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1. Name: Aztec Main Street Historic District
2. Location: Generally bounded by Main (E), Chuska (S), the alley between Park and Main (W), and Chaco (N).
4. Owners:

#712 Eugene Stewart, 123 S. Main (all Aztec, NM 87410, unless noted)
 #713 San Juan Post #9, American Legion, 121 S. Main
 #714 Flavio Chavez, 119 S. Main
 #715 Flavio Chavez, 119 S. Main
 ---- Pearle Graham, 116 N. Wall St., Farmington
 ---- Henry Goldenburg and Jack Cook, 113 S. Main
 #718 Harfield Crane, c/o Jack Cook, 111 S. Main
 #719 Hope Rebekah and IOOF Aztec Lodge, 107 S. Main
 #720 Eleanor F. and Charles Buck, 105 S. Main
 #721 Ruth Hubbard, 103 S. Main
 #722 James A. and Elta Dugentberry Trustees, 101 S. Main

7. Description:

The Main Street Historic District of Aztec is a one-half block (one block front) area of commercial buildings. Nine of the eleven buildings were erected between 1900 and 1915; the remaining two were built after the Second World War. Of the historic buildings, only one (ill. 2, 3rd from left) has received a substantial detrimental remodeling; three have had minor first-floor facelifts. As a result, the district (ills. 2, 3) appears virtually as it did in 1915 and substantially as it appeared in 1908 (ill. 1). The majority of the historic structures are two story; all stand at the sidewalk's edge. The common bond brick walls of the rear of the buildings present a less uniform appearance (ill. 4). Stylish ornament is reserved for the street facades. Cast iron, pressed metal and decorative brick work details employ the Italianate, the Neo-Classical and a local Decorative Brick style. Fixed metal shades have replaced the earlier canvas awnings, as concrete sidewalks have replaced the earlier boardwalk.

Section 7, Description, of the Historic Resources of Aztec nomination discusses in more detail the physical character of the area, characteristics of architectural styles and local workmanship, and survey methodology. The following list of individual structures elaborates on particular examples of architecture, craftsmanship and the involvement of notable historical figures.

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Significant Structures

#715 J. M. Randall Building; 117 S. Main; ill. 6; Italianate/Decorative Brick style; 1907; common bond brick walls; projecting sills and segmental arches (sides and rear); (front) cast-iron posts, fixed windows with transoms; paired window bays with pressed metal cornices and rusticated piers; decorative brick dentils, zipper-brick and recessed panels; pressed metal cornice. Original interior with pressed metal ceiling.

Built and long operated as a dry goods store by one of the city's leading merchants, J. M. Randall. The Randall family occupied the second floor apartment.

#718 Townsend Building; 111 S. Main; ill. 10; Neo-Classical; 1908-1913; common bond brick walls; remodeled 1st-floor facade; decorative Neo-Classical pressed metal sheathing and cornice (2nd).

Built for Fred W. Townsend, who operated a meat market/grocery through the 1930s with a variety of partners.

#719 Odd Fellows Lodge Building; 109 S. Main; ill. 5; Italianate/Decorative Brick style; 1903; common bond brick walls with stone sills and segmental arches (rear); cast-iron piers (1st, front); decorative zipper-brick, recessed panels, corbeling; stone sills and lintels (2nd); pressed metal cornice.

As the first major commercial building, with especially fine decorative brick details, the Odd Fellows building reflected the optimism which pervaded Aztec just before the arrival of the railroad.

#720 Citizen's Bank Building; 105 S. Main; ill. 11; Neo-Classical; 1910-13; common bond brick walls (sides and rear); brick piers with sandstone "capitals," zipper-brick frame and banded splayed lintel; recessed entry, bank (left), stairs to 2nd floor (right), window bay with zipper corners and rusticated stone sill (middle); stained glass transoms; understated brick work accents (2nd); pressed metal cornice with modillion brackets.

Built by T. A. Pierce, one of the leading railroad era newcomers, it functioned as a bank until the 1950s.

