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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic McCRISTY-KNOX MANSION

and or common Knox-Hedges Mansion

2. Location

street & number 1323 West Broadway

NA not for publication

city, town Enid

NA vicinity of

state Oklahoma

code 40

county Garfield

code 047

3. Classification

| Category  | Ownership  | Status  | Present Use                            |   |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district               | <input type="checkbox"/> public                      | <input type="checkbox"/> occupied                     | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture   | <input type="checkbox"/> museum                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private          | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied                   | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial    | <input type="checkbox"/> park                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | <input type="checkbox"/> both                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress  | <input type="checkbox"/> educational   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site                   | <b>Public Acquisition</b>                            | <b>Accessible</b>                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> religious                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process       | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted              | <input type="checkbox"/> government    | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific                   |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial    | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation               |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> no                           | <input type="checkbox"/> military      | <input type="checkbox"/> other:                       |

4. Owner of Property

name Dr. and Mrs. Cleo S. Zambon

street & number 1323 West Broadway, PO Box 3908

city, town Enid

NA vicinity of

state Oklahoma 73702

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Office of County Clerk

street & number Garfield County Courthouse

city, town Enid

state Oklahoma 73701

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Oklahoma Landmarks Inventory

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1983

federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records State historic Preservation Office - Okla Hist Society

city, town Oklahoma City

state Oklahoma 73105

## 7. Description

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|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Condition</b>                         |                                       | <b>Check one</b>                            | <b>Check one</b>                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent       | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered | <input type="checkbox"/> moved    date _____      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair            | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed    |   |   |

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The McCristy-Knox Mansion is a three-story, detached residence with raised basement. The rectangular-shaped dwelling has a hipped roof with decks and a buff brick wall finish laid in the common bond. It has two-story projecting portico with a lower one-story porch which extends full width of front (north) side and wraps around to approximately half way on east and west walls. There are two brick chimneys, both of which have stacks and corbelled caps. One is an end wall type on west side and the other is an interior type located toward the rear, or south side. Decks have balustrades or ones being repaired.

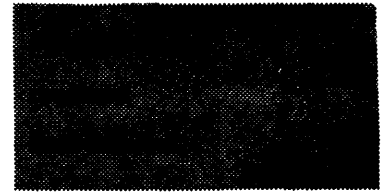
First floor of front, or north side, has wood panel entry door with light in upper three-fourth of it. It is flanked by long, rectangular sidelights with geometric design. On either side of the entry door are single 6/1 double-hung wood windows. Second floor openings are similar excepting sidelights are plain. Within gabled portion of the third floor facade are paired 6/1 double-hung wood windows.

East side first floor consists of four 6/1 double-hung wood windows and one wood panel door with light in upper half. The latter is located within the veranda. A second wood panel door with light in upper half leads to basement. It is located to the south of the three-sided bay. There are three fixed pane windows, each with six lights, in the basement level. Second floor fenestration of east wall included five 6/1 double-hung windows are located in the third story gable end.

First floor of west side contains two small 6/1 double-hung wood windows within veranda, a band of three 6/1 double-hung wood windows in projecting wing's west wall, and a single 6/1 double-hung wood window to the south of the wing. Also, located within veranda is a wood panel door with light in upper half. Second story openings include two single 6/1 double-hung wood windows in west wall of projecting wing, and single 6/1 double-hung wood windows in north and south walls of wing. Paired 6/1 double-hung wood windows are located in gable end of third story and three fixed pane windows, each with six lights, are located in raised basement level.

The rear, or south side, first floor has a one-story porch with wood panel door near southwest corner. The rear porch door has designed light and flanked by paneled wood pilaster strips as are the corners of the porch. The porch walls are covered with lattice-type wood as is the raised basement level of the porch. The concrete stoop leading to the rear porch door has a single metal railing. To the east of porch are paired 6/1 double-hung wood windows and a single, long, rectangular 6/1 double-hung wood window. Second story fenestration in rear includes paired 6/1 double-hung wood windows in main wall plane and single 6/1 double-hung wood windows in west and south walls of the projecting rear wing to the east of the enclosed porch.

