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INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

General Description

Code: PU-168

Congressional District: 2

Name: Federal Reserve Bank Building

Current Owner: Janie Bushman
~~Robert R. Bushman, Jr.~~
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Address: 123 West 3rd Street

Little Rock, AR

County: Pulaski

Address: ~~1300 W. 6th Street~~
~~Little Rock, AR 72201~~
1300 W. 6th 72201

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Thompson and Harding

Date of Construction: 1924

Stylistic Influence: Neo-Classical

Original Use: Bank

Present Use:

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15/566750/3844900

Acreage: less than one

Verbal Boundary Description: W 1/2 of Lots 1, 2,
Block 76, Original City

Condition

_____ Excellent
X Good
_____ Fair

_____ Deteriorated
_____ Ruins
_____ Unexposed

_____ Unaltered
_____ Altered

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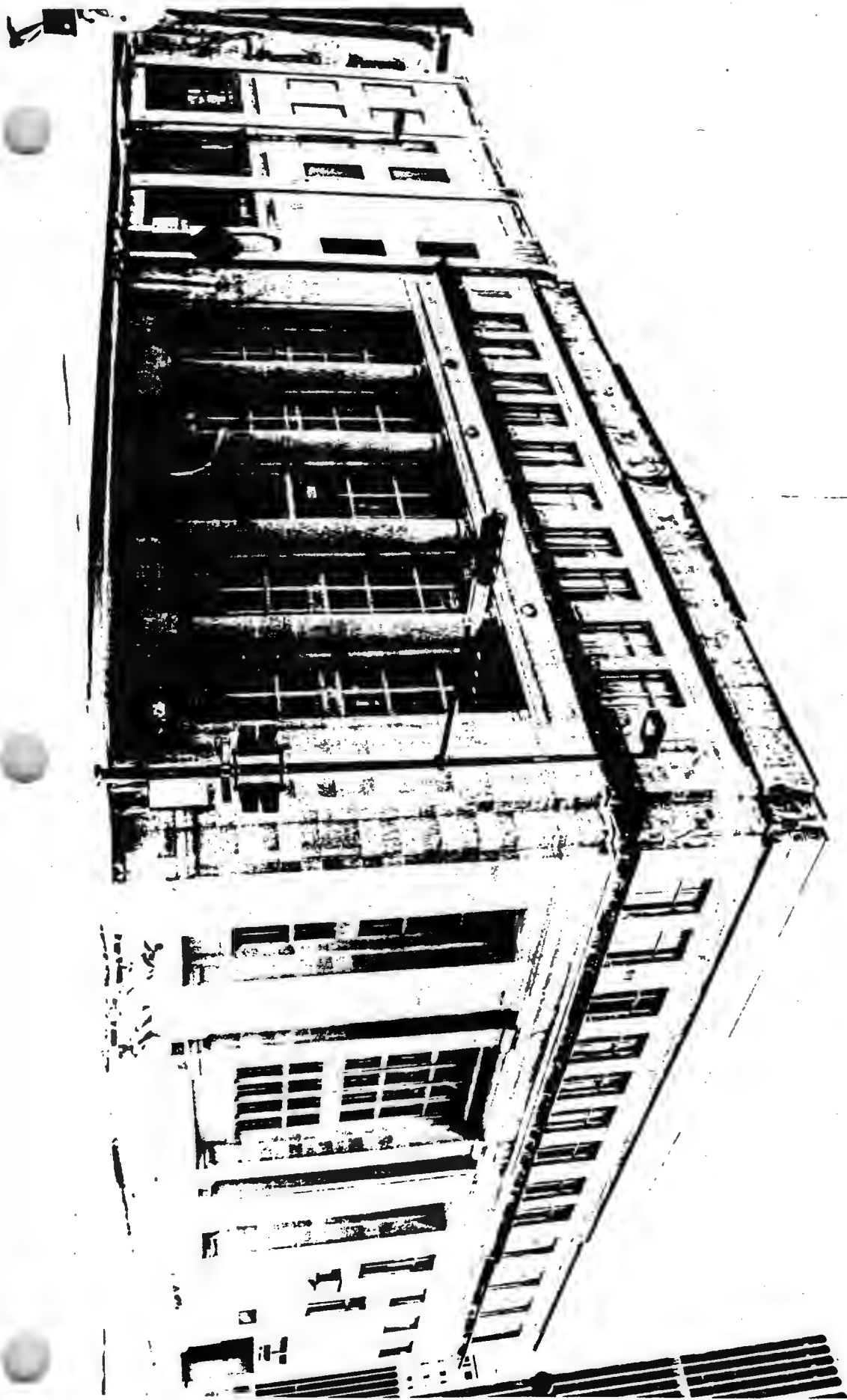
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Physical Description

The 1924 Federal Reserve Bank Building is a three-story, modestly detailed, Neo-Classical design constructed of reinforced concrete faced with limestone. The primary, or 3rd Street elevation is symmetrical and the elevated bronze entry doors are flanked by four engaged Doric columns which divide the facade into five, two-story window bays. A stone eagle rests atop the date plate which is located on the entrance surround. The Louisiana Street facade features two large square columns framing a bay of two-story windows. Windows throughout the building are metal casements with stationary panes above. A horizontal band of attic windows, sandwiched between two cornice lines, and a simple parapet crown the building. Although ornamentation is sparse, there is a large emblem centered on the parapet above the main entrance and medallions along the frieze are centered above the columns.

