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These are survey reports, field notes, and plats regarding relocation of the Old St. Louis-Springfield Road near Arlington in Phelps County, Missouri. The surveys were performed by Clarence E. Bardsley, Special Highway Engineer and Deputy Surveyor of Phelps County.

Clarence E. Bardsley was a civil engineer at the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla and was a consulting road engineer and surveyor for Phelps County. In 1928, the Phelps County Court directed him to survey the original right-of-way of the Old St. Louis-Springfield Road between Newburg and Arlington. The route was designated a state road in 1830, but had long since been relegated to county status. In 1932, Bardsley surveyed and relocated a part of the road affected by gravel quarrying at the confluence of Little Piney Creek and Grover Creek near Arlington.

The collection includes Bardsley’s 1928 field notes and blueprint plat, the plat of the relocated portion of the Old St. Louis-Springfield Road, 1931, and his report to the Phelps County Court in 1932. Among the cultural features shown on the plats are the road rights-of-way, the line of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company, the former site of the Ozark Iron Works, and the village of Arlington.

Folder 1: “Report to County Court Survey ‘Old St. Louis-Springfield Road,’” and “Plat of Field Notes of Old St. Louis-Springfield Road,” 1928. Two items.

Maps—Missouri—Phelps County.
Old St. Louis-Springfield Road (Phelps County, Mo.).
Phelps County (Mo.).
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Roads—Surveying.
Surveyors—Missouri—Phelps County.