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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

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1. NAME

COMMON: Missouri Pacific Depot at Charleston

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: East of the intersecting branches of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company

CITY OR TOWN: Charleston*

STATE: Missouri 63834 CODE: 29 COUNTY: Mississippi CODE: 133

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>future museum</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <u>under restoration</u>

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: 1. Mississippi County Historical Society (owner of building)

STREET AND NUMBER: P.O. Box No. 6

CITY OR TOWN: Charleston STATE: Missouri CODE: 29

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Office of the Recorder of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER: Mississippi County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Charleston STATE: Missouri CODE: 29

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Missouri State Historical Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1972 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Missouri State Park Board

STREET AND NUMBER: P.O. Box 176, 1204 Jefferson Building

CITY OR TOWN: Jefferson City STATE: Missouri CODE: 29

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*Congressional District #10 The Hon. Bill D. Burlison
House of Representatives

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

The Missouri Pacific Depot is located immediately east of the intersection of two branches of the Missouri Pacific Railroad at Charleston, Missouri, in the western part of town. The intersecting lines are the former Belmont Branch of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railway, and the Cairo and Fulton Railway.¹ The long axis of the asymmetrical "T"-plan building is oriented west-southwest, to east-northeast. The design was produced in the architect's office of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, E.M. Tucker architect.² The depot was constructed in 1917. The architect's drawings for construction, dated 1916, survive in the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company files in St. Louis.³

ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER

The facility is similar to numerous other examples of Missouri Pacific Railroad depots constructed in the first 20 years of the twentieth century in midwestern towns served by the railroad in Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas and Oklahoma as reflected in records on file at the Missouri Pacific Railroad office in St. Louis.

Typically these depots for towns of moderate size (several thousand inhabitants) exhibited red brick as a primary construction material. White limestone was used for trim, topping the foundations, and forming a wainscoting on the red brick wall. Red terra cotta roof tiles in the "Spanish mode" were used as roofing material on low-pitched hipped roofs.

EXTERIOR

Over-all Dimensions

The building is 149'4" in east-westerly dimension, 24 feet in north-southerly dimension for the major portion of the east-west length, and 55'4" in north-southerly dimension at the south wing. It is 22'5" tall to the roof ridge, and 24'11" tall to the top of the taller chimney.⁴

Foundations

Foundations are concrete topped by a partially embedded veneer of white, smooth-cut, beveled limestone just above the grade line.

Wall construction

Walls are constructed of deep red colored brick with a white, smooth-cut limestone wainscoting.

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6. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1917

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Missouri Pacific Depot at Charleston, Missouri typifies a prevalent type of small railroad depot constructed by the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company during the first two decades of the twentieth century. The depot marks the once-bustling intersection of two branches of the Missouri Pacific Railroad at Charleston, Missouri.

No longer in use as a railroad depot, the building was purchased June 1, 1971 by the Mississippi County Historical Society for development as a historical museum. The collection to be housed there will include the gubernatorial papers and memorabilia of Missouri Governor Warren E. Hearnes.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY

The Charleston area was settled in 1800-1801.¹ The town was laid out on May 20, 1837.² The initial railroad line through Charleston, the Cairo and Fulton [Arkansas] Railroad was completed in 1859.³ This line connected Charleston with Bird's Point on the Mississippi River to the east. Across the river at Cairo, Illinois, the line met, via steam ferry, the terminus of the Cotton Belt, or St. Louis and Southwestern Railroad.

After the Civil War the Cairo and Fulton Railroad was acquired by the St. Louis⁴ and Iron Mountain Railroad and was extended to Texarkana, Arkansas. "In 1874 the St. Louis and Iron Mountain and the Cairo and Fulton companies were consolidated to form the ... St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway Company."⁵

The intersecting line at Charleston was originally the Belmont Branch of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad, constructed in 1869.⁶ At Belmont this line connected, via steam ferry, with Columbus, Kentucky and the western terminus of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad giving connections to the southeastern United States and the Gulf. The intersection of these lines strengthened Charleston as a railroad transfer point and trade center, slightly removed from the mosquito-infested, lowlands of the railroad transfer yards near the river.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

OTHER PERTINENT SOURCES

1. "Building of the Cairo & Fulton [Arkansas] Railroad, " excerpt from The Charleston [Missouri] Enterprise-Courier, September 29, 1921. Reprinted in the Missouri Historical Review, Vol. XVII, October, 1922, pp. 108-109.
2. Hamlin, Talbot. Forms and Functions of Twentieth Century Architecture. New York: Columbia University Press, 1952, Volume 4.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than ten acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: M. Patricia Holmes, Chief Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION: Missouri State Park Board DATE: November 14, 1972
State Historical Survey and Planning Office

STREET AND NUMBER: P.O. Box 176, 1204 Jefferson Building

CITY OR TOWN: Jefferson City STATE: Missouri CODE: 65101 29

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

<p>As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name _____ <u>Joseph Jaeger, Jr.</u></p> <p>Title <u>Director, Missouri State Park Board and Missouri State Liaison Officer</u></p> <p>Date _____</p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____ <i>Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</i></p> <p>Date _____</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____ <i>Keeper of The National Register</i></p> <p>Date _____</p>
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4. #1

MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

2. Missouri Pacific Railroad Company
(Owner of the land on which the building is situated)

The Missouri Pacific Building

210 North 13th Street

St. Louis, Missouri 63103

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Structural system

The brick exterior walls support the wood-frame roof system.⁵ Concealed steel beams span the window and door openings.

Porches

The seven foot roof overhang serves as a continuous shelter surrounding the depot. At the west end, overlooking the intersection of the two lines, a 22' x 24' open pavilion is roofed over. A covered passage, separating the two easternmost rooms, eases access to both sides of the building.

Chimneys

The building has two brick chimneys with cut stone caps. One chimney serves the isolated eastern room. The second serves the remainder of the building.

Openings

All openings are framed in dark-colored wood.

Doorways and doors. The six exterior doorways have paneled wood doors, with a single light transom above, and limestone veneer masking the steel lintels. The four original service doorways for baggage and express rooms are seven feet wide. They have five-light transoms, limestone veneer over the steel lintels, and cast iron jamb guards.

Windows. Windows throughout are wood-framed, double-hung sash type, with one light in each sash. Most windows have a one-light transom. The wainscotting serves as a continuous sill for most windows. Three smaller windows on eastern, exterior walls lack transoms, and have stone sills above the wainscotting. Four, paired windows in the south wing were altered to freight doorways by removal of window mullions, frames and sash.

Roof

A broadly overhanging hipped roof covers the major portion of the depot. It is intersected by the south wing's hipped roof, and the jerkinhead dormer type roof over the exterior projection of the office, on the north side. On the south slope of the main roof, a small, louvered dormer is

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centered over the covered passage.

The roof is framed in wooden members, sheathed in boards, and covered with red terra cotta tiles. Generously proportioned (3'4" high, 3 feet long), dark brown, wood brackets ornament the roof overhang, lending charm to the building.

Ornament

An ornamental ventilation opening occurs on the upper wall of the dormer above the agent's office. The opening has wooden louvers set behind an wrought iron grill. Panels of brick laid in a diagonal pattern flank the opening.

INTERIOR

Floor Plans

Basement. A basement occurring under the baggage room only provides space for the heating plant. Stairs for access to this area are located along the east wall of the baggage room.

First story. The one-story structure includes five primary interior rooms-- a separate express room at the extreme east end, a baggage room, a waiting room and office. A second, and larger, waiting room, located in the south wing, was altered to a baggage or freight room, and the originally separate "colored" and "white" waiting rooms were combined. Two sets of toilet facilities were also included.

APPURTENANT STRUCTURES

Buildings related to the depot, including a baggage house and freight depot to the northwest of the depot, have been razed.

SITE

The depot occupies the western point of a triangular tract of land defined on the northwest and southwest by railroad tracks, and on the east by Heggie Street. The depot is surrounded by a brick platform. A graveled, circle drive, filling most of the triangular site, serves the depot from the street.

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MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

The building is presently in deteriorated condition, especially with regard to the window glass which has been completely broken out by vandals. The roof tiles have also been vandalized, notably on the west roof slope.

