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 TOWN NO.: _____ SITE NO.: _____
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 QUAD: _____
 DISTRICT: S NR: ACTUAL POTENTIAL

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
 CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 South Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106
 860-566-3005

UNIVERSAL RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
 for Buildings and Structures

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME: Common: Bacon Brothers Historic: Hubbard-Holland Building
 2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Middlesex
 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 359 Main Street
 4. OWNER(S): Bacon Brothers, Incorporated PUBLIC PRIVATE
 5. USE: Present: Commercial Historic: Commercial and residential
 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
 Interior accessible: yes, explain first floor store; upper stories with permission no

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Early 20th Century Plain Commercial DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c.1873, remodeled early 20th century

MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):
 clapboard asbestos siding brick
 wood shingle asphalt siding fieldstone
 board & batten stucco front cobblestone
 aluminum siding concrete: type: _____ cut stone: type: brownstone foundation
 other: _____

STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 other: _____

8. ROOF: type:
 gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other _____
 material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____

9. NUMBER OF STORIES: 3 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 40'x150'

10. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
 Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated

11. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when: _____
 Alterations: no yes, explain: Major remodelling early 20th century (See #18)

12. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barn shed garage other landscape features or buildings: Small concrete block machine shop facing on Broad Street
 carriage house shop garden

13. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density

14. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: This three story structure sits on the west side of Main Street in Middletown's central business district. Affixed to its north wall is the later, five story, Hartford National Bank. Directly to the south is a plain four story commercial building.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____ Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: This building was constructed in 1873 for Charles C. Hubbard, a local hardware and cutlery merchant. The building, designed for commercial use, also had elegant living quarters on the second and third floors. Hubbard resided there until 1876.

During the late 1800's and early 1900's this building housed a variety of businesses; among them Noxon and Whitney, hardware dealers, and W. Ayres, dealers in teas, coffees and spices. The Alling Rubber Company owned and occupied the building from 1919 until its sale to Bacon Brothers in 1927. Bacon Brothers, dealers in hardware and appliances, have occupied this site since then. It is one of the oldest family-operated businesses in Middletown.

The configuration of this structure has changed considerably since its erection. It originally consisted of two sections: a three story, three-bay store with living quarters to the north; and a one story store to the south. Sometime in the early 1900's the one story section was raised, and a new stuccoed facade integrated the two sections. Although the first floor has been modernized, the upper stories retain many of their original features;

(see continuation sheet)

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Elizabeth Loomis
date: 5/78 view: east
negative on file: Roll 25, #27

COMPILED BY:

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organization: Greater Middletown Preservation Trust
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19. SOURCES: Middletown Land Records; Middletown City Directories; Marino Postal Card Collection, GMPT

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:



21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other: _____
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: _____

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DESCRIPTION SHEET

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Two oval windows on the south side with elaborate carved brackets, staircase, moldings, doors, marble fireplaces, and early lighting fixtures. These apartments, which reflect the refined urban living style of the late 19th century, are presently vacant and used for storage.

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CONTINUATION SHEET

Item number: _____ Date: 1/90

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357-359 Main Street (formerly #359)
Middletown, CT 06457

