

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

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC HELENA LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

AND/OR COMMON

PHILLIPS COUNTY LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

2 LOCATIONSTREET & NUMBER
623 PECAN STREETCITY, TOWN
HELENA

VICINITY OF

STATE
ARKANSASCODE
05

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
FIRSTCOUNTY
PHILLIPSCODE
107**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC
☐ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE
☐ COMMERCIAL
☒ EDUCATIONAL
☐ ENTERTAINMENT
☐ GOVERNMENT
☐ INDUSTRIAL
☐ MILITARY
☒ MUSEUM
☐ PARK
☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

HELENA PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION / PHILLIPS COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

STREET & NUMBER

623 PECAN STREET

CITY, TOWN

HELENA

VICINITY OF

STATE

ARKANSAS

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

CLERK'S OFFICE

STREET & NUMBER

PHILLIPS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

CITY, TOWN

HELENA

STATE

ARKANSAS

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

In 1891 the Women's Library Association of Helena, Arkansas, constructed a two-and-one-half storey building to house their library. Almost forty years later a one-and-one-half-storey museum was added to the original library building. The combined structures are known as the Helena Library and Museum.

The library is a two-storey brick building with a mansard roof. Paired gable dormers project from the roof on all four elevations. On the side and rear elevations the double-hung sash windows have segmental heads and cast-stone lugsills. Around the entire building the wall surface is broken with coursing at the second-storey line.

The facade of the library is divided into three bays by brick pilasters. Paired windows set in segmental-arch frames flank the one-storey enclosed entry porch. An unusual decorated entablature surmounts the second-storey windows on the facade. The cornice features molded woodwork with decorative brackets above brick coursing.

The museum building adjoins the southwest corner of the library and is architecturally harmonious with the library building. Like the library, the facade of the museum is divided into three bays by brick pilasters and has a segmental-arch entry flanked by paired, segmental-arch windows. The museum has a truncated hip roof extending over the brick cornice.

Several additions have been made to the rear of the Helena Library and Museum. In the 1960's two one-storey, flat-roofed additions were made to the rear (west) elevation of the library. A one-storey, gable-roofed extension was added to the museum in 1974. The only alteration to the library's facade occurred about 1914 when the entry was moved from the north front window to the center bay.

The interior of the library building has molded trim with corner blocks around doors and windows. In the northeast corner of the building an elegant stairway with slender turned balusters rises to the second storey. The interior of the museum consists of one large open room completely surrounded by a railed balcony. Museum displays are located around both the ground floor and the balcony. Interior woodwork in the museum is harmonious with that in the library.

This architecturally interesting structure, which is somewhat reminiscent of the Second-Empire style, is painted a glowing pink with white trim around the doors and windows. Resting on its original site near the downtown area, the Helena Library and Museum remains in excellent condition.

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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
Library & Museum					

SPECIFIC DATES 1891

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Raenhart and Simon-Library
Andrew P. Coolidge-Museum

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

As the oldest public building in Helena, Arkansas, the Phillips County Library and Museum is an important local landmark. During the two decades following its 1891 construction the building functioned as the civic center of Helena. Its continual use as a library and museum has made it the most historically important educational building still standing in Phillips County.

In the 1870's Helena's first library originated with the Rescue Hook and Ladder Company. This volunteer-firemen's group had a small lending library for several years. In 1878 another group of men established the Helena Library Association. Ten years later the Women's Library Association was organized and chartered, and the Helena Library Association soon disbanded. The 533 books owned by the men's library were donated to the new women's library.

Construction of a permanent library building was important to the Women's Library Association. In 1889, only a year after the group was organized, a site was acquired on which to build a library. By 1891 enough money had been raised to finance construction of a \$6,000.00 building. Helena contractors Raenhart and Simon were in charge of construction.

From 1889 until the 1920's, when public support first became available, almost every kind of money raising event imaginable was held to benefit the Helena Library. From the sale of local bonds and figurative bricks to the holding of benefit concerts, bazaars and dances, the Helena community was continually involved in raising money to support the library. Probably the most unusual fund-raising event occurred when the main hall of the library building was used as a skating rink.

As Helena's civic center around the turn of the century, the library was used for frequent dances, receptions and women's club meetings. Religious services and school classes were held there occasionally. It was not until 1914 that the main room of the building was devoted exclusively to library purposes.

Beginning in 1889, with the donation of a carved wooden inkwell, many museum items were donated to the Helena Library. Through the years more and more artifacts were presented to the library, and with each new gift the need for a museum building grew. After a number of years of fund

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Kirkman, Dale. "Phillips County Library and Museum". Unpublished manuscript on file with Arkansas Historic Preservation Program, Little Rock, Arkansas, August, 1975.

"Phillips County Library and Musuem". Historic Helena and West Helena. Helena, Arkansas: Phillips County Chamber of Commerce, 1973.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than 1 acre

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

DIANNA KIRK, HISTORIAN

ORGANIZATION

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

DATE

9-9-75

STREET & NUMBER

300 WEST MARKHAM

TELEPHONE

501-371-1639

CITY OR TOWN

LITTLE ROCK

STATE

Arkansas

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

GENE RICHARDSON

TITLE

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

DATE

SEPTEMBER 9, 1975

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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

Acting

DATE

12/6/75

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

11.28.75

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Acting

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raising similar to that which financed the library, a museum wing was added to the Helena Library in 1929.