Contributing Structures

#721 Bailey and Howe Dry Goods Building; 123 S. Main; ills. 2, 7; Neo-Classical/decorative brick 1905-08; Flemish/common bond brick walls, rusticated sandstone sills, segmental arches, stepping Decorative Brick cornice (side and rear), remodeled (1st, front); pressed metal, Neo-Classical sheathing and cornice (2nd).

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#713 Taylor Building; 121 S. Main; ill. 8; Neo-Classical 1905-08; common bond brick walls (side and rear); remodeled (1st, front); pressed metal, Neo-Classical sheathing and cornice (2nd).

#721 Waring-Hubbard Building; 103 S. Main; ill. 9, left; Decorative Brick Style; 1908-1913; minor remodeling (1st, front); transom (above awning); decorative zipper-brick, panels and corbeled dentils.

#722 First State Bank; 100 S. Main; ill. 9, right; Decorative Brick style; pre-1908/facade post-1913; adobe with brick and board veneers; stone columns, keystone and two string courses; transoms (above awnings); decorative brick piers and cornice.

Non-Contributing Structures

#714 119 S. Main; ill. 1, 2, third from left; pre-1908; major facade remodeling; first funeral parlor operated by J. W. Dial.

---- (Rasco); 115 S. Main; post-1957.

---- 117 S. Main; 1957.

8. Significance:

The Main Street District is a particularly well-preserved segment of a typical New Mexican commercial street developed from 1900 to 1915. It reflects Aztec's position as the leading marketing center of northwestern San Juan County, an area including the fertile Animas River Valley in New Mexico. This small district includes two of the best preserved examples of Italianate commercial architecture in the state (ills. 5, 6), three less distinguished examples of the less widespread use of stock classical details (ills. 7, 8, 10), as well as numerous examples of local Panel Brick style ornament (ills. 2, side street corner; 5; 6; 9; 11). The Citizen's Bank (ill. 11), in its understated handling of Neo-Classicism, is a cut above the average builder's work and was probably designed by a Colorado architect.

Section 8, Significance, of the Historic Resources of Aztec discusses in more detail the history of the area, categories of significance, district boundaries and the integration of this information into the city's planning process. The list of individual structures in Section 7 of this district nomination also touches on specific elements of significance such as architectural details and design, and involvement in construction by notable historic figures.

