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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Date building built is unknown at this time. On April 4,1904, the City of Argenta was formed and so was the Fire Department. The building housed the city offices upstairs, the jail in the rear and the Fire Department in the front. The city offices moved from the building in 1914, when the new City Hall was built at Third and Main. The area where the jail was located, was remodled to a work shop for the Fire Department. The stalls for the horses were located under the stair way (middle of downstairs) to the front door. The station housed two horse drawn wagons until the first motorized fire trucks arrived in 1917. Around 1923 the front door was enlarged to the present day width, the horse stalls were removed also about this time. The door in the rear of the station is the original.

The upstairs housed the court room and Mayors offices. When the offices moved to the new building, the court room became the class room and the other offices were used by the Fire Chiefs and living quarters by the fireman on duty. Three poles were used to decend from the second floor to the engine room, small booths were built by the men with swinging doors which are still there today. The building was remodled in 1925 when a fire damaged the back bedrooms and kitchen. There was no major changes in the building since the fire, other than paint jobs through the years. The building housed the North Little Rock Fire Department until a new Central Station was built in 1961.

The building is built of brick and wood construction. The upstairs is plaster over wood and the floors are pine with tile over them. The bell tower that was once on the roof was removed in 1923. The bell is located next door at Owens Funeral Home.

The building is basicly the same as it was remodled in 1925. The Old Central Fire Station stands as a monument to the birth of North Little Rock and the long home of the North Little Rock Fire Department.

Note: Station was built December 13, 1894. The building has 6,500 square feet. The station is 22 feet wide and 135 feet long.

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SPECIFIC DATES 1904-1961

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of the old Central Fire Station, is it is one of the oldest buildings in the city that is still standing. The city of Little Rock used the building for a Fire Station before the City of No. Little Rock was formed in 1904. It is the the only station in the city that ever held horses and old Fire Wagons. Even today, you can walk in the engine room and see the slats in the floor, so the horses would not fall going to the wagons.

Walk to the upstairs, you will find the old lockers still built in the walls, the old pole holes (minus the poles) waiting for the next alarm to sound. The upstairs is basicly the same as it was when the station moved in 1961.

At this time, the building is still in repairible condition. A group of businessmen and fire buffs are trying to form a fire museum in the building, if the tentents, who are in the building now move out. Several companies have agreed to donate supplies to restore the station if we get the fire station for the museum. We have three poles donated and have quite a bit of old equipment for the museum.

The old Central Fire Station stands as areminder of the gallent days of when horses raced up Main street out of the station on the way to a fire. It is also the beginning and the ending of the fire horse days, and a beginning of the new age of Fire Fighting.

