

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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✓ Kay County Courthouse

✓ Location: Courthouse Square, Newkirk, Oklahoma 040, Kay County 071

Owner: Kay County, Newkirk, Oklahoma

Description: Condition: good, unaltered, original site

The Kay County Courthouse is a large, approximately rectangular structure with a raised basement and an attic story. The attic story has a hipped, tiled roof. The central portion of the front facade has a monumental porticoed entranceway with Ionic columns. The main entranceway is raised and is approached by a broad flight of stairs. The monumental, central pediment has an ornamented tympanum with a raised, garlanded wreath design. The frieze is inscribed, "KAY COUNTY COURTHOUSE." Four ornamental urns decorate the parapet above the projecting cornice. The attic story is set back slightly from the wall lines of the lower stories of the building.

Significance: 1925; Builder/architect:

The Kay County Courthouse is significant because of its important role in the county's governmental structure, and because of its unique architectural styling. The courthouse exhibits a blending of Neo-Classical Revival and Second Renaissance Revival elements in an imposing, yet graceful, example of monumental public architecture. It is one of the few courthouses in Oklahoma to utilize a tiled roof.

Acreage: Approx. 1 acre

Quadrangle: 1:24,000/7.5 minute

Verbal Boundary Description: Part of Blocks of 40 and 45 of Newkirk (no further designation existed). From the southeast corner of the courthouse's front staircase walk 124.7 feet at a 45 degree angle to the fence line (west edge of sidewalk) on west side of Main Street) to find southeast point of beginning at the southeast corner of lot; turn and go due west 208.9 feet to east edge of rear sidewalk at southwest corner of lot; turn 90 degrees and go due north 162.2 feet to northwest corner of lot; turn 90 degrees and go due east 208.9 feet to northeast corner of lot (west edge of sidewalk on west side of Main Street); turn 90 degrees and go due south 162.2 feet to southeast corner of lot and point of beginning.

UTM: 14 673440 4083230

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName County Courthouses of Oklahoma Thematic Resources
State Oklahoma

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

21. Jefferson County Courthouse

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/23/84

Attest

22. Kay County Courthouse

Substantive Review

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23. Kiowa County Courthouse

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24. LeFlore County Courthouse

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25. Logan County Courthouse

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26. Love County Courthouse

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27. Major County Courthouse

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28. Marshall County Courthouse

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29. McClain County Courthouse

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✓ 30. McIntosh County Courthouse

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 3/22/85

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Kay County Courthouse (County Courthouses of
Oklahoma TR)
Kay County
OKLAHOMA

Substantive Review

Working No. JUL 18 1984
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86
Date Due: 8/16/84 - 9/1/84
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 8-23-84
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

See cover for comments

Recom./Criteria Accept A, C
Reviewer Bushong
Discipline Historical
Date 8/23/84
☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ excellent | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Kay County Courthouse

