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## 1. Name

historic Williams Historic Business District

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## 2. Location

street & number See map. An irregular area generally bounded by 4th St.  
N/A not for publicationcity, town on the west, 1st St. on the east, Grant Ave. on the south, and the Fray  
vicinity of Marcos Hotel on the north. (See Continuation Sheet)

state Arizona code 04 county Coconino code 005

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
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		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property

name Multiple ownership: see property inventory forms

street &amp; number

city, town vicinity of state

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Coconino County Courthouse

street &amp; number Aspen and North San Francisco Streets

city, town Flagstaff, state Arizona

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

An initial survey of Williams  
title Historic Resources has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☒ nodate June 1979 - October 1979 ☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Arizona State Historic Preservation Office, Ariz. State Parks Bd.

city, town 1688 W. Adams, Phoenix, state Arizona

## 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

Williams is nestled at the base of the north slope of Bill Williams Mountain in the Ponderosa pine country of northern Arizona. It is situated at a cool 6700 feet above sea level, about 30 miles west of Flagstaff and about 60 miles south of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado River. Much of the land around Williams is under the jurisdiction of the Kaibab National Forest. (See Figure 1.)

The Williams Historic Business District lies in the center of the City of Williams (Figure 2) and is composed of parts of the Original Townsite and parts of the Scott Addition, plus businesses associated with the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad. With the exception of structures that served the Railroad (e.g. the Fray Marcos Hotel and ticket office, and track warehouses), the proposed District lies south of and adjacent to, the railroad tracks. Since the 1920s a major national highway, U.S. Highway 66, has been routed through the center of the District.

The Historic Business District includes (Figure 3) portions of Blocks 4, 5, 6, 25, 26, 27, and 201, plus a portion of the Santa Fe right-of-way. This area has been the primary commercial center of Williams from 1880 until today. It may be divided into three zones or segments: 1) a saloon row, a row of buildings extending along the south side of Railroad Avenue at Block 6 from 1st Street to 2nd Street; 2) a commercial zone, including most of Block 5, the east two-thirds of Block 4, the west one-half of Block 25, most of Block 26, and the east one-third of Block 27; and 3) the multiple activity center for the Santa Fe Railroad, all of which lies north of Railroad Avenue and on both sides of the railroad tracks.

#### DESCRIPTION

Building Types, Styles, and/or Periods of Architecture. Primarily because other towns in Arizona experienced a greater amount of late growth, including nearby Flagstaff, Williams remains a virtually unique museum of late 19th and early 20th Century vernacular architecture, reflecting pan-United States tastes, the aspirations and life styles of the times in which they were conceived, and the frontier environment in which they were interpreted. Although major fires repeatedly destroyed downtown Williams, re-building was rapid. After 1908 no major fires took their toll, but neither did building booms. The downtown today contains some of the finest examples in the region of vernacular frontier commercial architecture; it is an important chronicle of adaptive styles from the early 1890s through the late 1930s.

Two Romanesque buildings in the District are the Cabinet Saloon (WMB-11, 1895) and the Tetzlaff Building (WMB-12, 1897), immediately adjacent to each other. These buildings have a massive appearance, dominated strongly by rounded arches

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The District includes parts of Blocks 4, 5, 6, 25, 26, 27, and 201. It also includes parts of the Original Townsite and the Scott Addition.



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over windows and doors. The Cabinet Saloon was constructed of locally quarried dacite stone. The Tetzlaff Building is an excellent yellow brick interpretation of an almost true Richardsonian Romanesque and constitutes some of the finest brickwork in Arizona.

The Babbitt-Polson Building (WMB-28, 1901) was a large brick Victorian Commercial structure. The building was significantly altered in the early 1940s with an application of stucco, which in turn was painted in the early 1970s, and today constitutes the only example of Art Deco in the District.

The Fray Marcos Hotel (WMB-3, ca. 1901) is a rambling one and two-story poured concrete complex with squat unfluted columns and half-column pilasters, balustrades, and hooded windows. It is Neo-Classical Revival with Renaissance Revival characteristics. The Citizens Bank (WMB-23, 1917) is another fine example of Neo-Classical architecture. It is a single-story structure built of buff brick and terra cotta with symmetrical white pilasters capped in the Doric order, further topped with white triglyphs, and a simple white cornice line.

Most of the buildings in the District are single-story businesses that may be classed as Victorian Commercial. Examples include many with recessed central entrances covered with transoms, flanked by large glass bays, with facades capped with simple corbelled brick parapets (WMB-22, 26, 33, 34, 37, 38, 43, and 45). The dominant example, however, is the two-story Grand Canyon Hotel (WMB-41, 1892). The latter is a large rectangular-plan brick building with corner entrance, and brick pilasters (the building is now partially covered with stucco) capped with a brick cornice overhead.

Vernacular buildings throughout the District include those with pressed metal siding or of rock construction. Pressed metal examples include Rounseville's Clinic (WMB-49, 1910) and Button's Mortuary (WMB-50, 1919). Two rock buildings are the Cabinet Saloon (WMB-11, 1895) and the Pollock Building (WMB-27, 1901). An example of another vernacular stone structure is the old Telephone Office (WMB-53, 1938).

The most recent building in the District is the Circle K (WMB-2, 1972).

In sum, all but four of the buildings are of a single-story, and with the exception of the Fray Marcos, all are rectangular plan. Most have been constructed to completely fill a narrow (more or less 25-foot-wide



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lot.) Their proportions are of a human scale; the tallest buildings are only two stories high. The overall workmanship appears to be good, that is, no buildings appear to be falling apart. The single most common design element, aside from the ordinary, is the rounded and/or segmental arch.

Construction Materials. Brick was the most common building material, although locally quarried dacite stone was also popular. Buff, yellow, and red clay, and grey concrete bricks were used; in some cases construction was with re-cycled brick. In addition, all or parts of buildings include the use of red sandstone, iron, pressed metal interior and exterior, post and beam, volcanic rock, locally quarried flagstone, stucco, glass block, terra cotta, rusticated concrete block, and poured-in-place concrete. In many cases two or more of these materials were used in combination, especially red sandstone as decorative or structural elements in otherwise brick buildings. While front facades are often painted over with a uniform color, the rears of the buildings, visible from the alleys, reveal a considerable amount of mixed use of brick and rock.

The dominant example of the use of brick is the Grand Canyon Hotel (WMB-41, 1892), a two-story structure faced with brick pilasters (the building is now partially covered with stucco, which is peeling away) capped with a brick cornice. More common in the District are the single-story Victorian Commercial brick buildings with central entrances and large glass bays, with facades capped with simple corbelled parapets (WMB-22, 26, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 43, and 45). Most of these are of red clay brick, although the rears of several of these businesses have grey concrete brick add-ons (e.g. WMB-36). An outstanding example of buff brick is the Neo-Classical Citizens Bank (WMB-23, 1917). An example of yellow brick is the Tetzlaff Building (WMB-12, 1897).

Dacite is a volcanic rock quarried from the hill which rises immediately behind the town, to the south. Several early buildings in the District were constructed with this rock, as were the foundations of others. Two of these include the Cabinet Saloon, now the Corner Bar (WMB-11, 1895) and the Pollock Building (WMB-27, 1901). Red sandstone was quarried in Flagstaff, 30 miles east and Holbrook, 115 miles east, and shipped to Williams on the railroad. It was used on many of the buildings, but not as a major building element (see for example the Tetzlaff Building, WMB-12, 1897, and the Freight Depot, WMB-9, 1901). Flagstone was quarried, and still is, in the vicinity of Williams and the area generally west of town.

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Three examples of the use of rusticated concrete block are the Sultana Building (WMB-30, 1913), the Button Hotel (WMB-51, 1919), and the Williams Auto (WMB-21, 1912). The Fray Marcos (WMB-3, ca. 1901) is a fine example of poured concrete. Another poured concrete building is the present Williams News office, formerly Dial's Chevrolet Garage (WMB-54). The Citizen Bank (WMB-23, 1917) has retained its terra cotta detailing of projecting cornices and triglyphs.

Many of the commercial buildings in the District retain their pressed-metal ceilings and exteriors. An excellent example of restored pressed metal ceiling may be found in the Citizens Bank (WMB-23, 1917), but there are many others (WMB-21, 26, 28, 37, 39, 40, and 49), to name a few. WMB-49, Rounseville's Clinic, is also an excellent example of the use of pressed-metal on the exterior of the building, as is the Button Mortuary (WMB-50), just down the alley. The upper half of the facade of the Crow-McCoy Building (WMB 13, 1903) is covered with classically designed pressed metal, including the wrought iron balcony and cornice. At Tiffany's little restaurant, the old Telegraph Office, the cast iron front with pilasters still retains the stamp on the east pilaster, which states the Mesker Bros. of St. Louis were the manufacturers.

Street/Alley Alignments.\* The District includes all or part of six blocks, and a multiple activity area (Figures 2, 3). The streets, and thus the blocks, are aligned roughly north-northwest. Three of the blocks are square in outline, sub-divided by T-shaped unpaved alleys. These are the blocks to the south. North of these are three undivided half-blocks. North of these are the Fray Marcos Hotel and the Santa Fe activity area.

Present & Original Uses of Buildings. Buildings along Railroad Avenue between 1st and 2nd Streets face the Santa Fe Railroad. The users of these buildings were primarily people associated with the Railroad, either railroad workers or those who came to town on the railroad, for a break from their various jobs. This was the saloon row for the town. (Gambling and prostitution were not outlawed until 1907.)

There are eight businesses in Saloon Row in the District. The present-day use of these buildings includes that of a saloon (WMB-11), two restaurants (WMB-12, 11), and an auto mechanics shop (WMB-15). The others are closed. (WMB-12, the Tetzlaff Building, is undergoing rehabilitation efforts and should open as a restaurant in 1984. It has been closed for the past several years.)

\* Note: The original sandstone block curbs are extant on the east and west sides of Second Street between Bill Williams Avenue on the north and Grant Avenue on the south.

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Of a different functional nature is the business row a block south, along Bill Williams Avenue. Buildings there, such as the Grand Canyon Hotel (WMB-41, 1892), and the Boyce-Belgard Building (WMB-44, 1907) date from the early 1890s to the early teens of the 20th Century. The Sultana Building (WMB-30, 1913) once housed a saloon frequented by business owners and civic leaders, as well as the city hall, and a theater. Another is the old Telegraph Office (WMB-33, 1910). These were, and still are, the business buildings of the town. They provide services for the townspeople for the most part, more so than people from out-of-town. This is the commercial heart of the District and the buildings and site utilization reflect this usage.

Some of the buildings in the District are presently wholly or partially vacant, including the three large hotels: the Fray Marcos (WMB-3, 1901-23), the Grand Canyon (WMB-41, 1892), and the Cottage (WMB-48, ca. 1910).

PRESERVATION ACTIVITIES

To the credit of the people of Williams, a slow but steady interest is developing in rehabilitation of the early buildings. These include the completed rehabilitation of the Neo-Classical Citizens Bank (WMB-23, 1917), the Victorian Commercial Duffy Brothers Grocery Store (WMB-40, 1912), the Old Parlor Pool Hall (WMB-37, 1910), and Messimer's Insurance (WMB-38, 1912). There are others. Rehabilitation is proceeding on the Tetzlaff Building (WMB-12, 1897) facing on Railroad Avenue.

Further, historic preservation may increase in the future. The Grand Canyon, the Cottage, and the Crowe-McCoy Building have been purchased by a person interested in rehabilitating and re-opening them. As mentioned above, the long-vacant Tetzlaff Building is being restored by the same party involved in the already completed rehabilitations in the business row along the south side of Bill Williams Avenue. Some efforts are underway to acquire the Freight Depot (WMB-9, 1901) and rehabilitate it for use as a small railroading museum, and the office for the Williams Chamber of Commerce. The abandoned Grand Canyon Railroad has recently been purchased, along with the Fray Marcos Hotel at its southern terminus. It is possible that the re-opening of this line will result in considerable effort to rehabilitate the Fray Marcos and/or other buildings in the commercial district of Williams.



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NON-CONTRIBUTORS

Of the 56 structures included inside the Williams Historic Business District, ten, or 18 per cent, may be considered as non-contributors. These properties are listed after the Contributors, at the end of Item 7.

The Bowdon Building (WMB-17, 1947) and Shen's Photo/Fashion Apartments (WMB-19, 1949) are in the same block of buildings, facing south on Bill Williams Avenue between 1st and 2nd Streets. These buildings were constructed by Thomas Bowdon in 1947 of materials taken from other buildings in Williams. Many of the materials--bricks, timbers, pressed metal ceilings--came from the old hospital dismantled in the mid-1940s. Both of these buildings have been constructed with facades of native flagstone rock. They do not depart seriously from the integrity of the District.

The basic, original construction of the White Garage (WMB-10, 1917), Dial's Market (WMB-24, 1929), and Bennett's Auto Service, (WMB-31, 1940), may be old enough to merit consideration for placement on the Register for historical reasons. However, each has been so considerably modified that it really constitutes a building considerably different than the original.

The remaining five buildings were constructed within the last 50 years.

BOUNDARIES

Boundaries for the Williams Historic Business District were chosen to include all of the area associated with the commercial development of downtown Williams around the turn of the Century, and in which all or most of the buildings are in excess of 50 years old. Each of the areas of commercial development--and in turn the structures related to these enterprises--was taken into consideration. Outside the proposed District there are buildings of suitable age and architectural integrity, but they were not connected with the development of the downtown in a commercial sense.

To the north and south are Williams' residential areas. To the east and west, along U.S. Highway 66, are post-1945 commercial establishments (motels, gas stations, restaurants) catering to Williams' tourist industry.

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INVENTORY

All properties listed below have been divided into two categories, based upon whether or not they contribute to the integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association of the District. These categories are here called "Contributing" and "Non-Contributing."

Contributing (46 properties)

WMB-1	Torrez House
WMB-3	Fray Marcos Hotel
WMB-4	Railroad employees house
WMB-5	Babbitt-Polson Company Track Warehouse
WMB-6	Warehouse
WMB-7	Warehouse
WMB-9	Freight Depot
WMB-11	Cabinet Saloon
WMB-12	Tetzlaff Building
WMB-13	Crowe-McCoy Building
WMB-15	Bowdon-Railroad Avenue
	a. Wholesale liquors
	b. Restaurant
	c. Saloon
WMB-16	Torrez Restaurant
WMB-18	El Charro Restaurant
WMB-20	KBWA
WMB-21	Williams Auto
WMB-22	Hatley Cleaners
WMB-23	Citizens Bank
WMB-25	Red Cross Garage
WMB-26	Rounseville's Drug Store
WMB-27	Pollock Building
WMB-28	Babbitt-Polson Building
WMB-29	Windmill Cafe
WMB-30	Sultana Building
WMB-33	Telegraph Office
WMB-34	Foster's Indian Store
WMB-35	Applegate Western & Casual Wear
WMB-36	Grand Canyon Drug Company
WMB-37	Old Parlor Pool Hall
WMB-38	Messimer's Insurance
WMB-39	Alternative Impressions
WMB-40	Duffy Brothers Grocery Store

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WMB-41	Grand Canyon Hotel
WMB-42	B. B. Bowdon Building
WMB-43	Boyce Building/U. S. Post Office
WMB-44	Boyce-Belgard Building
WMB-45	Warehouse
WMB-46	former Forest Service Office
WMB-48	Cottage Hotel
WMB-49	Rounseville Clinic/Residence
WMB-50	Button Mortuary
WMB-51	Button Hotel
	a. Anthony Apartments Laundry Room
WMB-52	Dentist's Office
WMB-53	former Telephone Office
WMB-54	Dial's Chevrolet Garage
WMB-55	Rock Garage

Non-Contributing (10 properties)

WMB-2	Circle K Food Store
WMB-8	Lumber Company Buildings
WMB-10	White Garage
WMB-14	El Sombrero Cafe
WMB-17	Bowdon Building
WMB-19	Shen's Photo/Fashion Apartments
WMB-24	Dial's Market
WMB-31	Bennetts Auto Service
WMB-32	Bennetts Garage
WMB-47	Hansen's Law Office



## 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
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Specific dates ca. 1890-1939

Builder/Architect

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Williams Historic Business District is significant for its range of architectural styles, containing within its boundaries an important selection of late 19th and early 20th Century adaptive vernacular architecture reflecting the tastes and life ways of the entire United States, and the frontier environment in which they were interpreted. It is also significant because of the role it played in the cycles of opening of the West, from livestock to railroad, to lumbering, to tourist. It is the product of the Nation as it has spent its entire life straddling major U.S. rail and highway arteries, the focal point for transshipment of millions of head of sheep and cattle, the center for milling and distributing pine lumber all over the world, the stopover for millions of tourists. With connecting rail and highway links north to the Grand Canyon, tourism became its single most important commodity. Famous people played out their roles in and around the District: cattleman William Ashurst who went on to become Territorial senator; T.E. Pollock, who became a leader in northern Arizona banking; Dr. Edward B. Perrin, who ran one of the largest herds of sheep in the Nation; Cormick E. Boyce, who literally built much of the District; Fred Harvey, who built the Harvey House Fray Marcos Hotel and was instrumental in establishing Williams as a tourist center and the Gateway to the Grand Canyon; the Babbitt brothers, pioneer cattlemen and businessmen, whose descendants are still important leaders in business and politics in the State, including serving as Governor of Arizona. The Williams Historic Business District is significant as a microcosm of national turn-of-the-century history and architecture as interpreted in a frontier town, relatively unspoiled by recent urban renewal, expansion, or shopping centers.

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/CONTEXT

Scattered around Williams are pine-covered hills and volcanic mountains, including the San Francisco Peaks some 28 miles to the east, and many grassy valleys, meadows, and prairies. It was these grass-filled pockets which drew early settlers to northern Arizona as sheep and cattle became the mainstay of Williams. One of the earliest settlers was Charles T. Rogers, a successful merchant in Prescott who also ran cattle near Williams. When word came, in 1879, that the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad might extend its route past the north side of Bill Williams Mountain, Rogers purchased a ranch from a John R. Vinton, close to what is now downtown Williams, and established a home there.

From 1881 until 1891 the site of the future town was the scene of several legal battles, claims and counter-claims. Finally, in 1891, the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad brought suit against Rogers and other claimants asking that their claims to title be declared invalid. Under the land-grant provisions of its charter with Congress, the Company had first claim on odd-numbered sections within 50 miles of the railroad route. In the end, Rogers, founder and owner of Williams, saw his holdings shrink from the original ranch of 160 acres to a few town lots on the south side of Bill Williams Avenue (probably Lot 1, Block 4; Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Block 5; and Lot 16 in Block 13).

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property ca. 25  
Quadrangle name Williams. Bill Williams Mountain

Quadrangle scale Both are 15'

### UTM References

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**Verbal boundary description and justification** The boundary of the Williams Historic Business District is shown as the black line on the accompanying map. This area includes the historical commercial core of downtown Williams.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
N/A			

state	code	county	code

## 11. Form Prepared By

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## 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

*Donna J. Schuber*

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date Oct. 25, 1984

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Entered in the  
National Register

date

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Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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As the railroad progressed steadily westward, construction camps were established and then rail heads connecting with points south. It reached Williams in 1881. During the 1880s several business establishments opened up on Rogers' ranch, essentially in what was to become the town of Williams. The first post office was established on 14 June 1881 and Charles Thomas Rogers was appointed to serve as the first postmaster. The first major business was a store, type not today known, opened by Rogers. It was later purchased by the town's major benefactor, Mr. Cormick E. Boyce, pioneer merchant, builder, and cattleman.

The suitability of certain regions in Arizona for sheep grazing was popularized in the early 1870s, and by 1874 her reputation in this respect was quite well established. Large herds were driven across northern Arizona to New Mexico from California. John Clark and William Ashurst settled in the vicinity of Williams with their herds in 1876 and 1877. The Weekly Arizona Miner (May 1877) estimated there were some 25,000 head of sheep in the Bill Williams range of mountains in July, 1877. Despite the advantages, development of the industry in northern Arizona had been somewhat deterred because of a lack of convenient access to markets. The advent of the railroad definitely located the sheep industry in the northern counties of Arizona.

Principal sheepmen who helped contribute to the economic development of Williams included Dr. Edward B. Perrin. Perrin became one of the largest cattle and sheep ranchers in northern Arizona. The Perrin Land and Cattle Co. owned thousands of acres of grazing land purchased from the Railroad.

The movement of cattle into northern Arizona in the early 1880s was rapid as a result of the same factors which contributed to the influx of the sheepmen; drouth conditions elsewhere, the excellent range conditions around Williams, and the building of the railroad. Williams became an important shipment center for cattle as well as for sheep and wool. The closest rival was Chalendar, about nine miles east, but the shipment of livestock, at least after 1881, was predominantly from Williams.

A brief description of business interests in Williams by August, 1883, notes that major offices of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad were located there and that from a business point of view Williams was a prosperous place. The principal business houses were those of C. T. Rogers and John Fielding, general merchandise stores; J. B. Dickey, druggist; J. R. Tabor, James Murray, Lute Wilson & McCracken, wholesale and retail liquor dealers; Morris Walsh, saloon keeper, and J. R. McDonald, restaurant.

In July, 1881, many of these merchants suffered losses in one or the other of two fires which in less than a week destroyed a large portion of the



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business section of Williams. The Arizona Champion of 12 July 1884 announced that those remaining were: "Rogers' store and post office, Nellis & Lewis Saloon and Billiard Hall, Boyce's store, Walsh and Davis Saloon, Murray's and McDonald's Saloons and Restaurants."

Williams developed a reputation of being a "tough" town in the 1880s, catering to the cowboy, sheepherder, and railroad worker seeking relaxation. At the same time, business increased. A portable lumber mill was installed in 1891, and a large lumber mill, the Saginaw Lumber Company, was built along the west side of town in 1893. Railroad facilities were steadily increased. An inventory of railroad facilities located at Williams in 1885 included: an eating house, 2 section houses, 2 cottages for employees, an engine house, a blacksmith shop, coal shutes, water tank, and pumphouse.

The early fires revealed the necessity for a readily accessible quantity of water. While water was needed for drinking purposes, and the big engines of the Railroad business, the message was driven home when fires would spring up and an immediate source of a large quantity of stored water was not available. Partly to alleviate the latter condition, but mostly to serve the steam engines of the railroad, in 1892 a dam was constructed in the hills at the south edge of town. Stone for the project was hauled in by rail, either from Flagstaff or Holbrook. The dam was enlarged in 1894-95. It is still in existence and still provides captured run-off water.

The shortage of water remained a problem to the town, however, and during the 1890s disastrous fires occurred which might have been averted had Williams possessed an adequate water system. In July, 1895, two blocks on Railroad Avenue between 2nd and Taber Streets (Figure 3) were entirely destroyed. A year later, a residential block on the west side burned with the loss of five homes. The Flagstaff Sun-Democrat of 3 June 1897 reported that the fire started in a "house of ill-fame on Front Street." The exact location cannot be more exactly pinpointed, although houses of prostitution were restricted to Front Street (Railroad Avenue) between Taber and 2nd Street.

The lack of water prompted the town to seek incorporation, in the hope that an organized system of water supply might be developed. The first water system was provided and operated by Ferd Nellis as a private enterprise. His source of water was a well located just outside the District on the south side of Grant Avenue west of 4th Street. It is still a source of water for the people of Williams. C. E. Boyce dug a well on land purchased in "Rogers Meadow" near the intersection of Grant Avenue and 8th Street. He erected his own water works for the Grand Canyon Hotel and his other buildings. This system was mainly for fire protection. It served this purpose during several

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conflagrations within the District and was in use until 1933. Boyce and others incorporated the Williams Water Company in 1899, with the object of constructing "reservoirs, dams, and waterworks for the town." However, the town council refused the company a franchise and the idea was abandoned.

Cormick E. Boyce has been credited with being the pioneer merchant of Williams. He came to the Williams area in 1881. By the middle of the 1880s Boyce had already acquired considerable real estate in Williams. In the early 1890s Boyce's two-story brick Grand Canyon Hotel (WMB-41, 1892) was erected. It is located on Bill Williams Avenue and 2nd Street. Plans for the building were finished in June, 1891, by Samuel E. Patton. Started in July or August of the same year, it opened its doors to the public in January, 1892, as the Boyce Hotel.

As indicated above, Williams is located in the middle of one of the largest pine forests in the Nation. Along with the arrival of the railroad, mills harvesting these timbers sprang up, partly to serve the needs of the railroad as it expanded westward, but also to serve the housing needs of those persons associated with construction and then maintenance of the railroad. The first recorded mill was that of Wilson and Haskell, several miles southwest of the District. In May, 1891, E. P. Clark and A. D. Adams set up a portable sawmill two miles southwest of Williams to supply ties and bridge timbers for railroad construction. Then, on 14 February 1893 the Saginaw Lumber Company of Saginaw, Michigan, acquired the timber rights to thousands of acres of railroad lands. Construction on their mill began in April, 1893, on the west side of town, scarcely a few blocks west of the proposed Historic District. The Company eventually expanded the mill, and constructed several residences, chiefly for its employees. These latter were located both south and east of the mill between the mill area and the developing business district. By the end of 1894 there were at least three sawmills located at or within five miles of Williams. Saginaw expanded in 1894 with installation of a box factory in Williams. In 1897 the Saginaw mill was producing 100,000 feet of lumber daily. In 1899 Saginaw merged with the Manistee Lumber Company of Manistee, Michigan. The lumber industry eventually became one of the mainstays of the Williams economy. However, no buildings within the District were directly related to the mill.

The population of the little town increased. By 1895 it was estimated to be in excess of 600 persons. By 1900 it had doubled to 1,200 persons. To meet the increasing needs of the residences several businesses were established. In 1894 the Polson brothers (Frank and August) arrived in Williams from Kansas and established a general merchandise business which soon became one of the larger enterprises in town. In 1895 they erected an impressive building on the northwest corner of 3rd Street and Bill Williams Avenue. The store burned in

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the great fire of 1901 and they later erected a larger one (WMB-28, 1901) on the ruins of the first. Also during the 1890s Boyce constructed the Cabinet Saloon a block north of his Hotel (WMB-11, 1895), to serve the needs of a growing clientele from the railroads, the ranches, and the mills.

In 1897 August Tetzlaff, a tailor, erected a two-story yellow brick building adjacent and to the east of Boyce's Cabinet Saloon (WMB-12). These buildings formed the core of the "Saloon Row" for the District; there were others, but they burned in later fires. In 1903 Crowe and McCoy erected a two-story brick building adjacent and to the east of Tetzlaff's building (WMB-13), to take its place as part of the "row."

Williams started off the first decade of the new century with two disastrous fires partially inside the boundaries of the proposed District. The first, in the summer of 1901, took 36 business buildings, 2 hotels, and 10 residences in scarcely more than an hour. Recognizing that the calamity was partly because the town had no organized fire-fighting capability or water distribution system, the town was again incorporated. A second disastrous fire struck in February, 1903. This time 6 saloons, 1 restaurant, and several small huts were lost, comprising part of "Saloon Row" on the eastern end of Railroad Avenue (the fire was stalled and ended at the two-story brick Tetzlaff Building WMB-12). Two municipal incorporations notwithstanding, there was still another fire in 1908, which destroyed a principal building block, including the post office, the large Babbitt Brothers store, a newstand, and a billard hall. This was the last extensive fire in Williams.

The years after 1901 and 1903 were building years for the District. One of those buildings was the Babbitt-Polson Building (WMB-28) mentioned above as having been erected on the ashes of the store destroyed in 1901. Another building was that erected by T. E. Pollock was a bank building on the corner of 3rd Street and Bill Williams Avenue. A single-story building, constructed of local dacite rock, the new building housed the bank, as well as several businesses destroyed by the 1901 fire. One of these was the Williams News, another was Mr. Canall's new telegraph office.

By 1901 several warehouses had been erected along the railroad tracks. For a brief period of time, after the loss of their store in the fire of 1901, the Polson brothers operated out of their track warehouse (WMB-5), until the new building was completed. Meanwhile, across the tracks, construction had begun on the Fray Marcos Hotel (WMB-3), although it did not officially open until March, 1908.

The next boom in building construction in the District involved the south side of Bill Williams Avenue. In 1910 Canall moved into his new



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building (WMB-33) next to the bandshell at the corner of Bill Williams and 3rd Street. Also in 1910 a two-unit brick store (WMB-34 and WMB-35) was erected next to the Telegraph Office. It would house commercial ventures for 70 years, up until the present time. A few feet farther east the Old Parlor Pool Hall (WMB-37), a single-story brick building was also built in 1910. Around the corner of the same block Pat Ronan erected his two-story brick study in architectural formalism. The Cottage Hotel (WMB-48), facing east on 2nd Street between Bill Williams Avenue and Grant Avenue, was designed to accommodate the growing number of tourists staying over in the City as they criss-crossed the Country, or made plans to visit the Grand Canyon 60 miles north. Many of the rooms were reserved for visiting employees of the Railroad.

In 1912 C. E. Boyce erected a large brick building (WMB-40), designed for use as a bank, on the southwest corner of Bill Williams Avenue and 2nd Street. It was never used as such, but as a market. Today it is an Indian curio store. Also in 1912 the old Grand Canyon Drug Company (WMB-36) was sandwiched in between Applegates and the Old Parlor Pool Hall. Meanwhile, in 1912, Ben Sweetwood began work on what was to become the Sultana Building (WMB-30). A tall, rusticated concrete block building, it was to house civic offices, a popular saloon off the so-called Saloon Row, and a motion picture theater, one of the earliest in the State of Arizona. The Sultana was not completed until about 1915.

Across Bill Williams Avenue, George Rounseville opened his drug store (WMB-26, 1912) on the burned out remains of the old Harrell Building. A year later the Red Cross Garage (WMB-25, 1913), with entrances on both Bill Williams Avenue and Railroad Avenue, opened up next door; one of the many buildings in town designed to serve the new auto-oriented tourist traffic. Meanwhile, the lot west of the Drug Store would remain vacant. Twice, Max Salzman, respected Williams businessman and once the town mayor, erected a large clothing store on that property. Twice the building burned to the ground. Fragments of the burned timbers may still be seen in the old wall behind Rounseville's Drug store (now the 66 Auto). Finally, in 1917, the little Neo-Classical buff brick Citizen's Bank (WMB-23) was erected on the northwest corner of 2nd Street and Bill Williams, significant because of its testimony to the obvious economic growth of the little town.

By 1910 the federal census listed a population of 1,267 persons for Williams, although various estimates during the decade placed it higher. Much progress had been made. The lumber, livestock, and railroad industries provided a firm support for the economy of the town. Although some people still held hopes that it would become a mining center, that industry was of little consequence to the economy. By the end of the decade it was fully recognized by the townspeople that possibly the best source of income was the tourist traffic to the Grand Canyon. Lumbering was undoubtedly a most

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important commercial enterprise, however. The Saginaw and Manistee Lumber Company had a yearly output of about 25 million board feet of lumber a year in the early part of the decade. The cattle industry also continued to increase steadily.

Back in 1891 William W. Bass had begun a regular stage service between Williams and the Grand Canyon. A year later Ferd Nellis operated another line to the Canyon. After many efforts, work was begun in 1898 on a railroad from Williams to the Canyon. The line was opened in 1901. The addition of the railroad was an important economic boost for the town. In 1902 the slogan now used by the town: "The Gateway to the Grand Canyon" first appeared in the Williams News. The phrase was definitely in use as a slogan by the middle of 1907.

During the early part of the Century accommodations for tourists were few in number. The principal hostelry was the Grand Canyon Hotel. The Railroad completed the El Tovar Hotel at the Grand Canyon in 1905, placing it under the Harvey System's operation. While Harvey did provide meals for tourists in converted railroad cars sidelined at Williams, that system had no substantial hotel facility there. Williams had long anticipated the erection of a Harvey House, but not until March, 1908, was the Fray Marcos Hotel (WMB-3) opened to the public. The Hotel began as a curio shop in 1901. It was added to several times over the next 22 years, resulting in one of the few good examples of Renaissance Revival architecture in Arizona.

Travel to the Canyon increased steadily after 1901. Shortly after the railroad to the Canyon had been completed, a harbinger of a new trend in travel to the Canyon appeared. A test run of a "steam locomobile" was made from Flagstaff to the Canyon. Use of the auto-mobile for travel from Williams to the Canyon eventually exceeded that of the train (ca. 1927). This, despite the Williams News deploring the fact ten years earlier that county roads servicing Williams were poorly maintained, especially during the winter months, evidenced by automobiles shipped by train between Williams and Flagstaff, and Williams and Ash Fork. By 1930 the automobile far exceeded the railroad in number of tourists carried to the Canyon.

In the 1920s a federal highway was established along the route approximating the old Whipple Wagon Road. It became known as the National Old Trails Highway. Around 1928 it was re-named U.S. Highway 66. Its construction, and more importantly, its federally supported maintenance, was of considerable significance in bringing tourists to Williams. The highway was routed through the center of the District.

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The Depression of the 1930s had its effect on Williams in many ways. At first, the lumber business held up relatively well, except for minor shutdowns. But it became more and more difficult for Saginaw and Manistee to secure tracts of timber which could be economically harvested by their railroad system of logging. Although trucks had been used already in the late 1920s, cutting operations were still mainly dependent upon access to their railroads. In the 1920s the annual cut was about 30 million board feet per year. However, by mid-1935 it was down to approximately 18 million board feet. Rumors spread that the mill would move. In 1938 the mill had to purchase some 15 million feet of box lumber from Flagstaff for its box factory at Williams. The rumors proved to be true and in 1941 the mill moved its operation to Flagstaff and a year later the box factory was moved there also. Several smaller mills immediately moved in to fill the void and by the 1950s the lumber industry in Williams made something of a comeback. By 1951 it was the second largest enterprise at Williams in terms of annual payroll (tourism was first).

The principal trend in the cattle industry was the concentration over time of much of the grazing land in the hands of a few large outfits. It is still an important part of the town's economy. Livestock, for the most part, are grazed under the permit system on Kaibab National Forest lands.

Although railroad activity in general increased during World War II, the Grand Canyon tourist line was discontinued in July, 1942. The Grand Canyon Railway Company, which had nominal control of the line since 1901, was dissolved in 1943 and all its property was transferred to the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway Company. Service to the Canyon was restored after the War. Rail services continued to decline because of the ever-growing popularity of the automobile. In 1968 the railroad was abandoned. However, because the U.S. Highway 66 was routed through Williams, the town still benefitted from the tourist traffic using it as the Gateway to the Grand Canyon.

Most important of all to Williams is its tourist traffic. All tourists who visit the Grand Canyon do not stop in Williams, nor, on the other hand, do only Canyon visitors travel over Highway 66. However, the volume of automotive traffic is such that tourism remains the town's major business. Accommodations at Williams have continued to expand to meet the needs of increasing numbers of tourists. By mid-century there were nearly two dozen motels or tourist courts, and a trailer court in addition to the Fray Marcos Hotel, the Grand Canyon Hotel, the Button Hotel, and the El Pinado (Cottage) Hotel. (At the time of the study for this nomination all of these older hotels had been closed.) More than a dozen service stations and half as many garages provided for the needs of motorists. Cafes and restaurants numbered about a dozen. Half a dozen bars and cocktail lounges also served the public.



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A like number of businesses were devoted to the curio or souvenir trade. A guest ranch located south of Williams and two mountain camp grounds west of town also encouraged tourists and vacationists. The existence of all these enterprises, in most cases, was directly related to the tourist traffic, and established beyond a doubt that tourism was the number one industry.

A singular aspect of the history of Williams is that each time the town suffered an economic dislocation there was a compensating factor to ameliorate the situation. Although the livestockmen were the first into the region, the railroad provided the real impetus to the establishment of Williams and the town expected to draw its chief sustenance from that source. After the Railroad Division Point was removed at the end of 1883, Williams experienced a slump, but it was quickly dissipated by the expanding livestock trade. The start of large scale lumbering at Williams by the Saginaw Lumber Company in 1893, when drouth in Arizona and general financial chaos in the Country had all but ruined the livestock industry, further illustrates the point. The lumber industry continued strong for the next 50 years and firmly established Williams as a lumber town, while both railroading and ranching regained most of their former importance to the town. Although a bid for the tourist trade had been made as early as 1899 when the town subsidized the Santa Fe and Grand Canyon Railroad, the tourist industry did not begin to assume its present importance to the town until the late 1920s and early 1930s. Then, the establishment of U.S. Highway 66 and the opening of the new access road to the Canyon from a point just east of downtown Williams made the town the center of departure to the Grand Canyon for automobile as well as for rail travel. Even then it had been recognized that the lumber industry could not continue indefinitely on the same scale of operation. By the time the depletion of the timber supply had forced the cessation of large scale lumbering in the area in the early 1940s, the tourist industry was developed to a point where it insured the future of Williams. The retardation of tourist travel during World War II helped, at least in part, to prevent Williams from regaining by 1950 the population lost through the mill removal in the early 1940s; but, even that was compensated for to a degree by general westward expansion of population in the Country.

ARCHITECTURE

Most of the buildings within the District contribute to its sense of time and place. The District is an excellent collection of representatives of architectural styles from the early 1890s through the late 1930s.