Portions of the brick platform have been taken up. The interior finish is partially removed.

Aside from this deterioration, the building is in sound structural condition and has been little altered from its original configuration. The former "white" waiting room was altered, as noted, for a freight room, or similar, non-passenger use. The building is now empty. Restoration and adaptive use plans are under preparation by the Mississippi County Historical Society.

FOOTNOTES

1. W.J. Burton, "History of the Missouri Pacific Railroad," (St. Louis, Missouri: Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, 1956), pp. I-IV (Unpublished manuscript, extensive history of the railroad, commissioned by the company, and written by a former employee after his retirement.)

cf. also Margaret Louise Fitzsimmons, "Railroad Development in Missouri 1860-1870" (Unpublished Master's thesis, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 1931), pp. 310-323.
2. Missouri Pacific Railroad Company (St. Louis Iron Mountain and Southern Railway), drawings for passenger station at Charleston, Missouri, dated November 21, 1916, on file at the Missouri Pacific Railroad office, St. Louis, Missouri.
3. Cf. The Charleston [Missouri] Republican, April 5, 1917, p. 1. The Enterprise-Courier [Charleston, Missouri], April 26, 1917, Section 2, p. 1; July 5, 1917, p. 10; and November 8, 1917, p. 1.
4. Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, drawings, November 21, 1916.
5. Ibid.

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MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

In 1879, the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad was included in the railroad consolidation headed by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, or "Southwestern Railway System," under the leadership of Jay Gould.⁸

The Depot

The present depot structure at Charleston was constructed in 1917. It replaced an earlier depot, dating from approximately the 1860's, which had been constructed of frame, board and batten, with shutters at the windows, a wood plank platform sheltered by a roof overhand, and a picket fence.

Drawings for the new depot, on file at the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company offices in St. Louis, Missouri, are dated November 21, 1916. Newspaper accounts report the new, brick depot was under construction in 1917,⁹ and was completed in November, 1917 at a total cost of approximately \$25,000.¹⁰

Duncan and Company of St. Louis were awarded the construction contract in December, 1916.¹¹

The new depot was a source of local pride as stated in a resolution passed by the Charleston City Council expressing appreciation to the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company for the "vast improvements just completed in its passenger terminals. . . a most substantial and commodious depot in the City of Charleston, and . . . [the] beautified. . . grounds. . . ."12

The Charleston depot typifies the small railroad station design described by John A. Droege, General Superintendent of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, in his book, Passenger Terminals and Trains, 1916. The date of publication coincides with the design date for the Charleston depot, but earlier Missouri Pacific stations of 1900-1914 also incorporate these features.

The Charleston depot is one of a series built by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, replacing earlier depots constructed 1860-1880. Files at the Missouri Pacific Railroad Office in St. Louis, Missouri, list approximately 50 depots of moderate size constructed in the first 20 years of the twentieth century in Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. Many of these stations are still standing. As a group they exhibit characteristic features cited by Droege and they manifest a "company image."

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MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

The characteristic features include:¹³

- 1) The prevalent use of standard designs, with variations, for depots constructed by one railroad company.
- 2) The replacement of early, wood-frame structures with buildings of brick, stucco, concrete, terra cotta, or stone construction.
- 3) The tendency to favor dark colors and stone, terra cotta and concrete trim.
- 4) The use of red tile roofs.
- 5) The use of wide overhanging eaves.
- 6) The substitution of reinforced concrete with tile surface floors for wood floors.
- 7) Interior wainscotting.
- 8) The use of central heat rather than stoves.
- 9) The inclusion of a basement to house the heating plant.
- 10) The use of sidewalks surrounding the depot.
- 11) The construction of combination passenger and freight depots in towns of moderate size--rather than separating these functions into two structures as was sometimes done in earlier stations.
- 12) The placement of the agent's office near the center of the building with a projecting bay window on the track side giving the agent a view of the tracks.
- 13) Including a provision for ease of access by trainmen into the agent's office without having to go through the waiting room.

The depot at Charleston includes each of these features.

