

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

PONTOTOC COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING

LOCATION: Pontotoc County Fairgrounds, North Broadway Street, Ada, Oklahoma 040, Pontotoc County 123

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--Extension offices

OWNER: Board of Commissioners, Pontotoc County Courthouse, Ada, OK 74820

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pontotoc County Courthouse, Ada, OK 74820

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The County Administrative Building is a single-story, rectangular (187' x 70') structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native stone. The building was built in two stages: the north end was built between 1941 and 1942; while the south end was built earlier, in 1940-1941. The structure has curved, art deco features with metal casement windows with concrete sills along the sides and fixed opaque glass panes on the ends. The flat roof has concrete capped parapets and the main entryways are framed by poured concrete panels and stepped cornices.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940-1942; builder/architect: unknown

The County Administrative Building is most notable for its art deco style and materials, but just as important is its workmanship. Masonry and stone placement is superb. It is significant that the building's construction provided jobs for many unskilled and unemployed workers. That they should have felt such a deep pride in workmanship when working under the depressed conditions of the time truly bespeaks a quality of character rarely found today.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: one acre

Quadrangle: Ada, Okla.  
1:24,000/7.5 min.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The property begins 208 feet south of the NW corner of the SW 1/4, NE 1/4 of Sec. 28, T 4 N, R 6 E and goes 208 feet east, 208 feet south, 208 feet west and 208 feet north.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 55-a; 55-b