The late 19th Century structures which retain most of their original integrity include the Cabinet Saloon (WMB-11), the Tetzlaff Building (WMB-12),

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and the Grand Canyon Hotel (WMB-41). The Cabinet Saloon is historically significant for its association with Cormick E. Boyce, prominent Williams' citizen. Built around 1895 it survived all of the major fires which swept around it in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Architecturally, it is one of the oldest extant structures in the District, embodying the use of locally available dacite rock, and imported pressed metal ceiling. It is a key building to the proposed District. The Tetzlaff Building is an outstanding local example of Romanesque turn-of-the-century architecture, built by August Tetzlaff, leading Williams merchant and tailor. Its excellent metal cornice is still intact and caps some of the finest brickwork in northern Arizona. The Grand Canyon Hotel is one of the largest and oldest commercial structures in the District. Built by town "father" C. E. Boyce in 1892, it still possesses a high level of integrity.

Examples from 1900 to 1915 include: the Fray Marcos Hotel (WMB-3), the Freight Depot (WMB-9), the Crowe-McCoy Building (WMB-13), the Citizens Bank (WMB-23), the Pollock Building (WMB-27), the Telegraph Office (WMB-33), the Messimer's Insurance (WMB-38), the Duffy Brothers Grocery Store (WMB-40), and the Boyce-Belgard Building (WMB-44).

The Fray Marcos Hotel is one of the most historically significant buildings in the District, because of its long term status as a "Harvey House" and its association with the Santa Fe Railroad Company on its main east-west line to California and as the southern terminus for the line to the Grand Canyon. It is one of the few excellent examples of Renaissance Revival architecture in Arizona. Despite neglect and some changes (many are reversible), the building still possesses its original style and a high level of integrity. The Freight Depot is a large (approx. 129 X 30 feet) brick and stucco structure with red sandstone lintels. The building still retains its high level of integrity. The Crowe-McCoy Building is historically important because of its association with the "Saloon Row" of the District. It is architecturally significant for its elaborate pressed metal front which is unique in northern Arizona and it is locally a rare example of early 20th Century architecture. The Citizens Bank played a major role in the early commercial development of Williams. It is even more significant architecturally as the best example of Neo-Classical Revival in Williams, and its uncompromised integrity makes it a strong contributor to the District.

The Pollock Building was erected by T. E. Pollock, prominent northern Arizona banker and businessman. The ground floor was constructed of locally available dacite rock; the second floor is brick. It is architecturally significant for the strong flavor of rusticated Romanesque styling. It is one of the major two-story buildings in the District. Historically, the building represents a major contribution to the District as it was built

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immediately following a major fire which consumed many businesses in town, businesses which then came to utilize the Pollock Building. The Telegraph Office is architecturally significant because of its "Main Street" theme carried out in a single-story brick building with brick dentils and corbelled brick cornice along the upper part of the facade, plus the iron work on the front, including iron pilasters which still retain the stamp indicating the Mesker Bros. of St. Louis were the manufacturers.

Messimer's Insurance is another "Main Street" single-story brick structure which has served continually as an office building for the District since its construction in 1912. The interior ceilings have been dropped but the pressed metal ceiling is still in place. The high level of integrity of this building is evident in the fully detailed corbelled brick cornice which has been emphasized during recent facade rehabilitation. Duffy Brothers Grocery Store is historically important for its association with its builder, C. E. Boyce. Architecturally, it is significant because its scale and massing makes it one of the larger single-story 20th Century commercial buildings in Williams. Although not originally, nor now, a post office, the Boyce-Belgard Building did serve the community as such for 30 years. It was originally built by the early prominent citizen, C. E. Boyce. Its architectural integrity has been retained with its skylights, pressed metal ceiling, and multi-light transom panel.

Other buildings which are significant historically include the Babbitt-Polson Building (WMB-28) and the Sultana Building (WMB-30), where modifications appear to be reversible, or the building has acquired a new significance of its own (the Babbitt-Polson store is the only example of Art Deco in the District). The building is historically significant for its association with two early northern Arizona merchandising families. The Sultana is historically important because it served the citizens of Williams in many ways: it was a bar and restaurant to which the local people could go (as opposed to those on Saloon Row which were frequented by out-of-towners, and considered as "off limits" to some Williams townfolk), it contained the only theater, and for more than 40 years housed the city offices for Williams. Architecturally, the Sultana is one of the few examples of the early concrete block industry, and one of three examples of rusticated concrete block in the District. Its role in the entertainment and civic functions for the citizens of Williams makes it an important contributor to the history of that town.

ASSOCIATION WITH SIGNIFICANT INDIVIDUALS

Although Cormick E. Boyce may not have had the first store in Williams, he soon became one of the town's principal merchants and perhaps its most



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respected citizen. Boyce, who freighted for the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad when it was being built through the region may have arrived in Williams in 1881. In discussing the fire of 1884 the Arizona Champion said that one of Boyce's stores escaped damage but that he lost several other buildings. Indeed, while it may well be that Charles T. Rogers founded the town of Williams, it was Boyce who built it. By the middle of the 1880s, Boyce had already acquired considerable real estate and was recognized as a very successful merchant, and was prominent in the livestock industry. He had branch stores in the neighboring towns and ran cattle a few miles from Williams.

In 1887 Boyce was appointed postmaster of Williams. He served briefly on the town council the first time Williams was incorporated, in 1895. Appointed to the Coconino County Board of Supervisors when the County was established in 1891, he was elected to the position in the County's first election. In 1912 Boyce was elected to the Town Council of Williams. At one time he served as trustee for the school district.

Boyce had the following buildings erected within the District: The Cabinet Saloon (WMB-11, 1895), Williams Auto (WMB-21, 1912), the Duffy Brothers Grocery Store (WMB-40, 1912), The Grand Canyon Hotel (WMB-41, 1892), the Boyce Building/U.S. Post Office (WMB-43), the Boyce-Belgard Building (WMB-44, 1907). He died in Williams in 1929.

When Fred Harvey reached the United States from England in 1850 he began a career comparable to that of any hero of a Horatio Alger novel. In 1876, already a successful Kansas businessman 40 years of age, Harvey became restaurant and hotel concessionaire for the rapidly expanding Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad system. "Meals by Fred Harvey" became a prime drawing card, along with the famed "Harvey Girls" who served as waitresses, for Santa Fe passengers. Harvey Houses were placed a meal stop apart throughout the railroad system.

While Fred Harvey never lived in Williams, his impact on the town, and the District, was immeasurable. By 1887 he had begun to serve meals (Henderson 1969) from a railroad car stationed at the depot on the north side of the tracks, across from the downtown. In 1901 he began construction of a curio shop at the depot, and in 1908 opened to the public the Fray Marcos Hotel.

Harvey's fame might easily have rested upon his bringing good food and pretty girls to the American southwest, but his touch was felt in other ways: the merchandising of Indian arts and crafts, and the distinctive architecture of

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the Harvey Houses. Until the end of the 19th Century, the Harvey Houses were usually of frame construction and were built with economy and efficiency in mind. Ford Harvey assumed leadership of the company upon his father's death in 1901. Ford Harvey and the Santa Fe president, Edward P. Ripley, became interested in patterning new railroad accommodations after the indigenous Spanish colonial-Pueblo Indian style of architecture. Hence the Fray Marcos was originally designed in a Neo-Classic Mission Revival style (later additions included features which made it closer to Renaissance Revival). In 1902 the Fred Harvey Indian Department was formed and personalities within the system emerged to specifically handle this unusual adjunct. To the already famous Fred Harvey meals, the Harvey Girls, and the Harvey hospitality, was added the important (and profitable) collection and popularizing of native Indian crafts.

The Fred Harvey presence in Williams, in the form of the prestigious Fray Marcos, or in its simple box car-restaurant predecessors, was of tremendous importance to the development of the little town of Williams, Arizona.

Tom E. Pollock was one of the outstanding livestock and businessmen of northern Arizona. Born in Wisconsin in 1868 he came to Flagstaff, Arizona, in 1895 and at once began an extensive business career.

Noted for his ability to select and cooperate with associates he soon developed large sheep and cattle interests. These included the Three V Ranch north of Seligman, the Grand Canyon and Willaha sheep companies north of Williams, and ranches in Chino Valley, on Clear Creek, the White River, the area south of Flagstaff, and near Magdalena, New Mexico. In 1917 he established the Apache Lumber Co., and built the huge sawmill at McNary, Arizona, and the 72-mile railroad from the mill to Holbrook.

For a time he was president and principal owner of the Central Bank at Flagstaff, with branches at Kingman, Williams, Chloride, and McNary. He erected the large single-story native rock bank and business building on the northeast corner of Bill Williams Avenue and 3rd Street (WMB-27) and later the little, brick, Neo-Classical bank building on the northwest corner of Bill Williams Avenue and 2nd Street (WMB-23). Both buildings are important contributors to the Williams Historic Business District.

In addition to banking, lumbering, and ranching, Pollock held controlling interests in coal mines at Gallup, New Mexico, and in Alaska. He was on the original board of the State College (Northern Arizona University) at Flagstaff, and was a member of the State Fair Commission.

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SIGNIFICANCE

Tourism. The Williams Historic Business District is significant for its long time close association with the American development of tourism, which in turn became a principal local industry. The reasons for this were that the District straddled the Santa Fe Railroad and U.S. Highway 66, two significant national transportation arteries, and that it was located at the southern terminus of both rail and highway links to the world-famous tourist stop, the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

In the 1920s, as the result of urging by the National Old Trails Association, of which Williams was a member, a federal highway was established along the same general route that approximated the old Whipple wagon road. The new highway was federally supported and maintained. It passed through the center of the District. Certainly, hundreds of thousands of tourists, if not millions, have been funneled through the District along either U.S. 66 or the Santa Fe railroad.

The Williams to Grand Canyon Railroad, although originally designed to serve mining interests north of Williams, began (1901) carrying passengers to the Canyon. Several wagon or highway routes had already been in operation (Way 1969), and although the roads were well-nigh impassable during some winter months, by 1927 automobile travel to the Canyon surpassed rail travel in volume. In either event, the figures are staggering. In 1926, 65,501 persons reached the South Rim by rail, while automobile passengers totalled 100,179. By 1940 the figures were 41,630 by rail and 275,320! An additional 12,778 arrived by stage. (Statistics published by Fuchs 1955 as furnished by H. C. Bryant, Superintendent, Grand Canyon National Park.)

During the early part of the Century, accommodations for tourists were few in number. The principal hostelry was the Grand Canyon Hotel. Fred Harvey served meals in converted railroad cars sidelined at the depot at Williams. Later, the Harvey system began construction of a curio shop at the depot. It completed the El Tovar Hotel at the South Rim in 1905, and expanded the facilities at Williams, opening the Fray Marcos Hotel in 1908. Meanwhile, accommodations in the District continued to expand to meet the needs of increasing numbers of tourists. Within the District, in addition to the Fray Marcos and the Grand Canyon, are the Button Hotel (Mostly for more permanent residents), the Cottage (El Pinado) Hotel, and the rooms on the second floors of the Crowe-McCoy and the Tetzlaff Buildings.

Commerce. The Williams Historic Business District played a significant role in the historic business activities of the town of Williams and those of



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the surrounding ranching and lumber industries. It was, and is, the commercial core of the greater Williams area. As such it provided the maintenance and supply, financial, and logistic support needed to carry on the businesses of sheep and cattle raising, railroading, lumbering, and tourism.

Buildings along Bill Williams Avenue, such as the Babbitt-Polson store (WMB-28), Applegates clothing (WMB-35), the Duffy Brothers Grocery Store (WMB-40), the Boyce-Belgard Building (WMB-44), Rounseville's Drug Store (WMB-26), and the Red Cross Garage (WMB-25) supplied the needs of the citizens, local, and non-local, with essentials to work and make a living. Restaurants, like El Charro (WMB-18), the Windmill Cafe (WMB-29), and the Sultana Lounge (WMB-30), provided locals, and non-locals, a place to dine. Goods and equipment were stored in the metal-clad track warehouses (WMB-5, WMB-6, WMB-7), or were shipped in and out through the old freight depot (WMB-9). Banking and financial needs were first handled through Pollocks building (WMB-27), and later in the new Citizens Bank (WMB-23). Over the years a former restaurant became an office, the Citizens Bank is now a real estate office, and former offices have been made into restaurants. But they all served a purpose, vital and necessary to the functioning and operation of the businesses and industries of Williams and the surrounding area.

Architecture. The Williams Historic Business District is architecturally significant because it contains within its boundaries an important selection of late 19th and early 20th Century vernacular architecture, reflecting the tastes and life styles of the entire United States, and the frontier environment in which they were interpreted.

All of the buildings are two-story or less; most are single-story. The sizing and massing, combined with occasional use of native stone, give a warm, personable feeling to the District. Several of the buildings constitute outstanding examples of a particular architectural style: the Fray Marcos Hotel with its Renaissance Revival characteristics; the Cabinet Saloon and the Pollock Building of native dacite, examples of Romanesque Revival, and the Tetzlaff Building, a yellow brick interpretation of Richardsonian Romanesque. Most of the remaining are excellent examples, in a good state of preservation, of "Main Street" or Victorian Commercial business buildings.

Historical. The Williams Historic Business District is historically significant because of the role it played in the cycles of opening of the frontier west, from ranching to railroading to lumbering to tourism. It is a product of the Nation as its entire life has been spent straddling major rail and highway arteries. Its slogan today is "The Gateway to the Grand Canyon," and in truth its major role today is that of support for the tourist. Before this role, however, there were others, including location of section and

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division offices for the Santa Fe Railroad, focal point for sheep and cattle herding, and the site of the huge Saginaw and Manistee Lumber Mill.

Archaeological. In addition to the above merits, the District is likely to yield significant archaeological evidence important in the history of Williams and early railroad expansion. In the rear of most of the buildings, outhouses were dug. These are known from old newspaper accounts, some are noted on the Sanborn maps, and others figure in discussions with old timers. In the fronts and rears of some buildings, cisterns were dug.

One important potential archaeological site is the parking lot surrounding the Circle K. This area apparently housed the Max Salzman store, a large business which burned to the ground in 1901, and when rebuilt on the same scale, burned again in 1903. Its basement was filled in with rubble from burned-out buildings.

Finally, there were many more buildings associated with railroad activities within the boundaries of the District. These were located primarily between the Fray Marcos Hotel (WMB-3, ca. 1901) and the Freight Depot (WMB-9, 1901).

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Williams Historic Business District  
Coconino County  
ARIZONA

Working No. NOV 21 1984  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86  
Date Due: 12/20/84 - 1/5/85  
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12-20-84  
☐ RETURN  
☐ REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

- ☐ 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

- |                                    |                                       |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good      | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair      | <input type="checkbox"/> 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

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet*

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Williams Historic Business District

Coconino County, ARIZONA

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION APPROVAL

Keeper

*Amy Schlager Federman*  
8/29/89

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: Williams Historic Business District

MULTIPLE  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: ARIZONA, Coconino

DATE RECEIVED: 7/18/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST:  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/01/89  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 84000436

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL:	N	DATA PROBLEM:	N	LANDSCAPE:	N	LESS THAN 50 YEARS:	N
OTHER:	Y	PDIL:	N	PERIOD:	N	PROGRAM UNAPPROVED:	N
REQUEST:	N	SAMPLE:	N	SLR DRAFT:	N	NATIONAL:	N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 8/30/89 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept  
REVIEWER Archangel Federman  
DISCIPLINE Architect Hist  
DATE 8/30/89

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



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CLASSIFICATION

☐ count      ☐ resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

☐ historic      ☐ current

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DESCRIPTION

☐ architectural classification  
☐ materials  
☐ descriptive text

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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

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☐ acreage      ☐ verbal boundary description  
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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

☐ sketch maps      ☐ USGS maps      ☐ photographs      ☐ presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_



WMB-23, WMB-24, WMB-24, WMB-25  
WMB-27

Williams, AZ

Photo by: Charles Hoffman

Date: 9/82

Negative: Historic Preservation  
Lab, Anthro Dept, NAU, Flagstaff

Looking northwest: 1 of 6





Streetscape along Bill Williams  
Ave.