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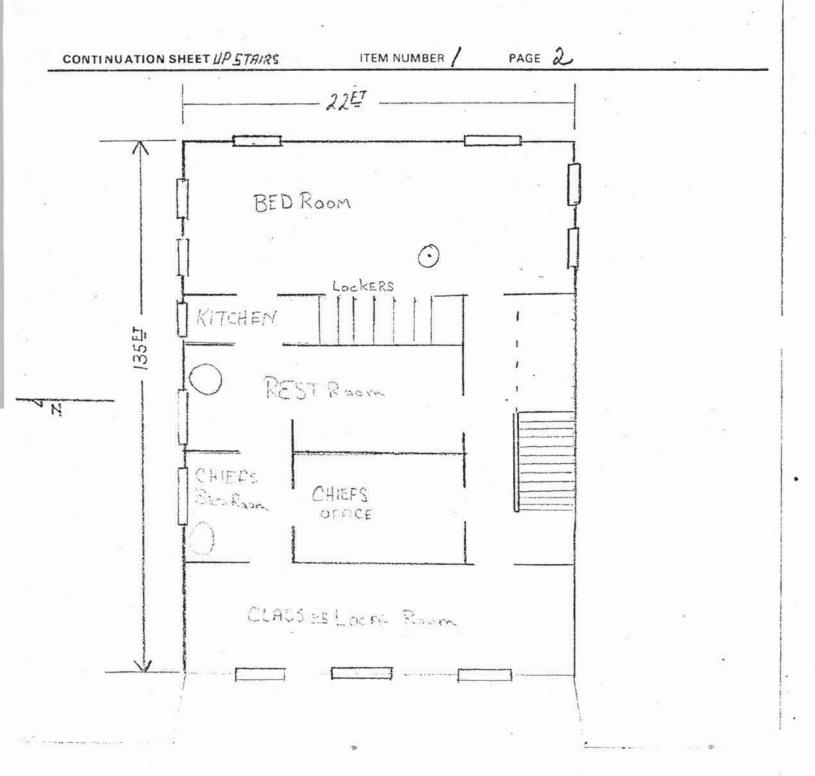
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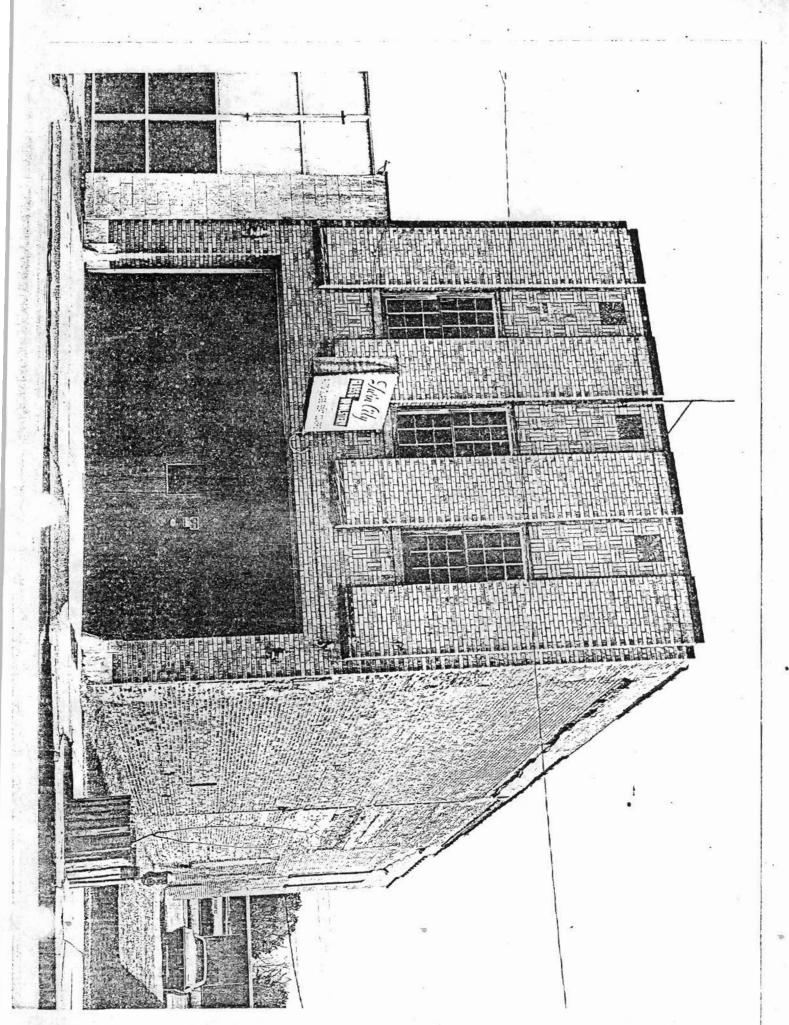
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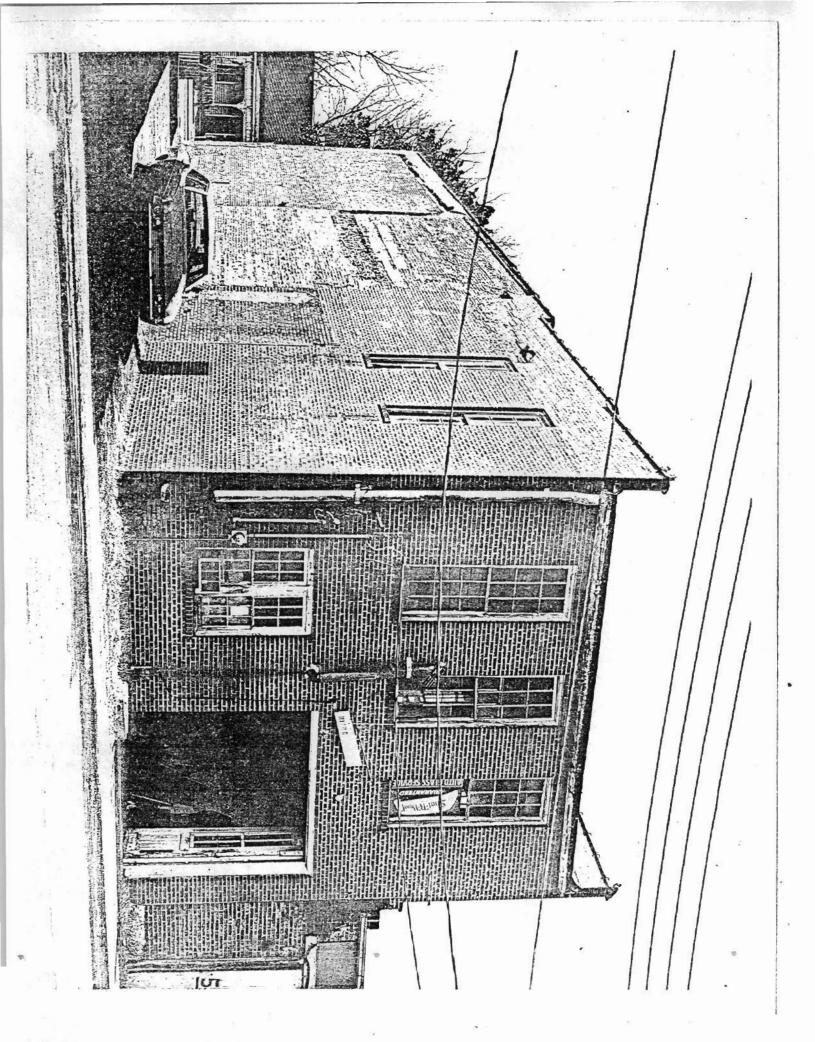
