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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Missouri	
COUNTY: Moniteau	
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1. NAME

COMMON:
Moniteau County Courthouse Square

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Public Square

CITY OR TOWN:
California

STATE: Missouri CODE: 65018 COUNTY: Moniteau CODE: 2h

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments County offices.

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Moniteau County

STREET AND NUMBER:
Moniteau County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: California STATE: Missouri CODE: 65018 2h

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Office of Recorder of Deeds, Moniteau County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Public Square

CITY OR TOWN: California STATE: Missouri CODE: 65018 2h

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Missouri Historic Sites Catalogue

DATE OF SURVEY: 1963 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
State Historical Society of Missouri

STREET AND NUMBER:
Corner, Witt and Lorry streets

CITY OR TOWN: Columbia STATE: Missouri CODE: 65201 2h

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Moniteau County Courthouse Square in California, Missouri, is an area approximately 525 feet square. The Square centers on the county courthouse block and includes the adjacent blocks to a distance of one-half block as shown on the accompanying site plan map.

THE COURTHOUSE

The Moniteau County Courthouse, built 1867, is a late example of the "Classic Revival" style. The two story structure with full basement faces south and is located in the center of the 200 x 200 foot Courthouse block landscaped with lawn and trees. The surrounding commercial structures on the Courthouse Square are contemporary with the courthouse.

Exterior

Walls. The brick walls are laid in common bond on a foundation of local stone cut in large ashlar blocks with rusticated outer faces. The foundation splays outward toward grade level.

The building is 3 bays wide across the front and rear facades and 9 bays long on the east and west sidewalls. The walls are articulated with recessed panels framing the window and door openings. These panels and intervening pilasters are carried from the grade line upward through the two brick stories above. The tops of the recessed panels form a horizontal set-back several feet below the lower edge of the cornice fascia. The exterior walls are 18½ inches thick at the pilasters and 14 inches thick at the inset panels.

The front (south) facade has a central entrance doorway at the first floor. This entranceway is round-arched with a double-leafed paneled door. A fanlight fills the semi-circular transom above the door. The windows flanking this doorway are 12 over 12 light double-hung sash with horizontal brick voussoir caps and stone sills. The second floor of the central front bay has a pair of round-arched windows with 18 lights each, framed by smooth-faced stone trim. The sills of the second floor span the width of the recessed panels, emphasizing the floor division and the geometric proportions of each facade.

The east and west facades are identical. Both walls have four recessed panels, each two bays wide, separated by a narrower, slightly projecting central bay, also with a recessed central panel. Windows in the flanking bays, like the flanking windows on the front facade, have 12 over 12 light double-hung sash. The central bay of the east and west side facades has a round arched window on both first and second floors. These windows have brick voussoir caps and a single frame with 30 lights. The stone sills at both levels of

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1867-1868

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The Moniteau County Courthouse Square in California, Missouri, is significant as a survival of a mid-nineteenth century courthouse in its contemporary setting. An example of Mid-western town planning, the courthouse is centered on one block, and contemporary commercial buildings on the surrounding blocks face the courthouse square.

The courthouse, constructed 1867-1868, is a significant, late example of the "Classic Revival" style in Central Missouri, notable for: 1) the elements in its design imitative of the former Missouri State Capitol Building, 1840-1911, designed by architect A. Stephen Hills, in neighboring Jefferson City; 2) its construction method, which includes an early application of structural cast iron; 3) its survival in a setting little changed from the period of construction.

Comparison with the Former State Capitol Building

The semi-circular front portico of the Moniteau County Courthouse is strongly reminiscent of the same feature of the former Missouri State Capitol building in Jefferson City, 24 miles east of California, Missouri, as it appeared in 1840-1889, prior to major alterations and enlargements. (Jefferson City Tribune, February 27, 1889, p. 6, col. 4.)

The capitol building designed by Pennsylvania architect A. Stephen Hills was lauded at the time of its construction as ranking "...with the best, and most beautiful state capitols in the Union...." (Jefferson Enquirer, September 10, 1840, p. 2.) Hills was architect of the 1820 Pennsylvania state capitol at Harrisburg; (Talbot F. Hamlin, Greek Revival Architecture in America, 1944, p. 253) and the first building, University of Missouri, Columbia, which was under construction in 1840. (John A. Bryan, Missouri's Contribution to American Architecture, 1928, p. 12.) Neither of the handsome buildings in Central Missouri designed by Hills, survives. The state capitol building burned in 1911, and Academic Hall, University of Missouri, burned in 1892.

An old view of the Moniteau County Courthouse, dated 1904 shows the building without either the dome over the portico or the pointed,

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Bryan, John Albury. Missouri's Contribution to American Architecture. St. Louis: St. Louis Architectural Club, 1928.
2. Cotton, W. Philip, Jr., A.I.A. Architectural Consultant Field Report, received June 1969, contracted by the Missouri State Park Board and filed at its central office, P.O. Box, 1204 Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 6.33

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 AND TITLE: M. Patricia Holmes, Research Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION: Missouri State Park Board DATE: June 16, 1970
State Historical Survey and Planning Office

STREET AND NUMBER: P.O. Box 176, 1204 Jefferson Building

CITY OR TOWN: Jefferson City STATE: Missouri 65101 CODE: 21

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: Joseph Jaeger, Jr.

Title: Director, Missouri State Park Board, and Missouri State Liaison Officer

Date: _____

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: _____

ATTEST:

 Keeper of The National Register

Date: _____

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Multiple ownership

California

Missouri

65018

Code: 24

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Missouri State Historical Survey (state)

1968

Missouri State Park Board

P.O. Box 176

1204 Jefferson Building

Jefferson City, Missouri

65101

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the central bays extend across the width of the recessed panel. Small square casement windows in the foundation follow the fenestration pattern established in the floors above.

The north (rear) facade follows the general form of the south (front) facade, with several variations. The second floor window of the central bay has double-hung sash, but is a smaller opening than is typical in the building. This window is a later alteration. The smooth-faced stone trim surrounding the window indicates that the original opening matched the paired round-arched windows in that position on the front facade. Two giant order brick pilasters with cast iron Corinthian capitals flank the central bay. A projecting chimney stack stands to the west of the central bay. The rear (north) entrance is approached by a straight run stair which is flanked by a high stone railing wall. A small plywood structure with shed roof has been placed in front of the rear entranceway to provide weather protection to the rear door.