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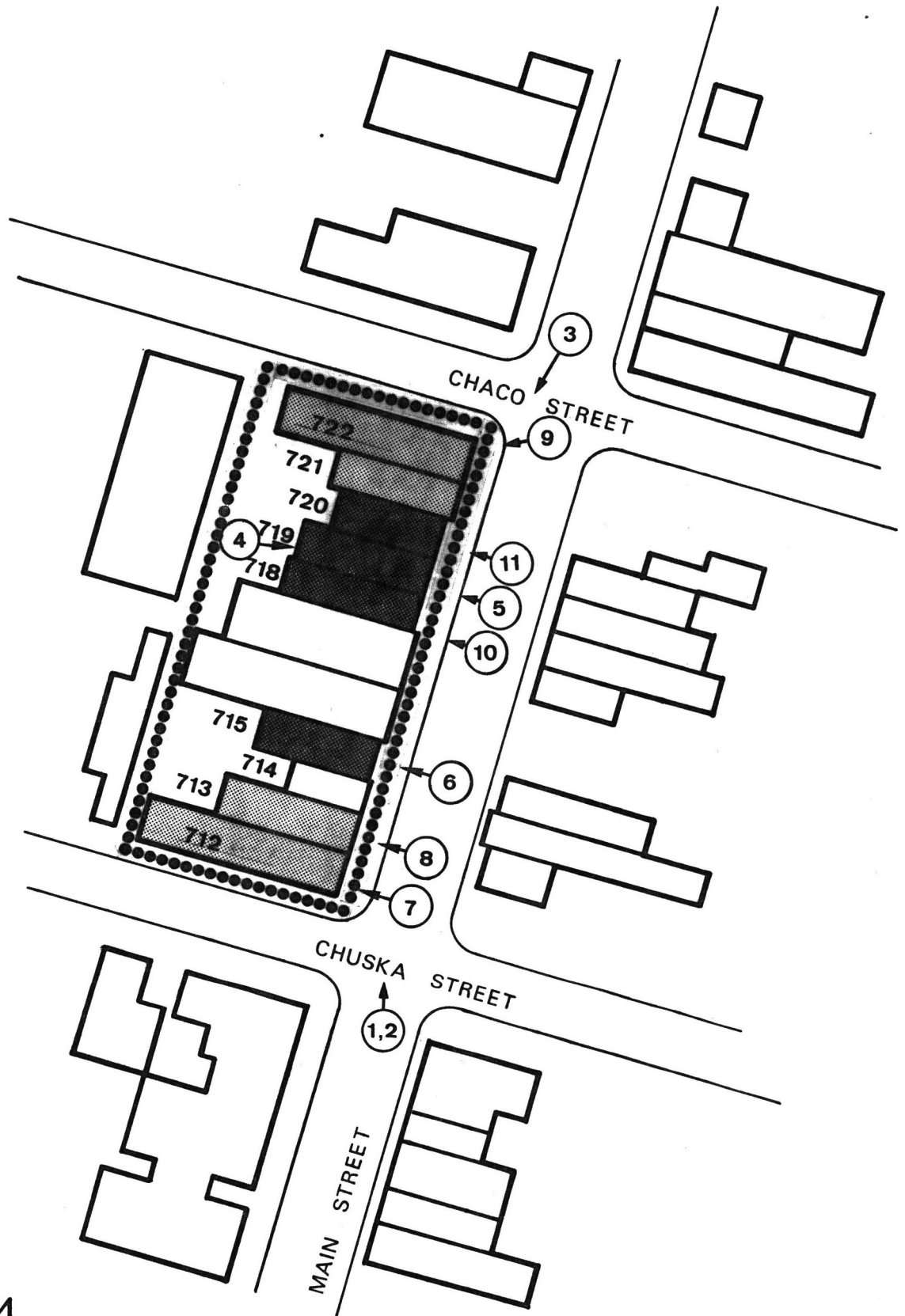
10. Geographical Data:

Acreage: 1½

Quadrangle name: Aztec, New Mexico

Scale: 1:625000

Zone	Easting	Northing
A 13	232625	4079175
B 13	232575	407900
C 13	232450	4079050
D 13	232550	4079225

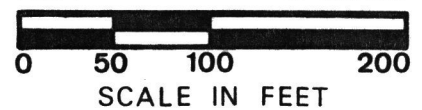


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AZTEC MAIN STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1984

S. BURKE



..... BOUNDARY

■ SIGNIFICANT

▨ CONTRIBUTING

□ NON-CONTRIBUTING

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Aztec, New Mexico Historic MRA
State San Juan County, NEW MEXICO

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|
| 1. Aztec Main Street Historic District | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Groves 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 2. Church Avenue-Lovers Lane Historic District | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 3. Abrams, H.D., House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 4. American Hotel | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 5. Austin-McDonald (Koogler) House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 6. Aztec Motor Company Building | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 7. Ball, D.C., House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 8. Building at 500 White Avenue | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 9. Building at 202 Park Avenue | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 10. Daws-Keys House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 2/21/85</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Aztec Main Street Historic District (Aztec New Mexico Historic MRA)
San Juan County
NEW MEXICO

JAN 10 1985

Substantive Review

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86

Date Due: 2/8/85 - 2/24/85

Action: ACCEPT 2-B1-85

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria Accept - A, C

Reviewer Gordon

Discipline Historian

Date 2/21/85

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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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

- 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 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)

*It would have been helpful to have specific
reference to portions of the cover form: see
#7, pp 1-2, and #8, p. 11*

