

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

U.S. Post Office -- *(Mississippi Post offices 1931-1941 TN)*  
Leland, Mississippi

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

204 North Broad Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Leland

VICINITY OF

2

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Mississippi

CODE

28

COUNTY

Washington

CODE

151

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

*N/A*

**STATUS**

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

**PRESENT USE**

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

**4 AGENCY**

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: *(if applicable)*

Memphis Field Real Estate and Buildings Office

United States Postal Service

STREET & NUMBER

1 North Front Street

CITY, TOWN

Memphis

VICINITY OF

STATE

TN 38103

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Chancery Clerk's Office - Washington County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Chancery Clerk's Office

CITY, TOWN

Greenville

STATE

Mississippi

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

-None-

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

## 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The United States Post Office in Leland is located in the central business district. It is Colonial Revival in style. A concrete foundation level rises above grade to the main lobby level which is differentiated by a change-over to brick masonry. The elevated main floor is made accessible by a flight of granite steps with cast iron railings. The exterior walls consist of one full story crowned by a wide limestone frieze and wooden cornice which is continuous on all four facades. A standing seam metal, hipped roof covers the lobby portion of the building while a flat, built-up roof covers the rear work area. An octagonal wooden cupola with louvered minor sides and a peaked metal roof crowns the roof ridge over the central bay. The street facade consists of five bays reading window-window-roof-window-window. All bays are articulated by recessed brick panels. The central doorway is highlighted by a flanking pair of fluted Corinthian pilasters, a multi-paneled, leaded transom light and an architrave with dentils and a one foot high cast stone eagle centered over it. Windows in this facade are wooden, double hung, eight over eight sash with limestone lintels and sills. The northeast and southwest facades contain five bays of windows each. A mailing vestibule and platform project from the rear (southeast) facade. A full basement level exists. Brick masonry laid in the common bond is used throughout.

The interior plan (see attached plan drawings) consists of an L-shaped public lobby with the postmaster's office on the northernmost corner. The remaining area is given over to a large workroom and aforementioned vestibule and platform. A partial mezzanine level containing a lookout is located over the vault area. The lobby contains a polychrome terrazzo floor, marble wainscoting, a five-sided wooden entry vestibule, and a slightly altered screenline.

A mural by Stuart R. Purser, created under the Treasury Department's Section of Fine Arts program, was completed and installed in 1940 at a cost of \$740. It is presently in a moderately good state of preservation. (See Fine Arts Inventory).

See "Composite Biographical Sketches of Artists" for further discussion.



# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See bibliography attached to narrative entitled "The Treasury Department's Section of the Fine Arts Program" and "Federal Construction Work 1913-1941."

**ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED**

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

**UTM NOT VERIFIED**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1/4 acre

UTM REFERENCES

A	1 5	6 9 5 6 2 0	3 6 9 8 0 8 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The property nominated is indicated by the crossed ink lines on the accompanying U.S.G.S. map entitled Leland Quadrangle.

See Continuation Sheet for Verbal Boundary Description.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael W. Fazio, William E. Parrish,

ORGANIZATION

Tomas Blackwell, Curtis Franks

DATE

October 1, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

40 Eutaw Street

TELEPHONE

(601) 323-3451

CITY OR TOWN

Starkville

STATE

Mississippi

# 12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_ NONE\_\_\_

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is \_\_\_ National \_\_\_ State \_\_\_ Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

*Beth Grosvenor*

DATE

4/21/83

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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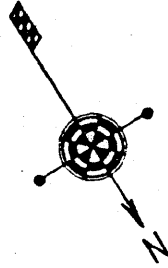
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LELAND, MS

The South Thirteen (13) feet of Lot Six (6), all of Lots Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9), and the North Half of Lot Ten (10), all in Block Eleven (11) of the Original Town of Leland, Washington County, State of Mississippi, according to map or plat thereof of record among the land records in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Washington County, Mississippi. Recorded 4 August 1938, Book 279, Page 324.