Portico. The front (south) facade is emphasized by a two story semi-circular portico, supported by two full columns and two half columns, or pilasters, constructed of brick, with cast iron Corinthian capitals and bases. The brick cornice of the portico rests on a semicircular iron plate carried by the columns. The portico is surmounted by a hemispherical dome sheathed with sheet metal. A surrounding semicircular flight of concrete steps gives access to the first floor of the building.

Roof. The exterior walls are terminated by a continuous cast iron cornice with modillions. Centered above the cornice on the north facade, a three step stone motif with decorative scroll, bears the date "1868."

Centered on the front half of the courthouse roof is an octagonal cupola with a slightly pointed dome. The apex of the dome is surmounted with a ball and weather vane arrow. The cupola has a wide cornice ornamented with paired wooden brackets of late nineteenth century design. The courthouse roof is a flat deck sheathed with sheet metal.

Interior

The first floor of the interior contains a central hallway extending the length of the north-south axis of the building. Two staircases originally flanked the central hallway near the south end of the

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corridor about one third of the distance between the north and south doors.

The east stairway has been removed to permit installation of a two story vault. The east wall of the vault blocks off four windows on the building's east wall, two on the first floor and two on the second floor. The windows, now non-functional, were left in place. The remaining staircase has an elaborately decorated cast iron newel and balustrade.

Offices open into the central corridor on both the first and second stories. On the second floor the north end of the building is occupied by the large square courtroom. The courtroom walls are decorated with applied pilasters which reflect on the interior, the geometry of the exterior wall articulation. The first floor ceiling is 12 feet high and the second floor ceiling is 16 feet high. The ceilings throughout the building are ornamented with shallow coffers of stamped metal.

Heavy timber construction supports the roof. These timbers are visible in the attic above the second floor. Two large trusses with "X" braces span the attic above the large, open courtroom which measures approximately 48 x 48 feet and has no interior supports.

Alterations

The north storm shelter entrance is not original.

The cupola dome shows structural evidence of having had a low-pitched peaked roof.

A washroom has been installed on the first floor in a former office chamber.

Much of the original wood flooring has been covered with linoleum.

Portions of the originally low-ceilinged, dirt-floored basement have been dug out and the earth walls reinforced with a concrete berm, or revetment, to permit installation of a basement toilet room, boiler room and maintenance shop.

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Condition

Within the past two years the brickwork has been cleaned, repaired, waterproofed and tuckpointed. The original brick is salmon-colored, now stained a deeper red and tuckpointed with grey mortar. The recessed panels of the exterior walls were painted white prior to the recent work. This paint was removed. Settlement of the walls has been accommodated. The building is in general good condition except for the metal roofing which leaks badly and should be completely replaced. The metal cornice is rusted and open at several joints. This cornice is in need of thorough inspection and repair. The interior is becoming shabby. A general refurbishment is needed.

This summary description of the physical appearance of the building is based on data included in the field report by architectural consultant W. Philip Cotton, Jr., A.I.A., received June 1969. The report was contracted by the Missouri State Park Board and is filed at its central office, P.O. Box 176, 1204 Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101.

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The block on which the courthouse is centered is surrounded by streets on each side. Facing the courthouse on the opposite sides of each of these streets are commercial buildings dating from the period of construction of the courthouse, and employing the same construction materials (stone, brick, cast iron and wood). The west side of the square is especially notable for the survival of a complete row of similar structures. The south side has period structures with only two buildings of recent date creating a gap in the continuity. The north and east sides have fewer buildings of the period.

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The commercial structures are typically two story brick with structural cast iron elements on the facades. Stamped metal cornices visible in early views of the square are largely intact, but several metal pedimental-type ornaments have been removed from the building at the northwest corner of the intersection of Main and High streets. Metal canopies originally sheltering the sidewalks in front of several stores have also been removed.

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segmented dome over the cupola, both presently existing features of the building. (State Historical Society of Missouri, Moniteau County Photograph File.) The portico exhibited in the old view of the courthouse is topped with a limestone parapet wall which steps up toward the center front where a cast iron acroterion formed the apex. The semicircular portico of the state capitol building originally had a similar parapet without the acroterion. (Edwards' Illustrated Report of the 4th Annual Fair of the St. Louis Agricultural & Mechanical Assn., St. Louis, 1860, p. 238, old view of the Missouri State Capitol building.)

The design of the Moniteau County courthouse apparently continued to be influenced by the design of the state capitol. In the alterations and enlargements of 1888-1890 by architect J. B. Iegg, (Jefferson City Tribune, February 27, 1880, p. 6, col. 4) the Missouri State Capitol building gained a domed roof for its semicircular portico and a considerably taller cupola, covered with an elliptical dome, and a lantern. The parapet wall formerly rimming the semicircular portico of the state capitol building was removed in these alterations. (State Historical Society of Missouri, Cole County Photograph File, old view of Jefferson City.) After 1904 the Moniteau County Courthouse was similarly altered. (State Historical Society of Missouri, Moniteau County Photograph File, view dated 1904.) A dome was added to the portico, and the stepped parapet wall and acroterion were removed. The height of the cupola was increased by the addition of a segmented, domed roof, topped with what appear to be the same ball and weather vane arrow which were on the cupola prior to the alteration.

In both the original construction and later alterations the state capitol building manifests the more correctly proportioned relationships of parts and the Moniteau County Courthouse design demonstrates a more rustic and later nineteenth century, transitional interpretation of the same idea. The capitol portico column height is approximately $4/5$ the diameter of the portico. The Moniteau County Courthouse column height exceeds the diameter of the portico by approximately one half, giving the portico more vertical proportions than were typically classic. The abaci of the state capitol columns were oriented in a line with the circular cornice passing over them. The abaci of the Moniteau County Courthouse are all oriented square with the building. As a result, their corners protrude awkwardly under the semicircular brick cornice.

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Technological Significance

The construction method employed in the Moniteau County Courthouse is notable for the use of an iron plate which passes over the column capitals and carries the inter-columnar load of the brick cornice. Monolithic stone or wood beams, rather than brick, were the customary materials, for portico cornices.

The Setting

Commercial buildings on the Courthouse Square surrounding the Moniteau County Courthouse are contemporary with the courthouse, dating from the mid to late nineteenth century. These buildings are constructed of the same materials as the courthouse--brick, stone, cast iron, and wood.

The survival of the original context enhances the significance of the building as an example of an outstate, central Missouri county courthouse, set in a typical early nineteenth century courthouse square town plan. This type of town plan has a courthouse square as the hub of commercial activity centered on a street grid which becomes more residential in character as one progresses outward from the courthouse.

Later commercial development of California did not occur around the square but on an axis connecting with the Missouri Pacific Railroad line, located seven blocks south of the square.

Historical Background

The Moniteau County Court ordered the courthouse to be constructed early in 1867, and authorized funds in the amount of \$35,000 for the building. (Moniteau County Court Record, Book 1, February 22, 1867.) About the same time the local newspaper estimated the cost of the new courthouse to be between \$45,000 and \$50,000. (Central Missourian, California, Missouri, January 12, 1867.)

The building was to replace a 20 year old brick structure on the same site which was sold at auction to H. C. Finke for \$550. (Central Missourian, April 13, 1867.) The court appointed architect William Vogdt to superintend the courthouse construction. (Moniteau County Court Record, Book 1, February 16, 1867.) Contractors for the construction of the building were C. R. Underwood (Moniteau County Court Record, April 20, 1868.) and Conn, listed

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as superintendent in the Central Missourian. (California, Mo.,
September 11, 1867.)

Moniteau County was organized February 11, 1845. (Missouri Historical Review, Vol. 58, October 1963, inside back cover.) The name of the county was derived from the French spelling of the Algonquin Indian word, Manito, meaning spirit. The present city of California, the county seat, was originally called Boonsborough. The town was laid out in 1845 on a 50 acre tract donated by A. T. Byer and his wife. This land was located one mile west of an older town named California. In 1846 the post office at the old town was relocated at the newer town which from that time was known as California. (Missouri Historical Review, Vol. 58, October 1963.)

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6. Jefferson City Tribune, February 27, 1889, p. 6, Col. 4.
7. Jefferson Enquirer, September 10, 1840, p. 2.
8. Missouri Historical Review, Vol. 58, October 1963, inside back cover.
9. Moniteau County Court Record, Book 1.
10. State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, Moniteau County Photograph File.
11. _____, Columbia, Missouri, Cole County Photograph File.



U.S.G.S. 7½' Quadrangle
 "California North" (1952)
 Scale 1:24,000
 Moniteau County Courthouse
 Square (Historic District)

Lat Long
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 ELDON 20 MI.
 32.30"
 3.6 MI. TO GORK
 JEFFERSON CITY (CAPITOL) 21 MI.

SCALE 1:24000

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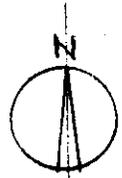
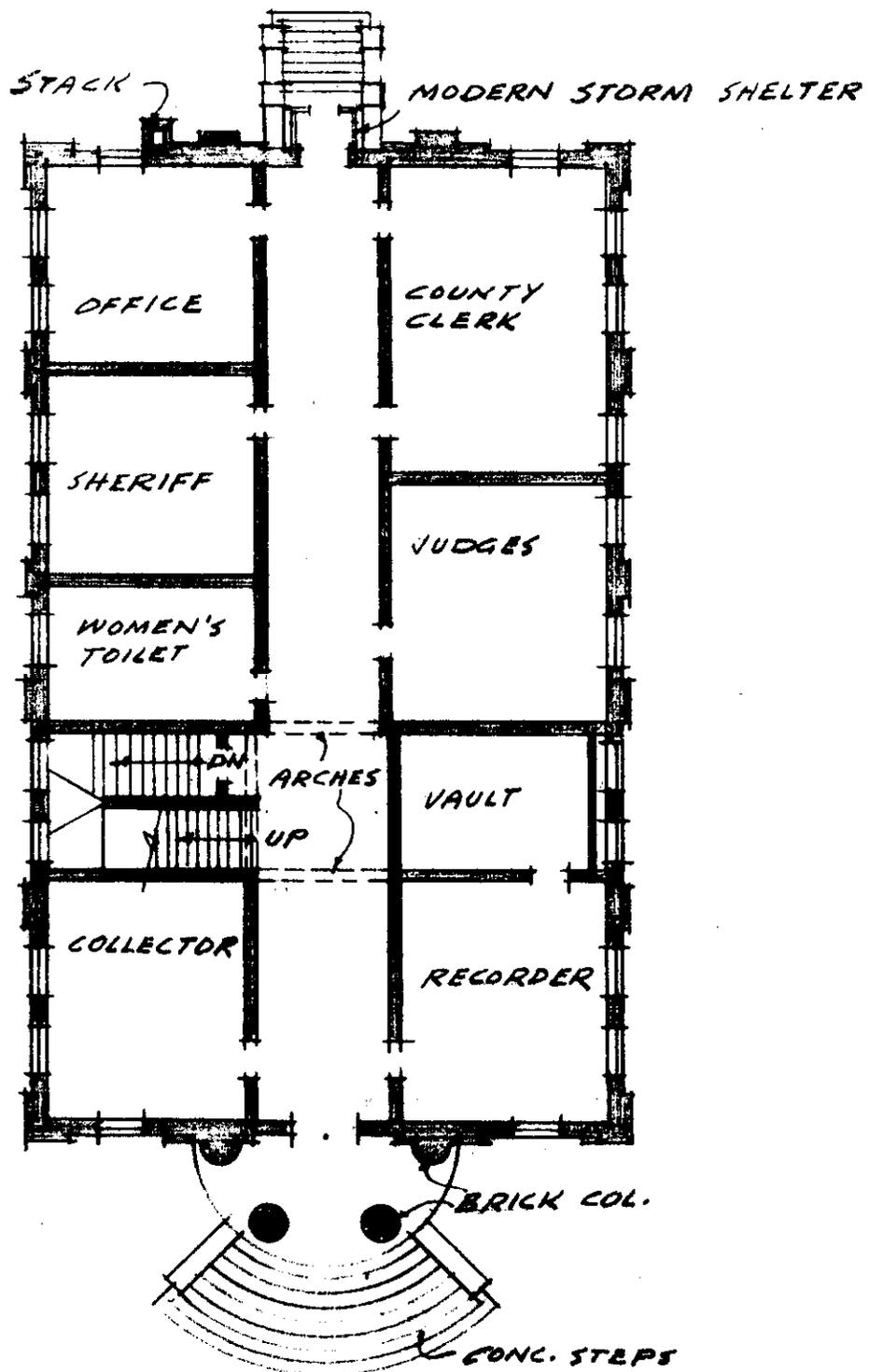
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W.P. Cotton, Jr., architectural consultant to Missouri State Park Board			
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4. REQUIREMENTS			
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1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN SCALE 1/16" = 1'-0"