The Helena Museum is one of the most important local museums in Arkansas. Displays include Indian artifacts, personal effects of several individuals prominent in Helena's history, Civil War relics, early documents relating to Phillips County history and many other items. In addition, both the museum and library contain a great deal of archival material concerned with Helena's past.

Architecturally, the Helena Library and Museum is unusual in eastern Arkansas because of its mansard roof. In this community of Greek Revival and Victorian residences, the French mansard library is a distinctive change of pace. For many years the building has been painted a vibrant pink, a color in contrast to the quiet use of the structure.

The Helena Library and Museum has a great deal of local historic significance as the oldest public building in the community, as an early civic center, and as the repository for a great number of articles and information concerned with Phillips County history. Its architectural style, unusual in this area, adds further to the significance of the building.

Property Helena Library and Museum

State Arkansas

Working Number 10.14.75.1797

Phillips Co.

75000400

TECHNICAL

Photos 4

Maps 1

1 cont. sheet (#8)

CONTROL

OK pl
10.20.75

HISTORIAN

Accept
E. Smith
11-21-75

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ACCEPT
H. J. J. J.
11/24/75

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Cole
11-25-75

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Accept
H. J. J. J.
for H. J. J. J. 11-28-75

National Register Write-up _____

Federal Register Entry 3-2-76

Send-back _____

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Helena Library + Museum
Phillips Co., Ark.

library facade north elevation, viewed from the northeast

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HELENA

____ VICINITY OF

STATE

ARKANSAS

COUNTY

PHILLIPS

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT DIANNA KIRK

DATE OF PHOTO SUMMER, 1975

NEGATIVE FILED AT ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

4 IDENTIFICATION

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

LIBRARY FACADE AND NORTH ELEVATION, VIEWED FROM THE
NORTHEAST

PHOTO NO.

1 of 4

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Helena Library & Museum
Phillips Co., Ark.

facade & south elevation, viewed from the southeast

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DIANNA KIRK

DATE OF PHOTO
SUMMER, 1975

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FACADE AND SOUTH ELEVATION, VIEWED FROM THE SOUTHEAST

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REAR ELEVATION, VIEWED FROM THE WEST

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3 24



Helena Library & Museum
Phillips Co., Ark.
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INTERIOR OF MUSEUM, VIEWED FROM NORTHEAST ENTRY

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PHILLIPS

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3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, LATOUR QUADRANGLE

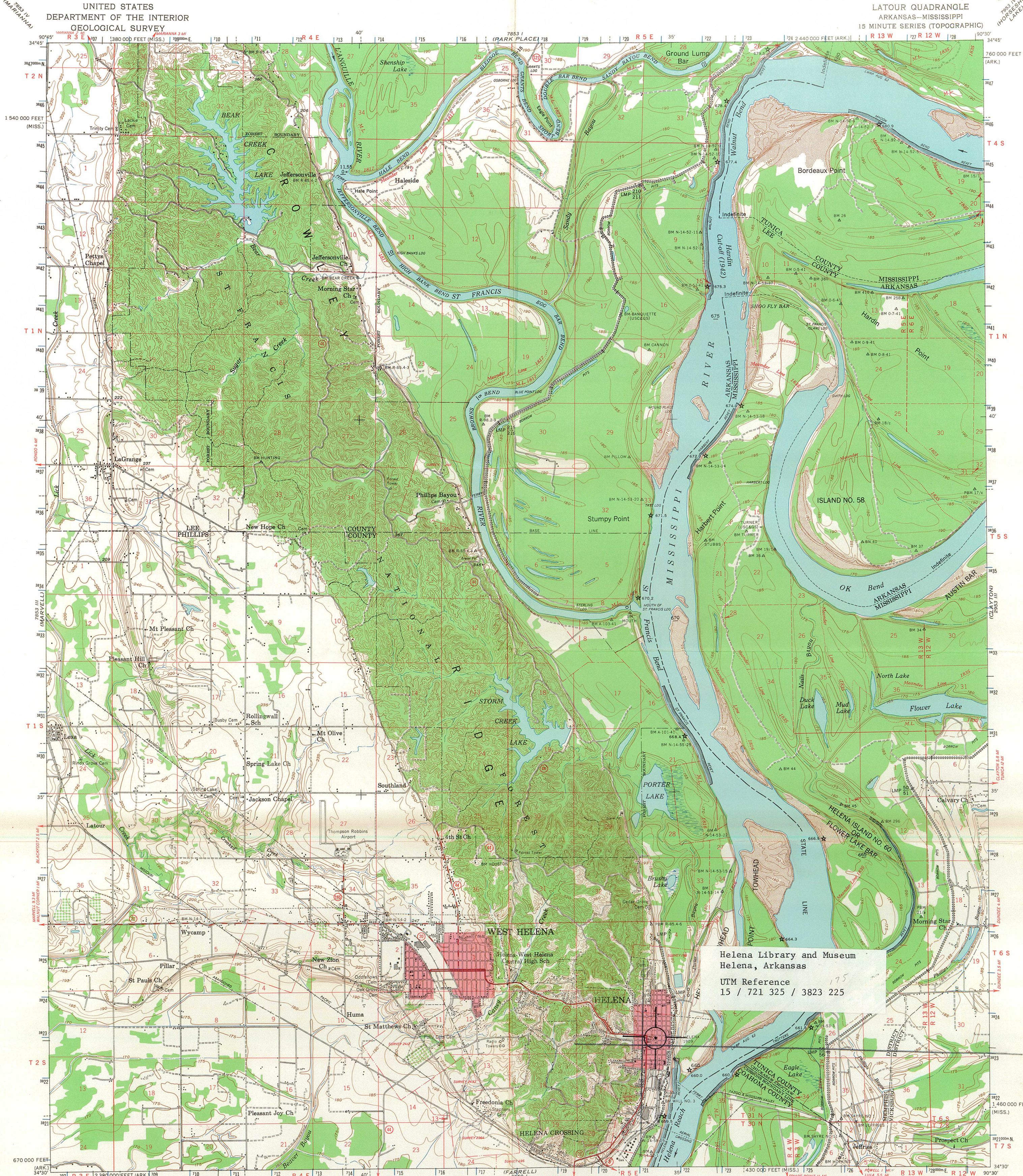
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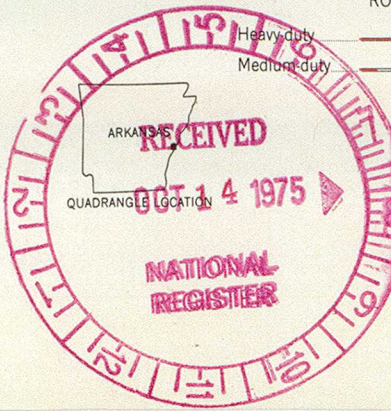
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
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3. UTM REFERENCES