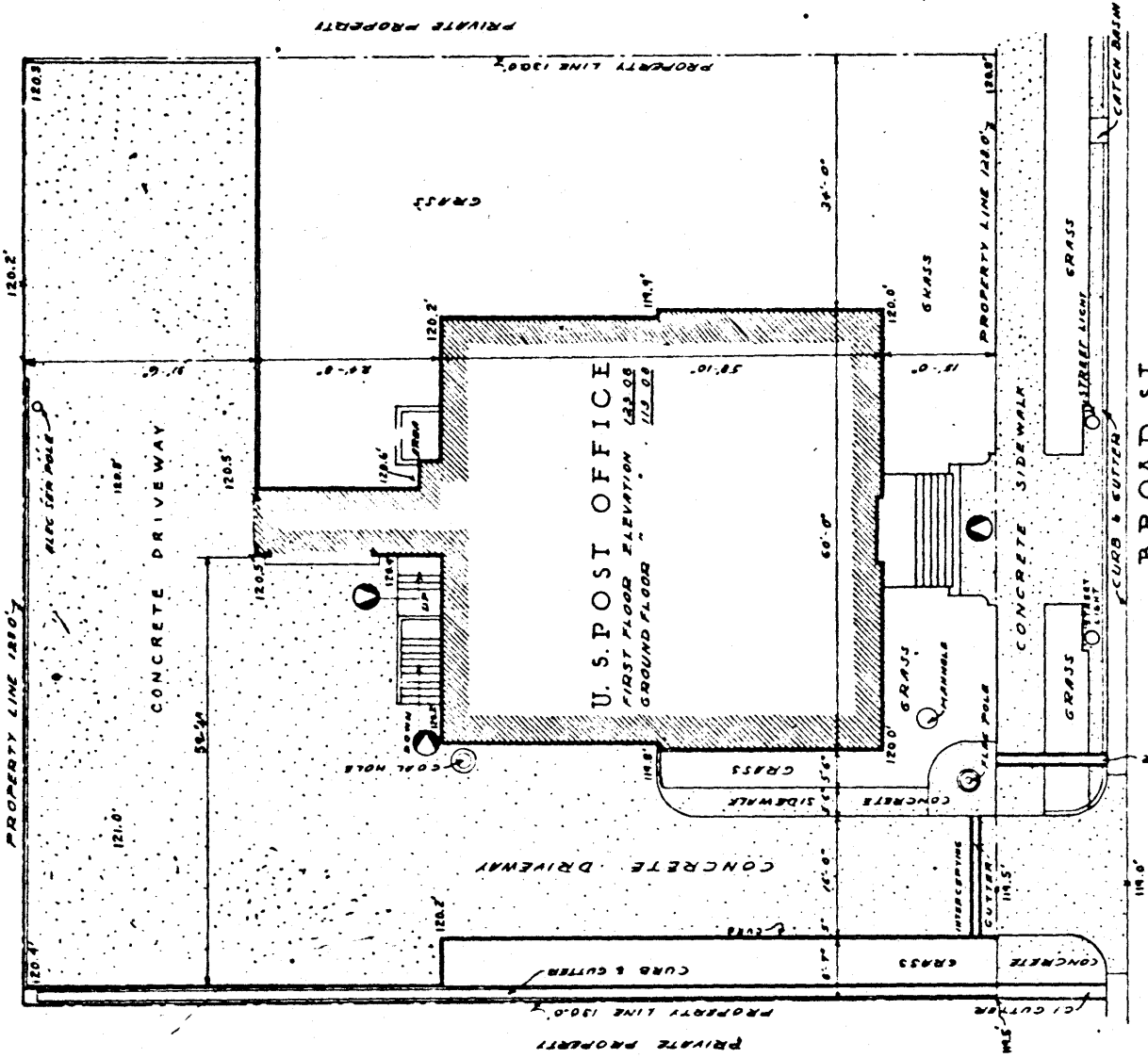
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LELAND, MISS.