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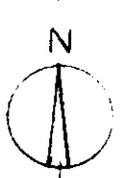
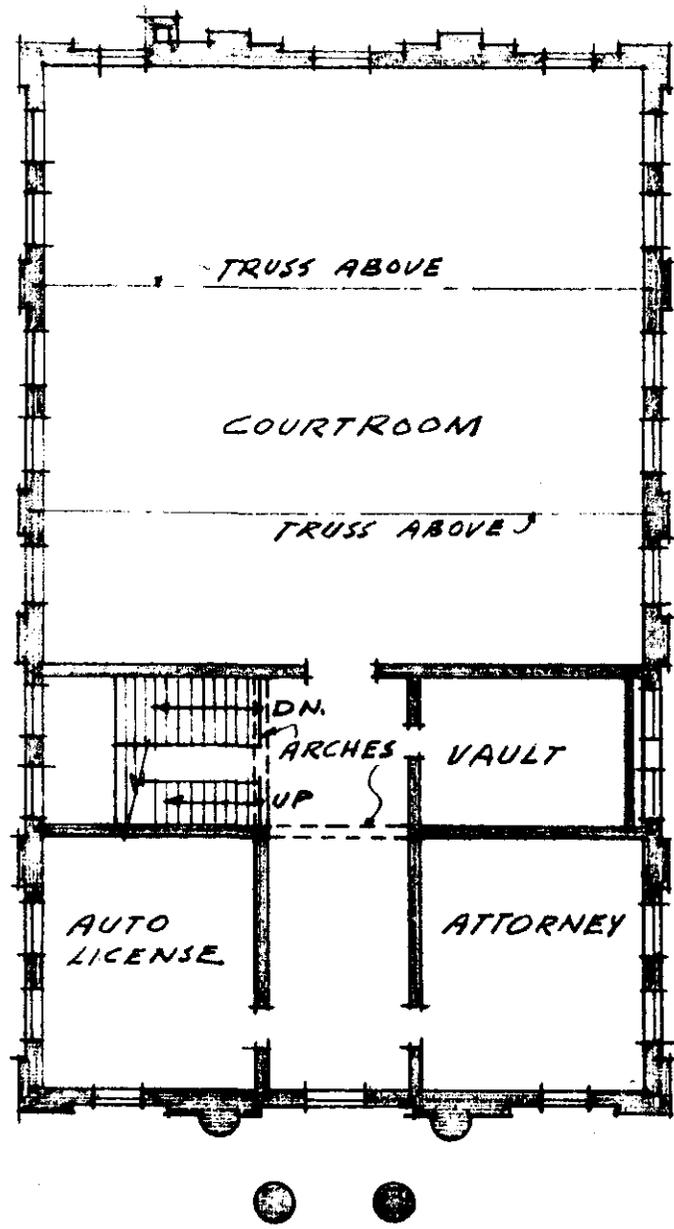
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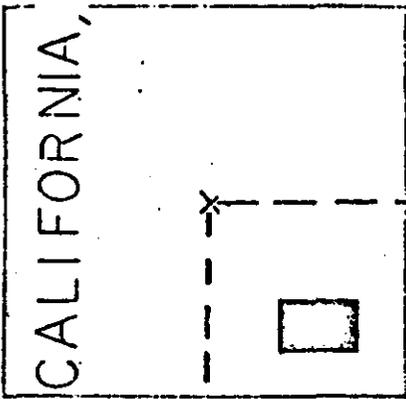
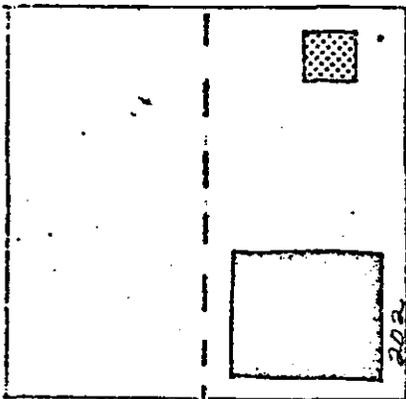
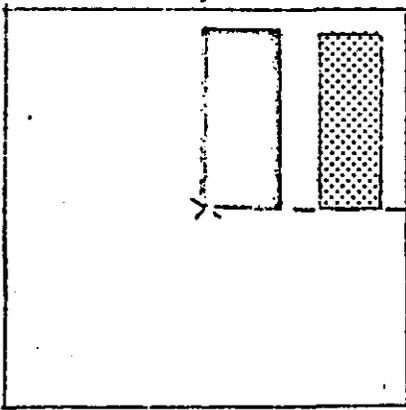


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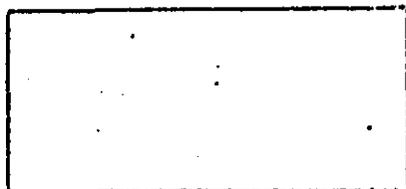
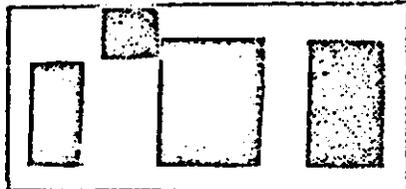
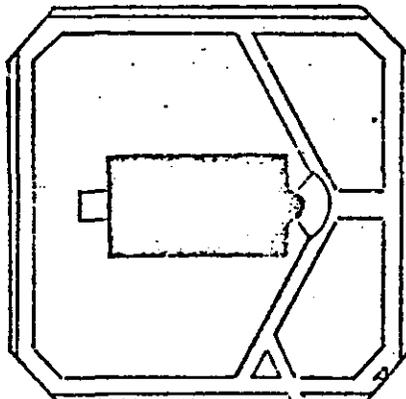
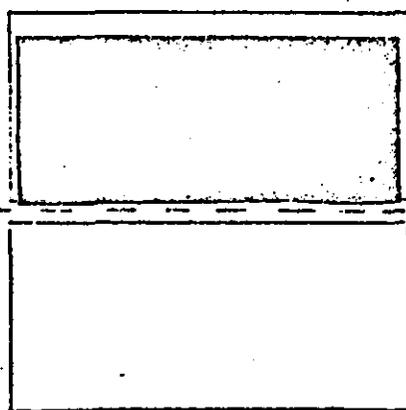
MONTEAU COUNTY COURTHOUSE SQUARE

CALIFORNIA, MO.

