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National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

historic name: Fourche LaFave River Bridge

other name/site number: PE0064

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2. Location

street & number: State Highway 7 at crossing of Fourche LaFave River

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Nimrod

vicinity: X

state: AR county: Perry code: AR 105 zip code: 72126

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3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-state

Category of Property: Structure

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing      Noncontributing

|               |               |            |
|---------------|---------------|------------|
| <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> | buildings  |
| <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> | sites      |
| <u>  1  </u>  | <u>      </u> | structures |
| <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> | objects    |
| <u>  1  </u>  | <u>  0  </u>  | Total      |

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Bridges of Arkansas

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification  
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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination \_\_\_\_\_ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register Criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Cathryn A. Slater \_\_\_\_\_ 4-11-95  
Signature of certifying official Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting or other official Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

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5. National Park Service Certification  
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I, hereby certify that this property is:

|  |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|
| _____ entered in the National Register   | _____ | _____ |
| _____ See continuation sheet.            | _____ | _____ |
| _____ determined eligible for the        | _____ | _____ |
| National Register                        | _____ | _____ |
| _____ See continuation sheet.            | _____ | _____ |
| _____ determined not eligible for the    | _____ | _____ |
| National Register                        | _____ | _____ |
| _____ removed from the National Register | _____ | _____ |
| _____ other (explain): _____             | _____ | _____ |

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Keeper Date of Action

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6. Function or Use  
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|                                 |                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Historic: <u>TRANSPORTATION</u> | Sub: <u>Road-related</u> |
| _____                           | _____                    |
| _____                           | _____                    |
| Current: <u>TRANSPORTATION</u>  | Sub: <u>Road-related</u> |
| _____                           | _____                    |
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7. Description  
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Architectural Classification:

Other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other Description: Open spandrel concrete masonry arch

|            |            |                            |       |   |
|------------|------------|----------------------------|-------|---|
| Materials: | foundation | <u>Concrete</u>            | roof  | <u>N/A</u>                              |
|            | walls      | <u>Concrete balustrade</u> | other | <u>Asphalt over reinforced concrete</u> |

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance  
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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: Local.

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): N/A

Areas of Significance: ENGINEERING  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Period(s) of Significance: 1941-1945 \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates: 1941 \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person(s): N/A \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation: N/A \_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder: Luten Bridge Company  
Federal Works Agency Public Roads Administration  
\_\_\_\_\_

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.  
X See continuation sheet.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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See "Historic Bridges of Arkansas" MPS Nomination, Section H.

\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- X State historic preservation office
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other -- Specify Repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Geographical Data

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Acres of Property: Less than one

| UTM References: | Zone      | Easting       | Northing       | Zone | Easting   | Northing |
|-----------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|------|-----------|----------|
| A               | <u>15</u> | <u>486100</u> | <u>3867520</u> | B    | <u>15</u> | _____    |
| C               | <u>15</u> | _____         | _____          | D    | <u>15</u> | _____    |

\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the southwestern edge of State Highway 7 with a perpendicular line running parallel with the northwestern end of the bridge and located approximately 25 feet to the northwest thereof, proceed southwesterly for a distance of approximately 25 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel with the bridge's southwestern side; thence proceed southeasterly along said line for a distance of approximately 568 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line; thence proceed northeasterly along said line for a distance of approximately 81.5 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line; thence proceed northwesterly along said line for a distance of approximately 568 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line; thence proceed southwesterly to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification: \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.

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11. Form Prepared By  
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City or Town: Little Rock State: AR Zip: 72201

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### Description

Located on State Highway 7 at the point where it crosses the Fourche LaFave River, the Fourche LaFave River Bridge is of the open spandrel concrete masonry arch type. It consists of a total of three spans, the longest of which measures 184 feet. Its total length is 518 feet, its deck width is 26 feet and its overall width is 31.5 feet. The abutments, the two piers and the open arches that support the deck are all of reinforced concrete construction, as is the deck with its asphalt surface. A relatively elaborate concrete masonry balustrade runs the full length of each edge of the deck.

