

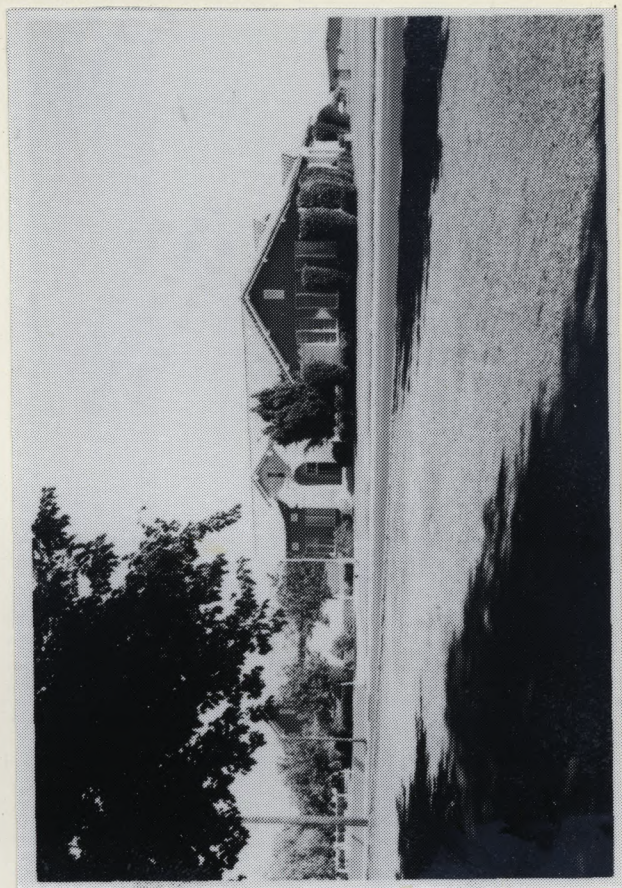
ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

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PROPERTY NAME Roosevelt School	
LOCATION 201 Sixth Street	
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Yuma	COUNTY Yuma
OWNER City of Yuma	
OWNER'S ADDRESS 181 W. 1st Street Yuma, AZ 85364	
FORM COMPLETED BY Yuma County Historical Society	
ADDRESS 240 Madison Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364	
PHOTO BY P. Callahan	DATE 8/79
VIEW Front from south	
PRESENT USE School	ACREAGE 4.2
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Spanish Colonial Revival influence	
SIGNIFICANT DATES Constructed 1926	

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CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH



PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION
Roosevelt School is a single story brick building with red tile roofs, large groups of wood framed windows, and clearly articulated entrys. In plan the building is "H" shaped and measures 150 feet by 168 feet overall. Roofs are gabled with projecting eaves. The main entry is framed by a portico finished to resemble cut stone laid in broken course. Although ornamental detailing is absent, the profile of the main entry is suggestive of the Spanish Baroque. The semi-circular arch in the portico is repeated in arcades at the rear of the building. Lawns and trees separate the building from surrounding streets.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE
Roosevelt School is noteworthy as the first public school in Yuma to be designed in a fundamentally modern mode. Although the entry portico and red tile roofs are suggestive of Spanish Colonial Revival, the overall scale and feeling is less formal than other eclectic designs and is more consistent with contemporary ideas about the education of children in the lower primary grades. The building was the last of four major schools built in Yuma during the first quarter of the 20th century. It has served as a school continuously since completion in 1926. Norman F. Marsh was the architect and Charles Olcester was the contractor.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION
Block 120, Yuma Townsite