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Neo-Classical decoration includes several major and minor elements. The major elements include a dominant two-story portico with roof supported by four wood classical columns featuring Ionic capitals, unfluted shafts, and attic bases; the symmetrically balanced windows and doors of the facade; the fourteen wood porch columns topped with Ionic capitals and resting on wood pedestals, dentiled cornices and scrolled modillions in widely overhanging eaves; wood pilaster strips flanking front and rear porch doors; balustraded decks above the two-story front portico, two-story bay on east side, and hipped portion of main roof, and multi-paned upper sash and single-pane lower sash windows enhanced by limestone flat arches with pronounced keys and limestone lug sills. Minor elements include the limestone water table, limestone quoining at corners, pedimented dormer in rear with fish scale shingles, chimney stacks with corbelled caps, Spanish tile roof covering, two-story, three-sided bay on east side, ornamental cornice returns of the facade's center gable, extended porch walls which flank steps leading to the raised porch, and built-in gutters with exposed downspouts.

Alterations include the removal of one porch column on west side and all balustraded wood railing enclosing the porch. Wood columns of the two-story portico are in need of paint. The changes have occurred over the past ten years. Other than these minor changes, the McCristy-Knox Mansion has retained its architectural integrity for more than 80 years.

CONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES

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| Resource Type: | Number |
| Building       | 1      |

NONCONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES

|                |        |
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| Resource Type: | Number |
| None           | 0      |

# 8. Significance

| Period                                    | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below    |   |   |  |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric      | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric  | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning     | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499        | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic     | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation           | <input type="checkbox"/> law                    | <input type="checkbox"/> science                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599        | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> economics              | <input type="checkbox"/> literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture               |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government    | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)         |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> invention              |   |  |

**Specific dates** 1909 **Builder/Architect** R.W. Shaw, Architect

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

The McCristy-Knox Mansion is architecturally significant because it is the most prominent of the two remaining examples of the Neo-Classical style in Enid, Oklahoma, having been constructed in 1909.

According to the McAlesters A Field Guide to American Houses, (p.343), the nominated property can be categorized as one of the five principal Neo-Classical subtypes; the McCristy-Knox Mansion was constructed during the peak of popularity for this subtype which lasted from 1895 to 1915.

Built by J.E. McCristy, one of Enid's pioneer businessmen, the mansion embodies numerous major and minor elements of the Neo-Classical style. The major elements include a dominant two-story portico with roof supported by four wood classical columns featuring Ionic capitals, unfluted shafts, and attic bases; the symmetrically balanced windows and doors of the facade; the fourteen wood porch columns topped with Ionic capitals under entrys, widely overhanging eaves; wood pilaster strips flanking front and rear, and hipped portion of main roof; and multi-paned upper sash and single-pane lower sash windows enhanced by limestone flat arches with pronounced keys and limestone lug sills. Minor elements include the limestone water table, limestone quoining at corners, pedimented dormer in rear with fish scale shingles, chimney stacks with corbelled caps, Spanish tile roof covering, two-story three-sided bay on east side, ornamental cornice returns of the facade's center gable, raised brick platform of porch, and short brick columns topped with globe-type ornamentation which flank steps leading to the raised porch.

The architectural integrity of the McCristy-Knox Mansion has remained intact for more than 80 years.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Enid Daily Eagle, January 19, 1909

Personal interview: Fran Nulph, July, 1983

Rockwel, Stella Campbell, ed Garfield County Oklahoma 1893-1982 Family Series "A" Thru "R", Vol 1 (Garfield County Historical Society: Enid, Oklahoma)

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property Less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name Enid West, Okla

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

### UTM References

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Lots 9-12, Block 12, Waverly Addition to Enid, OK

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| state | code | county | code |
|-------|------|--------|------|
| NA    |      |        |      |

| state | code | county | code |
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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state Oklahoma 74078

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature



title

date 1-27-87

### For NPS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

  
Keeper of the National Register

date 3/24/87

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration