

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

KREBS CITY HALL

LOCATION: Main and Washington Streets, Krebs, Oklahoma 040, Pittsburg County 121

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--city government

OWNER: Krebs City Council, City Hall, Krebs, OK 74554

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pittsburg County Courthouse, McAlester, OK 74501

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

Constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone, the Krebs City Hall is a rectangular (112' x 44') structure with a flat roof and parapets. Steel casement windows are singly placed, while the roof of the front portion of the building is higher than that at the rear. Covered by a porch, the main entryway is contained in a rectangular extension on the front and is decorated with modified, stepped pilasters, as are the corners of the building. The pilasters and the roof extension give the structure a distinct art deco flavor.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939; architect/builder: unknown

Within the Krebs community, the city hall is remarkable because of its art deco style, type, materials and type of workmanship. Moreover, it is one of the best examples of a WPA constructed building in southeastern Oklahoma with clear art deco influence. It is especially significant because unemployed and unskilled coal miners found jobs constructing the building when none were available elsewhere at the depth of the depression.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lot 7, Block 31, Krebs City original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 137-A, 137-B