Newkirk, Oklahoma

Photographer: Laurie Croft

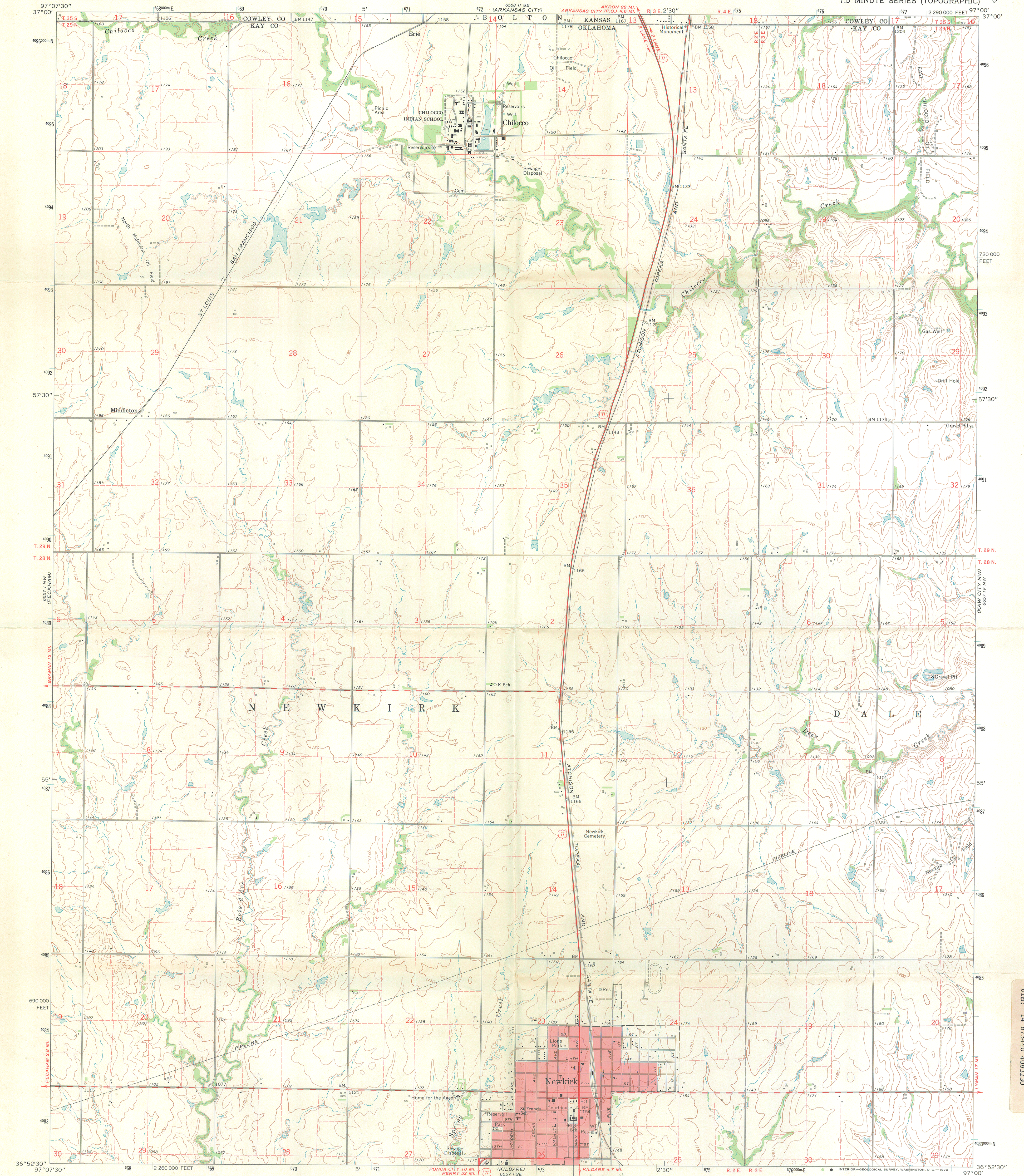
July 1983

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey

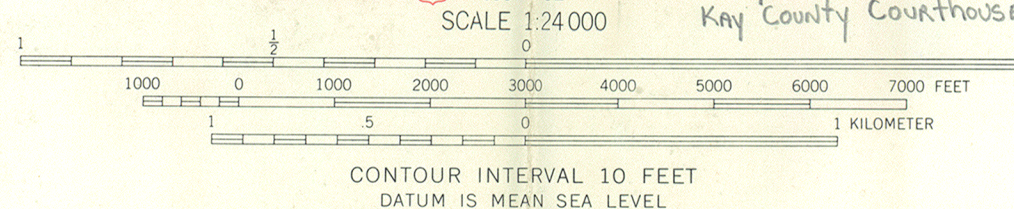
Oklahoma State University

Facing southwest

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Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1965. Field checked 1968
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Oklahoma coordinate system, north zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 14, shown in blue
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
U.S. Route

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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OKLAHOMA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, NORMAN, OKLAHOMA 73069,
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

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Kay County
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-Chairman-

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DISTRICT ONE



March 12, 1984

Earle Metcalf, State Historic Preservation Officer
Oklahoma Historical Society
Historical Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Dear Mr. Metcalf:

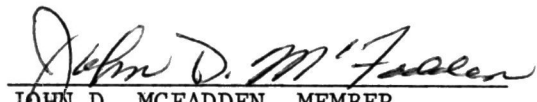
We have received and discussed your letter of February 6, 1984, advising that the Kay County Courthouse will be considered for thematic nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

We do not feel that a listing would be in the best interests of Kay County; therefore, please consider this as official notification that the Board of County Commissioners of Kay County objects to the listing of the Kay County Courthouse in the National Register of Historic Places.

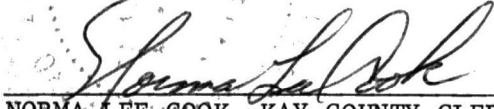
Done by order of the Board of County Commissioners, County of Kay, State of Oklahoma, this 12th day of March, 1984.

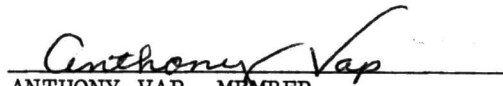
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF KAY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA


VERN E. WILLBANKS, CHAIRMAN


JOHN D. MCFADDEN, MEMBER

ATTEST:


NORMA LEE COOK, KAY COUNTY CLERK
STATE OF OKLAHOMA


ANTHONY VAP, MEMBER

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Oklahoma Historical Society

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

Wiley Post Historical Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105
405/521-2491

March 19, 1984

Board of County Commissioners
Kay County Courthouse
Newkirk, Oklahoma 74947

Dear Gentlemen:

We have received your letter of March 12, 1984, stating your objection to listing of the Kay County Courthouse in the National Register of Historic Places. The Historic Preservation Review Committee approved the thematic nomination of Oklahoma's county courthouses, including Kay County Courthouse, for nomination to the National Register. Your objection will of course be made a part of the material submitted to the Keeper of the Register. As was explained in your notification letter, owners of Private property may object and prevent listing of their property in the register. When a structure is in public ownership, the owners' comments are included in the nomination, but the property may still be listed if the Keeper of the Register considers it eligible.

If you may have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,



Earle Metcalf
State Historic Preservation Officer

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