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General Description

Code: WH-088

Congressional District: Second

Name: Deener House

Current Owner: John Lee

Address: 310 East Center
Searcy, Arkansas

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Searcy, Arkansas 72143

County: White

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Charles L. Thompson

Date of Construction: ca. 1912

Stylistic Influence: Craftsman

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Residence

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 615320/3901130

Acreage: Less than one

Verbal Boundary Description: Original Town of Searcy
Block 25, Lots 7 & 8

Condition

Excellent
 Good
 Fair

Deteriorated
 Ruins
 Unexposed

Unaltered
 Altered

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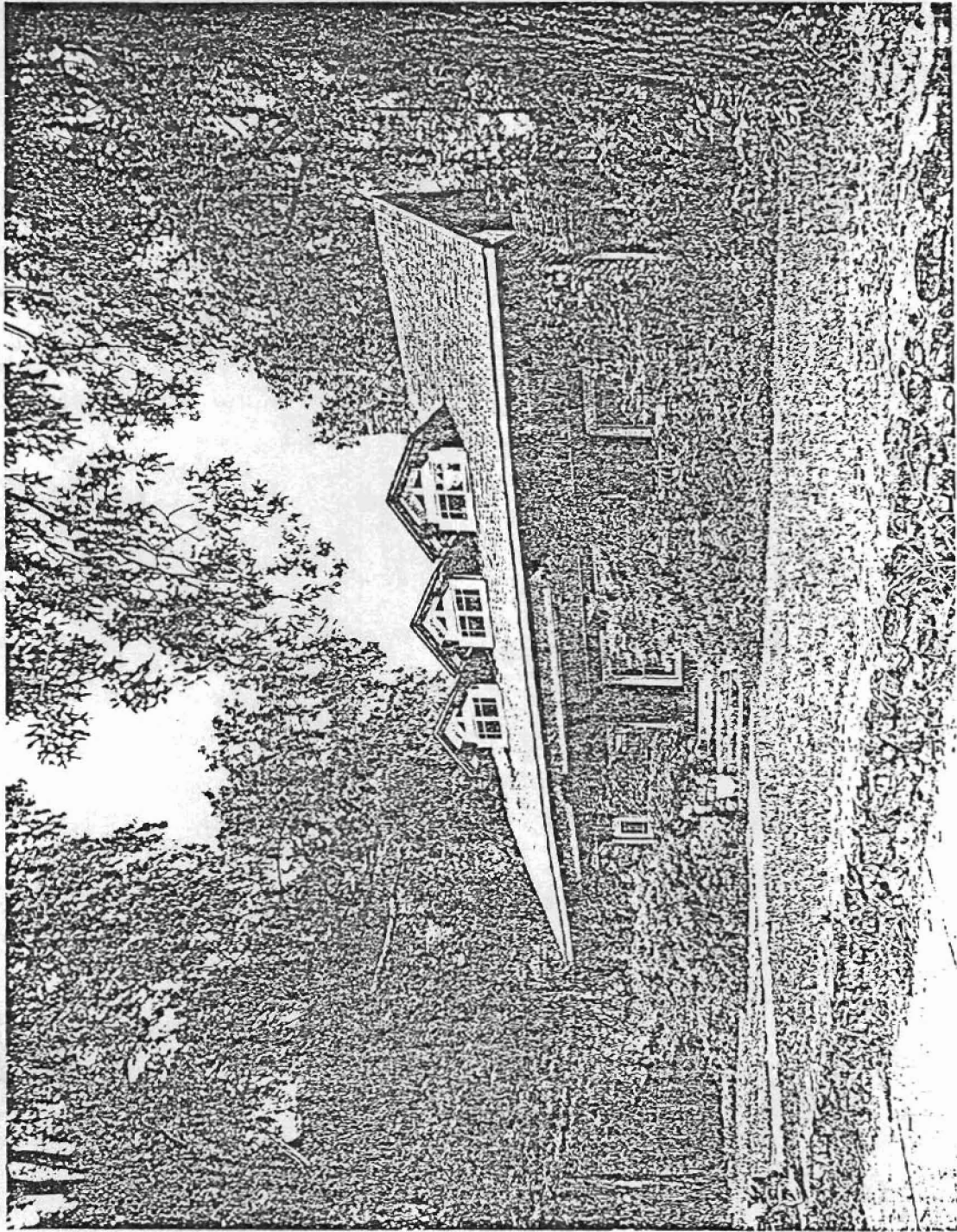
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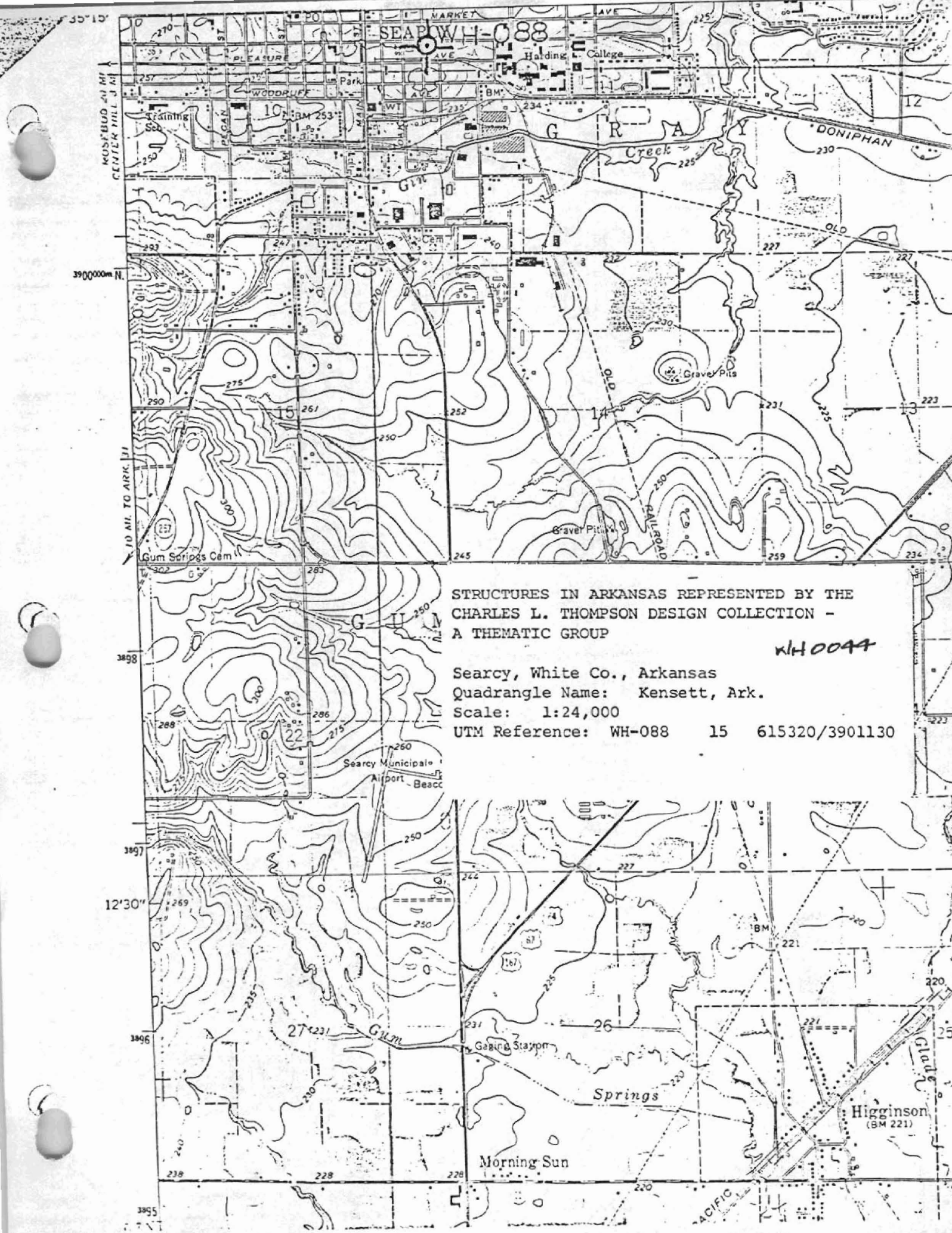
The simplicity, the use of earthy colors and natural materials, and the low, horizontal lines combine to make this an exceptionally attractive house. The dominant feature is the low slung, gable end roof which encloses the large front porch under its shaded, overhanging eaves lined with exposed rafters. A group of three low dormers lines the roof without detracting from the simplicity of the design. The gable roofs of these dormers echo the same low roof pitch, overhanging eaves and exposed rafters as the principal roof. Two tiny triangular window panes are fitted just under the dormer roofs; below