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THE RED CAMPUS: AN **A** AMERICAN HERITAGE

Francis Quadrangle and 18 surrounding red brick buildings on Campus have been entered on the National Register of Historic Places.

The "Quadrangle Historic District" — with its buildings dating back to 1867 and known as the "Red Campus" — will be eligible for federal matching grants-in-aid monies to assist in future restoration and repairs. Federal agencies are committed to protect the buildings for their cultural and historical value and the University is under an obligation to maintain and preserve them.

The historic buildings, in order of construction, are the Chancellor's Residence, Switzer Hall, Sociology Building, Old Chemistry Building, Swallow Hall, Jesse Hall, three portions of the engineering complex bordering the Quadrangle, Parker Hall, McAlester Hall, Jay H. Neff Hall, Noyes Hospital, Lee H. Tate Hall, Education Building, Student Health Center, Walter Williams Hall and A. Ross Hill Hall.

The National Register is the "official schedule of the nation's cultural property that is worth saving . . . protective inventory of irreplaceable resources across the face of the land."

The Quadrangle was named in honor of David R. Francis in recognition of his services in rebuilding the University after the fire of January 9, 1892, when he was governor. The open mall is marked with the six Ionic columns which remained after Academic Hall burned. The area also contains the original tombstones of President Thomas Jefferson and David Barton, Missouri's first United States senator. The Quadrangle is significant "as the oldest, most monumental expression of the quadrangle type of campus setting in the state, symbolizing the historic significance of the University of Missouri as the first state university established west of the Mississippi River. Six of the Quadrangle structures also stand as intact, well-preserved examples of the work of Missouri's institutional architect, Morris Frederick Bell (1849-1929)," says James L. Wilson, preservation officer.