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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Stone County Courthouse AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER Courthouse Square CITY, TOWN Mountain View STATE Arkansas VICINITY OF CODE 05 COUNTY Stone CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT First CODE 137

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY OWNERSHIP STATUS PRESENT USE DISTRICT BUILDING(S) STRUCTURE SITE OBJECT PUBLIC ACQUISITION IN PROCESS BEING CONSIDERED OCCUPIED UNOCCUPIED WORK IN PROGRESS ACCESSIBLE YES: RESTRICTED YES: UNRESTRICTED NO AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PRIVATE RESIDENCE RELIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC TRANSPORTATION OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Stone County (Earl Storey, County Judge) STREET & NUMBER Stone County Courthouse CITY, TOWN Mountain View STATE Arkansas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Circuit Clerk's Office STREET & NUMBER Stone County Courthouse CITY, TOWN Mountain View STATE Arkansas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE DATE DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS CITY, TOWN STATE FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located in Mountain View, Arkansas, the Stone County Courthouse was constructed in 1922. Architect C. A. Ferrell designed the building which was contracted by C. M. Leird.

The two-and-one-half-storey structure features an inset center bay flanked by projecting wings. The irregular roofline is composed of hip components and is supported by exposed rafter ends.

Constructed of native stone, the building is symmetrically balanced. With the exception of the facade, windows in the building are double-hung, six-over-one. The windows on the second storey of the recessed center bay are narrow with square six-lite transoms. All windows feature stone lugsills.

The facade is marked by the inset center bay, which itself is comprised of six "sub-bays." The double entry is covered by a one-storey portico with hip roof and dentiled cornice, the portico roof supported by two square stone posts. A gabled dormer with a wide overhang extends from the roof in the middle of the central recessed bay. Three small windows with four lites each span the width of the dormer. Stone chimneys rise from the inner slopes of the roofs on the projecting wings.

The east and west elevations are marked by two-storey projections each of which contain a double door at the first storey level and paired windows at the second storey.

The rear (north) elevation also contains an inset center bay flanked by projecting wings. In the center of the inset bay is a one-storey hip roof projection.

The interiors have been altered to accommodate changing office needs. Other alterations include the modernization of double-entry doors on the facade and east and west elevations and the replacement of window lites in second-storey windows in the center bay.

In good condition, the Stone County Courthouse is a good representation of the native stone architecture found in northern Arkansas.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1922

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Clyde A. Ferrell

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The largest number of architecturally significant public buildings in Arkansas are the courthouses scattered over the state's seventy-five counties. A structural symbol of American government, the county courthouse serves as the center of local political activity. Often the largest and most costly building in the county, the courthouse is almost always a source of pride to the citizens who financed and make use of its facilities.

Six hundred and eleven square miles in size, Stone County was created by an act of the Arkansas General Assembly of April 21, 1873. The name of the county was derived from its rugged and timbered land. Stone County is a prime example of Arkansas' folk culture and is for this reason a large tourist attraction. Mountain View was incorporated in 1890 as the first and only county seat. The courthouse square is the scene of many of Stone County's folk music activities for which the county is known.

Constructed in 1922, the Stone County Courthouse is a two-and-one-half storey structure. The building is representative of the local use of natural materials. The building is symmetrical, featuring an inset center bay flanked by projecting bays. The irregular roofline is composed of hip components and is supported by exposed rafter ends.

Architecturally, the Stone County Courthouse is a significant representative of the style found frequently in northern Arkansas. It is one of Stone County's most impressive structures. As the center of government and politics in Stone County, the building is a significant historical structure.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

A Survey of Arkansas Courthouses. Compiled by the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the State of Arkansas. Mrs. W. G. McDonald, Chairperson, Historical Activities Committee. Arkansas Room, Little Rock Public Library.

