

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

AND/OR COMMON

Archer House Hotel

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

717 Archer Ave.

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Marshall

VICINITY OF

22nd

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

George Shipley

STATE

Illinois

CODE

17

COUNTY

Clark

CODE

23

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

X OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

X BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

X COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

X BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

X YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

X BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Charity A. Downs

STREET & NUMBER

R.R. # 2, Box 112,

CITY, TOWN

Marshall

VICINITY OF

STATE

Illinois

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

County Clerk's Office, Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Public Square

CITY, TOWN

Marshall

STATE

Illinois

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Illinois Historic Landmarks Survey

DATE

August, 1974

FEDERAL X STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Dept. of Conservation, Historic Sites Division

CITY, TOWN

Springfield

STATE

Illinois

7 DESCRIPTION

DATA SHEET

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

The Archer House Hotel is a two story building of brick construction erected on Lot 1, Block 28, in the original town of Marshall, Illinois. The original name of the street on which the Hotel is built was Cumberland Ave. and Michigan Street. Cumberland Ave. was renamed Archer Ave. on September 22, 1968 during the 125th anniversary of the founding of the City of Marshall, to honor Col. William Archer, the founder of Marshall and the builder of the Archer House.

The foundation of the building is of large stones and rock. The massive walls are 15 inches to 20 inches in depth. Skinned Hickory logs were used for the supporting beams throughout the hotel. Many of these beams can be seen in the full basement. Originally, there was a ballroom and dining room adjoining the lobby. The social affairs of the elite of the village were held here. In later years partitions were erected to make smaller rooms for hotel residents. The ceilings in the lobby and front hallway are constructed of metal with a pressed design.

The front entranceway is composed of the original marble steps and tile floor. On each side and above the two front glass doors of the front entrance are eight panels made of ruby glass which reflect only on the inside. The original printed Parlor sign is still on the rear glass door entranceway where the ladies travelling on stage coaches (and later trains) stopped to refresh themselves. On the rear of the building was porch and an overhead balcony. The porch has been glassed-in so that the residents may enjoy year round comfort. The building is an irregular rectangle which measures 98' x 95' x 85' x 35'.

The present condition of the hotel is good. A new roof was put on in 1972. The interior has been remodeled and re-partitioned extensively for use as rooms for residents. Warped or irregular floors have new underlayment. At the time of this report the outside was being painted.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1841-44

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The founding of Marshall began 135 years ago by Colonel William B. Archer and his partner Joseph Duncan, then governor of Illinois. Colonel Archer was the key person in the founding of Marshall but his public interest included much more than just for his own community. He was instrumental in forming the future of Illinois and this country. He served in the Illinois Legislature a total of 16 years.

Colonel Archer was a delegate to the first Republican National Convention, which was held in Philadelphia. At the convention, he enthusiastically supported the nomination of Abraham Lincoln, who was a long-time friend. Lincoln, who had often visited Marshall, and Colonel Archer had served in the legislature together. The first company of Illinois soldiers raised for the Black Hawk War was by Colonel Archer at Darwin, Illinois. He also raised a company of men for the Mexican War. This was the man who founded Marshall. He and Duncan issued a circular describing the land and offering lots for sale. The town received its name after John Marshall, fourth Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The original plat of Marshall was filed with the County Clerk on October 6, 1835 and a sale of property was held eleven days later, October 17, 1835. The first lot was purchased for \$12.50 by Michael Thorn and the present Finkbinder Department store now stands on that lot. This building is at the northeast corner of 6th and Archer, then 6th and Cumberland, the site where years later Abe Lincoln debated. The Archer House Hotel was erected on a site two blocks east of this original building. It is one of the city's oldest buildings. Archer started to put up the brick hotel in 1841, which, though occupied, was not finished until 2 or 3 years later. This was the most pretentious building at the time in the village and was the center of attraction. Here the stage lines passed, and the curious villagers found it a convenient point to learn the news and get a glimpse of passengers as the stages changed horses and stopped for meals. The hotel has been in operation since, and is quite famous for being the place where Abe Lincoln often stayed when in the area. Lincoln was a frequent visitor to Marshall, where he held court on numerous occasions. He often pitched horse shoes with local men at a spot located

