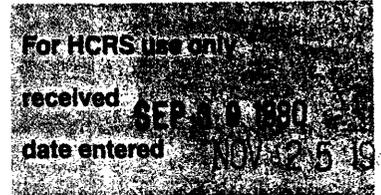


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McHenry County Courthouse, Towner (1907)

The McHenry County Courthouse is an economy version of the Traill County Courthouse plan. The building is constructed of buff brown brick over a concrete basement, with a white limestone water line at the first floor level. Paired sandstone columns support an entablature and pediment at the front facade pavilion, and the simple rectangular bay treatment of this pavilion is undistinguished except for an art glass transom on the second floor. Other windows throughout the building are rectangular with sandstone sills. Paired and single pilasters with Corinthian capitals meet the pressed metal frieze and cornices. A stubby metal-covered dome with antefixae around the lower perimeter sits atop a short tower with alternating double and single rectangular windows. The interior of the courthouse is simple but retains virtually complete integrity, including original woodwork and furniture in the courtroom and tellers cages in the Auditor and Register of Deeds offices.

LaMoure County Courthouse, LaMoure (1907-09)

Planned in 1907 and completed two years later, the LaMoure Courthouse features arched window heads on the first floor and a highly-detailed dome. First floor windows are hooded with a corbeled arch surround with exaggerated keystone; second floor windows are linteled between single pilasters. The front facade features paired Corinthian columns behind which are paired stone pilasters, and a two-story entrance surround with ornate hood. Original leaded glass, woodwork, and hardware remain in the front entrance. The tall octagonal dome tower includes paired columns at each angle supporting a dentiled entablature and then a recessed pediment. Keystone-arched, double-hung windows pierce each wall of the tower. The metal-covered dome has a bull's-eye window on each vault plane, exaggerated ribbing, and a ball finial. Exterior materials are brown brick over a concrete-finished basement; columns and window arches are sandstone.

Except for wall paneling in two offices, the interior retains original features and materials. Front entrance, stairwell, and ground floor hallways gave a gray marble wainscoting. A mural decorates the area immediately above the window on the second floor landing, and another mural exists in one room of the Auditor's office. The courtroom contains extensive stenciling on walls just below a deeply coffered and highly enriched ceiling. Wainscoting in the courtroom is an applied oilpaper painted to resemble the brown marble pilasters of the rotunda.

Pierce County Courthouse, Rugby (1908)

A foundation of chocolate brown stone sets off the lighter brown brick walls, which rise to a metal cornice and pediment on each elevation. The tall dome combines elements of