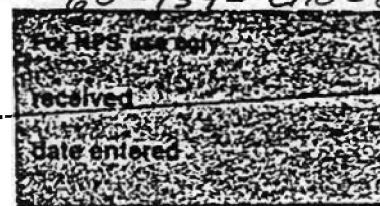


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INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

General Description

Code: PU-112

Congressional District: Second

Name: Johnson House
Address: 516 E. 8th
Little Rock, Arkansas
County: Pulaski

Current Owner: Little Rock Restorations, Ltd.
c/o Thomas E. Wilkes
Address: 511 E. 7th Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Charles L. Thompson

Date of Construction: ca. 1900

Stylistic Influence: Colonial Revival

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Multi-family residence

* 514, 516, 518 E. 8th are a three-structure apartment complex joined by a common courtyard and known as Cromwell Court

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 567210/3844330

Acreage: Less than one

Verbal Boundary Description: Johnson's Addition
Block 4, Lots 9, 10, 11

Condition

Excellent
 Good
 Fair

Deteriorated
 Ruins
 Unexposed

Unaltered
 Altered

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Physical Description

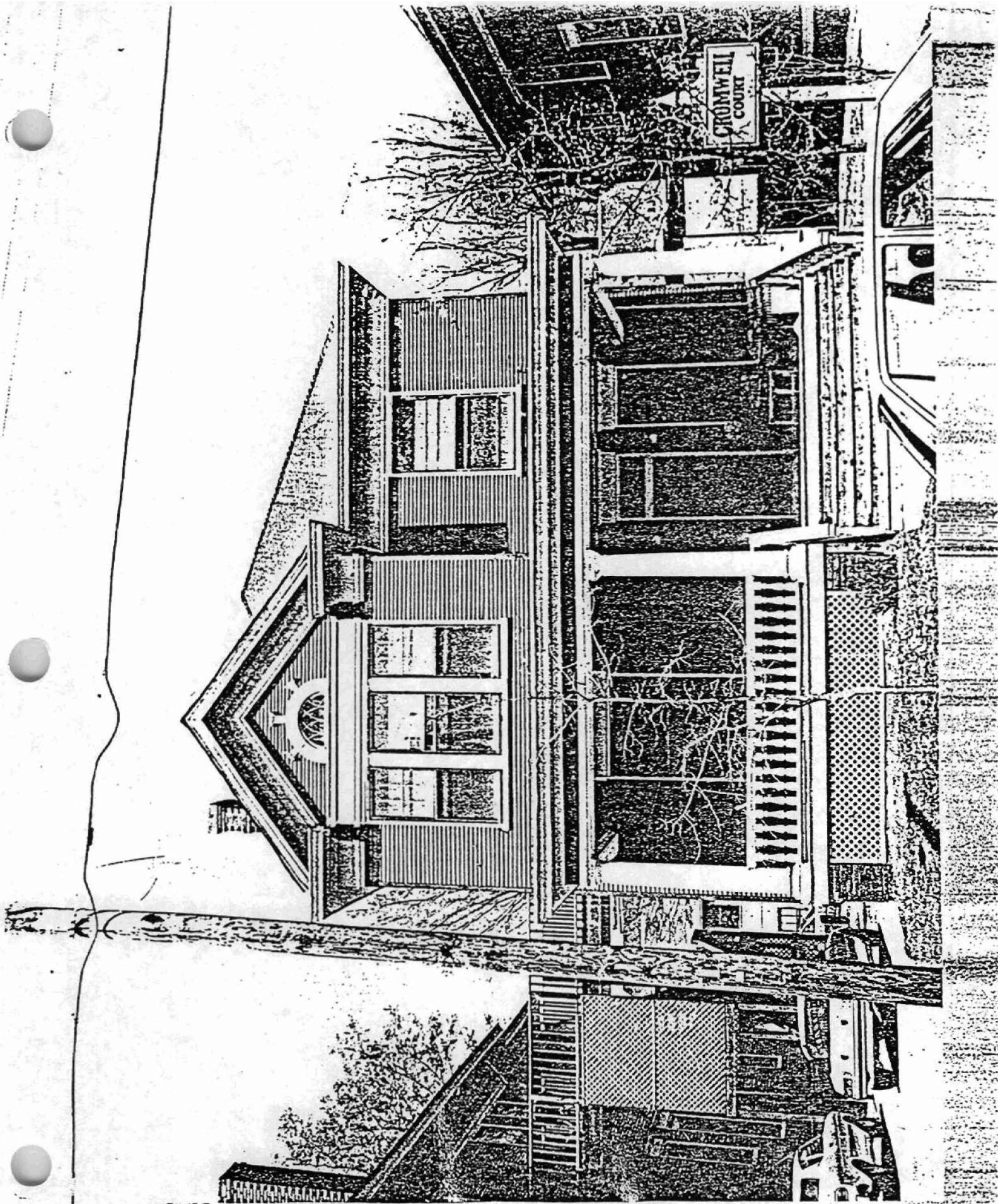
This house is the middle one of a group of three similar two-story houses on small lots at 514, 516 and 518 East 8th Street in Little Rock. All were designed by Charles Thompson around 1900. The boxy proportions of this Foursquare house with hipped roof are broken by a two-story cross gable with prominent gable returns which projects from the front elevation. Lighting this section on the second story are three plate glass sash windows capped by wide plain cornice decorated with semi-circular wood panel. The full length front porch is supported by Tuscan columns. The sash windows have one-over-one lights.

Statement of Significance

In about 1910, Charles L. Thompson designed three rent houses located at 514, 516 and 518 East Eighth Street in Little Rock. Located in the MacArthur Park Historic District, these houses have recently been restored and are part of a complex known as Cromwell Court. Each house is a variation of the American Foursquare design and an integral part of a group which represents one of the most cohesive historic environments in Little Rock. It is the only such Foursquare group designed by Thompson.

Following the Foursquare concept each house is two-story, square, and capped with a hipped roof. All houses contain a two-story projecting bay and a one-story full length porch with similar Tuscan-like columns and balustrade on the front facade. The windows and doors of each house are identical in size and surrounded treatment. All three houses are sheathed with weatherboards and set on a brick foundation.

Even though the houses are almost identical in massing, each house contains its own particular set of classical decorative elements which distinguish it from the others. Each house is an individualized part of the whole.





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 CHARLES L. THOMPSON DESIGN COLLECTION -
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Little Rock, Pulaski Co., Arkansas
 Quadrangle Name: Little Rock, AR
 Scale: 1:24,000

UTM Reference:

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PU-129	15	566410/3842890
PU-131	15	566410/3842950
PU-133	15	566130/3843390
PU-137	15	566180/3843430
PU-139	15	566130/3843460
PU-147	15	565990/3843120
PU-162	15	566850/3844080