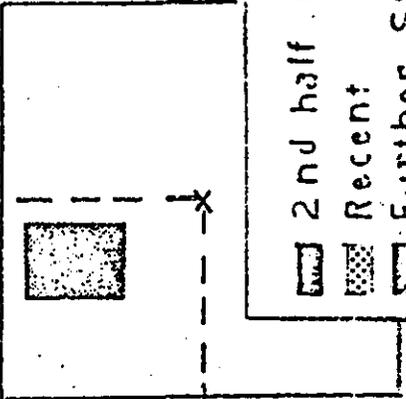
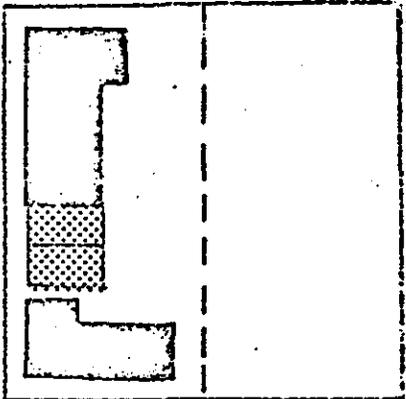
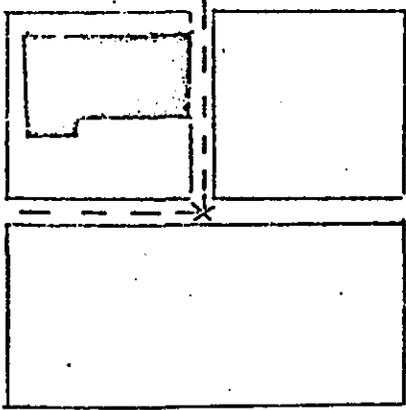


NORTH STREET

EAST STREET



MAIN STREET



HIGH STREET

2nd half 19th Cen.
Recent
Further Study Needed

MONITEAU COUNTY COURTHOUSE SQUARE

COUNTY: Moniteau
LOCATION: Public Square, California, Mo. 65018
OWNER: Moniteau County, Moniteau County Courthouse
ADDRESS: California, Missouri 65018
DATE APPROVED BY A.C.: 03-21-70
DATE SENT TO JEFF. CITY: 06-24-70
DATE SENT TO D.C.: 06-29-70
DATE OF REC. IN D.C.: 07-06-70
DATE PLACED ON NATIONAL REGISTER: 10-15-70
DATE AWARDED CERTIFICATE
(AND PRESENTOR): 06-13-74
Jerald Stepenoff - Survey Office staff member
DATE FILE REVIEWED:

The Moniteau County Courthouse Square in California, Missouri, is significant as a survival of a mid-nineteenth century courthouse in its contemporary setting. An example of mid-western town planning, the courthouse is centered on one block and contemporary buildings on the surrounding blocks face the courthouse square.