Works Project Administration. Stone County, c. 1940, Archives, Arkansas History Commission.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Sandra Taylor, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

DATE

3-9-76

STREET & NUMBER

300 West Markham

TELEPHONE

501-371-1639

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE Anne Bartley

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 3-9-76

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

9/29/76

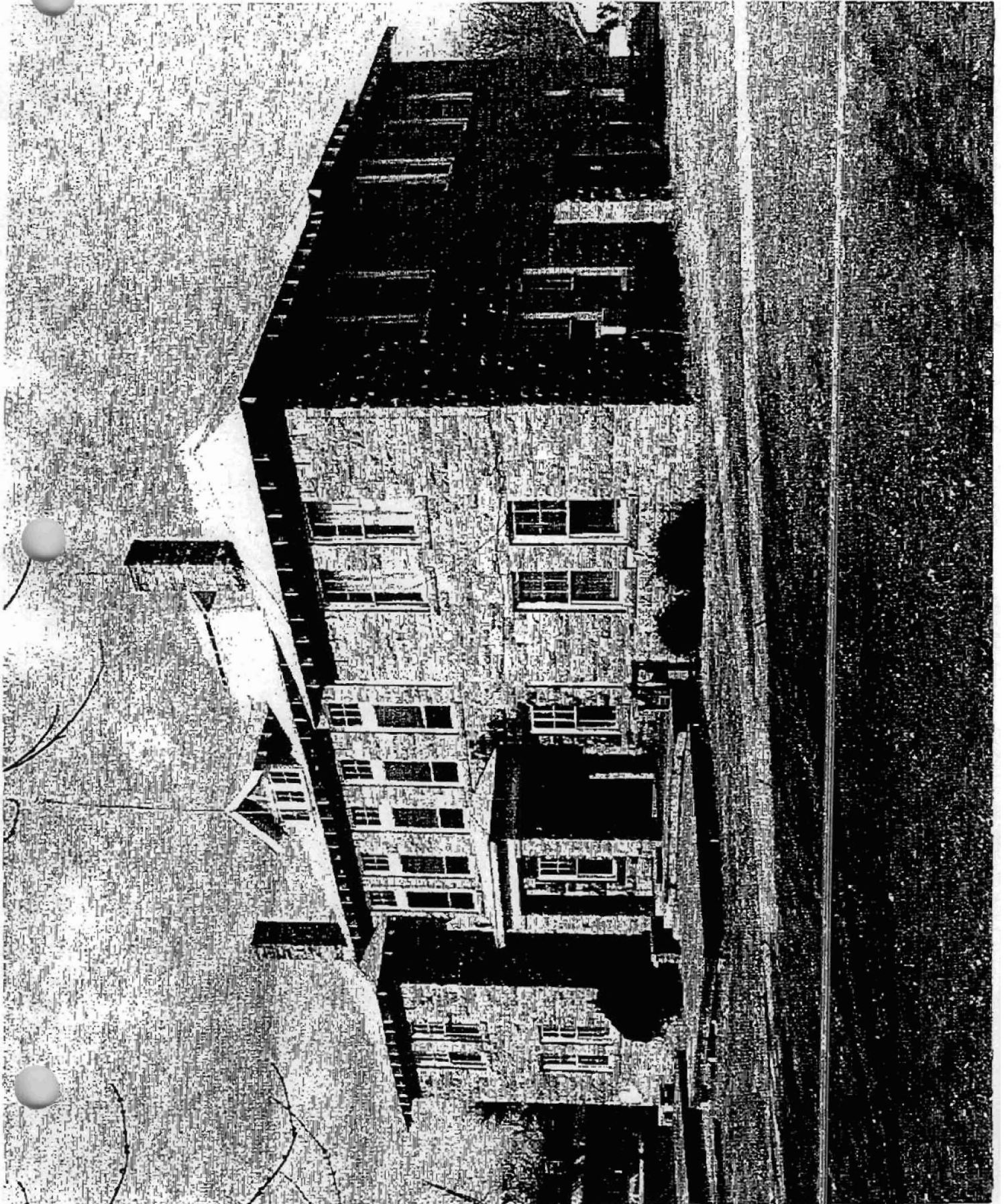
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STATE

