

MOFFETT CITY HALL/JAIL

LOCATION: Main Street, Moffett, Oklahoma 040, Sequoyah County 135; Sec. 28, T 11 N, R 27 E

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

OWNER: The City of Moffett, Moffett, OK 74946

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Sequoyah County Courthouse, Sallisaw, OK 74955

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

The Moffett City Hall/Jail is a "T" shaped structure (46'x 35') having four rooms and constructed with poured concrete. It has a flat roof with parapets and single door entryways. The windows are metal sash and have concrete sills. Adjacent to the front entryway is a vertical bank of opaque glass. A concrete porch extends to form a freize above the windows. There is a modernesque favor to the building which makes it somewhat unique in this small black community.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; builder/architect: unknown

This structure was built to provide governmental facilities to the primarily black community of Moffitt. Its construction provided jobs for local heads of households finding it difficult to provide for their families because of the depression. Construction also infused into the local economy wages for some 15,000 man-hours of labor. Architecturally the building is unique locally and as a WPA building in northeastern Oklahoma for its concrete construction materials and its modernesque style.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Fort Smith, Ark.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 368850 3917270

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 10, 11, 12 in Block 3, original town.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 138-a; 138-b