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MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

The building lies on the boundary of the West Side urban renewal project, N. R-119, Area No. 2, in Charleston, Missouri. The Neighborhood Development Program of the project was approved August 1, 1972. The surrounding area is included in the urban renewal plan which includes large-scale clearance, and new development. As the depot building is structurally sound, it is not included in the clearance project, and will become eligible for development work under the urban renewal program.¹⁴

The Missouri Pacific Railroad Company has sold the building to the Mississippi County Historical Society for use as a museum.¹⁵ The land remains in the ownership of the railroad which leases it to the historical society.

The museum collection will feature papers and memorabilia of the administration of Missouri Governor Warren E. Hearnes whose home is in Charleston.¹⁶

The survey of Missouri's historic sites is based on the selection of sites as they relate to theme studies in Missouri history as outlined in Missouri's "Comprehensive Statewide Historic Preservation Plan." The Missouri Pacific Railroad depot at Charleston is therefore being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places under the Transportation Theme Study because 1) it demonstrates the importance of its locale as an intersection on the Missouri Pacific Railroad system, and 2) it typifies the Missouri Pacific Railroad depot design of the early twentieth century.

FOOTNOTES

1. Robert Sidney Douglass, ed. History of Southeast Missouri (Cape Girardeau, Missouri: Ramfre Press, 1961, reprint of original 1912 ed.), p. 179.
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8. Burton, 1956, p. IV.
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10. The Enterprise-Courier [Charleston, Missouri], November 8, 1917, p. 1.
11. The Enterprise-Courier [Charleston, Missouri], December 21, 1916, p. 1.
12. The Enterprise-Courier [Charleston, Missouri], May 23, 1918, p. 1.
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14. Tanna Parish, Executive Director, Land Clearance for Redevelopment Authority of the City of Charleston, Missouri, letter to Mrs. Velna Brown, May 22, 1972; information in interview by M. Patricia Holmes, May 19, 1972; and Benjamin Bird Moore, letter to the State Historical Survey and Planning Office, August 30, 1972.
15. Benjamin Bird Moore, President, Mississippi County Historical Society in interview by M. Patricia Holmes, May 18, 1972.
16. Warren E. Hearnese, Governor of Missouri, letter to Mr. Joseph Jaeger, Jr., Director of Parks, Missouri State Park Board, June 2, 1972. The collection will include documents and museum objects dating from the early settlement of Mississippi County, Indian artifacts, art objects, and commemorative and personal memorabilia from Governor Hearnese's administration.

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5. St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company. Annual Reports. St. Louis, Missouri: Chambers and Knapp [publisher varies] 1853-1874.
6. Templin, Lucinda de Leftwich. "The Development of Railroads in Missouri to 1860." Unpublished Master's thesis, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, 1915.
7. White, Edward J. "A Century of Transportation in Missouri," The Missouri Historical Review, 1920, Volume XV, No. 1, pp. 144-151.