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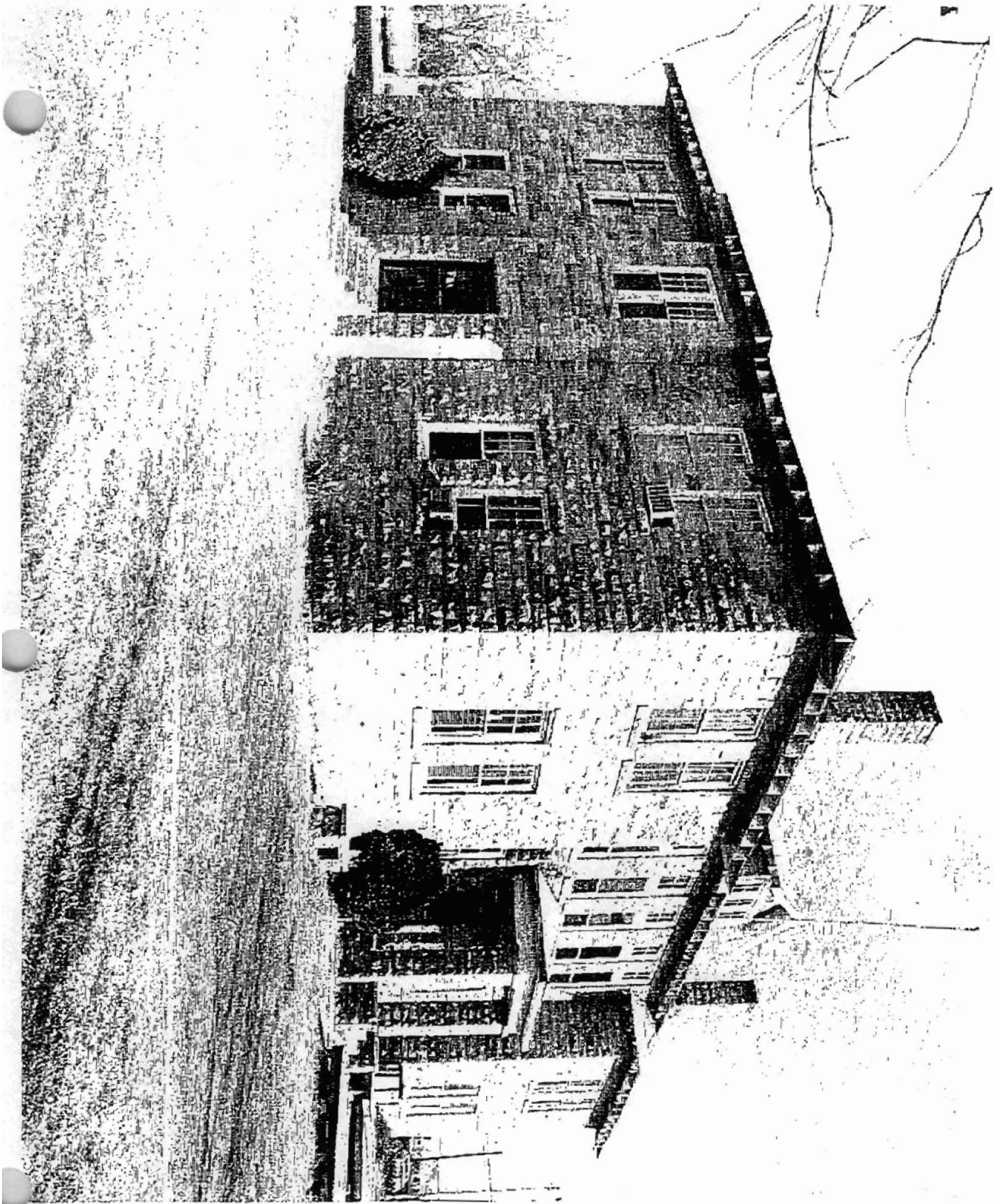
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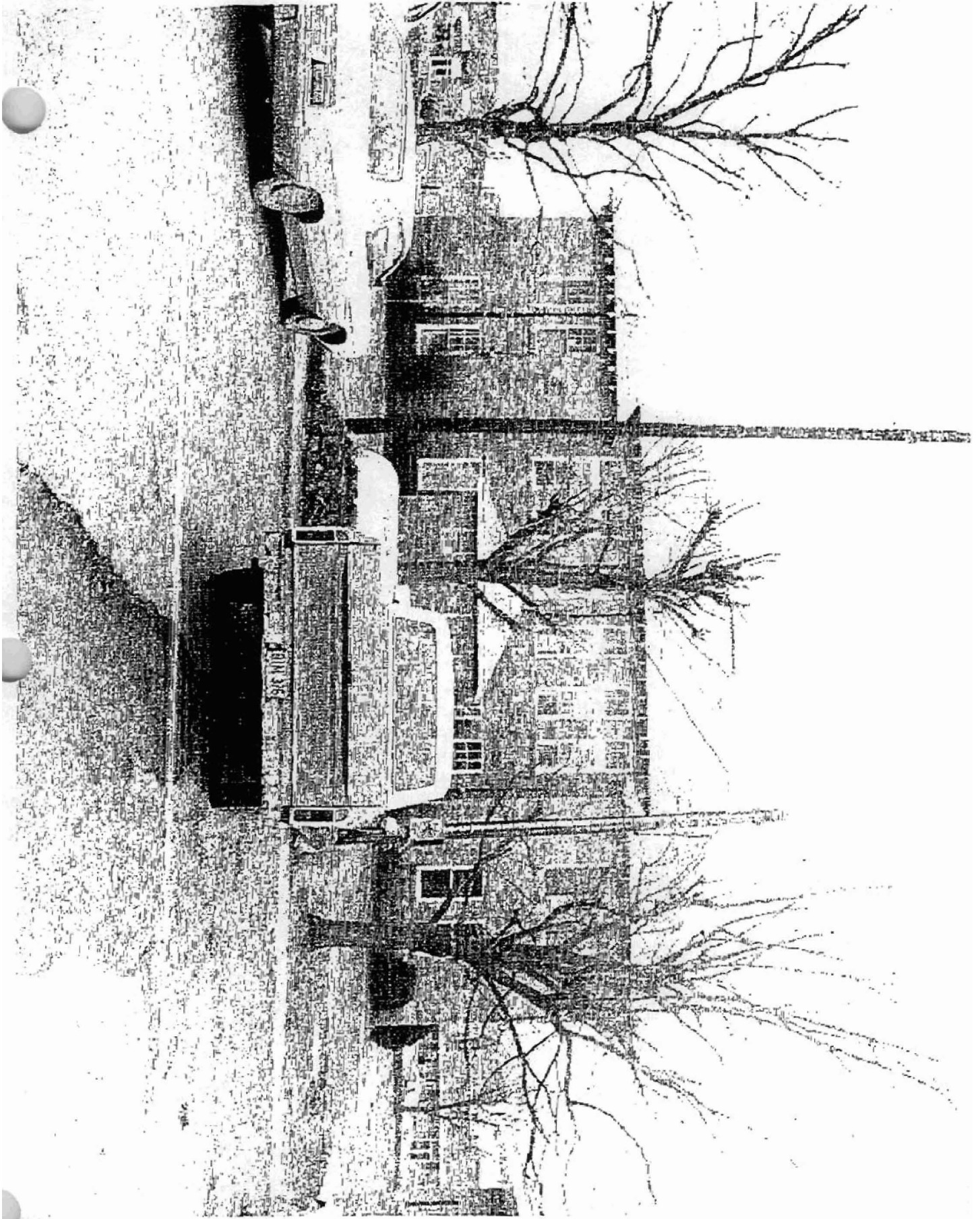
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Acade, viewed from the south

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4 IDENTIFICATION

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North elevation, viewed from the north PHOTO NO 3