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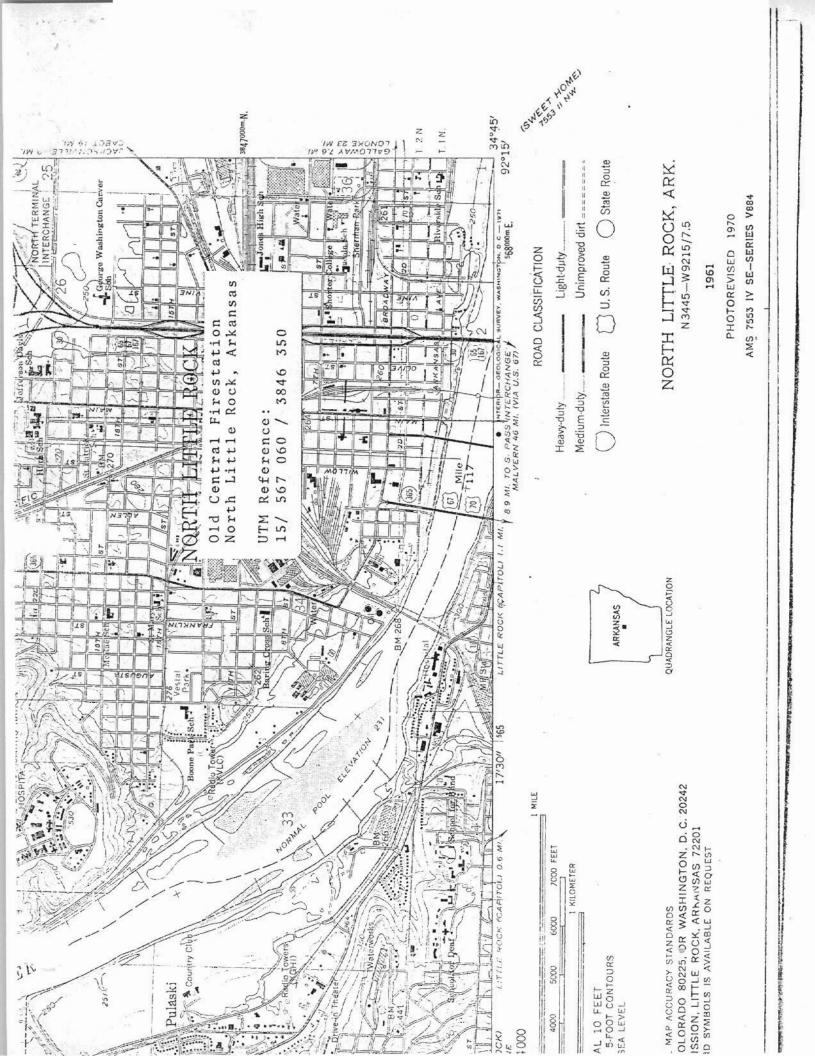
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- 2. NORTH ARROW
- 3. UTM REFERENCES

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