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2. The Charleston [Missouri] Republican, April 5, 1917.
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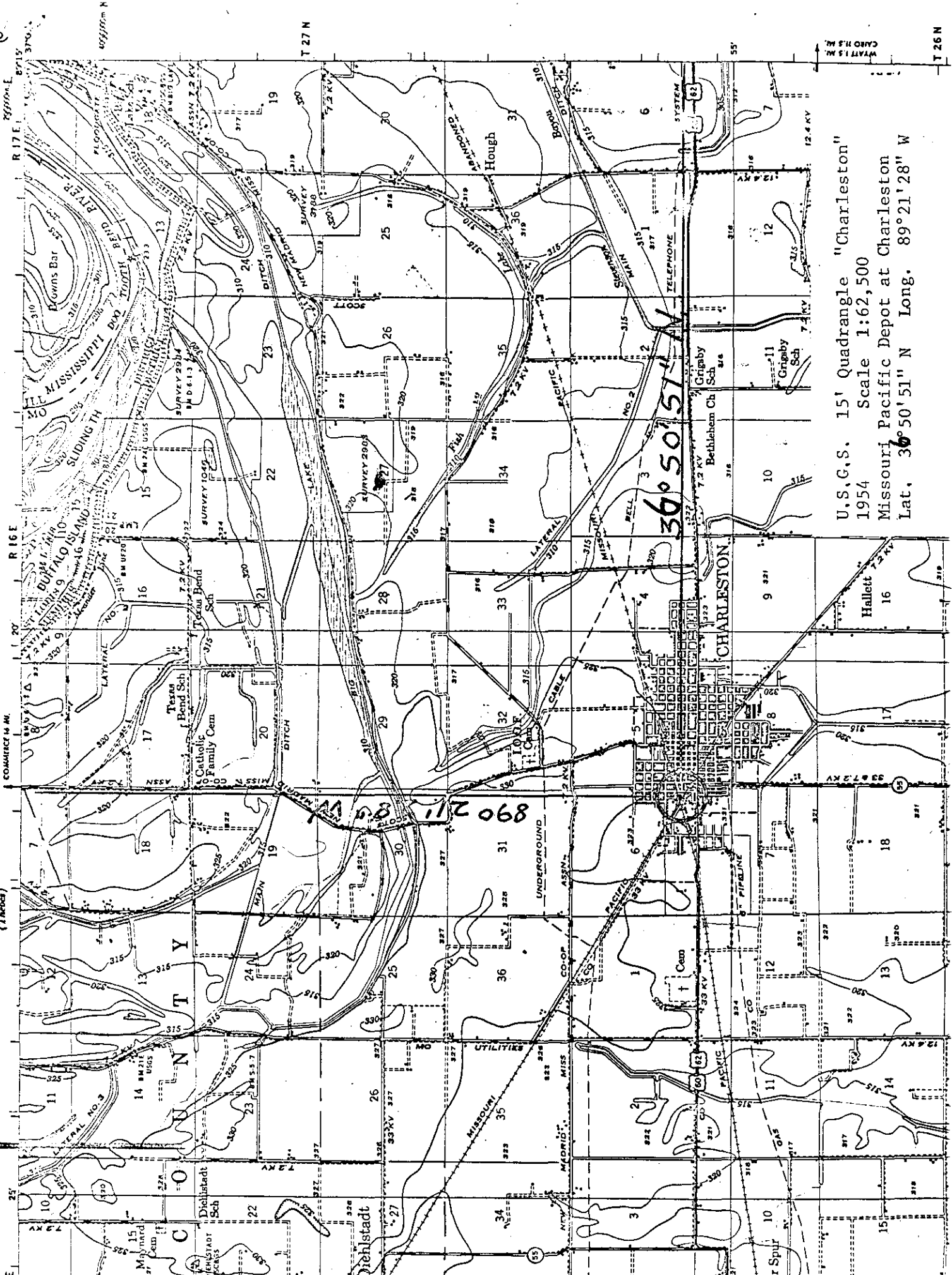
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16. Parish, Tanna. Interview by M. Patricia Holmes, May 19, 1972.
17. _____. Letter to Mrs. Velna Brown, May 22, 1972.

CHARLESTON QUADRANGLE
MISSOURI-ILLINOIS



U.S.G.S. 15' Quadrangle "Charleston"
1954 Scale 1:62,500
Missouri Pacific Depot at Charleston
Lat. 36°50'51" N Long. 89°21'28" W

MISSOURI PACIFIC DEPOT AT CHARLESTON

COUNTY: Mississippi
LOCATION: Charleston, Mo. 63834
OWNER: See Site File Copy
ADDRESS: See Site File Copy
DATE APPROVED BY A.C.: 11-14-72
DATE SENT TO JEFF. CITY: 11-21-72
DATE SENT TO D.C.: 11-21-72
DATE OF REC. IN D.C.:
DATE PLACED ON NATIONAL REGISTER: 11-30-72
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(AND PRESENTOR): 08-16-77
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Charleston

STATE:

Missouri 63864

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COUNTY:

Mississippi

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3. PHOTO REFERENCE

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DATE OF PHOTO: ca. 1971

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Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

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Aerial view of the depot area.

Denotes Area Being Nominated to the National Register of Historic Places



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Detail view of the north side from the northeast, looking toward trainmen's entrance into agent's office (right).