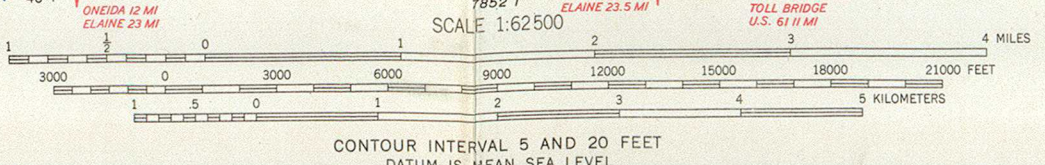
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ARKANSAS-MISSISSIPPI
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Helena Library and Museum
Helena, Arkansas
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LATOUR, ARK.-MISS.
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1961
AMS 7853 II-SERIES V784

Maped and edited by the Mississippi River Commission
Published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS, USC&GS, and USCE
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1960, and planetable surveys 1930-1949
and 1961. Field checked 1961
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grids based on Arkansas coordinate system, south
zone, and Mississippi coordinate system, west zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown



THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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ARKANSAS GEOLOGICAL AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS,
AND MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION, VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE ARKANSAS

Date Entered DEC 6 1975

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Main Hall, Central College	Conway Faulkner County
Marlsgate (William P. Dortch House)	Scott Lonoke County
Watson-Sawyer House	Hamburg Ashley County
Helena Library and Museum	Helena Phillips County
Ferguson House	Augusta Woodruff County

Also Notified

Hon. John L. McClellan
Hon. Dale Bumpers
Hon. Wilbur D. Mills
Hon. Ray Thornton
Hon. Bill Alexander
Regional Director, Southwest
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Gene Richardson
Acting Director, Department of Natural
and Cultural Heritage
The Old State House
300 West Markham
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

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MMott/row

12/12/75

INT: 2950-75

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: Helena Library and Museum		2 OTHER NAMES: Phillips County Library and Museum		3 date of entry: 12.6.75	4 county code: 107
5 LOCATION street & number 623 Peach St.		city / town Helena	vicinity of	state AR	county Phillips
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22 CLAIMS: explain 'first' 'oldest' public building in city		23 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION			
24 functions WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: CURRENTLY: LIBRARY LIBRARY & MUSEUM		25 dates of initial construction: 1891 major alterations: 1930's museum added historic events:		26 master builder:	
27 architectural style(s): ECLECTIC		28 architect:		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:					

NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP Brick, painted; 2 1/2 stories, rectangular, mansard roof with gabled dormers; front center 1-story entrance vestibule with segmental-arched roof, entrance and small side windows, pilasters, and flanking paired rectangular windows in segmental-arched frame; front 2nd-story windows with embellished cornices, continuous 2nd-story sill course; 2-story brick ~~the~~ museum attached to ~~the~~ rear, **1930's** SW corner - **features modified** mansard roof, decorative grille and brickwork, and segmental-arched pediment over entrance. Eclectic. Helena's oldest public building, has served as city's community **center** gathering place.