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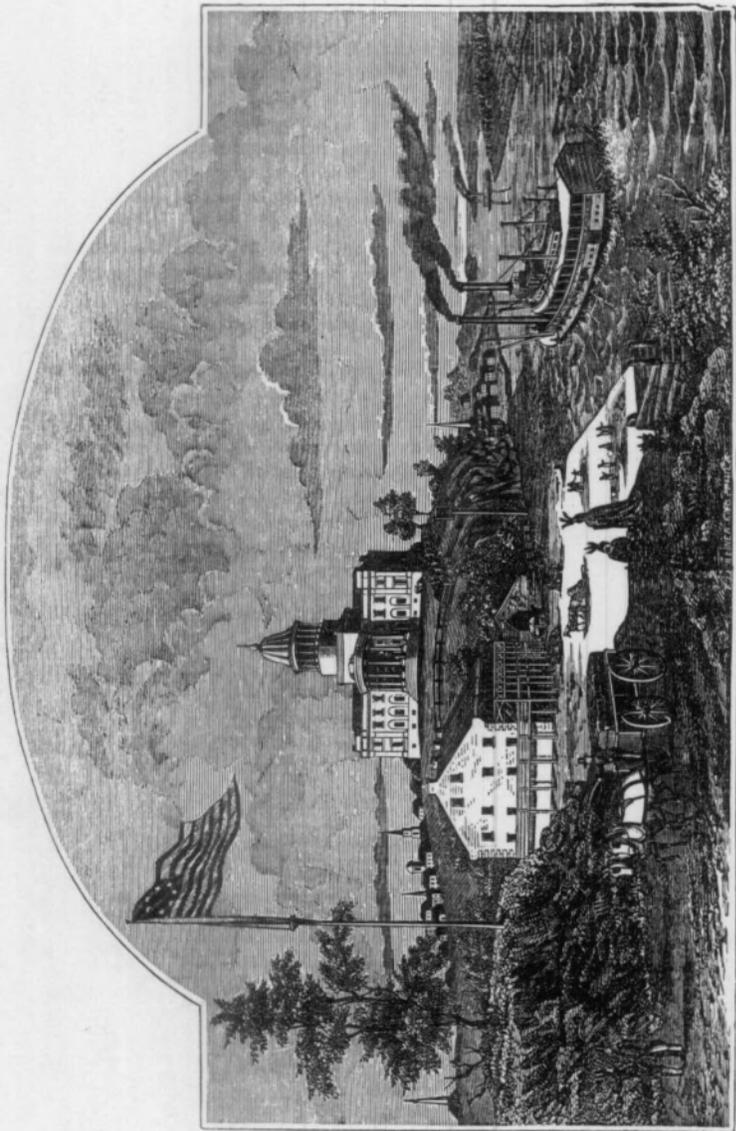
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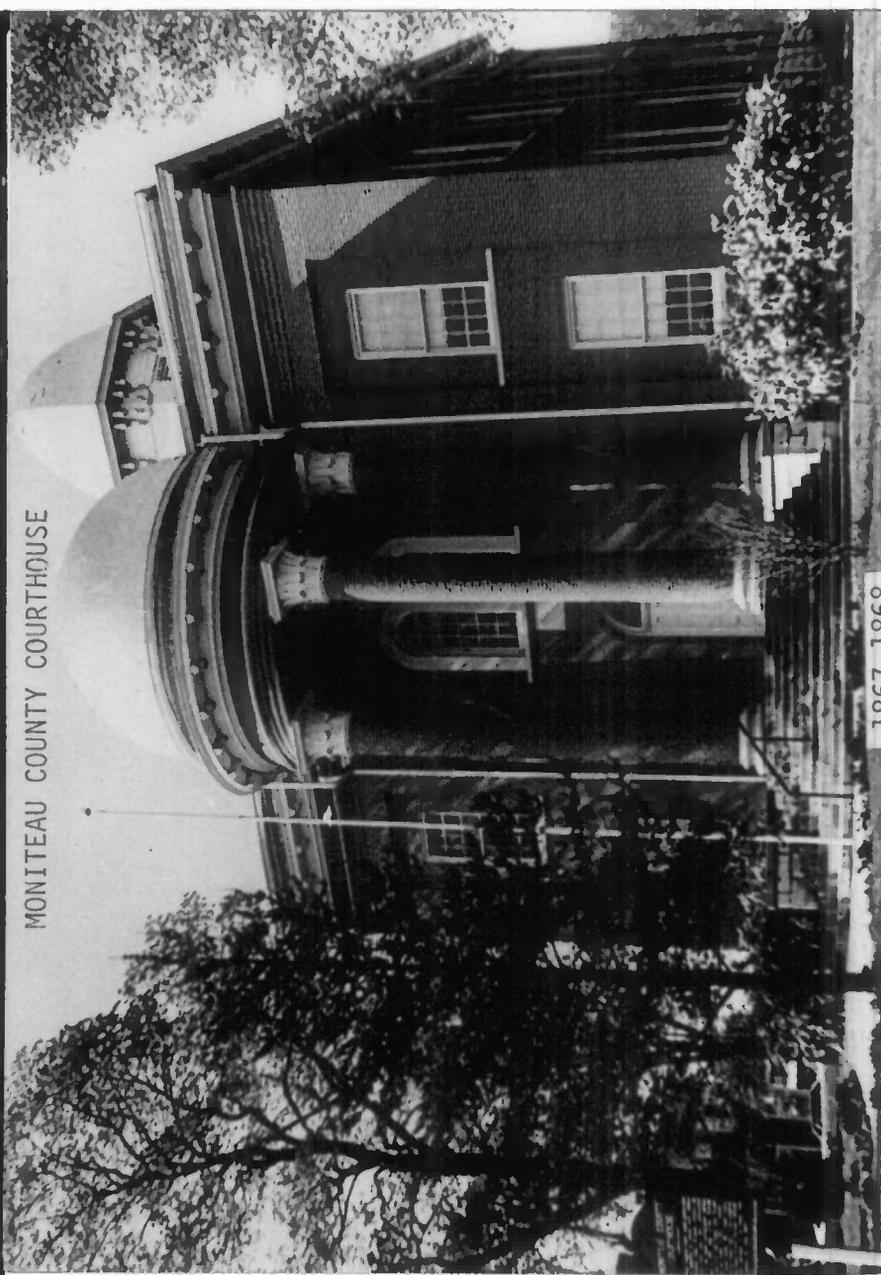
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CITY OR TOWN: <u>California</u>			
STATE:	MISSOURI	65018	
	CODE	COUNTY:	MONITEAU
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3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: <u>Edwards! Illustrated Report of the 11th Annual Fair of the</u>			
DATE OF PHOTO: <u>published 1860</u> <u>St. Louis Agricultural & Mechanical Assn.</u>			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: <u>State Historical Society of Missouri</u>			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. <u>Comparison Photograph: From east, view to the west. The Missouri State Capitol Building, Jefferson City, designed by A. Stephen Hills as it appeared 1840-1888 with semicircular southeast portico topped with a parapet wall which stepped up toward the center front. Portico roof was flat during this period.</u>			



MONITEAU COUNTY COURTHOUSE



1867-1868

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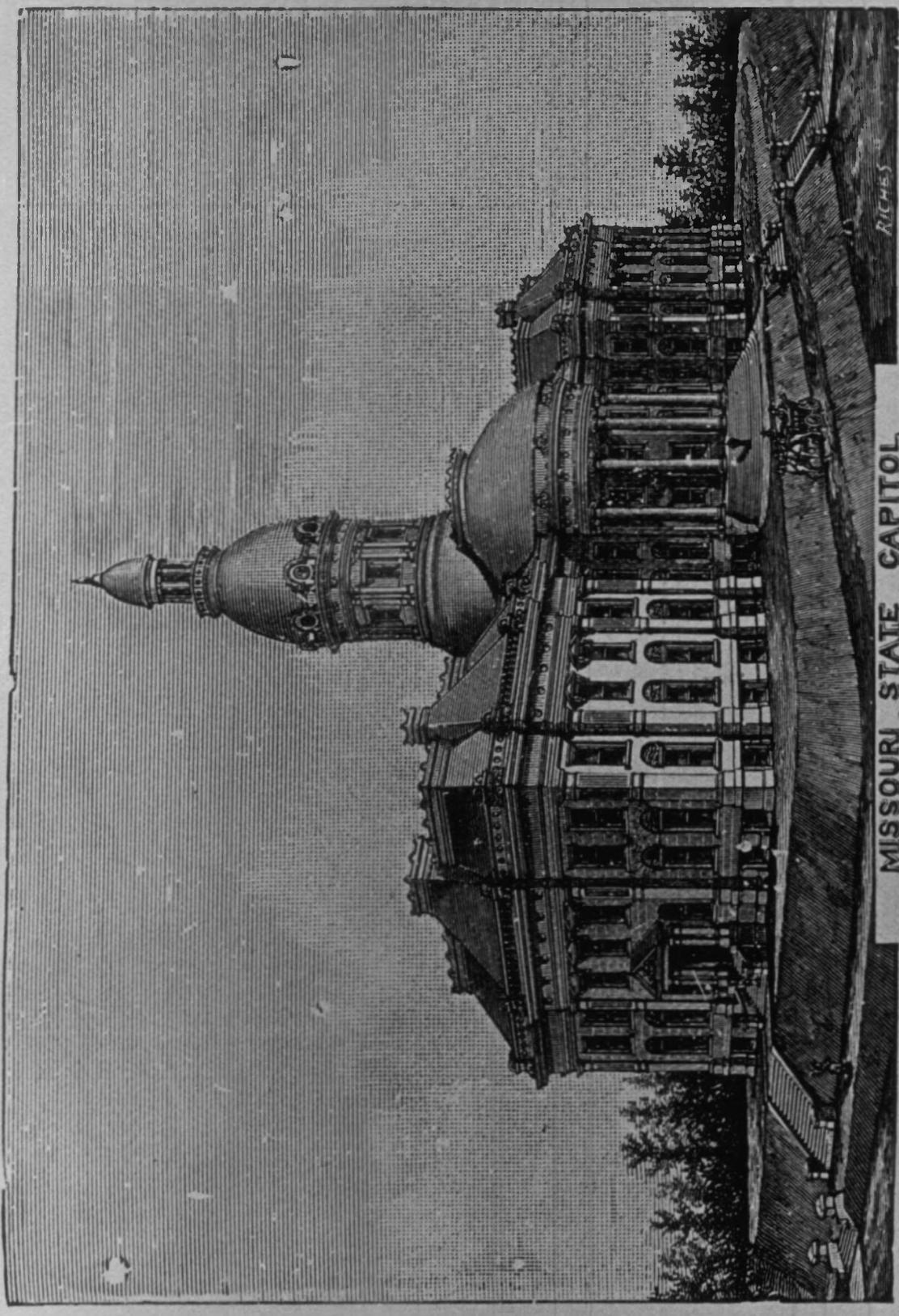
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3. PHOTO REFERENCE	
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<u>DATE OF PHOTO: published 1900</u> <u>Cole County, 1900, p. 225.</u>	
NEGATIVE FILED AT: <u>Missouri State Park Board, P.O. Box 176</u>	
<u>1204 Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101</u>	
4. IDENTIFICATION	
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Comparison Photograph: The Missouri State Capitol Building, after the renovation and enlargement of 1888-1890 by architect J. B. Legg. A domed roof was added to the front portico and the cupola was made taller and given an elliptical domed roof. Similar alterations were also made to the Moniteau County Courthouse.	