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

HISTORY OF CRAWFORD and CLARK COUNTIES 1883 by
 Unigraphic, Inc., 4400 Jackson Ave., Evansville, Indiana
 (Reprint 1963) - Pages 245, 273, & 318.
 SOUVENIR BOOKLET of 125th Anniversary of Marshall, Illinois
 September 9, 10, 11, 1960.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1/6

UTM REFERENCES

A	<u>16</u>	<u>44,020,0</u>	<u>4,36,01,1,5</u> ¹⁸⁰	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

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

Mrs. Charity Ann Downs, Owner of Archer House Hotel

ORGANIZATION

DATE

4-19-75

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

R.R. #2, Box 112

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Marshall

Illinois 62441

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

Anthony J. Bean

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

11-17-75

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

Acting

Robert B. Kettig

DATE

7/6/76

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

3-15-76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Acting

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in the block east of the court house. This is a historical site due to Lincoln & Grover Cleveland staying here and the fact that it was built by the man who founded the town and who had many famous friends who visited here.

Property Archer House Hotel

76000685
Clark, County

State Illinois

Working Number 11.24.75.2078

TECHNICAL

Photos 3
Maps 1

Nothing appears incorrect

CONTROL

pl
11.26.75

Poor nomination, inadequate description and rambling statement of significance. Since they place a premium on the Lincoln & Cleveland visits - they should be documented.

HISTORIAN

Return
W.R. Luce
1/3/76

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Inadequate - statement of significance is particularly weak
H. Ward 1/15/76

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

*I disagree with Ward & Rau.
The bldg. is eligible as ~~etc~~ one of the oldest bldgs in the town, and one of the social centers of the town*

Accept
Cole
2/27/76

BRANCH CHIEF

Adequate.

Accept
Hung
2.4.76

KEEPER

Accept
Rettig (for Murtagh)
3-15-76

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back _____

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Federal Register Entry 4-6-76

Re-submit _____

INT:2106-74

MARSHALL
62441



THE
ARCHER
HOUSE



REAL ESTATE

FRANCE REALTY



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3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT D.L. Lindsey, Lindsey Studio,
Martinsville, Illinois

DATE OF PHOTO April 5, 1975

NEGATIVE FILED AT

Archer House Hotel, 717 Archer Ave., Marshall, Illinois

4 IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

PHOTO NO. 273

#1 - Taken from northeast corner where Archer Ave. & Rt. #1 intersects.

#2 - Exterior view of front of building facing north on Archer Ave.

of Bldg facing N on Archer Ave.
273

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West end of lobby

PHOTO NO. 343

INT: 2983-75

Loc. West end of lobby

4-5-75
looking westward - in lobby



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East end of lobby

PHOTO NO.

