THEMATIC NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION - GEORGIA COURTHOUSES-

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ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY FORM

Name of Structure:	Early County Courthouse	•
Location: Courthouse Squa	re, Blakely, Ga. 31723	
Cost: \$50,000	Date of Construction: 1904-05	
Architect/builder: Morgan	and Dillon Contractor: W. T. Jay of Shellman,	Ga.
Subsequent architects: 19	72 - Installation of air conditioning and a heating system	n.
	TAX MAP/PARCEL NUMBERS	
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DESCRIPTION:	UTM NO. Zone 16 E696470 N3473090	O
Style: Neo-Classica	1	
Facade Material:	Boundary: The courthouse surrounded on all four solutions.	•
Condition: [] Exce	llent [X] Good [] Fair Acreage: 1 and 1/2 acres	3

This hipped roof building sits on a four acre square in the center of town. It is two and one half stories with central two story tetrastyle porticos on north and south facades. The columns are Tuscan and have eight bands on the lower third of each column (see photograph). The pediment has an oculus. The west entrance is di-style, the eastern entrance has a simple fan lighted doorway - without colossal columns. The dome is ponderous and rises from an octagonal base, which has a band of metal decoration and four recessed clocks are emphasized by projecting round arches. The original brick chimneys remain. At the corners of the building, there are brick quoins. The windows of both stories are square with brick lintels and stone keystones.

On the interior there is a grey marble wainscoting, floors, stairs. The ceiling has been lowered in the courtroom, New lighting fixtures and jury seats were installed in 1972.

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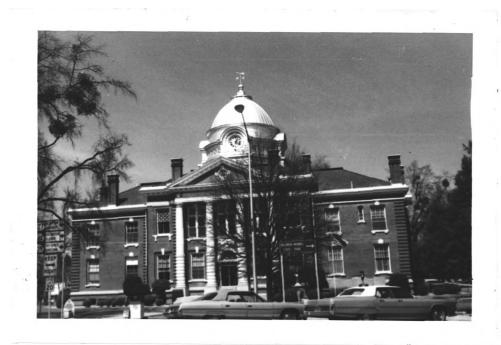
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SIGNIFICANCE:

This county courthouse is the most outstanding building in Early county. It stands on the town square, surrounded by confederate monuments. By utilizing a cross plan, the courthouse serves an economic purpose. Because of their proximity to the courthouse, businesses on all four sides of the square prospered.



EARLY COUNTY COURTHOUSE

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
Early County Courthouse
Courthouse Square
Blakely, Georgia 31723

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DETAIL - BANDED COLUMNS

