

COUNTY: Brooks

NO. 338

GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

I. IDENTIFICATION	<p>PROPERTY NAME: <u>Merchants &amp; Farmers Bank</u> HISTORIC NAME: <u>Same</u></p> <p>STREET ADDRESS: <u>312 E. Screven</u> CITY: <u>Quitman</u></p> <p>PRESENT OWNER: <u>T. J. Faucett</u> MAILING ADDRESS: <u>1000 N. Jefferson</u></p> <p>CITY: <u>Quitman</u> STATE: <u>Ga</u> ZIP CODE: <u>31643</u></p> <p>CURRENT USE: <u>vacant</u> ACREAGE: <u>app. 25' x 90'</u></p> <p>U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE <u>Quitman</u> U.T.M. REFERENCE:</p> <p>V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: <u>Q 20 247</u></p>
II. DESCRIPTION	<p>ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION:</p> <p><u>Slim, two story rectangular plan building. Flat roof. Brick. Granite facade (which has been replaced with modern structures on 1st floor) textured. An arcade of 3 pointed arched windows with pilasters.</u></p>
III. HISTORY	<p>ORIGINAL OWNER: <u>Merchants &amp; Farmer's Bank</u> ORIGINAL USE: <u>Bank building</u></p> <p>ARCHITECT/BUILDER: HISTORIC ACREAGE:</p> <p>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: <u>1898</u> DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:</p> <p>HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT):</p> <p><u>Second bank to be organized in Quitman. Opened for business in April 1891. Dr. James McCall was the first president. The bank was located first in the Opera House (what is now City Hall) until this building was completed in 1898. In 1905, the bank went national and was re-named First National Bank. Since the bank left, the bldg. has been used as a law office, a savings bank, and Farmer's mutual.</u></p>
IV. SIGNIFICANCE	<p>N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: LEVEL:</p> <p>STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL):</p> <p><u>Significant as part of a potential National Register historic district, a downtown district of late 19th and early 20th century buildings.</u></p>
V. SOURCES	<p>FORM PREPARED BY: <u>Smith, Bartholomew</u> ORGANIZATION: <u>South Georgia Area Planning and Development Commission</u></p> <p>ADDRESS: <u>327 Savannah Ave. Valdosta, Ga. 31601</u> TELEPHONE NUMBER: <u>912-247-3454 or 3494</u></p> <p>REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS:</p> <p>SOURCES OF INFORMATION: <u>'30 Sanborn Map, History of Brooks Co.</u></p>



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