are small paired plate glass windows with intersecting border muntins. The house is faced with weatherboards while the full length front porch is constructed of rubble native fieldstone. The plate glass sash windows throughout the house have their upper panes enriched with muntins arranged in geometric Prairie Style motifs. At the sidewalk edge, a low native fieldstone wall outlines the property, augmenting the natural and rustic quality of the scene.

Statement of Significance

A fine example of the firm's series of "cottage" designs featuring three dormers on the front elevation roofline is found in the design for the Deener House in Searcy, Arkansas. This ca. 1912 design is an effective use of earthy colors, natural materials, and low horizontal lines. Craftsman in styling, the Deener House is dominated by its low slung gable roof which sweeps down to form the cover for a large shady front porch. The porch adds a note of texturalism in the use of rubble native fieldstone. This rustic feeling is carried through in the setting in a low native fieldstone wall which outlines the large corner lot. A simple, unpretentious house in a small-town residential neighborhood, the Deener House has a distinct individuality within the design collection.

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Searcy, White Co., Arkansas
 Quadrangle Name: Kensett, Ark.
 Scale: 1:24,000
 UTM Reference: WH-088 15 615320/3901130

35° 15'
 39° 00' 00" N
 10 MI. TO ARK.
 12° 30'
 39° 06'
 39° 05'

MARKET AVE
 DONIPHAN
 OLD
 RAILROAD
 PACIFIC