J. J. JONES, JACOBS 2837  
2838 BROAD ST. MOBILE, ALA.

20 FT ALLEY

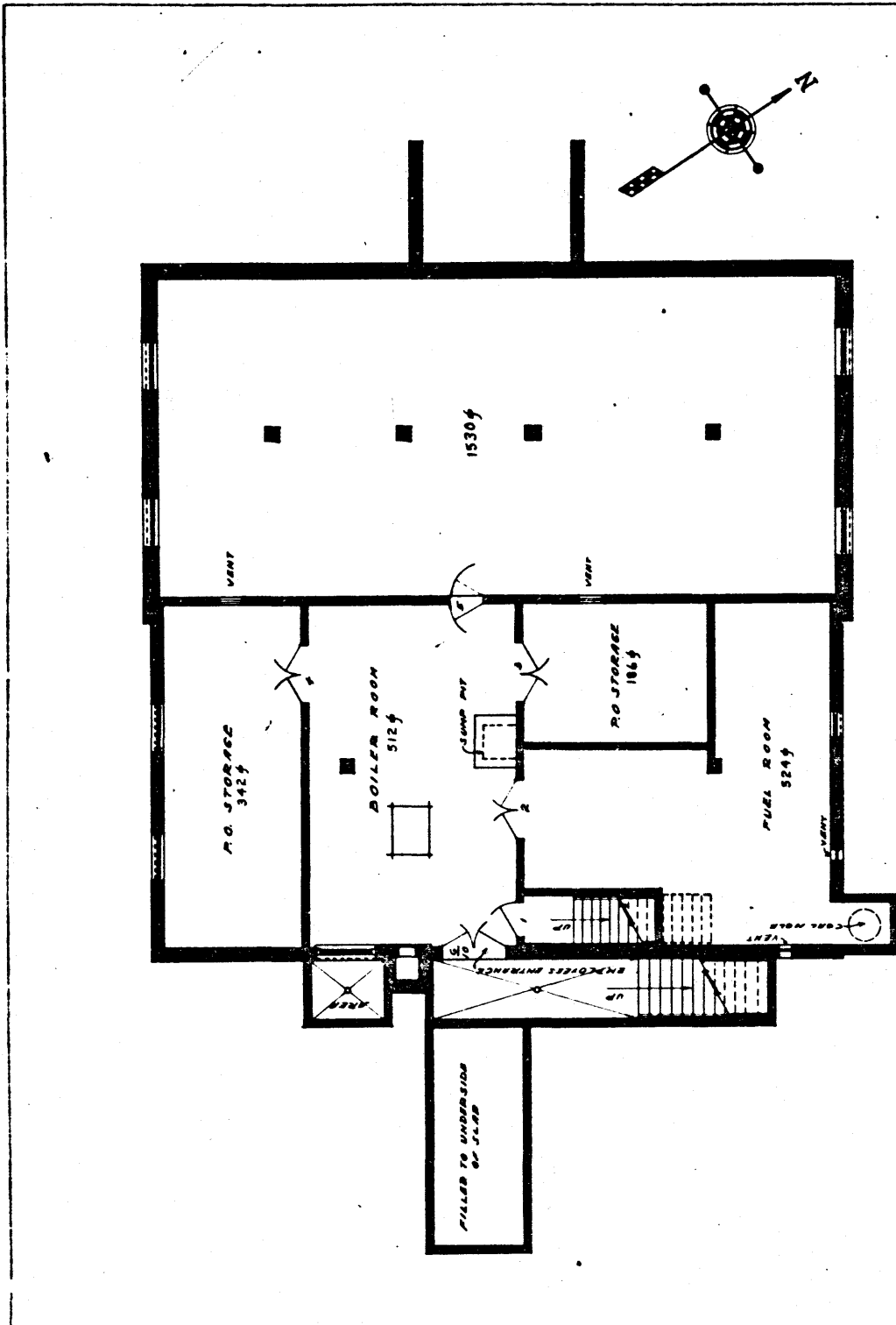


# APPROACH PLAN

BROAD ST.