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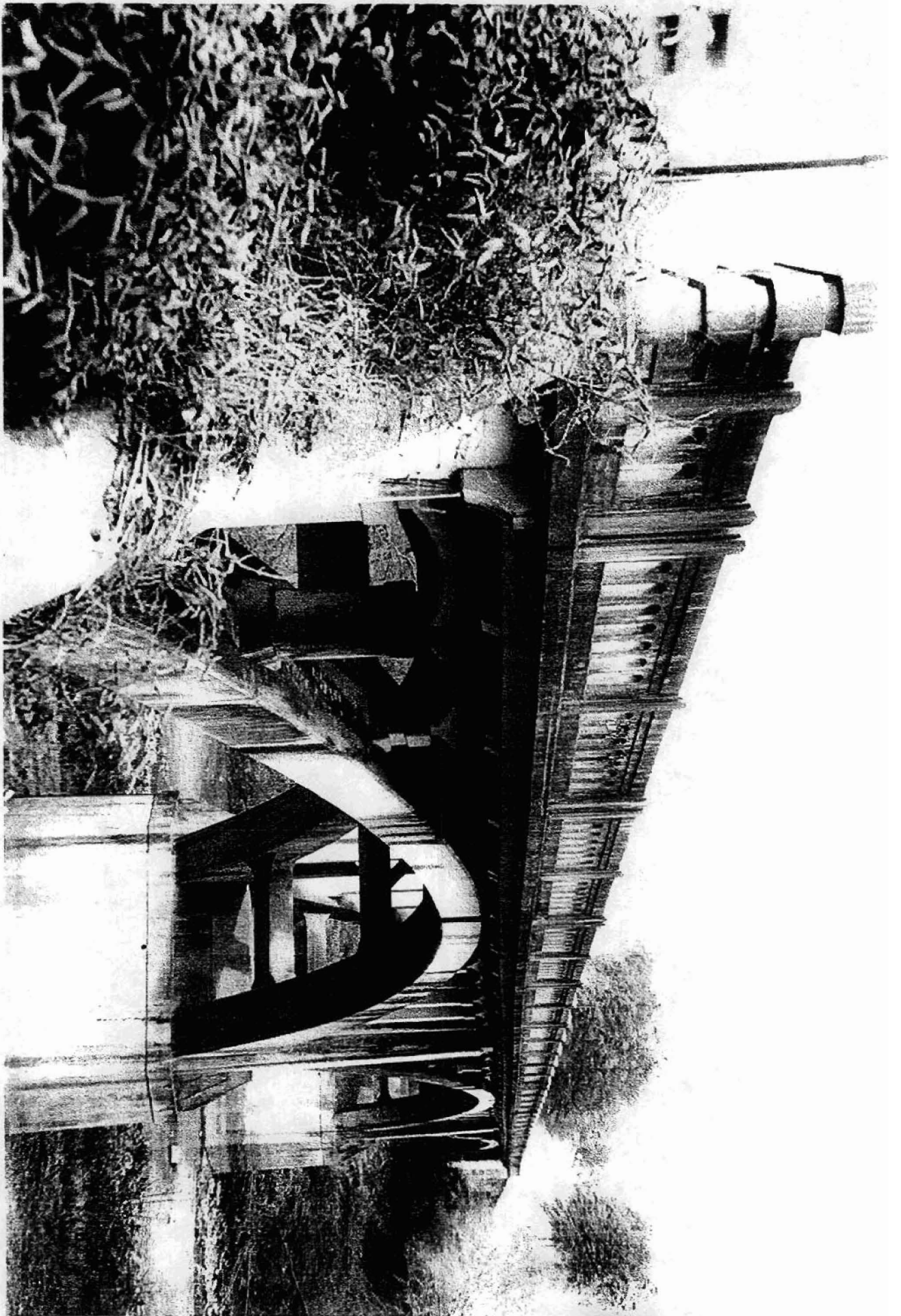
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### Significance

Constructed in 1941 the Fourche LaFave River Bridge is associated with the *World War II Era* historic context and is of the open spandrel concrete masonry deck arch type. It was erected by the Luton Bridge Company in conjunction with the Arkansas State Highway Commission and the Federal Works Agency Public Roads Administration. Given its relatively intact condition it retains sufficient integrity to remain associated with its historic period; it is thus locally eligible under Criterion C.



