

ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

Alabama Historical Commission
725 Monroe Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Southern Railroad Depot

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

200 North Centre Avenue

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Piedmont

VICINITY OF

STATE

Alabama

CODE

COUNTY

Calhoun

CODE

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
 YES RESTRICTED
 YES UNRESTRICTED
 NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER: Vacant

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

City of Piedmont

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 112

CITY, TOWN

Piedmont

VICINITY OF

STATE

Alabama

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Calhoun County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Anniston

STATE

Alabama

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Alabama Inventory

DATE

1970 to present

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Alabama Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Montgomery

STATE

Alabama

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Southern Railroad Depot in Piedmont is a single-story frame building, basically rectangular in plan. A square hipped-roof section housed the depot's office/waiting room, and attached to its rear is a longer, lower gabled wing that housed the depot's freight. The freight wing is spanned on two sides by a loading dock resting on a foundation of brick piers. The loading dock is accessible on the south side through a wide paneled door set into a round arch and is flanked by a round-arched window and by a narrower single-leaf door.

The depot's main entrance onto Front Street is a single-leaf paneled door with in-filled transom above. Windows are 6/6 double-hung sash, set into slightly rounded arches. Several of the openings have been infilled with board. Below the roofline of the depot's office/waiting room are paired brackets and sawn trim, not repeated on the freight wing. The exterior of the building is little altered, while the interior remains virtually intact.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1868

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Piedmont's Southern Railroad Depot was completed in 1868 by the Selma, Rome and Dalton Railroad Company, the first of two railway companies that would come to the town. The railway represented commercial growth and expansion to the area, and the depot was a stop on the rail line linking Mobile port, the rich agricultural lands between the Tombigbee and Alabama Rivers, and the Black Belt with the northeastern mineral region. The depot remained important and functioning to Piedmont until after World War II.

The depot will be restored as a joint venture of the City, the Piedmont Historical Society and the Chamber of Commerce, and will house a museum and offices for the Chamber.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Gerald Whitton, local historian
Stewart, Mrs. Frank R. History of Calhoun County

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one

QUADRANGLE NAME Piedmont

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A	_	_ _ _	_ _ _
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	
C	_	_ _ _	_ _ _
E	_	_ _ _	_ _ _
G	_	_ _ _	_ _ _

B	_	_ _ _	_ _ _
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	
D	_	_ _ _	_ _ _
F	_	_ _ _	_ _ _
H	_	_ _ _	_ _ _

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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 / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

City of Piedmont

DATE

4/83

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 112

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CITY OR TOWN

Piedmont

STATE

Alabama 36272

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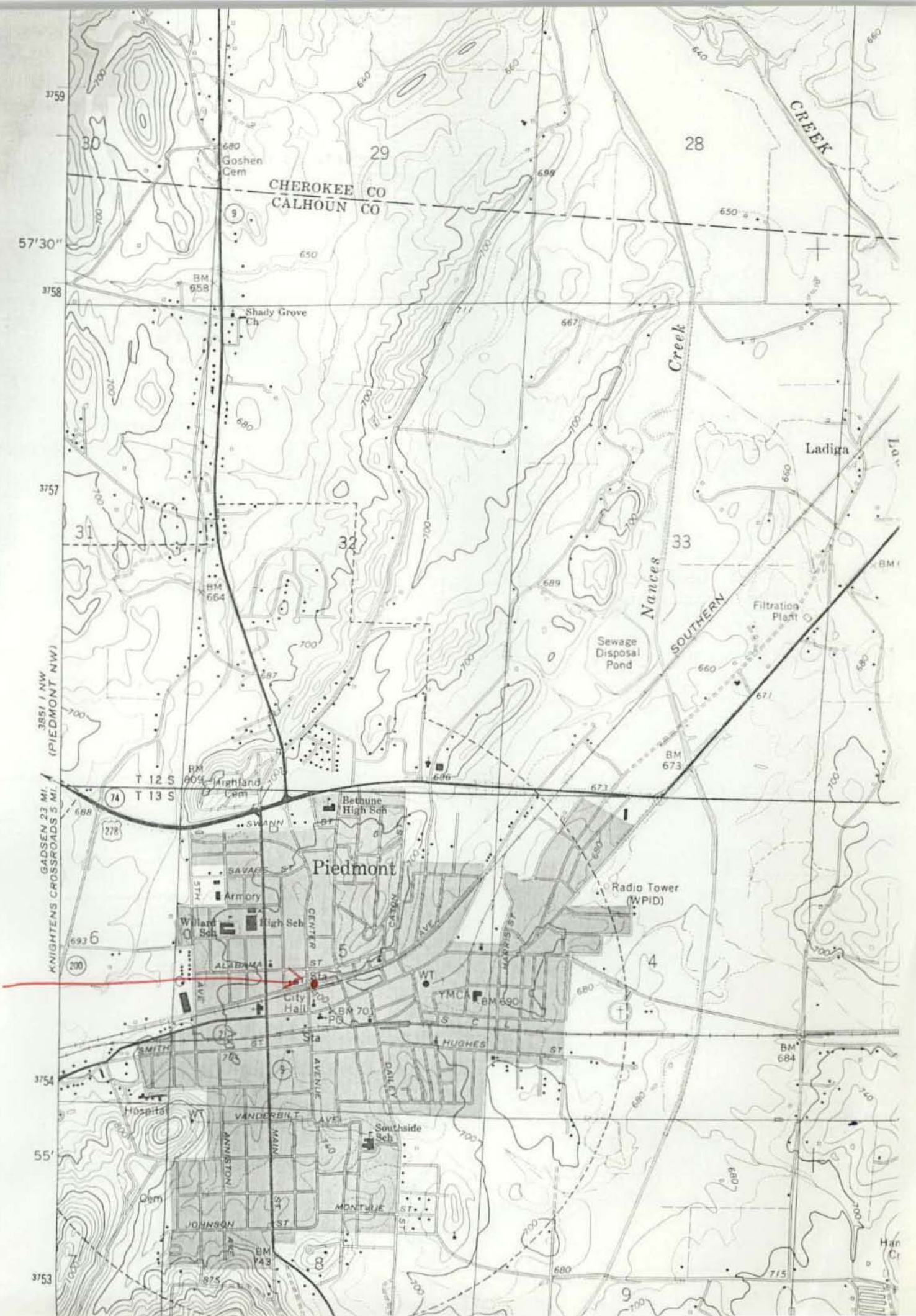
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Number 553

Thematic Category Architecture, Technology

National Register Potential

Added to National Register



CREEK

CHEROKEE CO
CALHOUN CO

Creek

Ladiga

Nances

SOUTHERN

Filtration Plant

Sewage Disposal Pond

Piedmont

Radio Tower (WPID)

KNIGHTENS CROSSROADS 5 MI.
GADSDEN 23 MI. 3851 I NW
(PIEDMONT NW)

55'

3753