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...not altered, by man, it stands without a rival
...United States. It is built on lovely hills a



MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL

...base surges one of the largest and longest
...on the Continent. From the head-waters of
...souri River to where the Mississippi empt

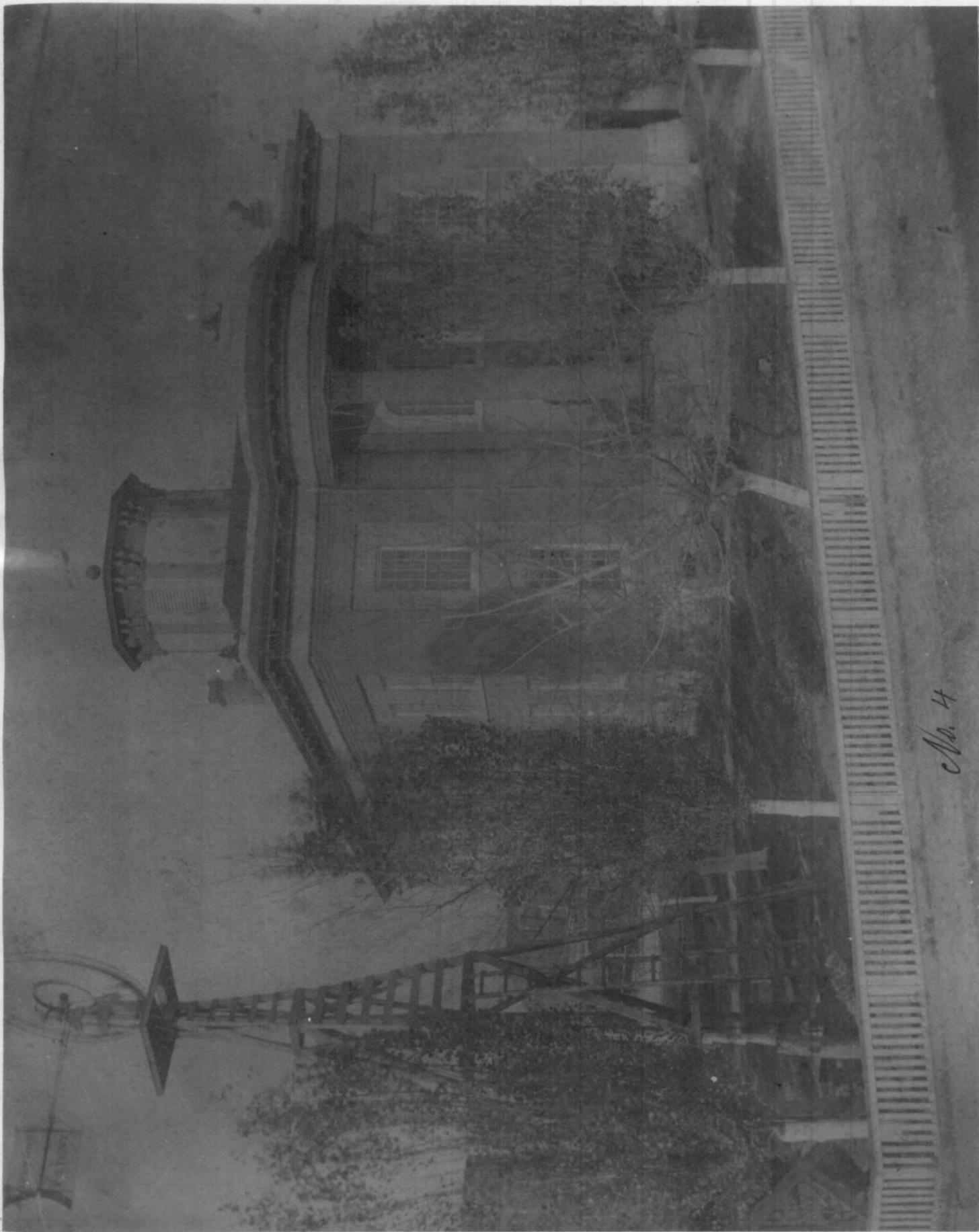
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DATE OF PHOTO:	ca. 1904
NEGATIVE FILED AT:	copy negative. Missouri State Park Board, P.O. Box 176 1204 Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101
4. IDENTIFICATION	
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. The Courthouse from southwest looking to the northeast. View dated 1904 shows the building prior to the addition of the hemispherical dome to the portico, and the domed roof of the cupola. The cast iron ornaments and brick chimneys at the corners of the building are no longer extant.	