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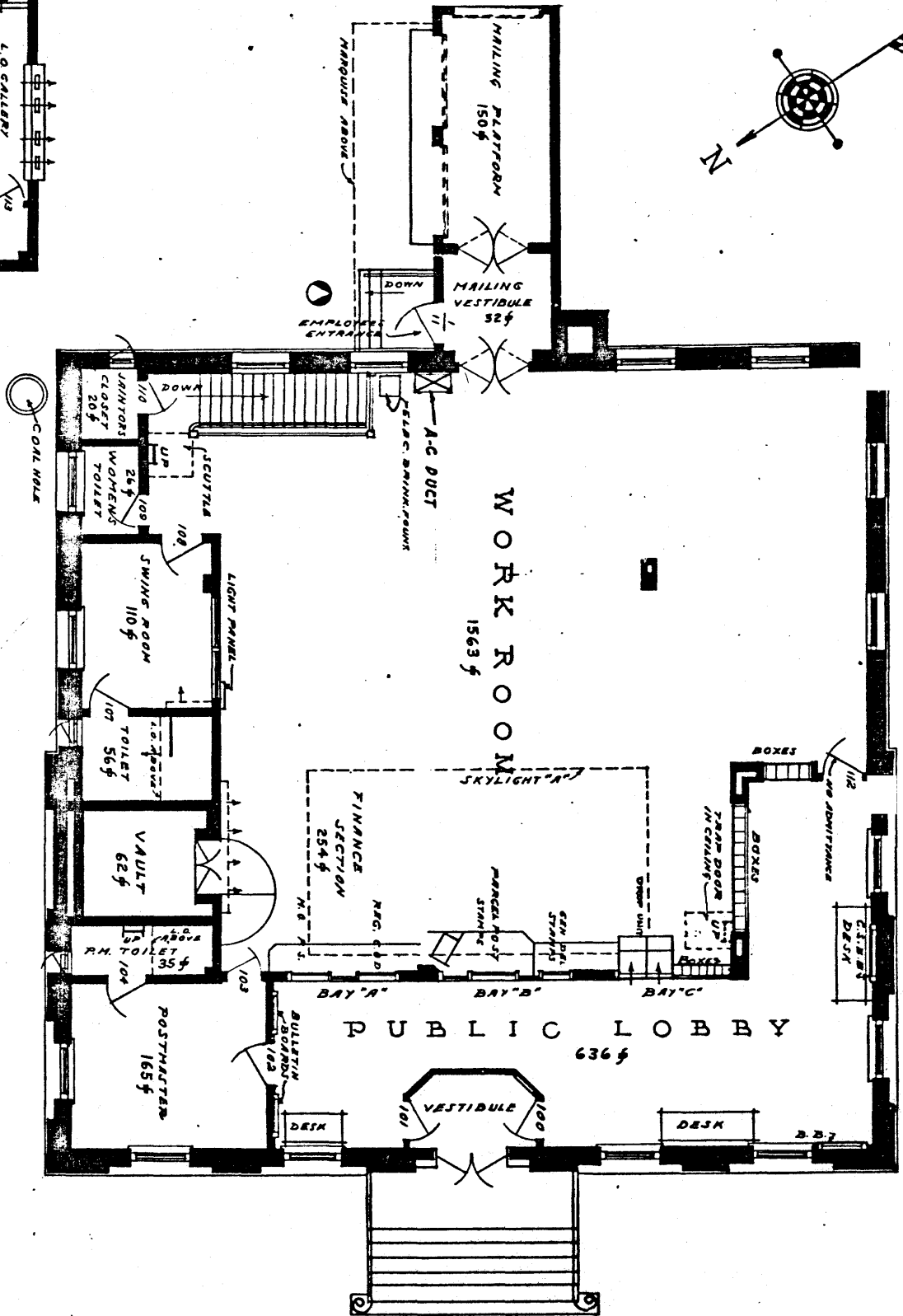
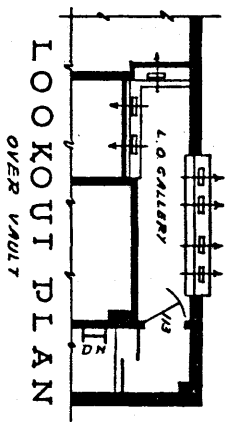
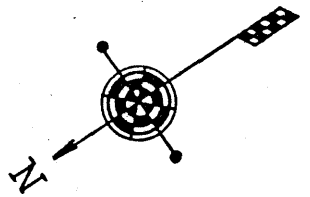
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 PROCUREMENT DIVISION  
 ASSIGNMENT  
 UNITED STATES POST OFFICE  
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GROUND FLOOR PLAN  
 SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