Williams, AZ

Photo by: Charles Hoffman

Date: 9/82

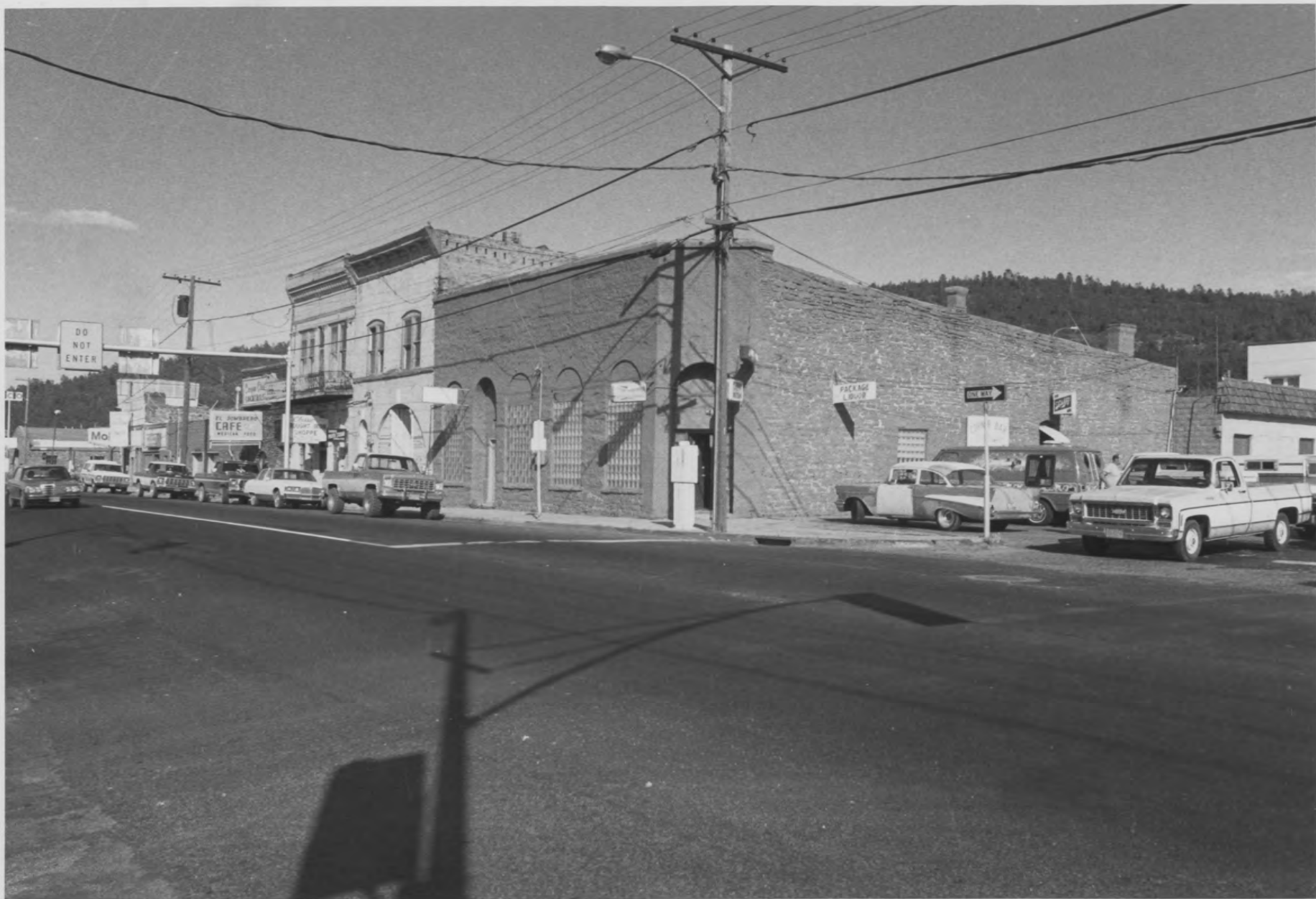
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Looking northeast; 3 of 6



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Looking southeast: 4 Of 6

*scene*





Survey of Williams, AZ

Dr. Charles A. Hoffman

Date: *Fall, 1983*

Negative at:

State Historic Preservation Office

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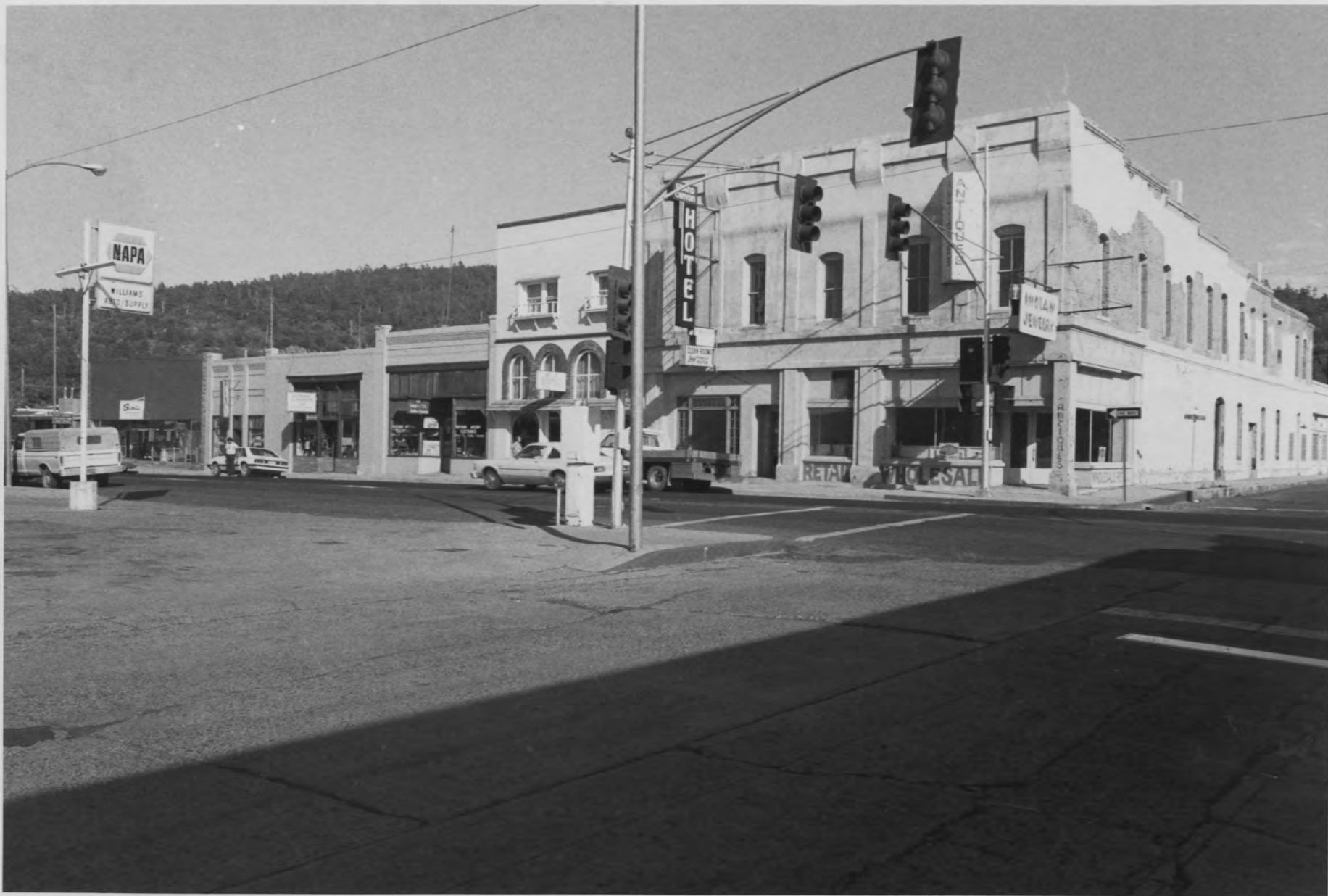
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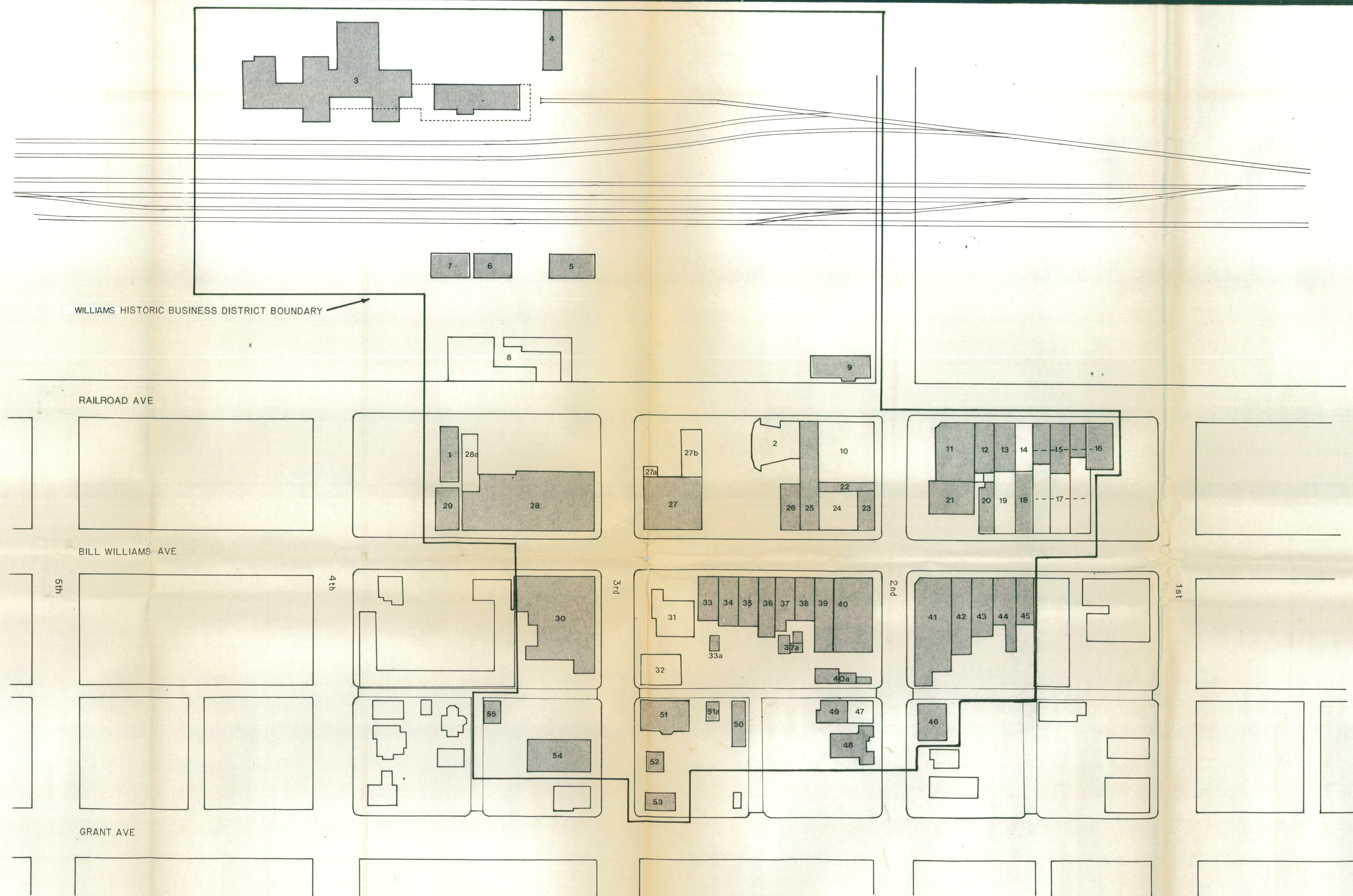




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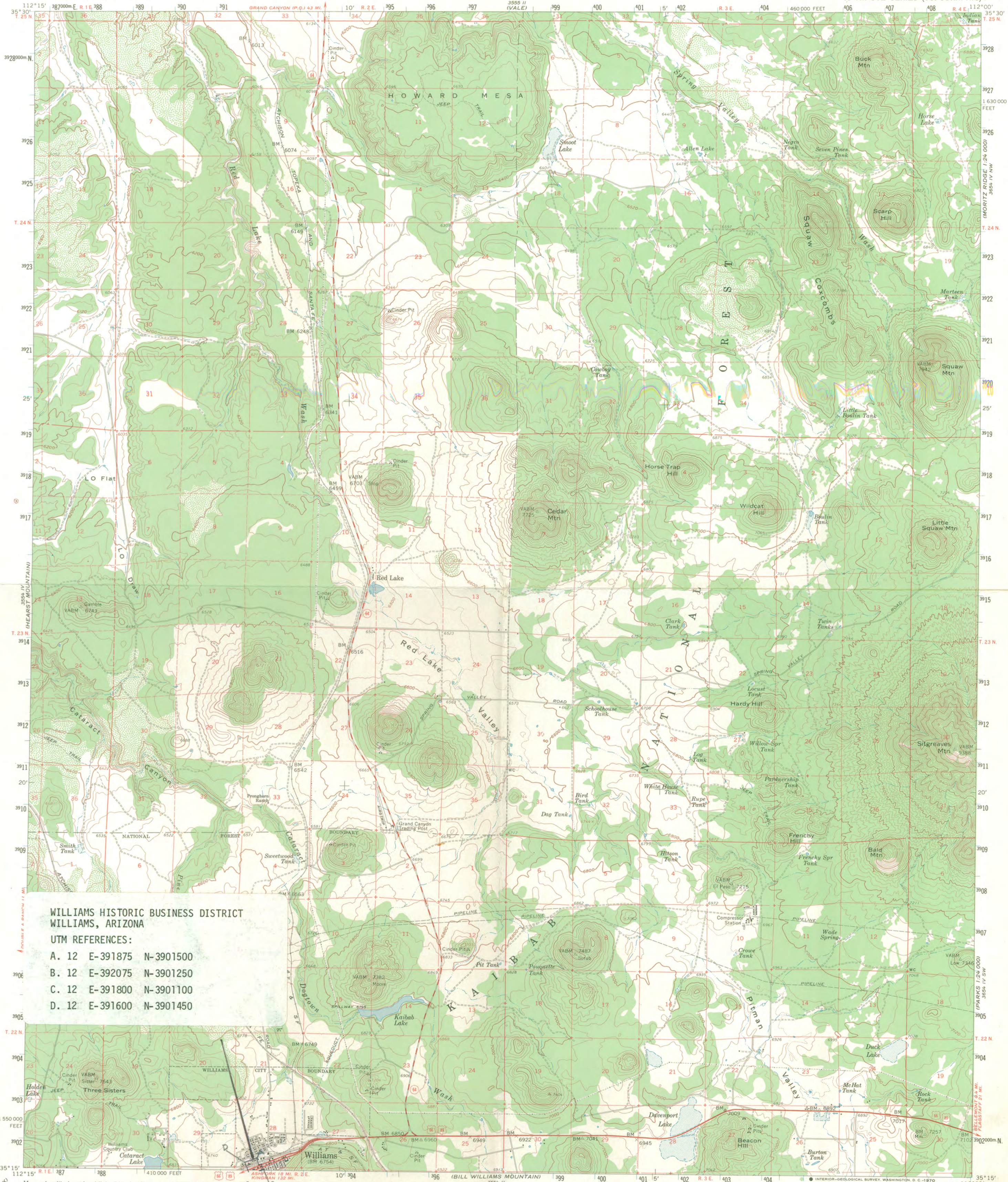
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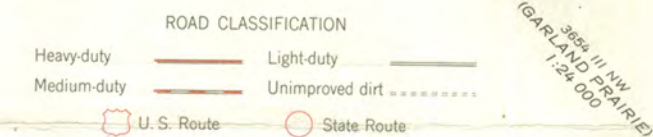
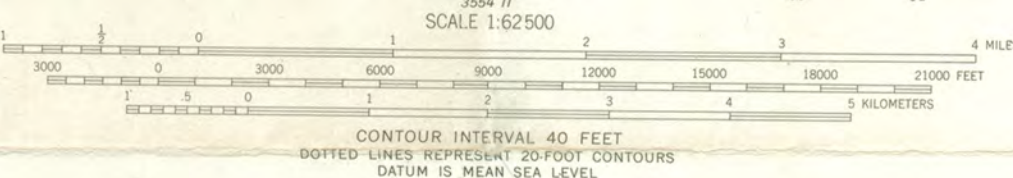


WILLIAMS HISTORIC BUSINESS DISTRICT  
WILLIAMS, ARIZONA

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Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. *Carol* Shull:

I am pleased to submit a National Register of Historic Places nomination for the Williams Historic Business District in Williams, Arizona. Individual inventory forms for all properties are included, as well as representative photographs. A district map is also enclosed.

This nomination is the result of a 1983 Survey and Planning grant and enjoys strong community support.

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Donna J. Schober  
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures



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July 12, 1989

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## Re: National Register Delistings

Dear Ms. Shull:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 60.15, and upon recommendation by the Historic Sites Review Committee, I am petitioning for the removal of the following properties from the National Register of Historic Places for the reasons cited:

Property Name	Location	Reason to Delist
<u>(Maricopa County)</u>		
ROSE MOFFORD GOVERNOR Montgomery Stadium (Phoenix Union High School District, East Campus)	between Fillmore & Polk Sts., on 7th St. Phoenix, AZ	Demolished
STATE PARKS BOARD MEMBERS Concrete block house (Roosevelt Historic District)	618-620 N. 4th Ave. Phoenix, AZ	"
JONI BOSH CHAIR PHOENIX Double Roof Cottage (Roosevelt Historic District)	610 W. McKinley Phoenix, AZ	"
WILLIAM G. ROE VICE CHAIR TUCSON Patio Royale Apartments. (Roosevelt Historic District)	75 W. Portland Phoenix, AZ	"
RONALD PIES SECRETARY TEMPE Thayer House (Roosevelt Historic District)	60 W. Portland Phoenix, AZ	"
ELIZABETH A. DRAKE PHOENIX Bankhead Highway (Tempe MRA)	Old 8th Street, Rural to Hayden Tempe, AZ	"
DEAN M. FLAKE SNOWFLAKE Ellingson Warehouse (Tempe MRA)	24 W. 7th Tempe, AZ	"
DUANE MILLER SEDONA Joseph E. Johnson House (Tempe MRA)	720 Mill Ave. Tempe, AZ	"
M. JEAN HASSELL STATE LAND COMMISSIONER Steward House (Tempe MRA)	612 Maple Tempe, AZ	"
KENNETH E. TRAVOUS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Sampson House (Tempe MRA)	109 W. 6th St. Tempe, AZ	Moved/Altered

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(Coconino County)

✓ Santa Fe RR Co. Employee's House (Williams Business Historic Dist.)	Franklin St. Williams, AZ	Demolished
✓ Warehouse (invent. #WMB-6) (Williams Business Historic Dist.)	Between RR tracks & Grand Canyon Ave. Williams, AZ	"
✓ Warehouse (invent. #WMB-7) (Williams Business Historic Dist.)	Between RR tracks & Grand Canyon Ave. Williams, AZ	"
H. D. Ross House (Flagstaff MRA)	421 N. Humphreys Flagstaff, AZ	"
E. M. Doe House (Flagstaff MRA)	405 N. Beaver Flagstaff, AZ	"

(Santa Cruz County)

Masonic Temple (Crawford Hill Historic District)	212 Terrace Nogales, AZ	"
International Sanitarium (St. Joseph's Hospital) (Crawford Hill Historic District)	144 Sonoita Nogales, AZ	"
St. Joseph's Hospital Addition (Crawford Hill Historic District)	155 West Nogales, AZ	"

The owners of the above properties (as well as city officials) have been notified of our intent to petition to delist these properties from the National Register on the grounds that they have been demolished or otherwise cease to meet the criteria for listing. Our office has received no written objections from owners or officials.

We look forward to your response regarding the status of these properties.

Sincerely,



Shereen Lerner, Ph.D.  
State Historic Preservation Officer





July 19, 1989

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U. S. Department of the Interior  
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Re: National Register Delistings or Nomination Amendments

Dear Ms. Shull:

This letter is to confirm today's phone conversation between Amy Schlager of your office and Kathy McKoy of this office regarding my request for delistings of National Register properties in Arizona which no longer meet the criteria for listing. We are in agreement with the decision to delist only those which are individually listed on the National Register (ie., those nominated as part of the Tempe and Flagstaff MRAs). With regard to those properties which belong to designated historic districts, their demolition will only result in a change in the count of contributors within the district(s) and in an amendment being added to the districts' files regarding the demolition of properties and changed contributor count.

With regard to the Sampson House in Tempe, which was moved and altered, I am providing additional documentation to substantiate our concern that the building experienced significant loss of integrity of original design and materials subsequent to its relocation. Enclosed find an architect's sketch of the side and front elevations of the house. The top sketch indicates the building's original state; the lower one shows what changes have been made. These alterations resulted in the substantial loss of original historic materials with the addition of inappropriate changes not based on historic precedent. These modifications include the destruction of two additions built during the historic period; removal of the original porch and replacement with one of very different design; removal of original windows (and, in two cases, substitution with French doors); addition of a chimney, etc. Our Historic Sites Review Committee concurred that loss of integrity was their primary reason for recommending to delist this property. I concur with their opinion that the house no longer conveys its original appearance nor possesses the qualities for which it was originally listed on the National Register.

