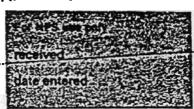
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General Description

Code: GA-029

Name: Riviera Hotel

Address: 719 Central

Hot Springs, Arkansas

County: Garland

· Congressional District: Third

Current Owner: Bosna, Inc.

Address:

1008 Woodlawn

Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Thompson, Sanders and Ginocchio

Date of Construction: ca. 1930

Stylistic Influence: Chicago School

Original Use: Hotel

Present Use: Hotel

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 495040/3818400

Acreage: Less than one

Verbal Boundary Description:

Hot Springs Reservation

Block 129, Lot 3, 4, and pt. 5

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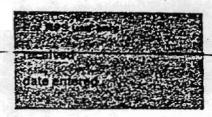
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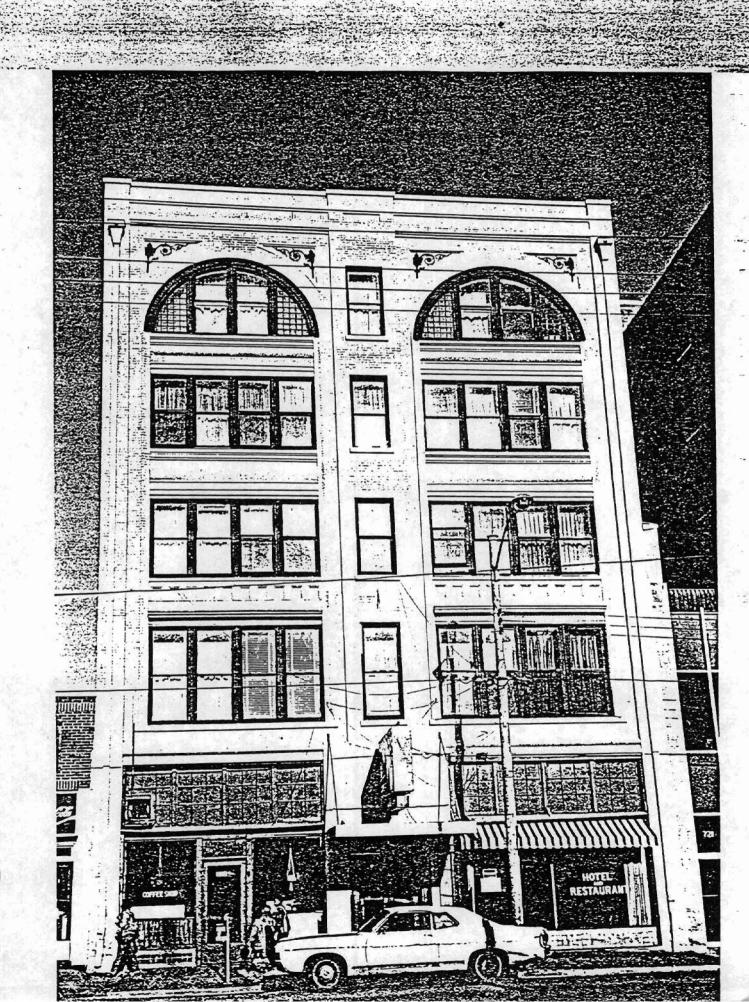
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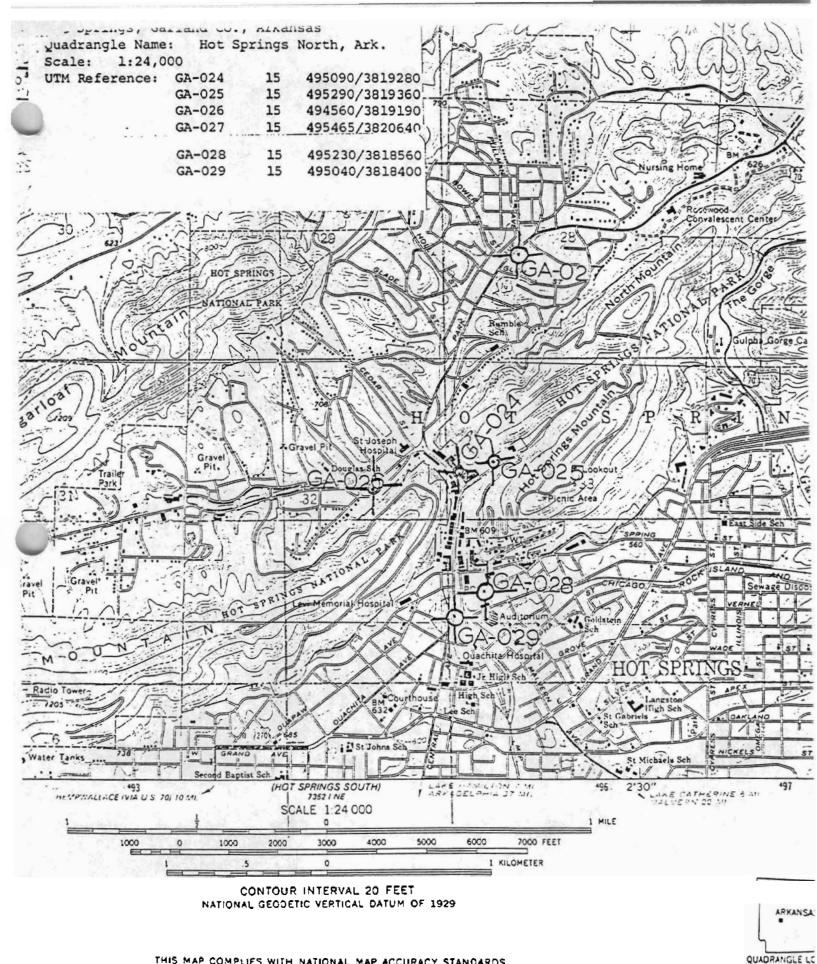
Physical Description

Echoes of the Chicago School commercial buildings are present in the organization of this five-story commercial building within two tall arches flanking a plain central panel articulated by single windows. This tall attached building on Hot Spring's main street is faced with brick, which forms the four-story arches and the simple cornice. Metal panels form the horizontal insets between the bands of windows in these arches. Hints of a Queen Anne-like decorative approach are visible at the tops of the arches in the carved foliate motifs and the multi-paned windows. The lower level features large plate glass windows with multi-paned transoms. The windows on the next three stories are plate glass sash windows appearing in banks of four; those at the top are paired with multi-paned arched sidelights.

Statement of Significance

The Riviera Hotel on Hot Springs' Central Avenue was designed by the Thompson, Sanders and Ginocchio Firm ca. 1930. Located on the major business avenue and thoroughfare in the city, this hotel was built during one of the peak periods in the popularity of the resort town. Its importance to the historic streetscape is significant in a city oriented to visitors. An unusual organization of a tall building within arches echoes the Chicago School of Architecture. Its significance to the streetscape of Hot Springs and uniqueness to the collection of drawings by Thompson and his associates contribute to the historic value of the Riviera Hotel.





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