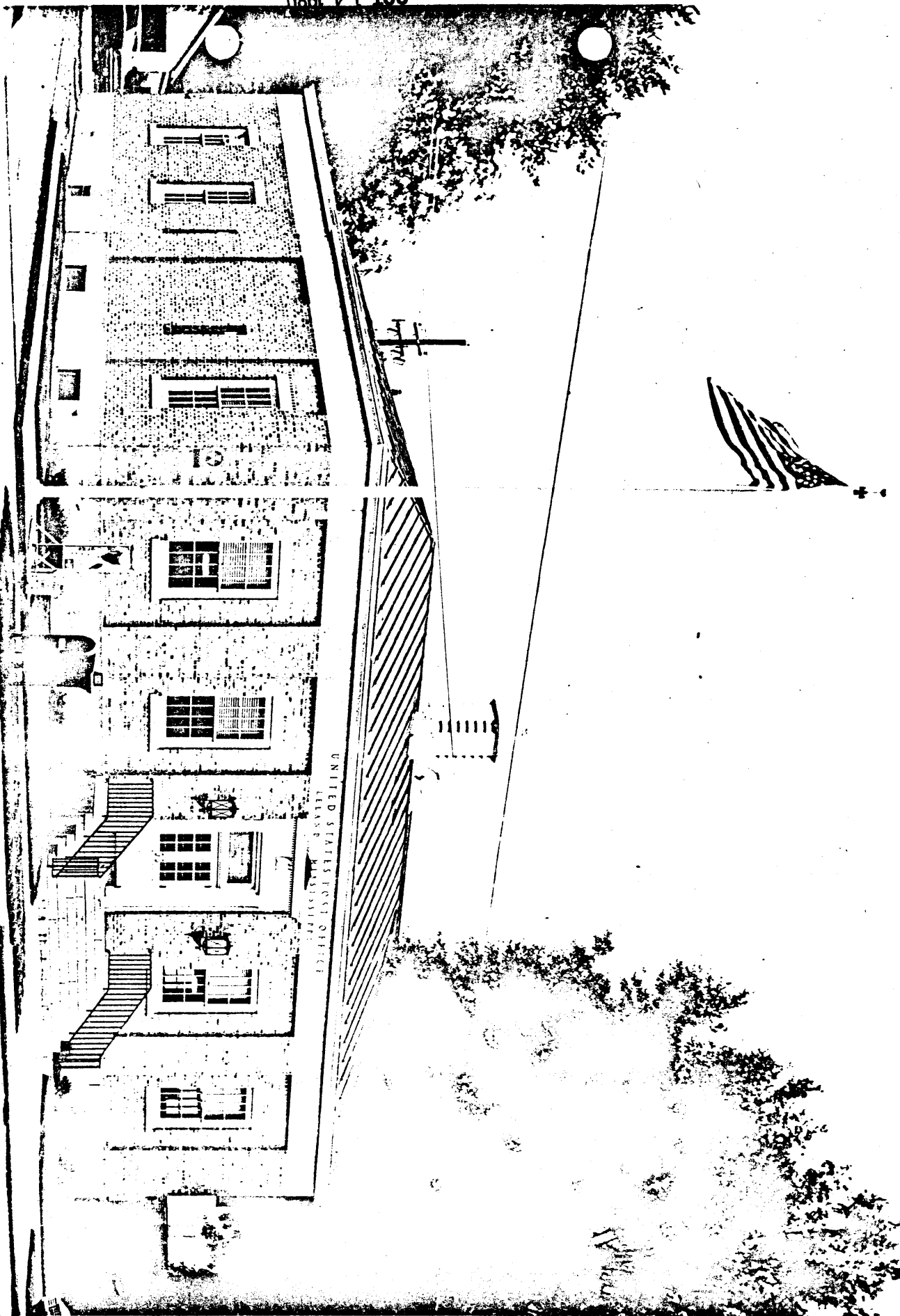
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
 POSTAL SERVICE  
 ASSIGNMENT  
 UNITED STATES POST OFFICE  