If you have any further questions regarding these properties, please do not hesitate to call me or Kathy McKoy.

Sincerely,

Shereen Lerner, Ph. D.  
State Historic Preservation Officer

enclosure

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# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Fray Marcos Hotel		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-3	
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Fray Marcos Hotel		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams		
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Fronting Franklin Ave.		CURRENT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPH		
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 200-10-001D			
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe Railway Co.	PHONE			
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.				
CITY/TOWN Los Angeles,	STATE Calif.			ZIP 90040
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman	DATE Aug 1983			
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU	PHONE 523-3180			
CITY/TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ			ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan	DATE Dec 1982			
VIEW Looking northwest				
HISTORIC USE Hotel				
PRESENT USE Vacant, offices	ACREAGE			
ARCHITECT/BUILDER FRANCIS W. WILSON A. T. & Santa Fe Railroad Co.				
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1908, 1923				

## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Fray Marcos Hotel is a rambling one and two-story reinforced concrete hotel facing south toward the Santa Fe Railroad tracks and the main part of the town. Originally designed in Mission Revival, it was added to several times between 1901 and 1923. When it closed (ca. 1967) it had more of a Renaissance Revival appearance. Its Tuscan colonnade entry is still standing. Italianate molded frames surround many of the windows, some of which are lattice type. Bracketed flat hood mouldings over some of the windows are still in place. Round and square Doric order columns clustered in fours support the single-story roof corners. The main entry (south side) is crowned with a segmented arch in front of a double transom. The ground outside the building is paved in glazed brick (ca. 1903). The interior has suffered from lack of maintenance, removal of original hardware and slight modifications for other uses. The balconies are gone and the balustraded parapets have been filled in on the roof line. Despite these changes the building still possesses its original style and a high level of integrity.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Fray Marcos Hotel is one of the most historically significant buildings in the District because of its long term status as a "Harvey House" and its association with the Santa Fe Railway Co. on its main east-west line to California. It also served the passenger railway business during its heyday when the Grand Canyon was a prime attraction and travel was by rail. Its initial construction began in 1901 when a small curio shop was erected. It was added to for the next 20 years, producing one of the few good examples of Renaissance Revival buildings in Arizona. Its present condition shows a lack of maintenance, but most of the building appears intact and many of the architectural details remain which is its primary architectural contribution to the district.

Many prominent Americans of the time stayed here including Franklin D. Roosevelt on one of his trips. The historical association and architectural integrity of this building make it an important contribution to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Par 600 ft by 345 ft. fronting Franklin Ave and Second St.  
Sec 28, T22N R2E

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Santa Fe RR Co. Employee's House		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-4
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Santa Fe. RR Co. Employee's House		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Franklin St.		CURRENT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPH	
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 200-10-001		
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka & Santa Railway Co.	PHONE		
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.			
CITY,TOWN Los Angeles,	STATE Calif.	ZIP 90040	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Charles Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking north			
HISTORIC USE Residence			
PRESENT USE Residence		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Santa Fe Railway Co.			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1892			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This one-story residence faces onto Franklin Ave. east of the Fray Marcos Hotel. It is of shiplap construction with the entrance on the gable end. An enclosed porch is across the front gable end and an added on addition to the rear. There are three brick chimneys in the center of the house. The windows are one-on-two and there are three on each side of the house.

Although the house is in need of maintenance and the yellow paint is wearing off, the building still possesses the integrity of its 1892 construction date.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building's historical significance is its association with the Santa Fe Railway Co. as one of four which originally were located to the east of the Fray Marcos Hotel along Franklin Ave. It provided housing for supervisory personnel of the Santa Fe Railway. It is architecturally significant for its shiplap construction and style which represented company housing throughout the railroad communities. It is an important part of the District despite its poor condition due to lack of maintenance.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn maps, 1892, 1898, 1901, 1910  
Vera Black (personal communication, 1983)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Sec. 33, T22N, R2E, Fronting on Franklin St.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe Freight Depot		COUNTY Cochise	INVENTORY NO. WMB-9
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Freight Depot		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Grand Canyon Ave and Second St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 200-10-001	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe Railway Co.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.			
CITY,TOWN Los Angeles,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 90040
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & R. Ryan		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking northeast			
HISTORIC USE Freight weight station			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER A. T. & Santa Fe Railway Co./M. J. Kennedy			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1901			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

On the northwest corner of 2nd St. and Railroad Ave., the Santa Fe Freight Weight Station is a one-story stuccoed brick building, rectangular in plan, with truncated hip roof. A concrete loading platform runs the entire length of the north side. Red sandstone rock lintels support the window lintels, both doors and lintels are topped with segmental arches. A bay window is on the south east part of the building. The interior, made of wood planks, is divided into two large sections. There is still some original weighing equipment in the building. Despite the vacant and vandalized condition of the building, and the boarded broken out windows, the building still retains its high level of integrity.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The building is historically significant for its association with the Santa Fe railroad industry in Williams. When originally constructed it served also as a ticket depot, hence the bay window on the south side where the ticket agent sat. It has served primarily as a freight weight station. According to some sources, this structure may have been moved from its original location north of the tracks sometime around 1914. Architecturally, it still retains its high level of integrity and despite vandalism and lack of maintenance, it is a viable structure.

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Sanborn maps - 1901, 1910

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Sec. 28, T22N, R2E. Northwest corner of Grand Canyon Ave. and Second St.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME White's Garage		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-10
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Kentucky Fried Chicken		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 112 N. Second St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-003	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Thomas Bowden, Jr.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX General Delivery			
CITY,TOWN Prescott Valley, AZ		STATE AZ	
ZIP 86312			
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff, AZ		STATE AZ	
ZIP 86011			
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking southwest			
HISTORIC USE Automobile garage			
PRESENT USE Restaurant, garage		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1917 1935, ca. 1945			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant is one of three businesses located in this large reinforced concrete building. There are three large storefront plate glass windows and two single door entrances on the east side. Facing the north side, there remains a large garage entrance and windows. Three other windows on the north side are filled in. The interior has been converted into restaurants using modern materials. Because of a number of fires and explosions the building lost most of its original construction materials, the building has lost its integrity.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This site served the Williams area as a garage but due to explosions and fires underwent extensive architectural modifications and extensive rebuilding. It served as a garage until after WWII when it went through a number of uses before becoming a fast food store. Because of its extensive rebuildings, this property is considered a non-contributor to the District.

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Miles Cureton (personal communication, 1982)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 1, 2, 3, Exc Sly 66', Blk 3

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Cabinet Saloon		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-11
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Corner Bar		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 141 W. Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-008	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Joseph & Virginia Rogers		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX General Delivery			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & P. Blystone		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Charles Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking southeast			
HISTORIC USE Saloon, restaurant, gambling			
PRESENT USE Saloon, billiard hall		ACREAGE Less/ac	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1895			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a one-story sloping roof structure built of locally quarried dacite with brick trim around the eaves and brick rounded arches over the windows and original side and corner entries. The north wall has five dark brown painted arches of dacite over four glass block windows and a door. The original windows were modified with brick and block glass in 1960. The building is 94' by 28.3'.

The interior is made up of two large rooms. One room contains the tavern, the other is vacant. The vacant room has an original pressed metal ceiling in very good condition. The walls are plastered and sided with vertical wooden planks. The floor is wood, covered with linolium in places. The occupied tavern has a dropped ceiling and the bar is along the east wall.

This building has great potential for reversing the window infill which would make it one of the oldest and most original buildings in the District.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Cabinet Saloon is historically significant for its association with Cormick E. Boyce one of the first prominent citizens of Williams, who had this building constructed sometime around 1895. It survived all the major fires which plagued Williams in the 1890s and early 1900s. The saloon was the first of many along Railroad Ave. to serve the many railroad and lumbering people who frequented this area.

It is architecturally significant as one of the oldest extant buildings in the District and embodies the use of locally available materials (dacite) and its use of imported materials (ceiling) which was evidence of the influence of the railroad. Despite the loss of the windows, the building could be restored to its original condition.

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Sanborn maps - 1892, 1898, 1910

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., North 75' of Lots 10, 11, 12, Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Tetzlaff Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-12
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Tetzlaff Building		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-007A	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Thomas Bowden, Jr. & John Holst		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 95			
CITY,TOWN Williams,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & J. O'Brien		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Saloon - rooming house			
PRESENT USE Commercial - Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER August Tetzlaff			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1897			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This late Nineteenth Century commercial building, with its elaborate metal cornice and keystone arched entrances is a Victorian Romanesque styled structure made from buff brick with sandstone belt courses. The unusual asymmetrically placed arch with "Tetzlaff 1897" engraved in the keystone is an important feature of the building. The recessed entry is flanked by wood pilasters with sculpted bases and capitals. The two-story rectangular building has stepped parapets on the sides and four sky lights on the western side of the roof. The double windows on the second story are symmetrically placed with scroll-like decorated segmented arches above them.

*Correct* (The tongue and groove wood ceiling on the first floor, which is essentially one large room with hardwood floors, original wainscoting, doors and woodwork. A small arched opening leads to the second floor which is divided into many small rooms or "cribs".

This building possesses a high level of physical integrity despite neglect over the past 20 years.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is an outstanding local example of turn-of-the century architecture. The details such as the keystones, foliated scrollwork above the windows and the elaborate cornice which was put on in 1901 distinguish this building as an important architectural contributor to the District.

This property was owned by August Tetzlaff who had the structure built. He was a leading merchant and tailor in the community during this time. This building is credited with stopping the fire in 1901. The structure has been a saloon and brothel in the early days of its existence and has also served as a restaurant and home supply store. It was a favorite gathering place for the lumberjacks and railroad men in the early history of Williams.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn map - 1898

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., North 71' of Lot 9, Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

This building is now under rehabilitation and may in the future house a restaurant and offices.

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Crowe-McCoy Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-13
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Fashion Apartments		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 125 Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-006	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frances Woodward		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 80816			
CITY,TOWN San Diego,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 92138
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & M. Warner		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Saloon and brothel			
PRESENT USE Storage & apartments		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER A.H. Harrell			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1903			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This two-story early Twentieth Century commercial building is constructed of brick and is rectangular in shape. There is a full one-story storefront with a double door center entranceway flanked on each side with 4 large 4 light transoms and a transom above the door. The entire upper story is classically designed pressed metal with cornice and a wrought iron balcony. A single doorway is flanked by two double hung one-on-one windows on each side.

This building has a high level of integrity and represents an unusual style for the Williams business district.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building has been in use as a saloon and "rooms to rent" and restaurant until about 1947 when it was used as apartments. It is historically significant as one of the original buildings which serviced the lumbering, railroad and ranching community. This building is architecturally significant for its elaborate pressed metal front which is unique in northern Arizona and it is a locally rare example of early Twentieth Century architecture.

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Ralph Larson (personal communication, 1982)  
Thomas Way, Sr. (personal communication, 1982)  
Thomas Way, Jr. (personal communication, 1982)  
John Sutterland (personal communication, 1982)  
Williams News. Mar. 14, 1903, Col. 3, pg. 3.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Northern 60' of Lot 8, Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial businesses		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-15a,b,c
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Bowden-Railroad Ave. Buildings		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 113 Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-003,4	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Thomas T. Bowden, Jr.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX General Delivery			
CITY,TOWN Prescott Valley, AZ		STATE AZ	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff, AZ		STATE AZ	
ZIP 86011		DATE Sep 1983	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking southwest			
HISTORIC USE Saloon, warehouse			
PRESENT USE Mechanic shop, storage		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER T.T. Bowden			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910 / 1947			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

These were originally 3 separate commercial buildings, 2 stone and 1 brick. Today there is a common facade of stone and pressed metal for the two one-story westerly buildings which also exhibit garage entrances. There is a low horizontal pressed metal parapet which hides a common roof over all three properties. The third property has a modern slump block and glass block facade. One interior has a recycled pressed metal ceiling. Some original walls may be in place, but due to the extensive modifications, these properties have lost their architectural integrity.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

When Thomas Bowden constructed the three buildings to the south, he removed 6-8 ft off the top of the three buildings behind them and put a common roof and different facade on the original buildings. How much of the original walls remain could not be determined, although a few were thought to still be in place. These structures are now tied into the buildings on Bill Williams Ave. Because of the extensive modifications, all architectural integrity has been lost.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Thomas T. Bowden, Jr. (personal communication, 1983)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Lots 4,5,6, Blk 2.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME El Charro (storage and garage area)		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-14
COMMON PROPERTY NAME El Sombrero		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 126 W. Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-005	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Mary C. Gonzalez		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 44			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE General Store			
PRESENT USE Restaurant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1910/ Early 1950s			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This rectangular stone building has a narrow hall on the west side which leads to the bar and dance area. The facade is faced with flagstone that is placed in a horizontal position. An eight ft. parapet constructed of old bricks painted a dark red supports the large sign on the front of the building. Bricks placed end to end on the top portion of the parapet portray a dentil effect. A large oculus window five ft. in diameter is centrally located on the north wall of the restaurant. The window is supported by a wooden frame (pre-soaked in a local pond) which enabled the contractor to shape and bend the wood. This modification to the facade was done in the early 1950s. The extensive modifications prevent this building from being a contribution to the District.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Jesus M. Bustillos and Pedro Garcia constructed a building on the south end of Lot 7, Blk 2 and in the process greatly modified this already standing building so that it could serve as a kitchen, storage and garage for the El Charro restaurant. Because of the loss of architectural integrity, this building is considered a non-contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Angie Martinez (personal communication, 1982)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Lot 7, Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME	
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Lumber company businesses	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 301 W. Grand Canyon Ave.	
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 200-10-001
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co.	PHONE
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.	
CITY,TOWN Los Angeles,	STATE Calif.
ZIP 90040	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman	DATE Sep 1983
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU	PHONE 523-3180
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ
ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman	DATE Sep 1983
VIEW Looking northwest	
HISTORIC USE	
PRESENT USE Lumber company	ACREAGE Less/acre
ARCHITECT/BUILDER	
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1940s	

COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-8
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QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.
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## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a complex of buildings constructed from simulated log siding. One building is a retail store with storefront plate glass windows and a double door entry. The other buildings are warehouses. The late construction of this building does not allow for it to be considered a contributor.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

These buildings were constructed on Santa Fe property sometime during the 1940s. Due to their late construction period and lack of historical association, these buildings are not considered to be contributors to the District although they lie within the boundaries.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Sanborn maps, 1931-43 updates

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

T22N, R2E, Sec 33, Fronting on Grand Canyon Ave.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Maggie Torrez' Restaurant		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-16
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Covered Wagon Curios		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO 201-08-002	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Margaret & Remegio C. Torrez		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 13027 Kagel Canyon St.			
CITY,TOWN Pocoloma,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 91331
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Saloon, Restaurant			
PRESENT USE Storage		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is an early Twentieth Century commercial rock structure with a brick facade. The brick parapet has a dentil effect. The central entry is flanked by 2 storefront windows. The facade has been covered with flagstone and above the door and windows covered with boards.

Although the integrity of the building has been retained, it is in need of maintenance and repair.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is historically significant as one of the original buildings along Railroad Ave. which served as a saloon and restaurant for many years. During the 1920s and 1930s, Maggie Torrez ran a restaurant which was well liked by the local townspeople. The facade modifications were probably made at this time.

Architecturally, the building still retains its original characteristics although it is in poor condition and needs repairs. It is a good example of early Twentieth Century commercial architecture and is contributive to the District.

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Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Lot 3, exc. the E 22' of S 75',  
Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Warehouse		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-6
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Warehouse		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Between tracks & Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 200-10-001	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe Railway Co.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.			
CITY, TOWN Los Angeles,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 90040
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking northeast			
HISTORIC USE Warehouse			
PRESENT USE Warehouse		ACREAGE	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

A rectangular plan post and beam structure with gabled roof, both roof and sides covered with corrugated sheet metal.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This is one of three remaining track warehouses located next to the tracks which was used by businesses in Williams for shipping and receiving of goods when the Santa Fe Railroad was the main transporter of goods to Williams.

This building is part of the railroad complex and is a contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Sec. 33, T22N R2E. Located between the Santa Fe tracks and Grand Canyon Ave. between Second and Third Streets.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Warehouse		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-7
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Warehouse		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Between tracks & Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-10-001	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe Railway Co.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.			
CITY,TOWN Los Angeles, Calif.		STATE ZIP 90040	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff, AZ		STATE ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking southwest			
HISTORIC USE Warehouse			
PRESENT USE Warehouse		ACREAGE	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Post and beam rectangular plan structure covered with corrugated sheet metal. Gabled roof.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This is one of three remaining track warehouses located next to the tracks which was used by businesses in Williams for shipping and receiving of goods when the Santa Fe Railroad was the main transporter of goods to Williams.

This building, which is a part of the railroading complex, is a contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn Insurance map - 1910

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Sec. 33, T22N R2E. Located between the Santa Fe tracks and Grand Canyon Ave. between Second and Third Streets.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Torrez House		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-1
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Torrez House		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 325 W. Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-06-004	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frank & Carmen Pulaski		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 417 E. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Allan Rekward		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Rooming house			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/ac	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Torrez House is a one and two-story structure facing north onto Railroad Ave. between 3rd and 4th Streets. The first story is of stuccoed brick construction, the smaller, centrally located, second story, of wood frame. Plain, metal sidings cover the second story walls. Both first and second story have truncated hip roofs covered with asbestos shingling. There is a central single door entry with transom and one-on-one windows are on either side of the door. Segmental arches are over the windows and scrolled brackets are visible above the door and in the eaves of the second story.

The interior is divided into rooms, but has been used for storage and is in need of maintenance. The overall integrity of the building is still evident and is the only architecture of its kind in the District.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Torrez House was built before 1910. It served as an important rooming house for tourists and railroad workers. The Torrez' owned several businesses in the District, including the adjacent Windmill Cafe.

It is architecturally significant as an extant residential rooming facility, the only property of this type in the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn map-1910  
Frank and Carmen Pulaski (personal communication, 1982)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, W 2.5' Lot 7, Lot 8, E 7.5' Lot 9, Blk 4

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Site of Ford garage		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-2
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Circle K Food Store		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 222 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-006	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Brackin, Inc.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P.O. Box 20230			
CITY,TOWN Phoenix,		STATE AZ	ZIP 85036
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200      NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking east			
HISTORIC USE Site of automobile business			
PRESENT USE Convenience store		ACREAGE	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1972			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a modern Circle K store with parking lot and gas pumps which extends from Bill Williams Ave. to Grand Canyon Ave. The store does not face either street.



# STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is too recent and does not contribute to the District.

## SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office

## GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Nly 76.35' Lot 5, Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, Blk 3, Williams Townsite

## GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Babbitt-Polson Co. Track Warehouse		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-5
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Babbitt-Polson Co. Track Warehouse		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Between tracks and Grand Canyon Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 200-10-001	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co.		PHONE Fe	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5200 E. Sheila St.			
CITY,TOWN Los Angeles,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 90040
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking northwest			
HISTORIC USE Warehouse			
PRESENT USE Warehouse		ACREAGE Less/ac	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Polson Brothers			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1901			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Babbitt-Polson track warehouse is a rectangular plan, gable roof, post and beam structure covered with corrugated sheet metal. Its wooden floor and walls are made of 4 x 12 and 4 x 10 inch boards. Names of a number of early Williams residents have been written on the interior walls. An advertising sign for the Babbitt-Polson Co. has been painted on the east gable end 70-80 years ago.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Babbitt-Polson Track Warehouse dates from 1901, originally a part of the Polson Brothers Trading Company. After the Polson Bros. store burned down in 1901 it was temporarily used as the store until a new one in town could be re-built. Its association with the Babbitt Bros. Trading Co., a major mercantile business in Northern Arizona, makes this building a historical contributor to the District. The sign on the east gable is the only indicator of this association remaining in Williams today.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office

Sanborn map - 1901

Williams News, July 13, 1901, col. 2 pg. 1

James Babbitt, Babbitt Bros. Trading Co. (personal communication, 1983)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Sec. 33, T22N R2E. Located between the Santa Fe tracks and Grand Canyon Ave. near Third St.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME		COUNTY	INVENTORY NO.
Bowden Building		Coconino	WMB-17
COMMON PROPERTY NAME		QUAD/COUNTY MAP	
114, 118, 124 W. Bill Williams Ave.		Williams	
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO.		
Williams, AZ	201-08-003,4		
OWNER OF PROPERTY	PHONE		
Thomas T. Bowden, Jr.			
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX			
General Delivery			
CITY, TOWN	STATE	ZIP	
Prescott Valley	AZ	86312	
FORM PREPARED BY		DATE	
C.A. Hoffman		Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX		PHONE	
Box 15200 NAU		523-3180	
CITY, TOWN	STATE	ZIP	
Flagstaff,	AZ	86011	
PHOTO BY		DATE	
Nancy Hoffman		Sep 1983	
VIEW			
Looking northeast			
HISTORIC USE			
Commercial			
PRESENT USE		ACREAGE	
Vacant, commercial		Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
Thomas T. Bowden, Sr.			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES			
1946-47			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a two-story stone building constructed with recycled materials, with a flagstone front section. Three storefronts with recessed central entries flanked by plate glass windows make up the first floor. Symmetrical casement windows are above each of the 3 units. A stairway entrance is between the two eastern units, which leads to the apartments on the second floor. The eastern most stone wall may be an original from an earlier building.

The buildings late construction date make them a non-contributor to the District.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This buildings was constructed by Thomas Bowden after WWII from recycled materials from the old hospital building. They are attached to three buildings on Railroad Ave.

Because of its recent construction date, this building is considered a non-contributor.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Don Massey (personal communication, 1983)  
Thomas Bowden, Jr. (personal communication, 1983)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Scott Add., Lots 4, 5, 6 in Blk 2.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME El Charro Restaurant		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-18
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Canyon Club		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 132 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-005	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Mary Gonzalez		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 44			
CITY, TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & J. Andrews		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking north			
HISTORIC USE Bar/restaurant			
PRESENT USE Bar		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Jesus M. Bustillos			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1932/ 1945			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a rectangular one story building. Exterior features include two panels of board and batten, a row of flagstone slabs on the lower portion of the front, a panel of opaque glass blocks which provide a rounded corner at the entry, and a row of carrara glass. Topping the carrara glass is a parapet wall composed of horizontally placed buff colored bricks. The top row of bricks are laid in an open-end position giving a dentil effect. The interior is one large open room with bar and dance floor area. The integrity of this building is consistent with the time period of its construction and contributes to the District architecturally.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The building was constructed by Jesus Bustillos and Pedro Garcia in 1932. The El Charro Restaurant was operated from here until 1949 when it became the Canyon Club. It was one of the tourist related buildings in the District and provided a gathering place for local ranch workers during the Thirties and Forties. Architecturally, this building contributes to the historic district with its form, scale and use of materials and at the same time represents a later time period in the history of Williams.

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Manuel Luna (personal communication, 1982)  
Mrs. Luna (personal communication, 1982)  
Mrs. Angie Martinez (personal communication, 1982)  
Mr. H. Gonzalez (personal communication, 1982)  
Sanborn maps (undated working copies)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Southern portion of Lot 7, Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Shen's Photos/Fashion Apartments		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-19
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Shen's Photos		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 130 Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-006	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frances Woodward		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 80816			
CITY,TOWN San Diego,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 92138
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & M. Warner		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking north			
HISTORIC USE Apartments and business			
PRESENT USE Apartments		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Thomas Bowden			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1947			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a two story building, rectangular plan, which was built onto the Crowe-McCoy Building (WMB-82025) to the north. The second floor is made up of apartments and the first floor is a storefront. The building was constructed from salvaged materials with a locally quarried flagstone front. The storefront is a recessed central entry flanked by two plate glass windows. A door on the west side leads to the apartments on the second story where there are two casement windows. The interior has a pressed metal ceiling which was removed from another building and installed there.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building was constructed from recycled materials by Thomas Bowden, Sr. in 1947. A photo shop occupied the storefront for thirty years.

This structure contributes to the District in both scale and the use of local materials, but because it is less than fifty years old, it is a non-contributor to the District.

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Ralph Larson (personal communication, 1982)  
Thomas Way, Sr. (personal communication, 1982)  
Thomas Way, Jr. (personal communication, 1982)  
Sanborn maps (undated working Sanborn)  
Thomas Bowden, Jr. (personal communication, 1983)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Southern 82 ft. of Lot 8, Blk 2.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Tailor shop		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-20
COMMON PROPERTY NAME KBWA Radio		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 138 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-007B	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Dr. Stanley Soho		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 57100			
CITY,TOWN Los Angeles,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 90057
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Richard Parker		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking northeast			
HISTORIC USE Tailor shop, tavern			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910/ 1945			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a stone, one-story, rectangular plan building which faces south on Bill Williams Ave. It is covered with stucco and has a stepped parapet on the west side and an irregular parapet on the front facade. This has red roofing tile in places for decorative purposes. The asymmetrical entrance is recessed and flagstone covers the facade around the double storefront windows. There is a rear addition of brick constructed sometime during the 1920s.

The interior has been modified but the architectural integrity of this building is still retained.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is believed to be the tailor shop of August Tetzlaff constructed sometime between 1901 and 1910. It has since been a second-hand store, restaurant and tavern before becoming a radio station. Today it is vacant.

The building's early construction date and association with one of the early merchants in Williams makes this a historical contribution to the District. Although modified, the original architectural integrity of the building remains and is a contributor to the District.

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Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's and Recorder's Offices  
Sanborn maps, 1910, (undated working copies)  
Dennis Wells (personal communication, 1982)  
Thomas Way, Jr. (personal communication, 1982)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., South 71' X 25' Lot 9, Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Boyce Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-21
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Williams Auto Supply		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 144 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-009	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Henson, Clifton & Ella		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 511 S. 7th St.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking east			
HISTORIC USE Professional offices			
PRESENT USE Auto supply store		ACREAGE Less/acr	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1912/ 1940			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Boyce Building is a one-story, rusticated, concrete block structure measuring 56' X 42'. The exterior west wall was the original building front, having three large four-pane, wood sash windows, each with an adjoining doorway. Both windows and doors have Italianate concrete lintels. The interior walls are plastered and there are three different pressed metal ceilings covering wooden joists.

The present entrance is on the south side flanked by two large windows. By 1940 a garage addition was put on the east end with three large garage entrances of which only one remains today. The doorways on the west side were walled in. The building has been stuccoed over and a wood-shake overhang was added in 1972. Despite these modifications, the use of original materials is still evident and the architectural integrity remains intact.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is historically significant for its association with C.E. Boyce, a prominent early citizen of Williams, who had this building erected with concrete block which he purchased in Winslow, AZ. It was used for professional offices until the 1920s when it became an auto supply store for the increased automobile travel industry which had a great impact on Williams. By 1940 a garage addition was put on and gas pumps were installed. The gas pumps have been removed and today the building still serves as an auto supply parts store.

Architecturally, it is one of 3 rusticated concrete block buildings in Williams, and its original fabric is still intact. Despite modifications, the building is a significant contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Clifton Henson (personal communication, 1982)  
Williams News, Sept. 21, 1912, pg. 4.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Town of Williams, Scott Add., Lots 10, 11, 12, Less north 75', Blk 2

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial business		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-22
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Hatley Cleaners		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Second St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-002	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Edith E. Hatley		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 2806 Camino Principal			
CITY,TOWN Tucson,	STATE AZ	ZIP 85715	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking west			
HISTORIC USE Photo shop			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1929/ 1946			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a narrow brick building, 12.5' wide. It is long, rectangular one-story structure with one plate glass door with transom light and one narrow plate-glass window. The plain parapet is slightly projecting and the entire structure is in need of paint and repair.



## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building was originally constructed as a small brick square building and was later extended to the length of three lots. It has served as a photo shop and cleaners and today is vacant and in need of maintenance. However, it has not been modified extensively and is considered a contributor to the District.

## SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Sanborn maps (undated working copies)  
Williams News, Mar 14, 1946, col.2, pg. 1.

## GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, N 12.50' of S 66' Lot 1, 2, 3.

## GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Citizens Bank Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-23
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Banker's Real Estate		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 202 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-001	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Ruby H. James		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 145			
CITY,TOWN Williams,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking northwest			
HISTORIC USE Bank building			
PRESENT USE Real estate office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1917			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This one-story, rectangular building is constructed with buff colored brick in a Neo-Classical Revival style. This is exemplified with the solid parapet over the cornice and oblong diamond pattern transom windows. There is terra cotta detail with projecting cornices and triglyphs. There is little external ornamentation and pilasters are in place of actual columns. It has a low and flat roof which cannot be seen from the street.

The interior was recently rehabilitated with some of the original hexagonal marble tiles being exposed and the elaborate ceiling moulding being emphasized to reveal a floral motif. The one large room has an office and bathrooms in the rear and the original bank vault.

The exterior has not been modified since its construction and appears to be in excellent condition. The integrity of the building has been enhanced with the recent rehabilitation of the interior.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Citizens Bank Building is historically significant for its major role in the early commercial development of Williams. It was originally constructed as a bank at a time when Williams had an influential economic base which included lumber, ranching and the Santa Fe Railroad. All of the industries were requiring large amounts of capital, and banking had become an important part of the business community. Citizens Bank, founded in 1918, bought the property in 1917 and became the Arizona Central Bank in 1921. After being in the hands of the Coconino County Board of Supervisors, the Bank of Arizona bought it in 1939. In 1956 the building went to Bank Properties, Inc., and then in 1957 the First Bank Building Corp. purchased it and in 1958 it went into private ownership.

The Citizens Bank Building is architecturally significant as the only local example of Neo-Classical Revival architecture in Williams. The terra cotta detail is the only example of this material in the District and the superb condition of the building makes it a very important contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office & Recorder's Office

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Southerly 54 ft. of Lot 1 in Blk 3. Beginning at SE corner of Lot 1 in Blk 3 being at the intersection of Bill Williams Ave. and 2nd St., thence westerly and parallel to Bill Williams Ave. 25 ft. E at right angle to west line of Lot 1, 25 ft. to east line of lot 1. Southerly along the east line of Lot 1, 54 ft. to place of beginning.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

Recently rehabilitated for continued use as a real estate office.

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Dial's Market		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-24
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Hatley Building		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 206 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-002	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Edith E. Hatley		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 2806 Camino Principal			
CITY,TOWN Tucson,		STATE AZ	ZIP 85715
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking north			
HISTORIC USE Stores			
PRESENT USE Stores		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1929/ 1946			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This concrete building divided into two sections with one common parapet, is one-story, rectangular plan. The eastern section has a modern storefront plate glass window recessed with the entrance. The western section is composed of a double door recessed central entry with a plate glass bay on either side. The doors have transom lights and the front facade below the parapet has been covered with vertical flagstone.

The historic fabric of this building has been lost since 1946 when the building was extensively modified. The walls and roof were reconstructed and the facade "modernized".



## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building at one time served as Dial's Market and there was also a restaurant in one side of the building. In 1946 the roof and walls were rebuilt and the roofline lowered. The building is too modified and has lost its historic integrity and therefore is considered a non-contributor.

## SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Aug 23, 1929, Advertisement

## GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, N 12.50' of S 66' Lot 1, S 66' Lot 2, S 66' Lot 3.

## GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Red Cross Garage		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-25
COMMON PROPERTY NAME 66 Auto Supply		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 216 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-004	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Arthur B. Holmgren, Tr.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 1583			
CITY,TOWN Cottonwood,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86316	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking north			
HISTORIC USE Garage, stores			
PRESENT USE Auto supply store		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1915			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Red Cross Garage is a single-story structure built to fill a 25 X 100' lot fronting on both Bill Williams and Railroad Avenues. It was constructed of locally quarried rock, with brick facades on both the north and south ends. Around 1917 the building was partitioned into two large business areas but has since been restored to one business function. The south facade is composed of three bays, all plate glass with one central recessed door with transom. The facade has been modified with smooth painted plaster and flagstone.

Despite facade modifications the architectural integrity of this building is evident in its form, scale and massing which is compatible with the District.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building originally served as a garage to service the early automobile travel industry from which Williams benefitted. The building was later divided into a grocery and notions store before it became an auto parts store which it is today.

Despite modifications to original surface and sash, the Red Cross Garage retains its storefront configuration and contributes to the Williams Historic Business District by virtue of its form, scale, and function.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 4, Blk 3

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Rounseville Drug Store		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-26
COMMON PROPERTY NAME 66 Auto Supply		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 218 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-005	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Jack A. Dent		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 1100 W. Sheridan Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking north			
HISTORIC USE Drugstore			
PRESENT USE Auto supply store		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1915			
<p>PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION</p> <p>Rounseville Drug Store is a one-story, rectangular-plan, rock masonry building facing south on Bill Williams Ave. between 2nd and 3rd Streets. Its west facade is exposed and has been covered with slump block, shielding the original rock wall. The south facade is composed essentially of two plate glass bays flanking a central entry; a doorway, no longer used, has been placed at the west end of the western bay. Vertical sandstone (flagstone) decorates the wall beneath the bay windows and board siding above them may cover transom windows. Flat sheet metal siding covers the facade in the upper half of the building. The pressed metal ceiling is still intact.</p>			





#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building was apparently erected by George Rounseville, one of the Rounseville brothers prominent in Williams shortly after the turn of the Century. It served as Rounseville's Drug Store until well after World War II. Although much of its original stone siding is now covered over, the building still contributes to the streetscape by virtue of its form, scale, proportions and setback. Because this building served as the main drug store for the town for over 40 years, it is historically an integral part of the district.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, S 66' of Lot 5, Blk 3

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Pollock Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-27
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Masonic Building		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 242 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-007	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Williams Masonic Lodge		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 387			
CITY,TOWN Williams,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking southwest			
HISTORIC USE Bank, businesses, Masonic lodge			
PRESENT USE Masonic lodge		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER M.J. Kennedy			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1901/ 1927-28			

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## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Pollock Building is roughly a square-plan evenly coursed stone ground floor and brick second floor, two-story structure on the north-east corner of 3rd St. and Bill Williams Ave. The first floor facades are dominated by rounded arches asymmetrically distributed over round head windows in the west facade, and the corner entry. Single rock lintels span two small doorways in the west side, originally for separate offices. The corner entry is supported by distinctive arched entry which allows access from both south and west sides. These arches are supported by elaborately carved impost. Carved stone half-round combing detailed by cut stone brackets tops the first story. The second story, of brick, was added in 1927-28. Its west facade contains seven aluminum frame one-over-one symmetrically spaced windows, the south face has six such windows. Both west and south facades have shaped, pedimented brick parapets with a concrete cap shielding a shed roof. The east and north facade windows have round-top windows. There is a storefront entry on the south with two large plate glass bays. A small addition faces to the west and a contributing block addition is on the rear. The east elevation is stone and brick with the stone being painted with advertising and a few doors and windows on the lower level near the rear being filled in.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Pollock Building was erected by T. E. Pollock, a prominent northern Arizona banker and businessman, in 1901, a few months after the disastrous fire of that year. It originally housed the Arizona Central Bank, plus several businesses, such as Canall's Arizona Telephone & Telegraph Co., the Williams News, Twitty & Parker's Store, Perkins "Dime" Store, and rooms for boarders (generally associated with the Santa Fe Railroad). In 1917 the Arizona Central Bank moved into new quarters down the block (WMB-23). Canall had already moved his telephone and telegraph company across the street. Gradually the building was vacated. In 1927 the Mason's acquired the building and added a second, brick story as a home for their lodge. The building is architecturally significant for its use of locally quarried dacite rock, and for the strong flavor of rusticated, Romanesque styling. It is one of the major two-story buildings in the District and its mass and scale give this structure a high level of integrity. Historically, the building represents a major contribution to the District as it was built immediately following a major fire which consumed many structures in town. It has served as a Mason's lodge since it took its present form and has housed many businesses through the years.

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Williams Townsite, Lots 10, 11, 12, Blk 3

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Babbitt-Polson Company		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-28
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Country Store		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 314 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-06-002	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Roger Weise		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 314 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking northwest			
HISTORIC USE General store			
PRESENT USE Grocery store		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Polson Brothers			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1901/ Late 1930s, 1974			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Babbitt-Polson Company building is a rectangular-plan, tall, one-story stuccoed brick structure which presently faces onto Bill Williams Ave. at the corner of 3rd St. Beneath its present art deco facade is a Victorian Commercial structure which faced onto 3rd St., an Italianate commercial building adjacent to the north, and three Victorian Commercial buildings facing south at the west end of the building. All of these units have now been incorporated into simplified Art Deco style of the present building, accomplished by boarding over the original structures and then stuccoing, which was done in the 1930s. The chevrons, and vertical detailing in the piers was done in 1974 through the use of paint.