343

415-195 - Eastward - view of lobby

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PROPERTY MAP FORM**

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3 MAP REFERENCE

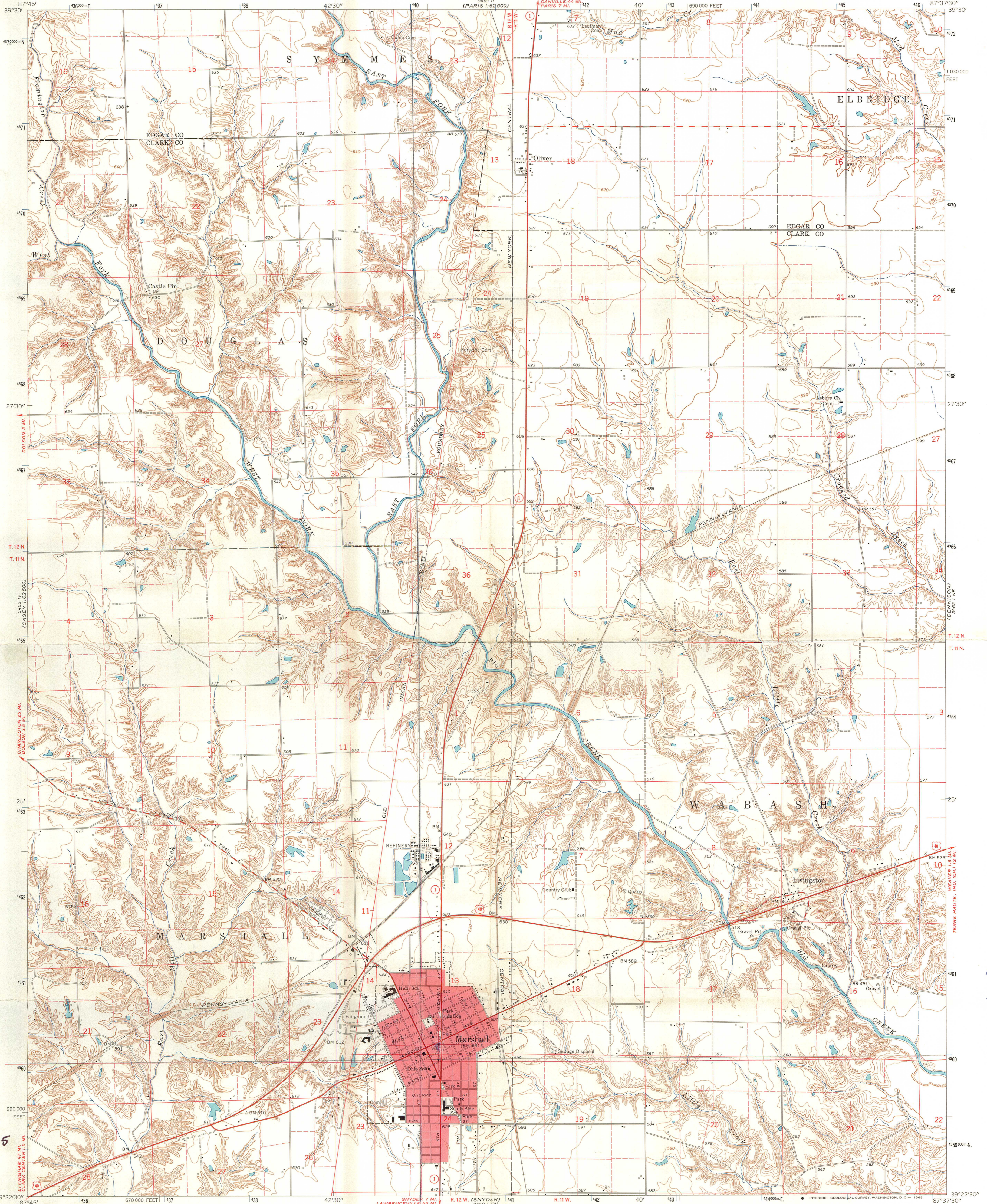
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of District Engineer, Paris, Illinois 61944

SCALE 1:24,000 & 1:62,500 DATE 1964 1932

4 REQUIREMENTS

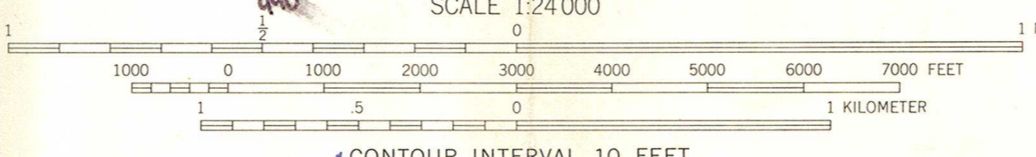
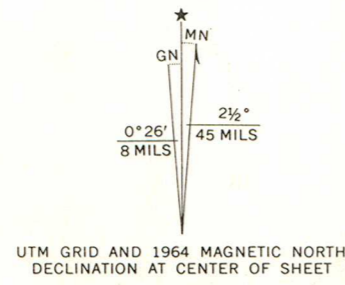
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES



E-16-440,200
N-16-4360,115

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1963. Field checked 1964
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Illinois coordinate system, east zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 16, shown in blue
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route

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THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

MARSHALL, ILL.
NW 1/4 MARSHALL 15' QUADRANGLE
N3922.5-W8737.5/7.5
1964
AMS 3462 1 NW-SERIES V863

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE ILLINOIS

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Pontiac Building	Chicago Cook County
Archer House Hotel	Marshall Clark County
Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Cathedral and Rectory	Chicago Cook County
Manhattan Building	Chicago Cook County
Fisher Building	Chicago Cook County