 LELAND, MISS.  
 JAS. OWEN  
 JAS. OWEN 72-57  
 STE. 44548  
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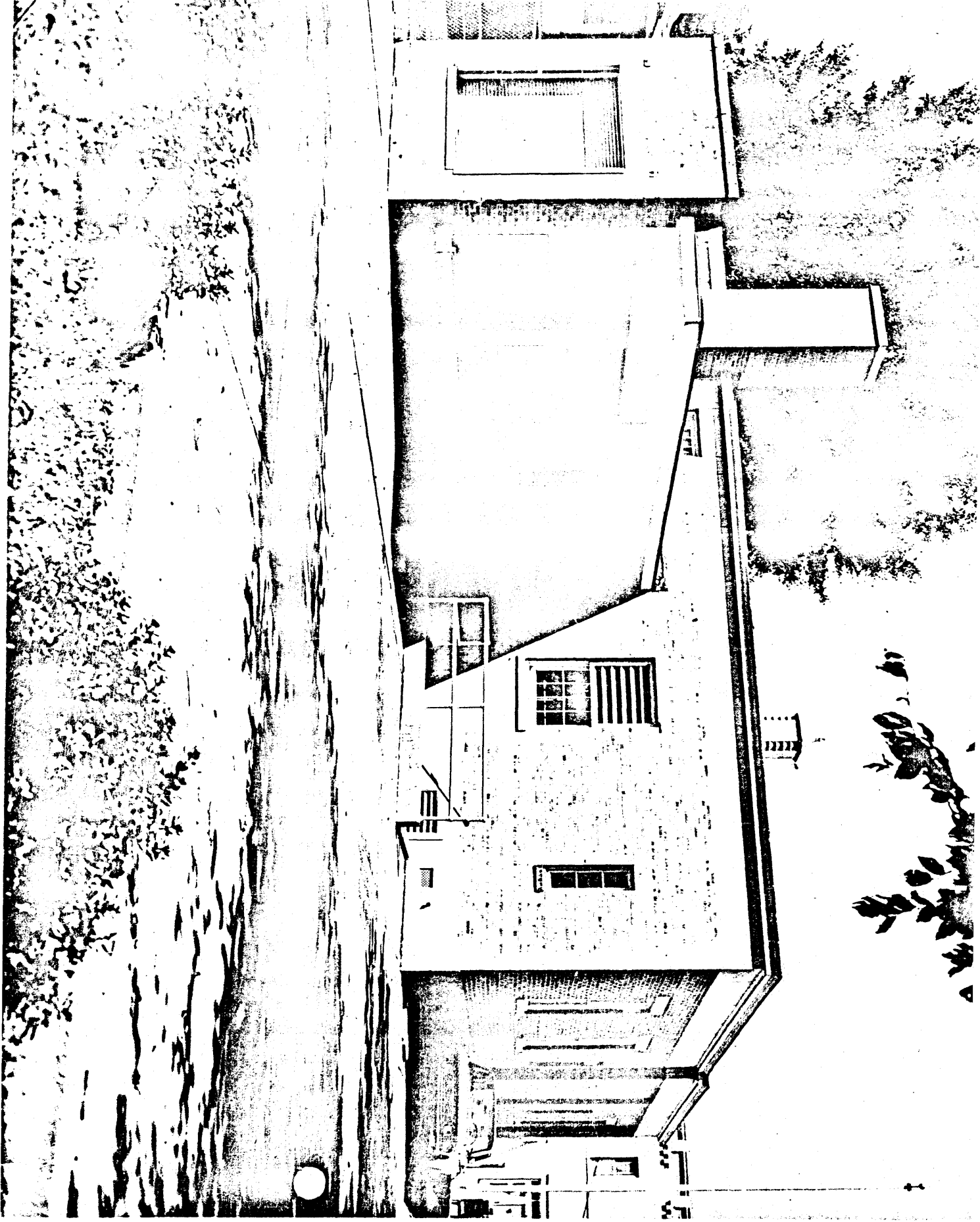




