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Historic Resources of Hardin County

Historic Name: Kentucky and Indiana Bank (HDWP-9) Classification: Building
Common Name: Kentucky and Indiana Bank

Owner: Mrs. Rene Butterworth, 13500 Horncastle Way, Valley Station, KY 40272.

Location: 309 Elm Street, West Point, KY

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	1	Buildings	1
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	1	<u>Total:</u>	1

Description:

The Kentucky and Indiana Bank is a two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1901. The building has a rectangular plan with a recessed corner entrance. The main entrance has a ca. 1920 glass and frame door and a multi-light transom and sidelights. Windows on the first floor are original one-over-one and ca. 1920 three-over-one vertical sash. The windows are recessed within brick arches. On the second story are original arched one-over-one sash windows. The south bay of the building has an original arched frame door with a single light transom. At the roofline is a sheet metal cornice. The interior of the building has not been greatly altered and retains original woodwork. On the south side of the building is a detached one-story ca. 1960 garage.

Period of Significance: ca. 1901-1912

Area of Significance: Commerce

Criterion: A

Architect/Builder: Jenkins and Essex, contractors, Elizabethtown, KY

Statement of Significance:

The Kentucky and Indiana Bank is notable for its role in the commercial history of West Point. The building was constructed ca. 1901 to house the Kentucky and Indiana Bank and to serve residents of northern Hardin County and neighboring Indiana. The bank opened in 1901 and was in business until failing in 1912. The early 1900s were a prosperous period for West Point and the bank was opened to take advantage of this commercial boom. Customers were from the West Point area and Indiana farmers and merchants who came by steamboat across the Ohio. The assets of the bank were never very large, however, and by 1912 the stockholders voted for its dissolution. The second floor housed the Cumberland Home Telephone Company in the early 1900s to serve the community. After the failure of the bank it continued to be used by the telephone company until 1952. The building has not been significantly altered and is the most significant commercial building remaining in West Point.

Acreage: Less than one acre.

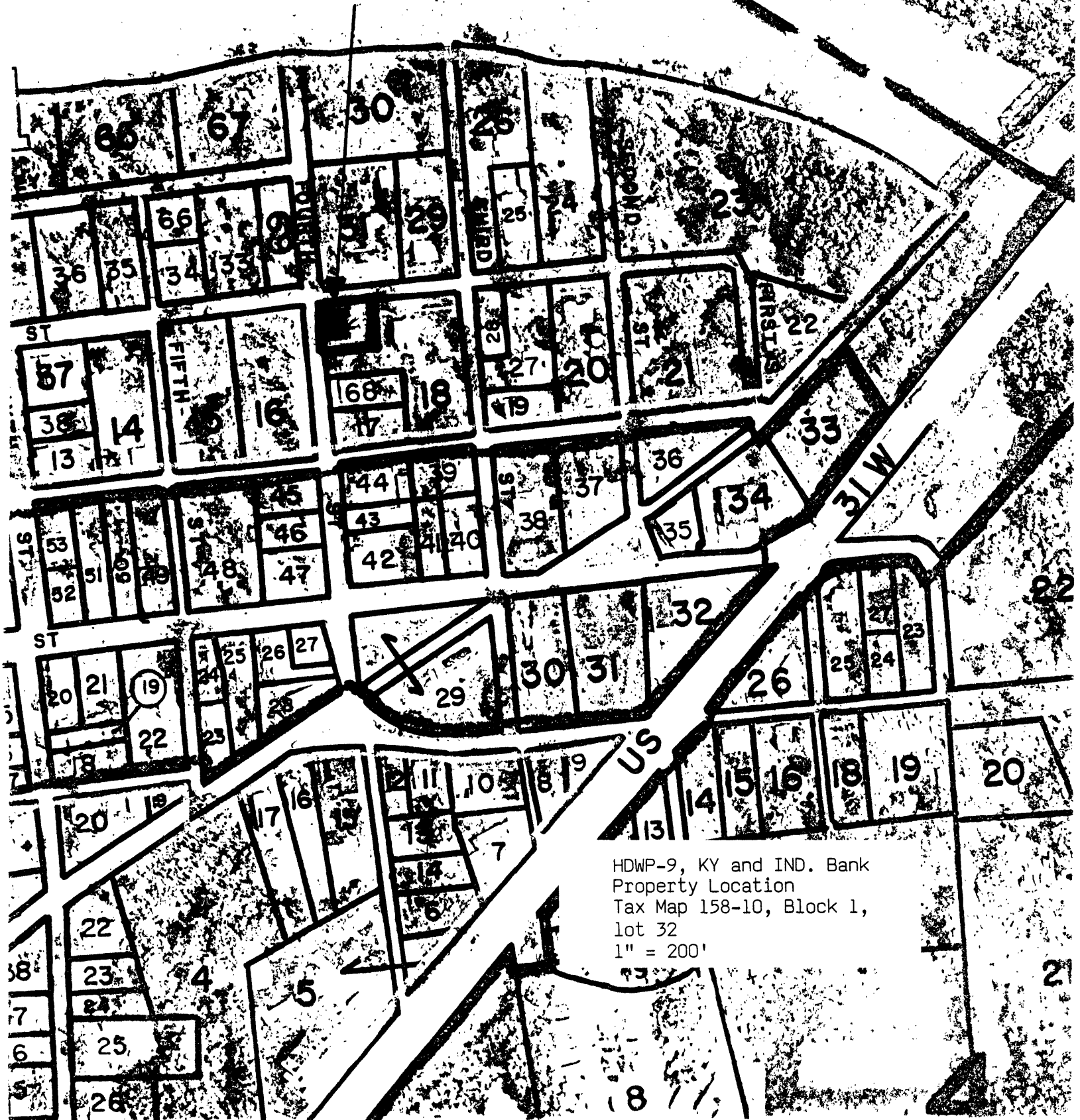
UTM References: Kosmosdale Quad 16/592510/4206020

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The boundary for the Kentucky and Indiana Bank is illustrated on the accompanying Hardin County property tax map 158-10, block 1, lot 32, and is defined by the legal proper boundary. The boundary includes the bank, a non-contributing garage, and property sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.



LOT 32



HDWP-9, KY and IND. Bank
 Property Location
 Tax Map 158-10, Block 1,
 lot 32
 1" = 200'