

Union League of Philadelphia
140 S. Broad Street
Philadelphia (Center City)
Philadelphia County
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-1626

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA	COUNTY PHILADELPHIA	TOWN OR VICINITY PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) UNION LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA		HABS NO. PA-1626
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 140 S. Broad Street, on west side of Broad Street, near the City Hall		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1864-65	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) John Fraser, architect; John Crump, builder	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Founded in 1862, the Union League is the oldest Republican party club in the nation. The building is also noted for its Philadelphia Second Empire style.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick with brownstone trim		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Approx. 100' (seven-bay front) X 130'; two-and-a-half stories on raised basement.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Reddish-brown brownstone walls; central Corinthian porch with curved double-entry stairway; projecting cornices; first floor wings; mansard roof with dormers; south side tower (original mansard roof removed later); balustrades on wings, porch, and roof.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Central-hall plan. Notable interior.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Exterior and interior altered and remodeled over the years.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Still in use as a Republican party clubhouse; not open to the public.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Webster, Richard. <u>Philadelphia Preserved</u> . Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1976.		
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