The interior still retains its elaborate pressed metal ceiling in two main sections of the store. The north side was originally a warehouse and part of it is still so today. The integrity of the building although changed, is still significant to the District.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Babbitt-Polson is historically significant for its association with two early northern Arizona merchandising families. In 1895 the Polson Brothers erected a large store on the northwest corner of 3rd St. and Bill Williams Ave. In 1901 the building burned down. The Polsons put up a large tent over their lots and continued business. They also opened up their warehouse along the railroad tracks (WMB-5), as a retail outlet. Two months after the fire they opened up a new 60 X 140' building, on top of the ruins of the older building. Later they were joined by the Babbitt Brothers of Flagstaff. West of the present-day store was the old Post Office. This was incorporated into the Babbitt-Polson store around 1930. In the late 1930s all of these stores were remodeled by stuccoing the outside of the entire assemblage and drawing them together with a single design motif in 1974, the modified art deco that is there now. The building is architecturally significant as the only local example of Art Deco in the District.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, S 75' Lots 1-4, S 71' Lots 5 & 6, E 22.50'  
of Lot 7, Blk 4

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME The Windmill Cafe		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-29
COMMON PROPERTY NAME H. & R. Block		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 326 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-06-004	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Pulaski, Frank & Carmen		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 417 E. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY, TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Allan Rekward		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking northeast			
HISTORIC USE Restaurant			
PRESENT USE Office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1936			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This building is a rectangular one-story stone structure. It has a stucco front with two storefront windows and transoms on each side of a central entry. The windows have been infilled half way with vertical boarding. There is a molded flat parapet above the front and on the west side is a randomly coursed ashlar wall with a stepped parapet and one window opening with a concrete lintel.

The interior is one open room with painted plaster walls and a high ceiling. The kitchen is still in the back of the building.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Although less than 50 years of age, the Windmill Cafe adds to the quality of the Williams Historic Business District by virtue of its form, scale, proportions, materials and setback. Furthermore, its location on a main thoroughfare and its use as a restaurant for 39 years indicates a direct association with the development of Williams' tourist industry.

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Williams Townsite, W 2.5' Lot 7, Lot 8, E 7.5' Lot9, Blk 4

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Sultana Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-30
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Sultana Building		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 301 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-06-007	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frank Satrustigui		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 301 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking southwest			
HISTORIC USE Bar, Theater, City Hall			
PRESENT USE Bar, various businesses		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Ben Sweetwood			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1912			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Sultana Building is a large, high, single-story square plan commercial building approximately 90 x 90 feet, constructed of rusticated concrete block. It has a horizontal parapet and is divided by block walls into three units. The eastern unit was a bar, the central unit a theater, and the western unit was office and businesses divided into two storefront bays with large plate glass windows. Although the Sultana primarily faces north onto Bill Williams Ave., its east facade, facing 3rd St. is clearly visible with concrete sills and lintels. The rear has a section which was added to the building in 1937. This was used as a business office. The metal panels in the gable end are placed above rusticated cement block.

The interior has been panelled over, but there are plans to restore it. The window enclosures are recoverable and the building is in need of maintenance, but despite this, the Sultana still retains a high level of integrity.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Sultana Building, built by Ben Sweetwood in 1912, is historically significant as a major commercial building in Williams which housed the city offices for over forty years, the local newspaper, the first talking picture show in northern Arizona, and was the location of many civic functions as well as entertainment. During prohibition the basement was used for gambling and drinking and later closed to the public. Architecturally, the Sultana is one of the few local examples of the early concrete block industry. Its massiveness and styling contribute to the overall integrity of the District, and its role in the entertainment and civic functions for the citizens of Williams makes it an important contributor to the history of Williams.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lots 1-4, Blk 14

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Bandshell		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-31
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Bennett's Auto Service (Exxon)		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 241 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO 201-07-013	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Marshall Bennett		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 241 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & R. Parker		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
PHOTO BY Richard Parker		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Site of bandshell			
PRESENT USE Service station		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1940/ 1945			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Bennett's Auto Service station faces north on Bill Williams Ave. It has two concrete block units added to the original unit. The floors are cement, the roof supports are steel beams resting on the common wall. The streamline moderne detailing in the rounded corners of the canopy give this structure a slight commercial art moderne appearance.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Bennett's Auto Service is a gas and service station built on the second site of the community band shell. It is the only art moderne structure in the District. It represents the continuous automobile tourist industry in Williams and has remained in business as such since its construction. This building, because it is less than fifty years old, is a non-contributor to the District.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lots 10, 11, 12, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-32
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Bennett's Garage		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 107 S. Third St.			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-013	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Marshall Bennett		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 241 W. Bill Williams, Ave.			
CITY, TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking northeast			
HISTORIC USE Commercial			
PRESENT USE Storage		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES Late 1940s			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a concrete block building plastered over, with a central entry flanked by two large plate glass, storefront windows. There are three 12-pane casement windows on the south side. There is a tall parapet on the west side. The building is made up of one large room.

The age of this building makes it a non-contributor.



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

There is little known about this building, other than its construction date which was during the late 1940s. It is a non-contributor to the District.

SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Sly part, Lots 10, 11, 12, Blk 15

GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Telegraph Office		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-33
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Tiffany's Italian Shoppe		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 233 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-012	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Brandon T. Evan		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 233 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Oct. 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Telegraph office			
PRESENT USE Restaurant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Telegraph Office faces north on Bill Williams Ave. It is a one-story brick building with rectangular plan built to the property lines of its 25' width. The facade is composed of split bays flanking a recessed central entry. Lights and transoms over entry and remaining portion of bays have been covered over. The brick dentils and corbelled brick cornice have been retained. The cast iron front with pilasters still retains the stamp on the east pilaster which states the Mesker Bros. of St. Louis were the manufacturers.

The architectural integrity of this building has been retained with the sandblasting of some of the brick facade.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The second telegraph office which came into Williams in 1894 was the Postal Telegraph Co. The first was associated with the Atlantic and Pacific Railway Co. This telegraph office was the main one associated with the commercial district and was housed in this building from the time of construction believed to be between 1903 and 1910. The office remained here until the 1940's when the building was used as a photo shop.

This building is architecturally significant for its cast iron construction and its contribution to the district in mass, scale and materials. It has retained much of its original integrity.

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Williams Townsite, Lot 9, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial business		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-34
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Foster's Indian Store		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 229 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-011	
OWNER OF PROPERTY James R. Foster & Robert		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 229 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Restaurant			
PRESENT USE Curio store		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Foster's Indian Store is a part of a larger building, the eastern portion being WMB-35. It is a single-story brick building, facing north on Bill Williams Ave. The building retains many of its original features, including the 7 light transom above the two bays and the transom and the lights above the recessed central entranceway. The piers on either side of the facade are covered with ceramic tile with an arrow motif (ca. 1930).

Despite the addition of aluminum sash and flagstone below the bulkhead, the commercial storefront is generally intact, and the architectural integrity of the building remains



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Foster's Indian Store is an early 20 Century commercial building and because of its form, scale and mass, it conforms to the other buildings of this type in the District. Its architectural integrity is still evident and it remains a contributor to the District.

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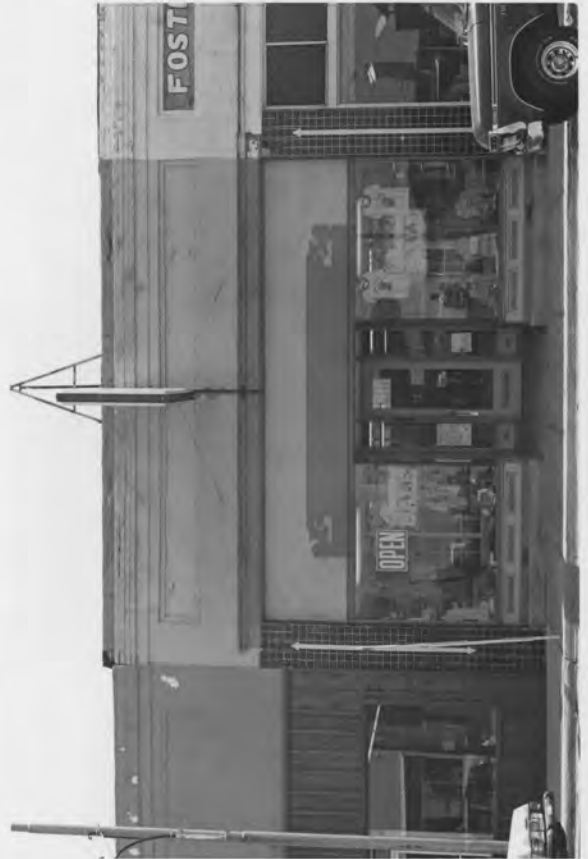
#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 8, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial business		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-35
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Applegate Western & Casual Wear		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 225 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-010B	
OWNER OF PROPERTY William A. Clarkson		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P.O. Box 1056			
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86002
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE General store			
PRESENT USE Clothing store		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Applegate Western & Casual Wear is the eastern unit of a single-story, two-store, brick building constructed in rectangular plan. The western unit is Foster's Indian Store. Applegate's is a turn of the century commercial building which contributes to the overall design of the District. It has two bays with plate glass windows separated by a central entry. Transoms over the bays and the door are covered over with wood paneling. Piers on either side of the facade have been covered with ceramic tiles. The modest brick corbelled parapet has been retained.

The architectural integrity of the building is still evident and contributes to the early Twentieth Century commercial appearance of the District.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This is one of the oldest structures on this block having appeared on the 1910 Sanborn map. It has maintained its commercial association with the District having always been in use as a general store or store for the past seventy years. The architectural integrity of the building is still evident and its size and massing make it a contributor to the District.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 7, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Grand Canyon Drug Co.		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-36
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Williams Flowers		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 221 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-010A	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Thomas L. Rittenhouse & First Natl Bank, Tr.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 194			
CITY,TOWN Williams,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Oct. 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Drugstore			
PRESENT USE Flower shop		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1912			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Williams Flowers shop is a rectangular-plan single-story brick structure built to the property lines of its 25' width. The main facade has been covered with scored and pressed metal along the top and with batten-on-board siding on the two bays on either side of the recessed central entry. The building faces north onto Bill Williams Ave. The integrity of the building is not greatly diminished by the board and batten which is reversible.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is significant in that it has served the City of Williams as a commercial building since its construction ca. 1912. Its form, mass, and scale contribute to the architectural integrity of the District and any modifications to the facade are reversible.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn maps (undated working copies)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 6, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Old Parlor Pool Hall		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-37
COMMON PROPERTY NAME APS		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 217 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-009A	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Arizona Public Service		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 2166			
CITY,TOWN Phoenix,		STATE AZ	ZIP 85036
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Pool Hall			
PRESENT USE Electric co. office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Arizona Public Service building is a single-story rectangular plan brick structure built to the property lines of its 25' width. The main facade faces north onto Bill Williams Ave. The building features a central entry flanked by large bays with plate glass windows. There are exposed stone piers and a corbelled cornice shared by the adjacent property to the east.

The high level of architectural integrity of this building has been highlighted with recent cleaning, renovation and painting. The transoms over the door and windows have been filled in. The brick inset in the top part of the facade has been emphasized by darker paint and the wooden scrollwork below the inset has been added. The interior still retains the original pressed tin ceiling.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

When this building first appeared on the 1910 Sanborn map it was the Old Parlor Pool Hall, operated by a man named Baumgartner.

This building is significant because it is a well preserved early 20th Century commercial building which because of its scale, proportions and materials contributes to the "Main Street" theme of this block. Its high level of architectural integrity makes it a significant contributor to the historic district.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Sanborn map - 1910

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 5, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial business		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-38
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Messimer's Insurance		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 213 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-009B	
OWNER OF PROPERTY The Insuranceman, Inc.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 213 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Store			
PRESENT USE Insurance office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1912			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Messimer Insurance Building is a single-story rectangular plan brick structure built to the property lines of its 25' width. The main facade with its horizontal parapet faces north onto Bill Williams Ave. The building features a large central entry flanked by bays with plate glass windows. Transoms over the entry and the windows have been filled in. The rear wall of this structure is constructed of uncoursed rock. The interior ceilings have been dropped but pressed metal ceiling is still in place.

The high level of integrity of this building is evident in the fully detailed corbelled brick cornice which has been emphasized during recent facade rehabilitation.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building has been in continuous commercial use since it was constructed sometime around 1912 during one of the construction booms which Williams experienced. The high level of architectural integrity has been highlighted with the recent facade cleaning which exemplifies the corbelled brick cornice. The building features human scale and proportions typical of development along this block and provided the District with a good example of early Twentieth Century commercial architecture.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Sanborn maps (undated working copies), 1910

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 4, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Commercial building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-39
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Alternative Impressions		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 209 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-008	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Gerald Cargman		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P.O. Box 666			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Store			
PRESENT USE Print shop		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1912			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Alternative Impressions is a single-story rectangular plan brick structure, built to the property lines of its 25' width. The facade of this brick building has been stuccoed. The double-door central recessed entry is flanked by plate glass display windows. The transom windows are still visible.

The interior is one large room and still retains its pressed metal ceiling. Despite modification to the facade, the building still displays a high level of integrity.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building was originally built in 1912 as part of the building to the east but always maintained as a separate unit. Formerly a coffee and donut shop, today it is a print shop. Architecturally its scale and proportions are typical of the development of the District during this time. It has retained some of its original materials and contributes to the integrity of the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 3, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Duffey Bros. Grocery Store		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-40
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Indian House		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 201 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-008	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Gerald B. Cargman		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 666			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Oct. 1982	
VIEW Looking southwest			
HISTORIC USE Grocery store			
PRESENT USE Curio store		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1912			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Indian House is a brick one-story structure with square plan. The main facade faces north toward Bill Williams Ave., but the east facade is equally visible, facing onto 2nd Street. The building features a distinctive arched corner entry, fitting in well with other buildings in the District. The north facade is divided by brick pilasters into two large bays with plate glass windows. The east facade has two arched windows. Both north and east facades are tied together with a modest corbelled brick cornice. The neon sign and painted graphics are evident. The concrete floor and pressed metal ceiling in the interior have been retained.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is historically important for its association with the C.E. Boyce sponsored construction boom which took place in Williams in 1912-13. This structure was to have originally served as a bank, but it never did. Grocery stores or food markets have been associated with the property until the 1940's. It now houses an Indian curio shop, one of the popular tourist related industries in Williams.

Architecturally it is significant because of its large scale and massing which makes it one of the larger 20th Century commercial buildings in Williams. It still possess a high level of integrity.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lots 1, 2, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Grand Canyon Hotel		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-41
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Grand Canyon Hotel		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 133 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-014	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frances Woodward		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 80816			
CITY,TOWN San Diego,		STATE Calif.	ZIP 92138
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY W. E. Wilson		DATE Apr 1982	
VIEW Looking southeast			
HISTORIC USE Hotel			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Samuel E. Patton/C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1891/ 1929			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Grand Canyon Hotel is a two-story brick structure, rectangular plan 129 X 51 feet with a 21 X 29 foot one-story addition on the south end. It faces north on Bill Williams Ave. Gentle segmented arches cover the 2-over-2 sash windows. The building was covered with stucco, but much of the stucco has fallen away from the exposed western side of the building. The stucco covers corbelled brick cornices and capitals in the front, north facade. The two story veranda installed in 1893 has been removed. In 1929 much of the front of the building was modified as the front entrance was moved to a corner entry and steel posts were installed to support the building. Transom panels exist over the storefront windows associated with the corner entry. A stepped parapet is visible along the west elevation.

The ground floor consists of 3 large rooms with the original pressed metal ceiling in the largest room. There are hardwood floors, a basement and 32 rooms upstairs. Most of the original woodwork is still intact. The overall integrity of the building is still evident despite some of the stucco falling away from the western wall. The storefronts have been modified slightly, but this does not detract from the high level of architectural integrity of this building.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This is the largest and oldest commercial structure in the District. Plans were finished in June, 1891, by Samuel E. Patton, architect and builder. Construction began in August and it opened its doors as the Boyce Hotel in January, 1892. This name was used briefly before it became the Grand Canyon Hotel. Besides being a hotel, the ground floor saw a variety of uses such as drug store, grocery store, dance hall as well as rooms for rent.

C.E. Boyce was one of the most important personages associated with the business district of Williams and was responsible for much of the construction which took place during the early Twentieth Century. He also played a role in the government when this community was just beginning.

The Grand Canyon Hotel's historical association with one of the early leaders of the community and the high level of architectural integrity make this building a primary contributor to the historic district.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Townsite of Williams, Lots 10, 11, 12, Blk 5

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

Rehabilitation is in progress.



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME B.B. Bowden Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-42
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Hershey's		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 137 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-013	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Eldon D. & Pat Hershey		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 502 Rodeo Road BOX			
CITY,TOWN Williams, AZ		STATE ZIP AZ 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & P. Johnson		DATE Aug 198	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff, aZ		STATE ZIP aZ 86011	
PHOTO BY Richard Parker		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Commercial			
PRESENT USE Commerical		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER B.B. Bowden (2nd story)			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910/ 1928			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The B.B. Bowdon building is a rectangular plan two-story brick and wood structure facing north on Bill Williams Ave. The facade is dominated by round brick arches with voussoirs framing three windows on the upper portion of the first floor. Below the arched windows are asymmetrical bays with plate glass windows separated by a narrow entry. At the west end is a doorway leading to the second floor. The second floor is post and beam construction. There is a beltcourse and paired one-on-one double hung windows on the second story.

Recent additions include flagstone at ground level, shingled roof above the entry and wooden balconies on the second level. These modifications however do not greatly detract from the overall integrity of the building.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The B.B. Bowden building is historically significant for its role in the commercial development of Williams. The second story was added in 1928 to serve as apartments. The ground floor was originally a rooming house, then a news store and barber shop, and a drug store. It has served as a sandwich shop for the past few years.

Architecturally, it is a major contributor by virtue of age, form, and scale. The original exterior materials and the rounded arched windows provide it with a distinct style which has been part of the District since the early part of the Century.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 10, Blk 16

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Boyce Building/U.S. Post Office		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-43
COMMON PROPERTY NAME NAE Radio and TV		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 133 Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO 201-08-012C	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Sanford & Mary Free		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 846			
CITY,TOWN Williams,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & P. Blystone		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Richard Parker		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Commercial & US Post Office			
PRESENT USE TV repair service		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1907			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The "Boyce Building" is a rectangular one story brick commercial building. It has a flat rear sloping shed roof. Two ornamental chimneys decorate the front upper corners while a terraced brick cornice with an outward slope appears across the front roof line. A large exposed beam (iron) lintel spans the building front above a series of eleven framed windows some of which can be opened for ventilation. Below these are two large storefront windows between which a recessed central entry of double doors serves as the entrance.