Also Notified

Hon. Charles H. Percy	State Historic Preservation Officer
Hon. Adlai E. Stevenson	Mr. Anthony Dean
Hon. Cardiss Collins	Director, Department of Conservation
Hon. George E. Shipley	605 State Office Building
Hon. Dan Rostenkowski	400 South Spring Street
	Springfield, Illinois 62706
Regional Director, Midwest Region	

PR MOTT:djb 3/23/76



STATE OF ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

605 STATE OFFICE BUILDING
400 SOUTH SPRING ST.
SPRINGFIELD 62706

ANTHONY T. DEAN
DIRECTOR

HAROLD L. ELLSWORTH
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

CHICAGO OFFICE—ROOM 100, 160 N. LA SALLE ST., 60601

November 18, 1975

Mr. William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D. C. 20240



Dear Mr. Murtagh:

Enclosed are National Register nomination forms for the Archer House Hotel.

Thank you for your prompt attention to these forms.

Sincerely,

Bill Farrar

William G. Farrar
Coordinator of Preservation Services
Historic Sites Division

WGF/lg
Enclosure

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: Archer House Hotel Ar
 ② OTHER NAMES:
 ③ date of entry: 3-16-76
 ④ county code: 23

⑤ LOCATION street & number: 717 Archer Ave.
 city / town: Marshall
 vicinity of:
 state: IL 1
 county: Clark
 ⑥ NPS REGION: Midwest

⑦ OWNER PRIVATE STATE MUNICIPAL COUNTY MULTIPLE FEDERAL (agency name):
 ⑧ ADMINISTRATOR:
 ⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS HABS HAER NHL ⑩ FUNDED? YES NO ⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT: 22 ⑫ SOURCE OF NOMINATION: STATE FEDERAL

⑬ WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES, NAME: NO
 ⑭ WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES, NAME: NO
 ⑮ ACREAGE: 1/4
 LOCAL PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

⑯ CONDITION deteriorated altered original site
 excellent ruins unaltered moved
 good unexposed reconstructed unknown
 fair unexcavated excavated
 ⑰ features: INTERIOR SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-4 NOT APPLICABLE-7
 EXTERIOR SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-5 NOT APPLICABLE-8
 ENVIRONS SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-6 NOT APPLICABLE-9

⑱ ACCESS YES - Restricted YES - Unrestricted No Access Unknown ⑲ ADAPTIVE USE YES NO ⑳ SAVED? YES NO
 IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES NO

㉑ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ENGINEERING-11 LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 POLITICS / GOVT.-21 RECREATION-28
 ARCHEOLOGY-prehistoric-2 COMMERCE-6 ENTERTAINMENT-26 LAW-16 RELIGION-22 SETTLEMENT-29
 ARCHEOLOGY-historic-1 COMMUNICATIONS-7 EXPLORATION-12 LITERATURE-17 SCIENCE-23 URBAN PLANNING-31
 AGRICULTURE-3 CONSERVATION-8 HEALTH-27 MILITARY-18 SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 OTHER (SPECIFY)
 ARCHITECTURE-4 ECONOMICS-9 INDUSTRY-13 MUSIC-19 SOCIAL / CULTURAL-30
 ART-5 EDUCATION-10 INVENTION-14 PHILOSOPHY-20 TRANSPORTATION-25
 ㉒ CLAIMS: explain 'first'
 'oldest'
 'only'

㉓ functions: WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: HOTEL
 CURRENTLY: HOTEL
 ㉔ dates of initial construction: 1841
 major alterations: interior partitions added
 historic events:
 ㉕ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION:

㉖ architectural style(s): VERNACULAR
 ㉗ architect:
 ㉘ master builder:
 ㉙ engineer:

㉚ landscape architect / garden designer:
 ㉛ interior decorator:
 ㉜ artist:
 ㉝ artisan:
 ㉞ builder/contractor:

㉟ NAMES give role & date
 PERSONAL:
 EVENTS:
 INSTITUTIONAL:

㊱ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP
 Brick, painted; 2 stories, rectangular, hipped roof, off-center double-door paneled entrance with 3-bay 1-story porch; interior ~~remodeled~~ ² partitions ~~remodeled~~ ³. ~~Brick~~ Vernacular. Built by Col. Archer, town founder; visited by Abraham Lincoln and Queen Cleveland.