- 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 _____

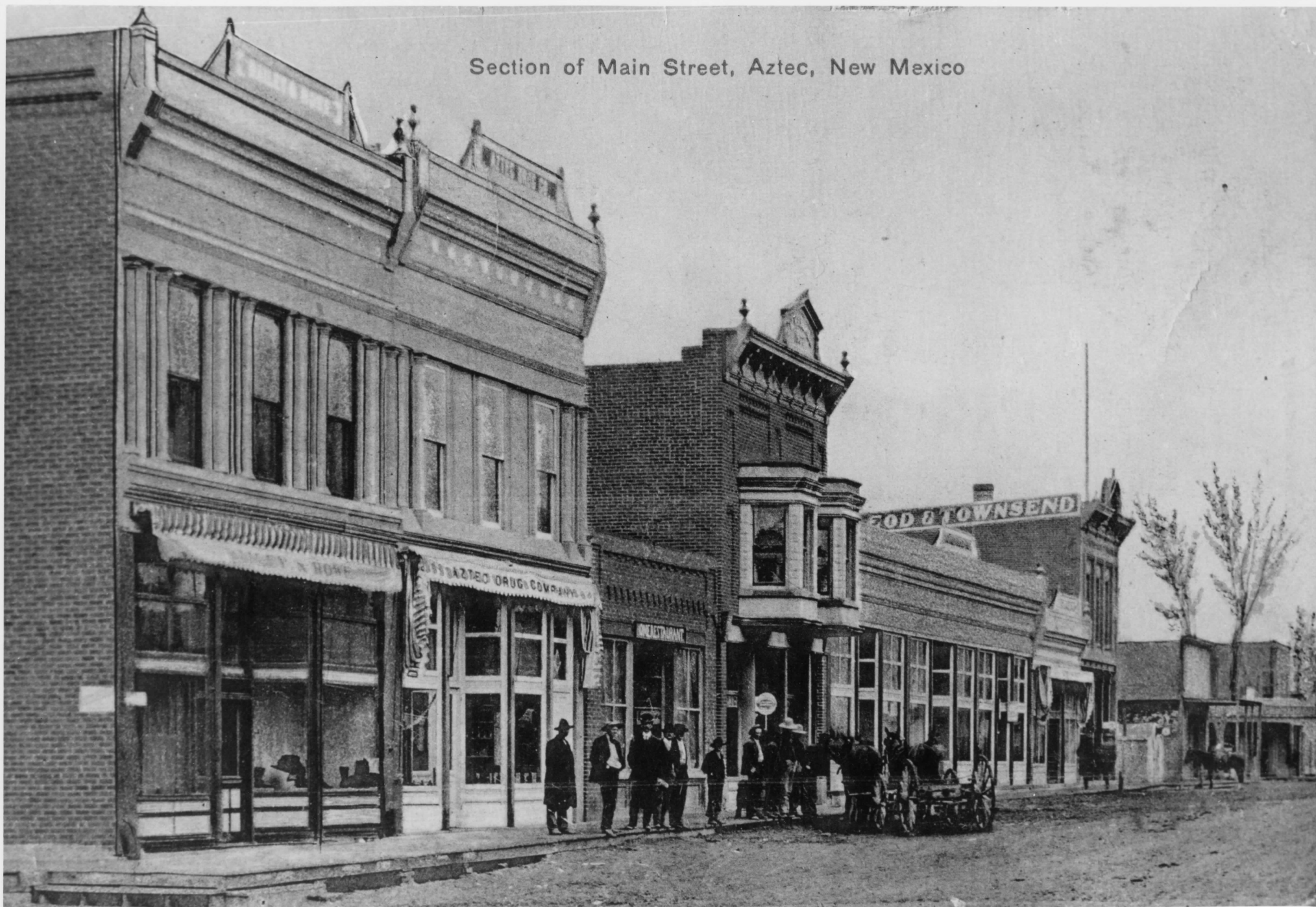
13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Section of Main Street, Aztec, New Mexico



Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

1. Main Street District; Aztec, NM;
photographer unknown; 1907-08;
copy negative NMSHPD; looking
NW along bank of Main.

CW 13-24



CU 11-7

Aztec New Mexico NMA, NM

2. Main Street Historic District;
Aztec, NM; C. Wilson; 1984;
NMSHPD; looking NW along
district. (from left: sig, sig,
non-cont, sig, non-cont)



3. Main Street Historic District;
Aztec, NM; C. Wilson; 1984;
NMSHPD; looking SW along
district. (from right: cont.,
cont., sig, sig, sig.)

Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

CW ¹¹~~22~~-22



4. Main Street District; Aztec, NM;
C. Wilson; 1984; NMSHPD;
looking NE at rear of the
Townsend Building, Odd Fellows
and Citizen's Bank.

Aztec New Mexico NMA, NM

CW 12-18



MAY 1903
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NADINE'S
SEAM PRESSING
& CUSTOM DRESSING

DRESSERIES
QUALITY
OVER
QUANTITY

DRESSERIES

11
21
11

109-? So. Main St. Aztec

1977

5. Odd Fellows Building; Main Street
District; Aztec, NM; B. Barsook;
1981; NMSHPD; street facade;
significant.

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AZTEC, N. MEXICO

109 S. MAIN

I.O.O.F. HALL

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J.M. RANDALL
1907

PLUMBING
SUPPLIES

OPEN

Use Our
LAYAWAY
PLAN

6. Randall Building; Main Street
District; Aztec, NM; B. Barsook;
1981; NMSHPD; street facade;
sig.

Aztec New Mexico NRA, NM

PHOTO F;
U.M RANDALL BUILDING
117 S. MAIN
AZTEC, N. MEX.
1981

Randall Bldg

117. So. Main, Aztec
N19-8 1/2 - 8

1977
9
1981



Four Corners
SAVINGS
AND LOAN
ASSOCIATION



INSURED

1977

7. Howe Brothers Dry Goods; Main
Street District; Aztec, NM; B.
Barsook; 1981; NMSHPD; street
facade; sig.

Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

PHOTO G: BRVINGTON BUILDING

123 S. MAIN

AZTEC, N. MEXICO

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*123. So. Main, Aztec
11-4-8*



1977

PHOTO E:

M.D. TAYLOR BUILDING / TAYLOR & GRAY DRUGS

121 S. MAIN

AZTEC, N. M.

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8. Taylor Building; Main Street
District; Aztec, NM; B. Barsook;
1981; NMSHPD; street facade;
sig.

Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

121 - So Main, Aztec
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FLOPIST

Flower's
FLOWERS

WESTERN WEAR

SPORTING GOODS

↑ BLOOMFIELD
← DURANGO
FARMINGTON →

NO
U
TURN

1977

PHOTO A

OLD AZTEC STATE BANK

101-103 S. MAIN

AZTEC, N.M.

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9. Hubbard Building/First State Bank;
Main Street District; Aztec, NM; B.
Barsook; 1981; NMSHPD; 3/4 view;
sig.

Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

101-103. So main, Aztec

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ZTEC DRY GOODS

OPEN

PHOTO D:

MCKENZIE BUILDING
111 S. MAIN
AZTEC, N. MEX
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10. Townsend Building; Main Street
District; Aztec, NM; B. Barsook;
1981; NMSHPD; street facade;
sig.

Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

111 - S. Main St, Aztec
N16-8-64

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1977

THE CITIZENS BANK

PORTER'S
SHOE SHOP*

OPEN
SADDLE
TACK

W. H. BROWN & SONS, PHOTOGRAPHERS, 100 N. 10TH ST., DENVER, CO.

PHOTO B.

CITIZENS BANK

105-107 S. MAIN

AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

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11. Citizen's Bank; Main Street District;
Aztec, NM; B. Barsook; 1981;
NMSHPD; street facade; sig.

Aztec New Mexico MRA, NM

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105-7? - S. Main St., Aztec

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1977

Please refer to the map in the
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for this property

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