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United States Post Office  
Leland, Mississippi

Exterior, front facade

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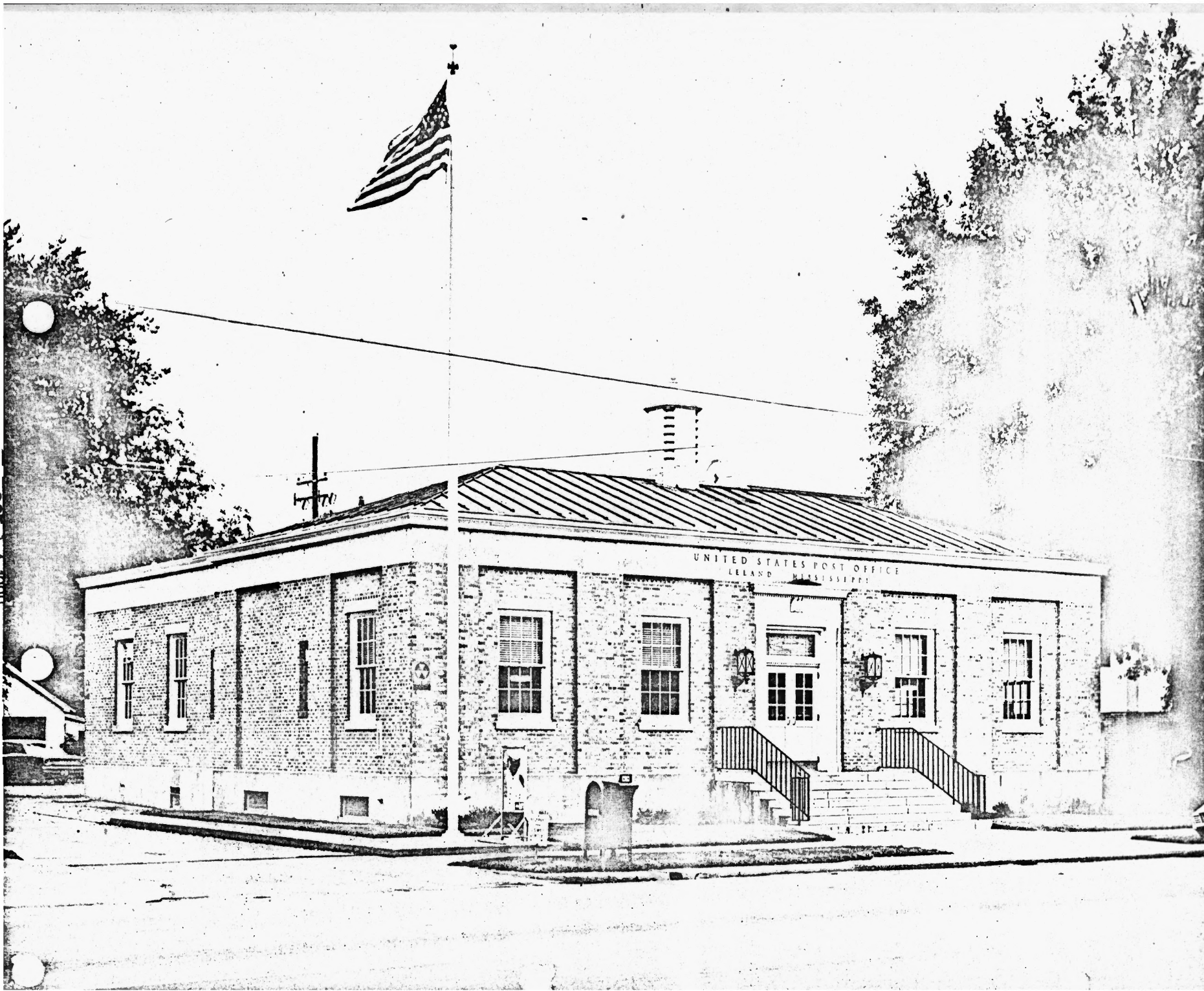