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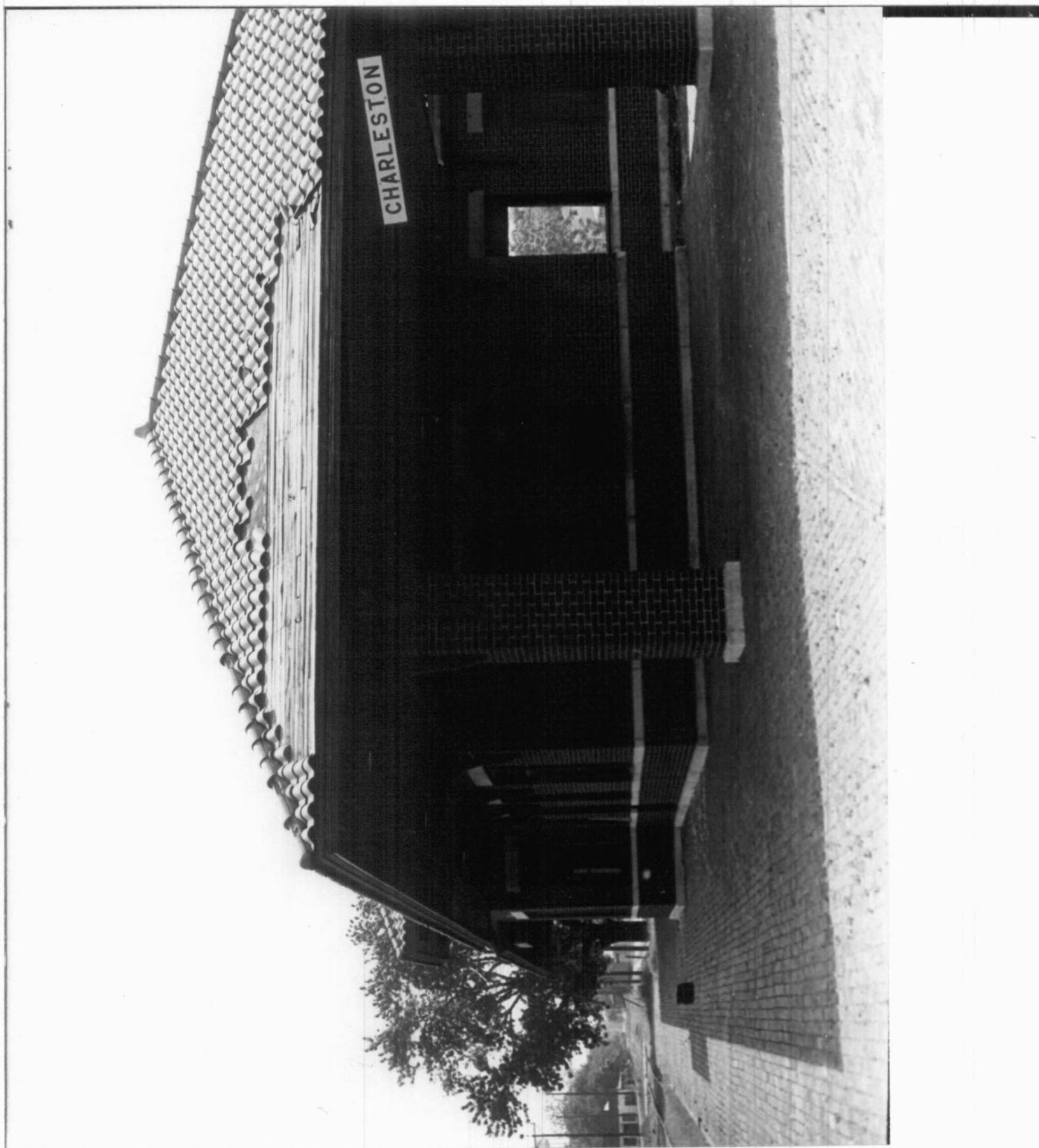
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View from the west, looking east. Western, open pavilion is in foreground. Recent vandalism of red tile roof and window glass is visible in this photograph.



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View from the northeast, looking southwest. Walls are constructed of dark red brick with a white, smooth-cut limestone wainscotting, and foundation top.



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