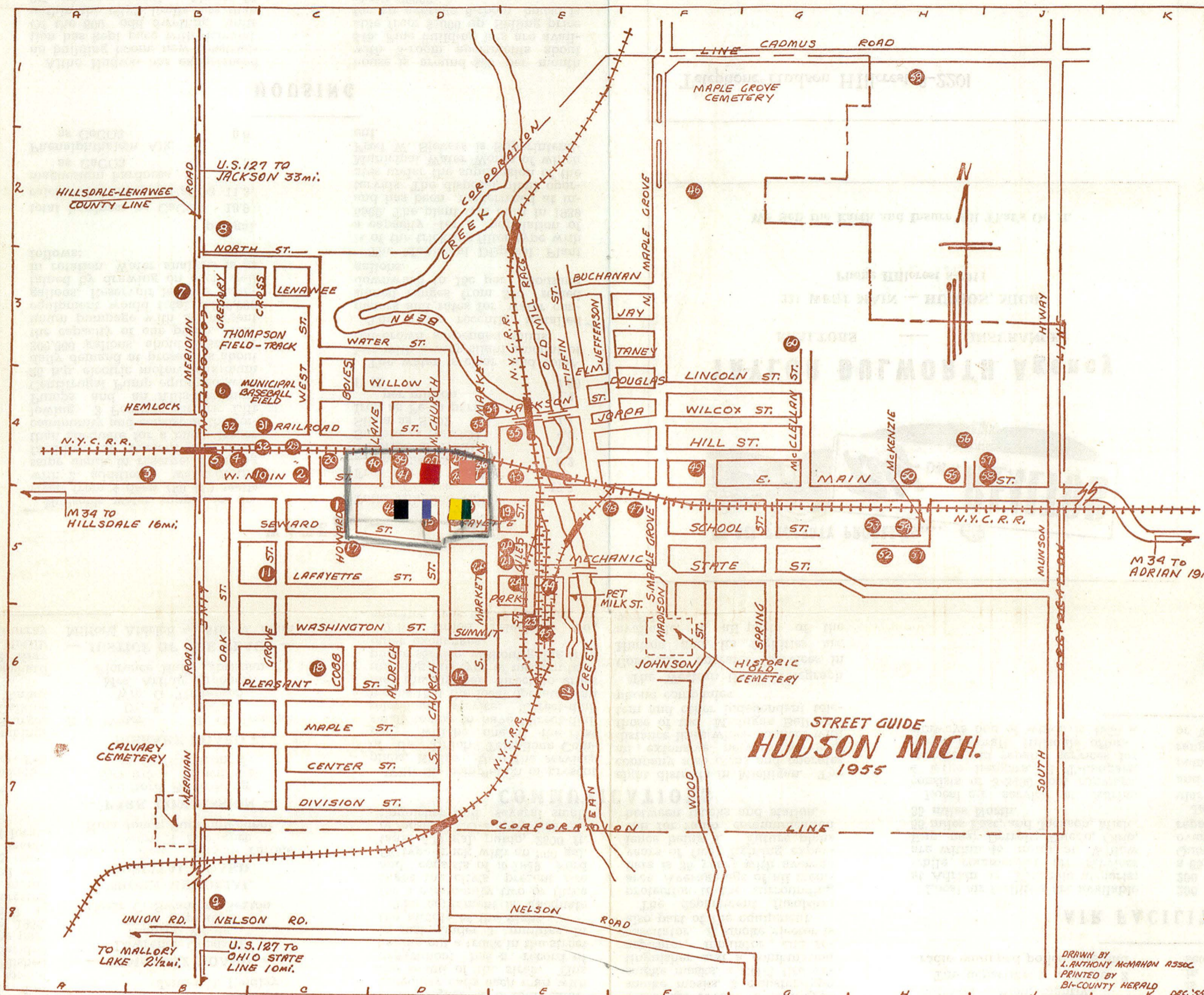
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- G1 Cadmus Rd.
- C6 Cobb St.
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- B3 Gregory St.
- C6 Grove St.
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- E3 Jay St.
- F6 Johnson St.
- F4 Joppa St.
- C4 Lane St.
- C3 Lenawee St.
- C5 Lafayette St.
- F4 Lincoln St.
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| B4 4 Standard Oil Bulk Plant | D5 15 Kroger Egg Exchange | C4 29 N Y C Depot | D5 38 Thompson Savings Bank | H5 53 Hudson Plating Co. |
| B4 5 Mobilgas Bulk Plant | D5 16 Bi-County Herald Building | C4 30 N Y C Freight Depot | F2 46 Our Saviour Lutheran Church | H5 54 Homer Donaldson Co. |
| B4 6 L & N Mfg. Co. | C5 17 First Congregational Church | C4 31 Greenhouse | F5 47 M & S Mfg. Co. | H5 55 Church of the Nazarene |
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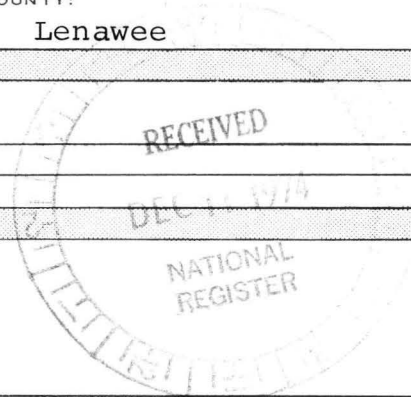
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4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.