United States Post Office *TR*  
Leland, Mississippi

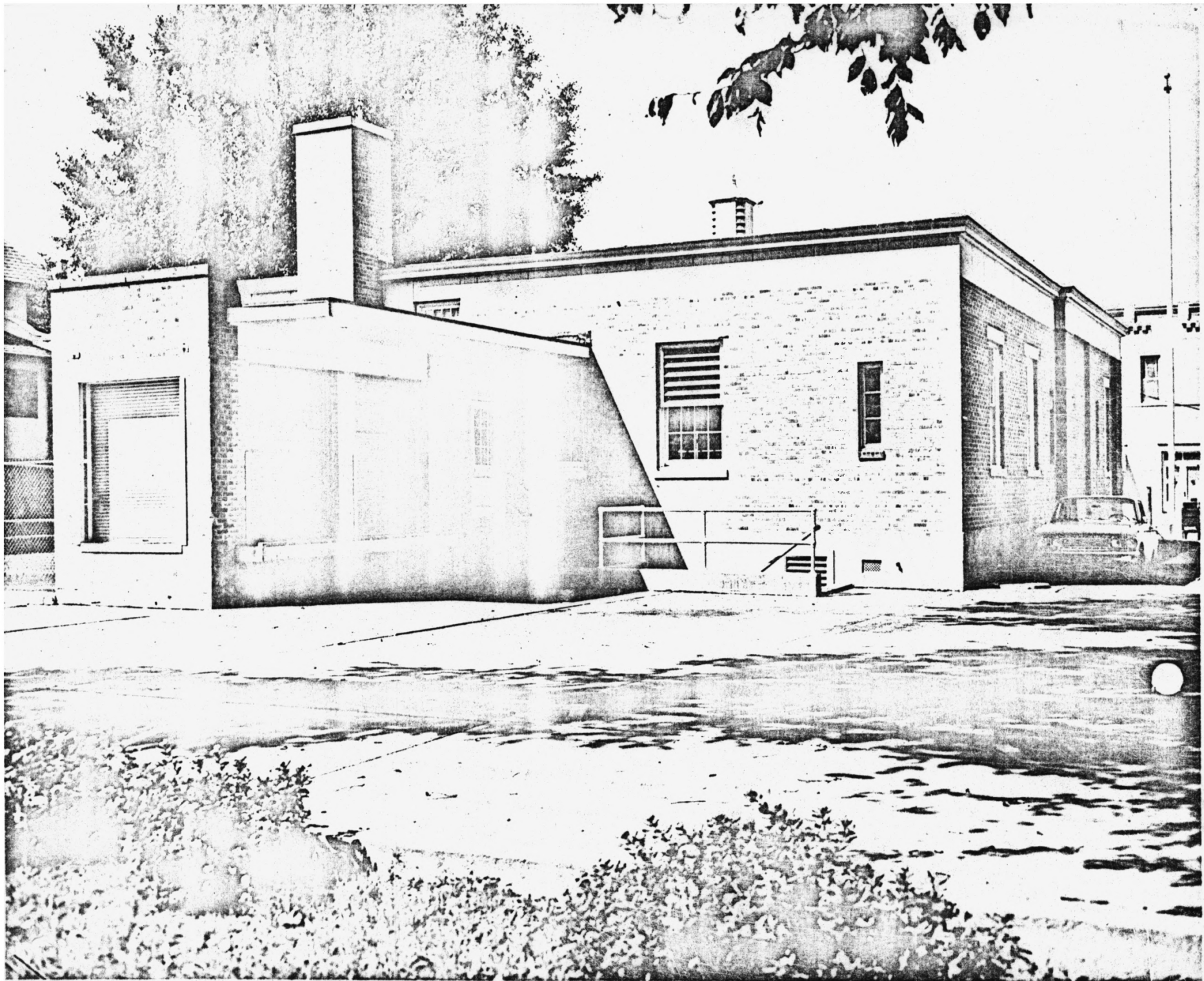
"Ginnin' Cotton", mural by  
Stuart R. Purser, in public  
lobby.

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