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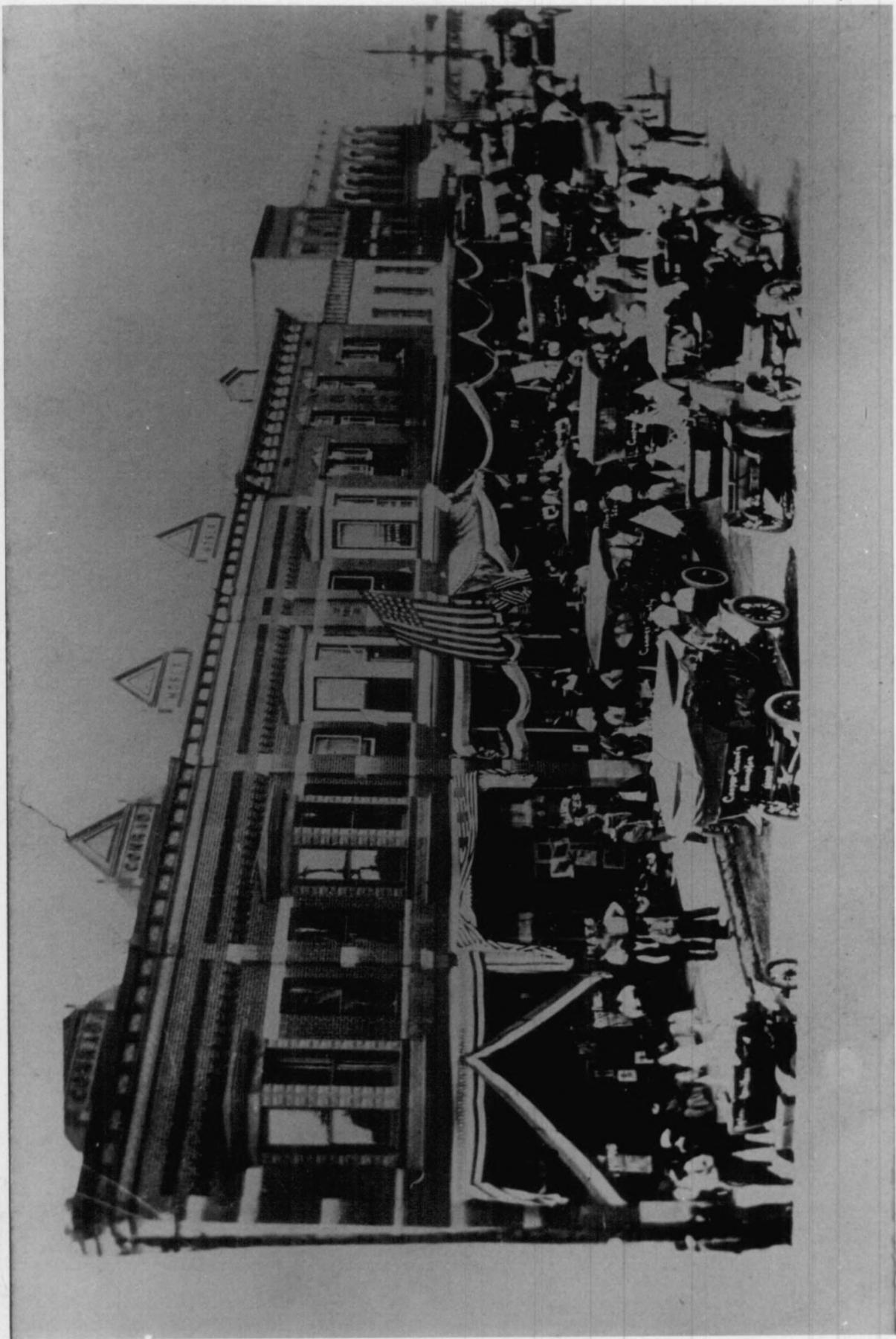
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4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. <u>West side of the square, view from the south-</u> <u>east toward the northwest. Old view of the row of commercial buildings</u> <u>facing the courthouse. This row survives with only minor alterations.</u> <u>Andres still lives at California. His early photographs of the region</u> <u>constitute a valuable record.</u>			

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DATE OF PHOTO: July 1969			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Missouri State Park Board, P.O. Box 176			
1204 Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
The courthouse from southwest, view to the northeast. West sidewalk at left, south (front) facade at right. Recessed panels on walls frame the window and door openings. Ashlar masonry stone foundation splays outward toward the grade line.			

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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
The courthouse, interior view of the courtroom. Railing, judge's desk and spectators' benches date from approximately the time of the building's construction. The jury chairs are a recent and discordant addition. Ceiling is stamped metal.			

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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. The courthouse from northwest, view to the south-east. Rear (north) facade at left, west sidewall at right. Central window at second floor level of rear wall is an alteration of the original. Ply-wood structure has recently been placed in front of the rear entrance for weather protection.			



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The courthouse from southeast, view to the north-west. South (front) facade with semicircular portico surmounted by hemispherical dome. Column capitals and bases, and the modillioned cornice are cast iron. Peaked dome octagonal cupola is a replacement of an earlier low-pitched peaked roof.



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<p>West side of the square, view from the southeast toward the northwest. Row of commercial buildings facing the courthouse. Buildings have been little altered since the early twentieth century. Second story bay windows and cast iron balconies add interest to the street facade.</p>	

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Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown" - Courthouse"

Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown, - Old Heck Saddlery
across from Courthouse Square'



Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown - West Side of High
Street Courthouse Square Heading
South"

Moniteau County Courthouse
Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown - Old California
State Bank Building"



Moniteau County Courthouse
Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown - The Original
Operahouse on High
Street"

Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown - Back of Opera House"



Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown - The Old Post Office
Building on High Street"

Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Downtown - Westside of High
Street Looking to North"



Moniteau County Court House Square
California, Moniteau County

"Uptown- Eitzen Mansion"

Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Uptown Bank - Across street from
Uptown Rehabilitation Area"



Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Uptown - Bank Parking Behind Bank"

Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Uptown - Restoration/Rehabilitation
Area"



Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Uptown - Restoration / Rehabilitation
Area"

Moniteau County Courthouse, Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Uptown - Back of Restoration /
Rehabilitation Area"



Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Upton - Oak Street View"

Moniteau County Courthouse Square

"Upton - Old Mill and Deteriorating Retail
Buildings in Mainstreet area"



Moniteau County Courthouse Square
California, Moniteau Co.

"Uptown - Old Grain Elevator directly
across from Rehabilitation area"