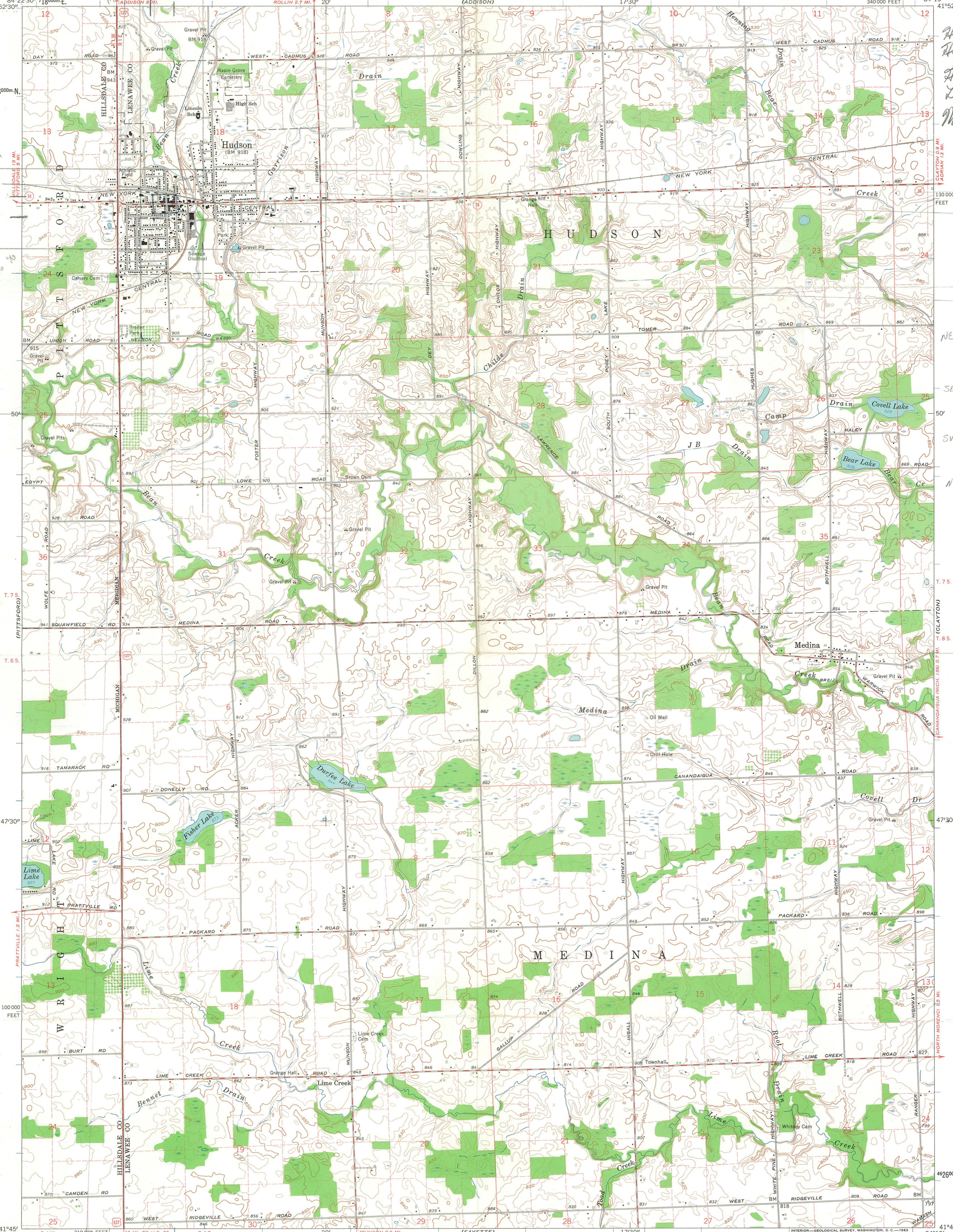


*Hudson Downtown
Historic District
Hudson
Lenawee County
Michigan*

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4° 51' 13"



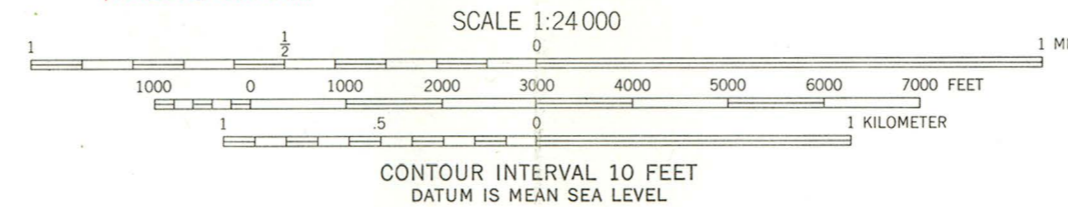
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4636 940
SE 16/719 660
4636 740
SW 16/719 390
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NW 16/719 380
4636 940
60*



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1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 16, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked

APPROXIMATE MEAN
MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION, 1962



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL



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

HUDSON, MICH.
N4145-W8415/7.5

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December 3, 1974

Dr. William T. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
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Washington, DC 20005



Dear Dr. Murtagh:

The National Register Inventory-Nomination form for the Hudson Downtown Historic District, herein enclosed, is being returned to your office with the following clarifications: an addendum describing the boundaries; a sketch map and map form clarifying the boundaries; two streetscape photographs of the northwest side of West Main Street and of Church Street.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn B. Eckert".

Kathryn B. Eckert
Historic Preservation Coordinator

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Date Entered DEC 24 1974

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Location

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Hudson
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