The interior consists of one large front room and a rear smaller room, which is again divided into 3 smaller rooms used for storage. The floors are wooden throughout, complimented by a wall to wall pressed metal ceiling. Skylights are also evident. The rear of the building is made of exposed native dacite mined from the quarry south of town. The left rear corner has a back door supported by a brick arch. Also in the rear, facing south is a low set door-like casement window with iron bars. Above this is a cement arch. A higher set window to the left of the existing window, has more recently been bricked up.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Built in 1907, this building was used for commercial purposes. On July 8, 1924, the owner, Cormick E. Boyce, leased the building to the U.S. Government as a Post Office for ten years. On Nov. 13, 1934, through "decree", the title of the building was changed to Jesse L. Boyce, et ux., and was again leased to the U.S. as a Post Office. It remained so until 1960. Since 1965 the building has been used for commercial purposes. From 1965-67 it functioned as a second-hand used-furniture store. Since 1980 the building has been operated by various subcontractors. For the past few years it has housed the Northern Arizona Electric, Radio and TV repair.

Although not originally a Post Office it did serve the community for thirty years as such. It was originally built by one of the early prominent residents of Williams, C.E. Boyce. Its architectural integrity has been maintained with the recessed central entry, skylights, pressed metal ceiling and multi-light transom panel. Its historical associations and architectural contributions make this an integral part of the historic district.

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Sanborn maps (undated working copies)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Townsite of Williams, W 1.95' Lot 8, Ey 24.88 ' Lot 9  
Blk 16

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Boyce-Belgard Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-44
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Gateway Cleaners		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 129 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-012A	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Buford B. Belgard		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 238			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & W. E. Wilson		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY William Wilson		DATE Apr 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE General store and dry cleaners			
PRESENT USE Dry cleaners		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER C.E. Boyce			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1907			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a rectangular one-story brick and stucco commercial building with a central recessed entry, flat parapet and sloping roof. The original materials comprising the 3 bay storefront include flanking pilasters and window bays with wood sash. Dominating the composition are large four-light transoms in each bay surmounted by an iron lintel. Flagstone material covers the original bulkhead. The walls are rock with a cement cap.

The interior is partitioned into two rooms and the original materials include a hardwood floor throughout and a tongue-in-groove ceiling. The rear of the property includes a small adobe addition constructed ca. 1930. Despite some modification to the facade at the roofline, and the bulkhead modifications, the building exhibits a high level of integrity.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Boyce/Belgard Building is historically significant for its association with Cormick E. Boyce and the commercial development of Williams. Constructed in 1907 by Boyce during a self-sponsored construction boom, it served initially as a general store and then as a hardware and produce warehouse, a beauty parlor and finally a dry cleaners.

Furthermore, the property possesses architectural significance as a local example of a cast iron commercial storefront from the turn of the century. In addition to these primary qualities, the building also contributes to the District by virtue of its form, scale and proportions.

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Mary Cravey (personal communication, 1982)  
Sanborn maps - 1898, 1901, 1910

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite W 5.49' Lot 7, Ely 23.05' Lot 8, Blk 16

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Warehouse		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-45
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Bill's Radio & TV Service		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Williams	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 125 W. Bill Williams Ave.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO 201-08-012B	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Sanford & Mary Free		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 846			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman & P. Johnson		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Richard Parker		DATE Oct 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Warehouse			
PRESENT USE TV repair		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1907*			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This building is a wood joist frame building with a brick facade, facing north on Bill Williams Ave. Its dimensions are 58 X 21.4'. The foundation is concrete. The roof is flat and built up. The front facade is composed of three bays with central entry, flanked by plate glass windows each surmounted by five vertically placed transoms. The horizontal parapet, framed by raised piers, is decorated with corbelled brick cornice.

This building has not been extensively modified and displays a high level of architectural integrity.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building was evidently used as a warehouse or storage for a hardware store next door. Bill's Radio & TV which occupies the building today, has done very little to modify the building. It still retains its mass and scale which makes it a part of the early commercial architecture which exists in this District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn maps (undated working copies, 1901, 1910)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Wly 1.99' of Lot 6 Blk 16, Ely 19.5' of Lot 7 Blk 16

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME U.S. Forest Service Building		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-46
COMMON PROPERTY NAME U.S. Forest Service Building		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 111 S. Second St.		CURRENT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPH	
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-08-015A		
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frances Woodward	PHONE		
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P.O. Box 80816			
CITY, TOWN San Diego,	STATE Calif.	ZIP 92138	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking east			
HISTORIC USE Forest service offices			
PRESENT USE Contractor's shop		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1925			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is two one-story buildings constructed, one of stone and the other buff-colored brick. The stone has been covered with scored cement and the facade has been unified under vertical board siding. There is an off-set entrance with double one-on-one windows symmetrically placed on the front. The side windows have rounded arches above them. There is a horizontal parapet. The interior still retains its pressed metal ceilings.

The reversible modification allows this building to be architecturally viable in the historic district.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The actual construction date of this building is not known, but it was being used by the Forest Service in 1927. It is historically significant for its association with the US Forest Service in Williams which has played a role in the use and development of land surrounding this community. Architecturally it still retains its original materials and the modifications are reversible. It is representative of an important aspect in the development of Williams and is a contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 13 N 20' of Lot 14, Blk 16

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-47
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Hansen's Law Offices		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 114 S. Second St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO 201-07-019	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Lamonte L. Hansen		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P.O. Box 456			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 - NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking northwest			
HISTORIC USE			
PRESENT USE Law offices		ACREAGE	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1941			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Hansen's Law Offices building is a concrete brick one-story rectangular plan facing east on 2nd Street. Two front bays, with plate glass windows are separated by a front door which is flush with the facade. There is a horizontal parapet on the front and stepped parapets on the sides. The rear of the building is separated from Rounseville's Clinic (WMB-49) by a walkway, otherwise the walls of the office abut those of the Clinic and the Pinada Hotel (WMB-48).

# STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This non-contributing building was constructed in 1941.  
Owned originally by Helen Walker, the present occupant purchased the building.

## SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Lamonte Hansen (personal communication, 1983)

## GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 22, Blk 15

## GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Cottage Hotel		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-48
COMMON PROPERTY NAME El Pinado Hotel		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 116 S. Second St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-018	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Frances Woodward REuter		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 3210 Harbor View Dr.			
CITY,TOWN San Diego		STATE Calif	ZIP
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking west			
HISTORIC USE Hotel			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Pat Ronan			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a two-story brick rectangular plan building with two large square towers on the northeast and southeast ends of the building. There is heavy corbel detailing which offsets a definite studied formalism. There are four large symmetrical windows visible on the towers. The interior has been heavily remodeled and the original entrance has been filled in with glass since 1928.

Despite the boarded up windows and loss of the interior the overall form of the building has remained intact.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is historically significant for its association with the commercial development of Williams as one of the few hotels available in the community. Architecturally, the building provides unusual design and large scale and mass for the District. It is important as one of the few hotels which stayed in operation for approximately 50-60 years.

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Williams News, Dec. 28, 1928, col. 6, pg. 1

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lots 21, 20, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

The Cottage Hotel has recently been purchased and there are plans for rehabilitation.

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Rounseville Residence/Clinic		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-49
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Hansen's Law Offices		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 112½ S. Second St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-019	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Lamonte Hansen		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P. O. Box 456			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Doctor's office			
PRESENT USE Lawyer's office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1910			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Rounseville's clinic is a metal-clad balloon frame structure facing north on the alley in the middle of Block 26. It is a one-story structure with rectangular plan and hip roof with gablets. There is a round oculus in the east and the west ends of the gablets. The outside walls have been covered with pressed metal. There is a small shed addition on the rear (west), also covered with pressed metal. There is a walkway space between this building and the concrete brick structure erected immediately adjacent to the east. Much of the interior hardware remains, along with original doors, woodwork, pressed metal ceilings and transom over four-pane windows. One window has been altered, but not irreversibly.

The integrity of this building is still high and the recent concrete block building impacts minimally upon the historic fabric of the Rounseville clinic.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Dr. Rounseville was an early professional in the community who also participated in community affairs. His residence-office was built between 1901 and 1910 and served the people of Williams for many years. The Clinic building is significant in that it retains much of its architectural detail, especially the pressed-metal ceilings and outside sidings. It is an outstanding example of turn-of-the century residential architecture. The adjacent construction has caused minimal impact and is reversible.

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Sanborn maps - 1910  
Don Massey (personal communication, 1983)  
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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 22, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Button Mortuary		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-50
COMMON PROPERTY NAME		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Behind 111 S. Third St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-014	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Emmett Kellam & Albert Strobel		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Rt. 1, Box 865			
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86001	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Richard Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking south			
HISTORIC USE Mortuary			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Judge Button			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1919			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Button Mortuary is a two-story rectangular plan, post-and-beam constructed building facing onto the alley in Block 26. The exterior is sheathed entirely in rusticated pressed metal panels. There is a corner entry, a garage entry, and on the same north end a large entry on the second level. The building is vacant and in deteriorating condition but represents a common turn-of-century building construction which existed in Williams.

### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Button Mortuary was originally a garage, but became a mortuary by 1924. It is apparently not in use at all today. The building is significant for its use of pressed-metal siding which was probably recycled from the manufacture of the concrete blocks for Button's Hotel (WMB-51).

### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Sanborn maps (undated working copies), 1910, 1931-43 update

### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 13, Blk 15

### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Button Hotel		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-51
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Anthony Apartments		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 111 S. Third St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-014	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Emmett Kellam & Albert Strobel		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Rt. 1, Box 865			
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86001	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking east			
HISTORIC USE Residence, offices, rooms			
PRESENT USE Apartments		ACREAGE less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Judge Button			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1919			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Button Hotel is a rectangular-plan 2½-story rusticated block structure facing west on 3rd St. between Bill Williams Ave. and Grant Ave. The first story is asymmetrically divided into four bays in the western facade, a north and two smaller south windows separated by a double-door entry. Flagstone pillars flank the entry. The second story western facade has five symmetrically placed windows topped with flat arch concrete window hoods. There is an attic over the front part of the second story, and a low parapet, stepped downward toward the east, shields the shed roof. There is a two-story bay window on the south side. The interior has been modified to convert rooms into apartments, but the central hallway and staircase still remain. A large two-story wooden addition on the rear which was originally a porch and balcony has been filled in. The first floor plate glass windows have been stuccoed over. Despite these modifications, the overall integrity of the building remains.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The historical significance of the Button Hotel is that it was constructed by Judge Button in 1919. He used the same rusticated concrete block that was used in construction of the Sultana Building, in which he worked as justice of the peace for Williams, and which had been completed a few years earlier. Button was a mortician in the town, and built many other structures around Williams. It was an integral part of the business district of Williams, serving visitors and tourists for many years. It also served as a residence and office building for the Button family. Today it is an apartment house.

It is architecturally significant as one of three examples of rusticated concrete block construction in the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Don Massey (personal communication, 1983)  
Williams News, June 13, 1919, col 4, pg 1

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lots 13, 14, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Button Hotel		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-51 A
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Anthony Apartments (Laundry room)		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. Behind 111 Third St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-014	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Emmett Kellam & Albert Strobel		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Rt. 1, Box 865			
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86001	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY Ricahrd Ryan		DATE Dec 1982	
VIEW Looking southeast			
HISTORIC USE Garage			
PRESENT USE Residence		ACREAGE less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES Post 1943			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This one-story post and beam metal-clad rectangular plan building abuts up against the alley behind the Button Hotel. It opens, however, to the south. On both ends there is a horizontal parapet and small one-pane windows on all sides. The integrity of this building is its pressed metal sheathing and its association as a service building to the Button Hotel.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

This building is associated with the Button Hotel and at one time may have served as a garage. Today it is a laundry room for the residents of the Anthony Apartments.

It is significant for the rusticated pressed metal panels used in its construction. Although the structure does not appear on any Sanborn maps, it is assumed it was ancillary to the Button Hotel and the pressed metal siding was used in the construction of the hotel.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 13, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Dentist's office		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-52
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Dentist's office		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 117 S. Third Street			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-015	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Daniel Oakman		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 117 S. Third Street			
CITY, TOWN Williams		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug. 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY, TOWN Flagstaff		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug. 1983	
VIEW Looking east			
HISTORIC USE Office building			
PRESENT USE Dentist's offices		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER W. C. Rittenhouse			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1939			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Dentist's Office is a rectangular plan, gabled roof building, with built up roof, constructed of uncoursed stone. The gable is simulated brick with a ventilator in the center. Symmetrical one-on-one windows are on either side of the center door in the gable end.

Since its construction in the later 1930s, this building has not been modified to any great extent and has retained its integrity.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Dentist's Office was apparently constructed as a residence, but, according to persons interviewed, it has always served as a dentist's office. W.C. Rittenhouse, the builder of this structure, was a prominent businessman in Williams during the first half of the Century.

This building's association with the District as a professional office and the use of native materials in its construction are important.

Although less than fifty years of age, it evidences both the continuing use of locally available materials and the emphasis of the vernacular approach to building within the district prior to World War II.

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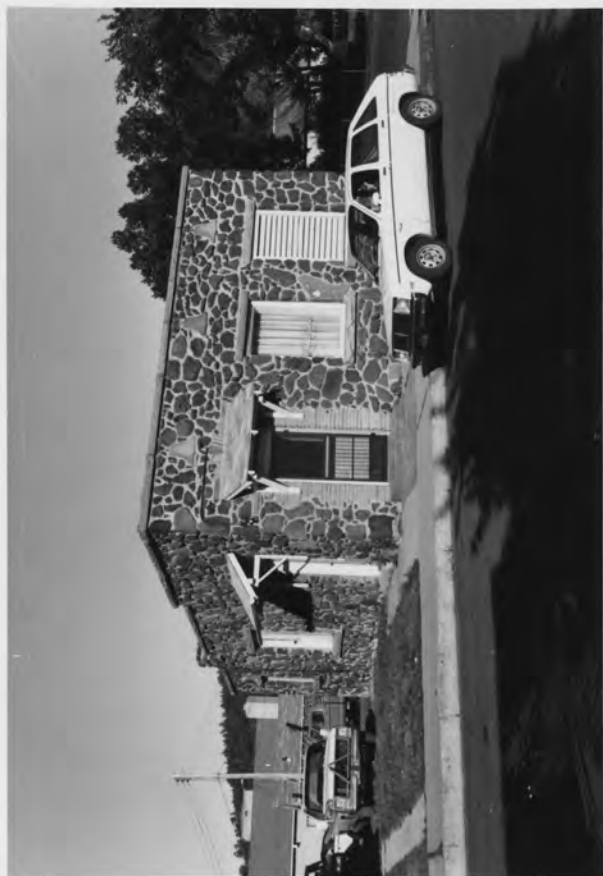
Williams Townsite, Lots 15, 16, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY



# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Telephone Office		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-53
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Doctor's office		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 125 S. Third Street			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-07-016	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Thomas Rittenhouse		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX P.O. Box 115			
CITY,TOWN Williams	STATE AZ	ZIP 86046	
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug. 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200      NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff	STATE AZ	ZIP 86011	
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug. 1983	
VIEW Looking east			
HISTORIC USE Telephone office			
PRESENT USE Doctor's office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER W.C. Rittenhouse			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES 1937			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Old Telephone Office is a rectangular plan, shed roof building constructed of uncoursed volcanic rock. It has a sandstone roof coping, sandstone lintels and sills, shuttered windows, and stacked sandstone (flagstone) slabs framing either side of the offset entrance. Sandstone (flagstone) shaped into bells have been imbedded in the front, west facade.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

In 1912 the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company purchased the previous company and began a program of improving service. Included in these improvements was the eventual construction of this building in 1937 which included a new switchboard. This was the fourth company to operate in Williams.

Although less than fifty years of age, the building contributes to the significance of the district by virtue of its materials of construction (volcanic malpais rock and sandstone) which expand the range of native building materials in the district, and its form (rectangular) with a horizontal parapet on the front and stepped parapets on the sides, a decidedly commercial building type consistent with earlier examples in the district.

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Lot 17, S6' of Lot 16, Blk 15

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Dial's Chevrolet Garage		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-54
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Williams News		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 118 S. Third St.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 201-06-013	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Douglas & Ann L. Wells		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 111 S. Taber St.			
CITY,TOWN Williams,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86046
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Aug 1983	
VIEW Looking west			
HISTORIC USE Garage			
PRESENT USE Newspaper office		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Harry Dial			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1935			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a one-story, commercial, rectangular plan building facing east on Third Street between Bill Williams and Grant Avenues. The building is cast-in-place concrete with a 3-bay facade, horizontal parapet and stepped parapet on the sides. The front entrance is asymmetrically placed next to one of the large windows. There is a garage entrance on the north side and an enclosed rear entry.

The interior has original printing equipment in one of the three large rooms as well as hardwood floors and tongue-in-groove wall sidings. The building has been well maintained with a complimentary exterior painting scheme. Despite its modest style, the building still possesses a high level of integrity.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Chevrolet Garage was erected by Harry Dial (not the grocery store Dial) in 1935 as a Chevrolet dealership. In the late 1930s it became the home of the Williams News, owned by the Wells family. It is historically significant for its long association with the influential and well-known owner and publisher of the newspaper. The Williams News has previously been housed in the Sultana Building and originally in the Pollock Building. The newspaper building is a contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Coconino County Courthouse Assessor's Office  
Don Massey (personal communication, 1983)  
Sanborn maps 1931-1943 updates  
Doug Wells (personal communication, 1982)

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, Nly 6' Lot 19 and all Lot 20, Sly 5' of  
Ely 110' of Lot 22, Sly 8' & Nly 20' of  
Ely 110' Lot 21, All in Blk 14

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME		COUNTY Coconino	INVENTORY NO. WMB-55
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Sigreaves Sheep Co.		QUAD/COUNTY MAP Bill Williams Mtn.	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. On alley between 3rd & 4th Streets.			
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Williams, AZ		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO 201-06-014	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Sigreaves Sheep Co.		PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 764			
CITY,TOWN Wickenburg,		STATE AZ	ZIP 85358
FORM PREPARED BY C.A. Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX Box 15200 NAU		PHONE 523-3180	
CITY,TOWN Flagstaff,		STATE AZ	ZIP 86011
PHOTO BY Nancy Hoffman		DATE Sep 1983	
VIEW Looking northwest			
HISTORIC USE Garage			
PRESENT USE Vacant		ACREAGE Less/acre	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES ca. 1929 / 1973			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a one-story rectangular plan, stone building which has been covered with scored cement to resemble cement blocks. It has a central entrance with symmetrically placed one-on-one windows on either side. There is a garage entrance on the west side. It has a hipped roof with a recently added skylight on the south side.

The building is in need of maintenance, but architecturally its integrity remains intact.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The history of this building is unknown, but it could have been associated with the Thurston Motel which was built in the late 1920s. It does not appear on early Sanborns and does appear on a 1931-43 update as a garage. The Sitgreaves Sheep Co. converted it into a residence probably around 1973. Today it is vacant. This building is a contributor to the District.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Williams Townsite, W30' of N 20' of Lot 21, W 30' of Lot 22, Blk 14

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY