

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Indiana
 COUNTY: Clark
 FOR NPS USE ONLY
 ENTRY NUMBER: _____ DATE: JUN 13 1973

1. NAME
 COMMON: Borden Institute
 AND/OR HISTORIC: Borden Normal School

2. LOCATION
 STREET AND NUMBER: West Street
 CITY OR TOWN: Borden
 STATE: Indiana CODE: 17306 COUNTY: Clark CODE: 019

3. CLASSIFICATION

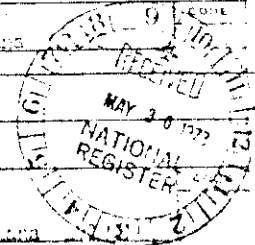
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes: Restricted
<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/>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

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
 NAME: 1891 Clark School Corporation
 STREET AND NUMBER: 112 E. Union Street
 CITY OR TOWN: Borden STATE: Indiana

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURT HOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Clark County, City-County Building
 STREET AND NUMBER: 112 E. Union
 CITY OR TOWN: Borden STATE: Indiana

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
 TITLE OF SURVEY: Falls of the Ohio Metropolitan Council of Government Urban Design
 DATE OF SURVEY: 1970 Federal State County Local
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Falls of the Ohio Metropolitan Council of Government
 STREET AND NUMBER: Jefferson County Court House
 CITY OR TOWN: Louisville STATE: Kentucky CODE: 17302

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



STATE ALABAMA ARIZONA ARKANSAS CALIFORNIA COLORADO CONNECTICUT DELAWARE FLORIDA GEORGIA ILLINOIS INDIANA IOWA KANSAS KENTUCKY LOUISIANA MAINE MARYLAND MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN MINNESOTA MISSISSIPPI MISSOURI MONTANA NEBRASKA NEVADA NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA OHIO OKLAHOMA OREGON PENNSYLVANIA RHODE ISLAND SOUTH CAROLINA SOUTH DAKOTA TENNESSEE TEXAS UTAH VERMONT VIRGINIA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN WYOMING

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
Describe the present and original appearance	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor

ORIGINAL APPEARANCE

"The Borden Inst. Finished from foundati...
 Large laboratory...
 contains three large r...
 containing many rare...
 second story containe...
 capacity of 500. Lower...
 description was taken...
 Michr., pgs. 127 and 1...
 The building in...
 the 1890 or 1930's.

PRESENT APPEARANCE

The building in...
 buildings is deterior...
 obtained permission...
 clean the building and...
 the institute buildi...
 condition date has...
 Community school...

REMARKS

The architect is...
 the design firm was...
 of local 18th-century...
 definite Greek motif...
 at the ends of a long...
 ends, the walls are...
 however, the central...
 spine of the old...
 bracketed in the...
 classical 18-century...
 styles are treated...
 in the most skillful...
 the details and over...
 nevertheless, the...
 combination of elemen...

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7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

ORIGINAL APPEARANCE

"The Borden Institute is a two story brick building with basement. Finished from foundation to roof in yellow pine, native cherry, oak, ash, maple and sycamore. The basement is finished in hard cement.

Large laboratories were located in the basement. The first story contains three large rooms and a magnificent hallway. The library containing many rare volumes was also located on the first floor. The second story contained among other rooms an auditorium with a seating capacity of 500. Lowering above the roof is the observatory, this description was taken from A History of the Borden Institute, by W. E. Wilson, pgs. 127 and 133.

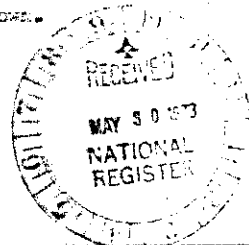
The building is now unaltered except for a fire escape, added in the 1920 or 1930's.

PRESENT APPEARANCE

The building is now unoccupied, and as is characteristic of such buildings is deteriorating rapidly. The historical society has recently obtain a permission that the last black community school now available to clean the building and make minor repairs needed including the observatory. The immediate future is in imminent danger of being demolished. This can be done has been extended through June 1973," by the last black community school corporation.

ARCHITECTURE

The architect is unknown; perhaps Professor Ferguson had a hand in the design himself, as it is strangely old-fashioned, almost a combination of local 19th-century styles. The main block of the building has a definite Greek revival quality. It is set firmly on a stone foundation at the base of a hill, a rectangular block with low roof gabled at the ends, the walls divided vertically into bays by shallow pilasters. However, the continuous cornice that takes pediments of the gables (in spite of the odd placement of the chimneys in the middle of them), is bracketed in the Italianate manner and the pilaster strips have the typical 18th-century arched corner. The tower on the front, though its walls are treated similarly, is crowned by a bulbous French Mansard roof in the most literal bar fashion. Aside from this bow to recent fashions, the details and overall effect of the structure are definitely provincial. Nevertheless, the building as a whole has considerable dignity and, in its combination of elements, a character all its own.



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 17th Century
 19th Century 19th Century 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATES (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social History |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Trade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Music | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The small town in North Carolina formerly named New Providence is now named for Wesley Borden (1823-1906), the leading citizen of the town. The town of New Providence was founded by John W. Borden became Assistant State Geologist entered the mine fields at Leadville, Col., where he amassed the considerable fortune that through his famous collection of geological specimens the Borden Institute materialized from the town.

The school was established April 2, 1873 and initially there was principal of the Normal School. The school was for men and women for: 1. teaching 2. history and 3. for life work. The curriculum consisted of twelve week terms. Also, there was offered twelve week terms.

On July 4, 1885 the New Providence Normal Borden Institute. Professor W. M. Stalker was principal. The Institute was upgraded to one status of a college. The new curriculum consisted of four years of science, covering three years, 2. a two year classic course of one year 4. a four year course.

In 1888 the curriculum was modified and a new principal, W. M. Lugenbeel. At this time modern methods were introduced. The subject matter was arranged so that a student might pass through a preparatory year and a final classic year earning a diploma there was a course in music and one in the fine arts.

In 1899 the final curriculum of aneschool at this time was Professor Harry Clark. The Borden Institute were almost entirely the years that the Normal Department was strengthened. Clark may have of modular scheduling. The curriculum consisted of academics, science, also five different languages, American literature, and also a law course and a year high school course. When the Institute offered high school courses.

In 1939 the Institute was chartered for the high school courses. When the Institute offered high school courses.

The future land use of the town of New Providence planned around the historic past. The proposed plan was adopted April 2, 1975 by the Town Board. The plan for construction, restoration, and development of the town.

8. SIGNIFICANCE			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)			
AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Geography	
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanities	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> History	
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE			
<p>The small town in Northwestern Clark County, Indiana formerly named New Providence is now named Borden in honor of Professor Wm Wesley Borden (1823-1906,) the leading citizen who donated the Borden Institute. The town of New Providence was founded in 1817 by Borden's father, John W. Borden became Assistant State Geologist in 1873. In 1873 he entered the mine fields at Leadville, Col., with Marshall Field of Chicago, where he amassed the considerable fortune that made possible his philanthropies and his famous collection of geologic rarities.</p> <p>Borden Institute materialized from the New Providence Normal School, which was set blished April 2, 1873 and incorporated Jan. 18, 1874. J. B. Scott was principal of the Normal School. The objectives were to prepare young men and women for: 1. teaching 2. higher institutions of learning and 3. for life work. The curriculum consisted of preparatory course of five twelve week terms. Also, there was offered a teachers course of five twelve week terms.</p> <p>On July 1, 1875 the New Providence Normal School was dedicated the Borden Institute. Professor W. W. Stalker was the second principal. The Institute was upgraded to the status of a college. Classical courses were added. The new curriculum consisted of four separate courses: 1. in English and science, covering three years, 2. a teachers course of two years and 3. a classic course of one year and a four year collegiate course.</p> <p>In 1883 the curriculum was modified again under the direction of Principal, W. W. Lugenbeel. At this time modern languages and the sciences were introduced. The subject matter was arranged so that by four consecutive years a student might pass through a preparatory year, a teachers course, a scientific year and a final classic year earning an A. B. degree. In addition there was a course in music and one in business.</p> <p>In 1889 the final curriculum of the school was adopted. The principal at this time was Professor Harry Suark. "The creative years of the Borden Institute were almost entirely the years that Suark was principal." The Normal Department was strengthened. Suark may have been an unorthodox proponent of modular scheduling. The curriculum consisted of three year courses in academics, science, also five different languages, mathematics, history, American literature, and also a law course and a business department.</p> <p>In 1889 the Institute was chartered for the purpose of adding a four year high school course. Then the Institute offered Normal Courses, College, and High School Courses.</p> <p>The future land use of the town of (New Providence) Borden has been planned around the historic past. The proposed Generalized Land Use Plan was adopted April 2, 1973 by the Town Board. This plan proposes the "reconstruction, restoration, and development of the original town."</p>			

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL

Baird, Lewis C.

FOX, "Time and
 Location Historic
 New Day, Facts,
 W. S. Wilson

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE

DEFINING A RECTANGLE

CORNER LATITUDE

Degree Minutes Seconds

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTY

STATE:

STATE:

STATE:

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE

W. S. Wilson

ORGANIZATION

Clark County

STREET AND NUMBER

CITY OR TOWN

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER

As the designated State
 Historical Preservation
 Officer, I hereby certify
 to the National Register
 that the National Park
 has been evaluated according to
 the National Park
 level of significance of
 National

Name *Joseph D. ...*

Title Indiana State

Date May 24, 1973

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Baird, Lewis C. Captain Baird's History of Clark County, F. B. Bowen & Co., Publishers, Indianapolis, Ind. 1909. 919 pp.

Fox, "Fire running out ..." The Louisville Times May 11, 1972

Moorman Historic Markers, pp 7-11

Seeley, Facts, Fiction p 106

W. A. Wilson A History of Borden Institute Teachers College Press Terre Haute, Ind. 245 pp. 1931

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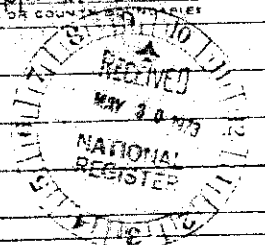
LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	.	.	85°	56'	45"
SE	.	.			
SW	.	.			

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: under 10 (app. ex. 10)

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: Joseph D. Cloud, President

ORGANIZATION: Indiana State Historic Preservation Society, Inc. DATE: Feb. 23, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER: _____

CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ CODE: _____

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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: Joseph D. Cloud

Title: Indiana State Liaison Officer

Date: May 24, 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Ernest A. Casper
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: JUN 13 1973

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Keeper of the National Register

Date: 6-12-73