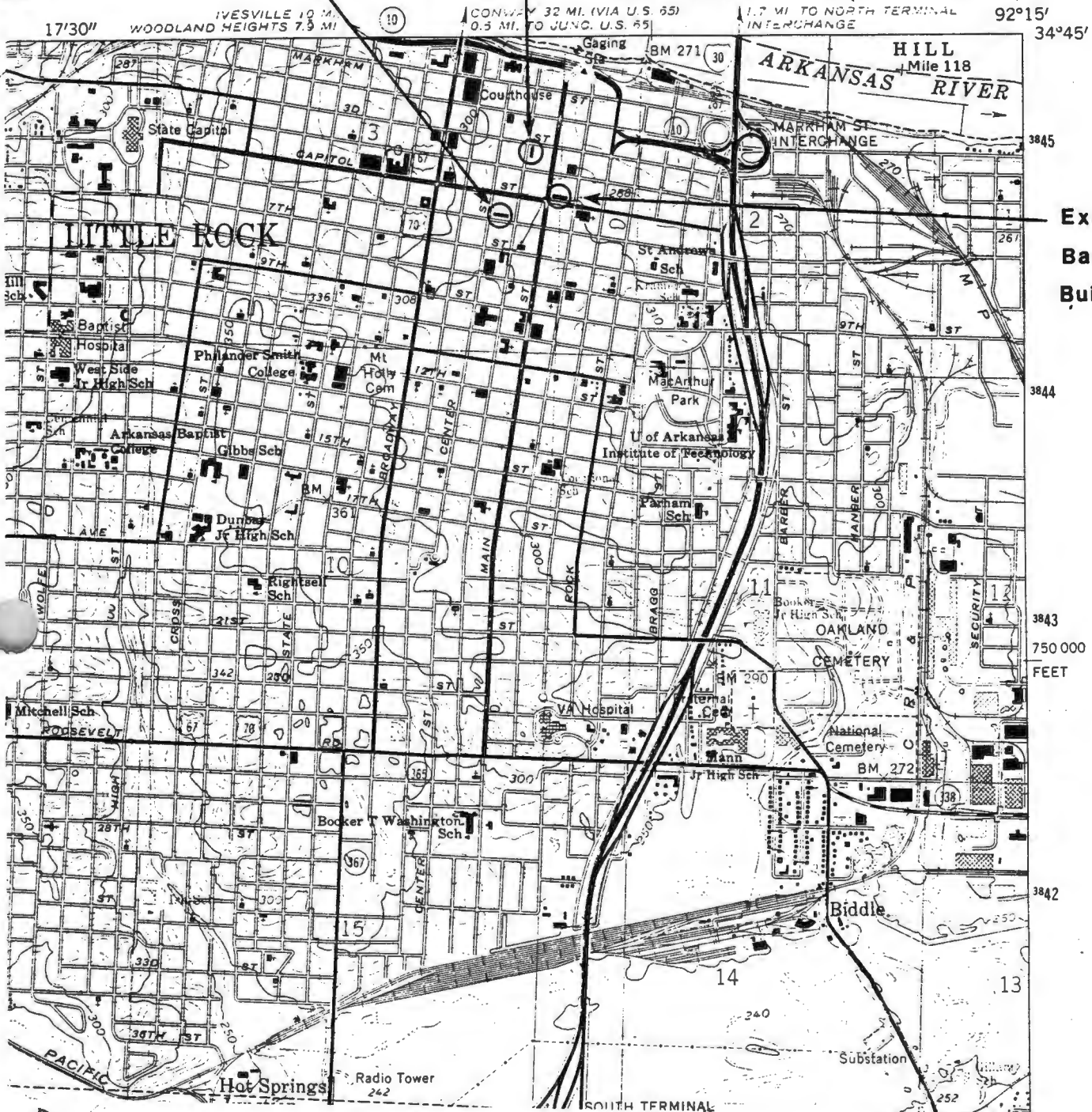
Statement of Significance

The Little Rock branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis opened in 1919 and occupied office space in the Southern Trust Building on West 2nd Street. Property was purchased in 1921 at the corner of 3rd and Louisiana Streets but construction of a new bank building did not begin until early in 1924. The decision to locate the building on Louisiana was indicative of a reorientation of the financial community's facilities southward from 2nd to Louisiana Street. Local architects Charles Thompson and Thomas Harding designed the structure, paying close attention to the special requirements of a Federal Reserve bank. The Federal Reserve Bank remained in this building until 1966 when they moved to a new and larger structure on West Capitol Avenue. The building has recently been adapted for use as a vault and security facility.



Federal Reserve Bank Building
 Moore Building
LITTLE ROCK QUADRANGLE
 ARKANSAS
 7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

7553 1 SW
 (MC ALMONT)



Exchange
 Bank
 Building

Charles L. Thompson & Assoc. Thematic
 Ammendment
 Little Rock, Pulaski Co.
 PU-168- Federal Reserve Bank Building
 15 566750 3844900
 PU-169- Exchange Bank Building
 15 566790 3844720
 PU-170 Moore Building
 15 566430 3844660
 Little Rock Quadrangle
 Scale 1:24000



3841
 42°30'
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 WEST TOWNSHIP 7 MI.
 PHYS. BLUFF 40 MI.