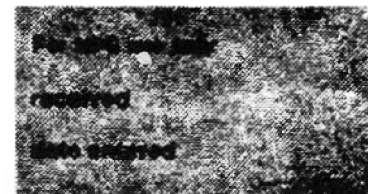


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## INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

<b>SURVEY NUMBER</b> <u>0028</u>	<b>PROPERTY OWNER</b> <u>Planters Bank</u>
<b>PROPERTY NAME</b> <u>Planters Bank Bldg.</u>	<b>ADDRESS</b> <u>200 E. Hale</u>
<b>LOCATION</b> <u>200 E. Hale</u>	<u>Osceola, AR</u>
<b>CONSTRUCTION DATE</b> <u>c. 1920</u>	

## DESCRIPTION

Anchoring a corner of a busy intersection in the downtown commercial area of Osceola is the Planters Bank building. Built circa 1920, the building is constructed of brick and rests on a continuous cast concrete foundation. The building was designed by Uzell Branson, a Missouri architect. This building is distinguished by the stylistic influence of Neo-Classicism. An elaborate wood cornice with garland wreaths wraps around the north and west elevations. This cornice features large dentils and a band of smaller dentiling in the frieze. Pilasters with Doric caps top the pilasters that support the cornice. The pilasters are spaced between large arched windows. The facade of the building (north elevation) is marked by a formal triangular pediment and formal entrance. The entrance door is crowned by a garland design and a segmental pediment. Fluted Doric columns enclose the entrance. The entrance is flanked by pilasters which surround a rectangular plate glass window topped by a small recessed square window.

## SIGNIFICANCE

The Planters Bank building was constructed circa 1920 for Citizens Bank. This building is one of the focal points in Osceola's downtown commercial district and is a contrast to the blocks of unornamented, vernacular buildings. In 1928, Citizens Bank closed. It reopened as the First State Bank, which closed in 1930. For a number of years a large mercantile store was operated in the building. In 1943 Osceola leased the building to house City Hall. Planters Bank was organized and moved into the building in 1944. It remains the main branch of this Bank. Architecturally, Planters Bank is one of the more stylistic and visually attractive in the City with its fine detailing reminiscent of Neo-Classicism. The building has been constantly utilized since its construction and Osceolans take great pride in their small Neo-Classic Bank building.

**ACREAGE** less than one

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION** West 56' of lots 2 & 3, Block 16, Townsite Addition

**QUADRANGLE NAME** Osceola, AR-TN

**QUADRANGLE SCALE** 1:24000

**UTM REFERENCE: ZONE** 16

**EASTING** 231550

**NORTHING** 3954820