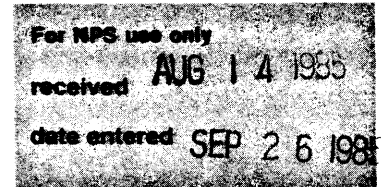


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4. Owner: Milton Taichert, 1036 7th, Las Vegas, N.M. (same as #1026).
6. In Existing Survey: State Register #439.
7. Description: Stuccoed; sandstone foundation; twelve-inch-thick common bond brick walls; flat roof fronted by parapets; recessed panels on side with brick dentils picking up dentils of pressed metal cornice on front; prefabricated window oriels with molding cornices, dentil courses, recessed panels and 1/1 double-hung windows; 1/1 double-hung windows with sandstone sills and lintels (side); large fixed windows and recessed double doors with transoms, chamfered posts (front). Located one half block east of the river and the **Bridge Street Historic District**.
8. Significance: Built in 1900, the Taichert Building is a utilitarian business block with a hint of turn of the century classicism and a bit of local style brickwork. It is the most notable remainder of the one block extension of the Plaza/Bridge Street commercial area across the river into New Town (see also #1026, 1988). Designed with a store to the front, storage rooms to the rear, and dwelling space above, the building was first occupied by a saloon and lodgings, then a grocery and laundry. In 1916 Mrs. C.L. Clements sold the building to brothers Joseph and Milton Taichert.

The Taicherts had a clothing store on Douglas near Sixth and, since 1912, had been developing a side line in wool, hides and furs. Their success in this trade required this larger space for the cleaning, sorting, bundling, and auctioning off of these raw products. By the 1920's, the company had two buyers traveling New Mexico, Arizona, and Colorado, especially on the Indian reservations. The business recession after the Second World War with declining markets finally forced its closing in 1971. While the building stands vacant, a painted sign on the side still announces "Raw Furs/S.A. Taichert & Co./Compradores De Pieles/Crudas y Lana/y Pagamos/Dinero Al Contado."
10. Acreage: under 1. UTM Reference: 13 479870 3938710
Boundary: Lot 23 of B. Romero Addition.