**DISTRICT: SITE: STRUCTURE: OBJECT**

**COUNTY:** Wood

**File No.**

- **USCS Quad:**
- **UTK:** 4346200
- **Neg No.:** 1941
- **Theme No.:** USC5

**Survey Region:** Planning District:

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**HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM**

1. **NAME(S), historic/common:** Mather Building/
Franklin & DeHaven Jewelers

2. **LOCATION, street/road:**
   - **TAX MAP - LOT #**
     - 92-60
   - city/town: Parkersburg, WV 26101

3. **USE/FUNCTION, present:** commercial
   - original: commercial

4. **OWNER/ADDRESS, present:** Peter Janetos, Int.
   - 2206 Lincoln Ave. Parkersburg, WV 26101
   - original:

5. **PHOTO/SKETCH OF:**
   - 8112-R4-F10, R5-F23-24
   - 8201-R2-F2-3

6. **LOCALE/ENVIRONMENT (map):**

7. **PLAN (include approx. dimensions):**

8. **ACREAGE (approx):**

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Survey Region:

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9. DESCRIPTION (clarify as appropriate; see attached)
   a. Exterior Fabric
      stone  masonry
      brick  frame
      concrete  log
      stucco  metal
      weatherboard  other
      clapboard  foundation
      board & batten  stone
      shingle  metal
      other
   b. Structural System
      masonry  X
      frame
      log
      metal
      other
      foundation  stone
      other
   c. Roofing Material
      wood
      metal
      slate
      tile
      asphalt  X
      composition
      other
   d. Associated Structures (use/type):
      outbuildings
      dependencies
      other
   e. Integrity (include dates):
      original with relocated
      alterations storefront
      additions
   f. Condition:
      excellent
      good  X
      fair
      deteriorated
      abandoned
   g. Threats:
      None apparent.
10. SIGNIFICANCE (use additional sheet if necessary):
   a. Architect/Builder/Engineer: This is a simple Classical design which forms part of a visually important cornerstone group with the Citizens National Bank and the Guaranty Building. Originally built as a jewelry story (Smith's?), it continues to operate as such. Interesting interior features include a fine tin ceiling and a built-in vault.
   b. Style/Period: Classical
   c. Date(s): 1898 (date stone)
      The Maher Building's light, rusticated sandstone facade reveals significant tooling features popular in the ornamentation of turn-of-the-century commercial building fronts. Rustication of this form accords the building companion status with its corner neighbors.
   11. BIBLIOGRAPHY:
      Hazel Batten, interview, 12/9/81.
   12. FORM PREPARED BY Eliza Smith, Christina Mann  DATE 12/81
      a. Address  Allegheny Square West, Pittsburgh, PA 15212
      b. Organization  Landmarks Planning, Inc.
This 3 to 4 story row building is red brick with a banded stone facade. A datestone is the central feature of the parapet above a simple stepped cornice. The 3rd-4th story has 3 transomed d/s (1/1) windows framed by engaged Doric columns in antis. A cornice on brackets runs above the 2nd story, which has 2 large square d/s (1/1) windows. The 1st story, below a smooth stone cornice, has a modern recessed storefront.