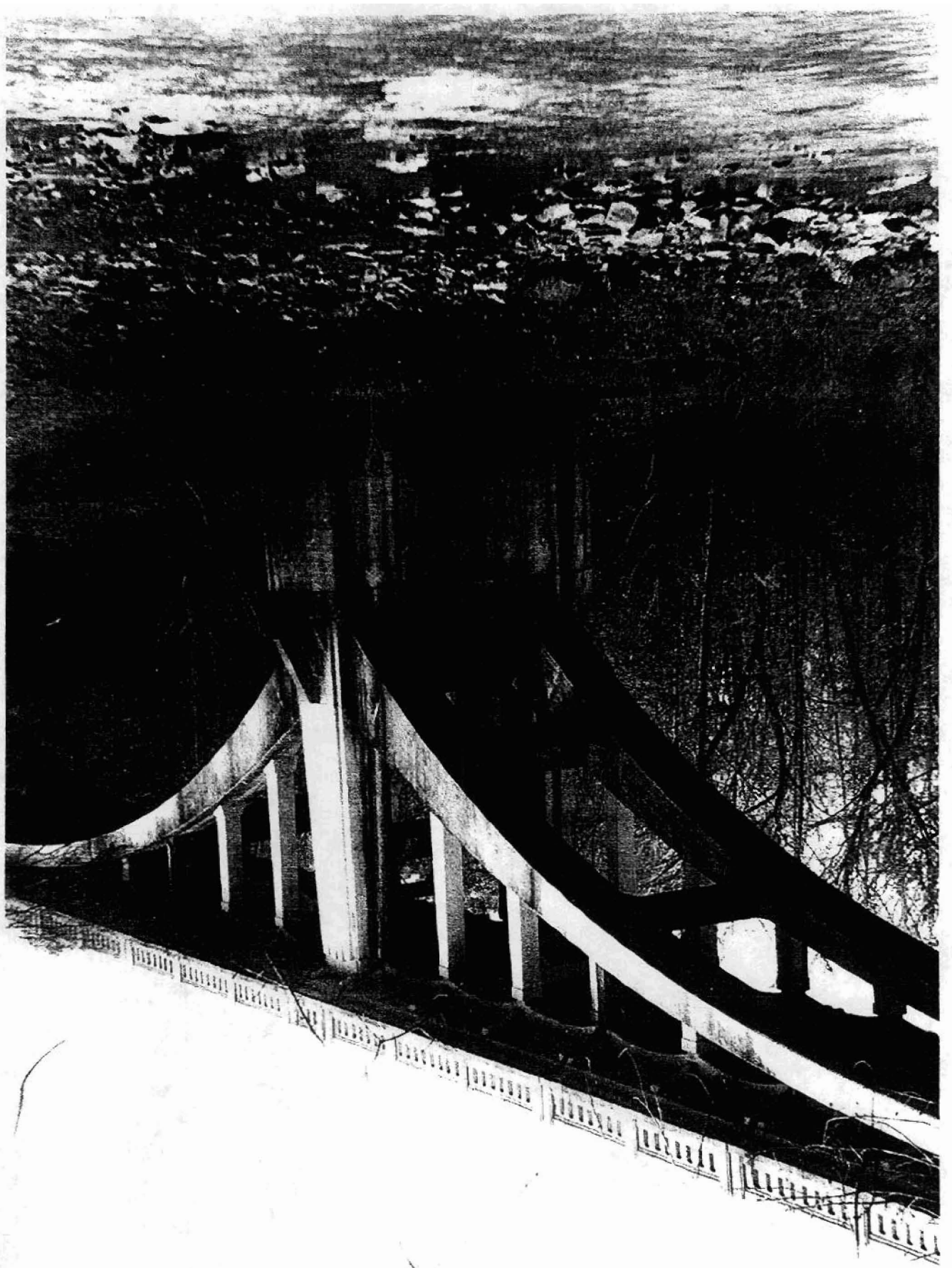


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