

Survey Number CL-2

Owner Mrs. Brenda Catlett

Property Name Jefferies Building

Address P. O. 189

Address 122 Madison St

Forrest City, AR 72335

City Clarendon, AR

Significant Date/s c. 1904

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Jefferies Building is one of the last commercial buildings with pressed metal facades left in Clarendon. It is located on Madison Street directly across from the Courthouse. The two-story brick structure has a pressed metal facade that faces Madison Street to the South. It was built circa 1904 for a dry goods store on the first floor and a lodge on the second floor. The facade has its original storefront containing a central, double-door, recessed entrance flanked by display windows, and smaller transom windows above. There is also a single wooden door on the west corner of the front that opens to a stairway leading to the second floor. The windows are separated by metal framework. There are small metal pilasters on either side of the recessed entrance, and one on the right side of the wooden door. Two larger pilasters are on either corner of the facade. The second story of the facade has four rectangular double-hung, one-over-one windows. The windows are divided by single pilasters between the second and third and third and fourth windows. There are a pair of pilasters between the second and third windows, and on each corner of the facade. Above the windows is elaborately decorated pressed metal topped by a raised cornice with a roll of modillions underneath. There is also a row of arched windows on the second story of the west wall that have been bricked up. The building is now vacant.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The two-story Jefferies Building at 122 Madison is one of the last buildings with a pressed metal facade left in Clarendon. It was built circa 1904 by William Ladson Jefferies with a grocery store on the bottom floor and an Elks lodge on the top floor. Jefferies came to Clarendon in 1878 and lived in the town for over fifty years. In 1904, Jefferies also established the Citizens Bank in Clarendon and served as its president. He was a merchant in Jefferies and Son Company, and established the Jefferies Lumber Company in the early 1900's. The Jefferies building was later known as the McCabe store and later as the Lambert Building with storage on the top floor. It is presently owned by Mrs. Brenda Catlett of Forrest City and is now vacant. The businesses in the Jefferies Building were successful during the early 1900's because of their location across Madison Street from the County Courthouse.

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Verbal Boundary Description: Original Town on Clarendon East Pt.
Lots 3, 4 Block 8 (East 25' of Lots 3, 4, Block 8)

Acreage: less than one

Quadrangle Name: Clarendon, Ark.

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference:

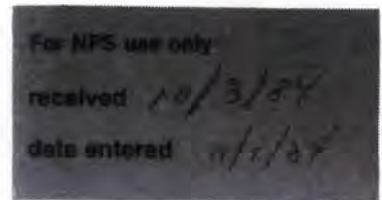
Zone: 15

Easting: 654110

Northing: 3840430

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Clarendon Multiple Resource Area

State Monroe County, ARKANSAS

Con 11/1/84

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Anderson Boarding House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 10/1/84

Attest

2. Bank of Clarendon

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

3. Bateman-Griffith House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

4. Bondi Brothers Store

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

5. Bounds Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

6. Clarendon Methodist-
Episcopal Church South

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

7. Ewan Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

8. Goldman and Son Store

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

9. Highway 79 Bridge

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

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10. Jefferies Building

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National Register

for Keeper Delores Byers 11/1/84

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Jefferies Building (Clarendon MRA)
Monroe County
ARKANSAS

Working No. OCT 3 1984

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86

Date Due: 11-1-84 / 11-17-84

Action: ACCEPT 11-1-84

Entered in the

National Register

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

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

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

X 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

X Verbal boundary description and justification

How much of the East Pt. Lot 3, 4 Block 8 is being nominated
O/S - see form

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed *N. Byers* Date _____ Phone: _____



CL-2 Jefferies Building 122 Madison
HISTORIC RESOURCES OF CLARENDON
Jeff Lewellen, photographer
Negatives at AHPP
Viewed from the Southwest

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000024