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The T. S. Haun House, situated on Main street in Jetmore, Kansas, is a small two-story structure measuring approximately 18 feet wide and 25 feet deep. The large hand-hewn yellow limestone blocks are basically uniform in size and laid in regular horizontal courses. The simple gable roof, formerly covered with wood shingles, is now covered with asbestos shingles. The cornice is a simple undecorated board typical of the time when the building was constructed. Windows on both the first and second floors are simple rectangles with hand cut stone sills and lintels. Door openings are treated similarly. The present exterior appearance is the same as the original except for the asbestos shingles, the metal door frames and aluminum storm door. The Haun House is a good example of early vernacular architecture in western Kansas.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The T. S. Haun House in Jetmore, built in 1879, was the first house erected on the Jetmore townsite and the home of the first Jetmore resident, Thompson S. Haun. Haun brought his bride, Elizabeth Best, to present Hodgeman county from Clinton, Iowa, in 1878, when the county was just being organized. The Hauns took a pre-emption claim where Jetmore is now situated, built a two-story stone house, and established the first newspaper in the county in an upstairs office.

Shortly afterward, Haun, who was a licensed attorney, successfully represented in court the settlers who wanted the Hodgeman county seat at the geographical center of the county, a location which was close to the Haun homestead. Jetmore became the permanent county seat in 1880. From early in 1881 to the spring of 1882 the county commissioners leased the east upstairs room of the Haun house for county offices and a courtroom. The house was also used as a community center, for Sunday School classes, and for parties. The many visitors and all the activities at the house were such a strain on Mrs. Haun that the family moved one mile outside Jetmore in 1882. Their house in Jetmore was rented to C. E. Roughton who established in it the first store in Jetmore and also used it as a residence.

The town of Jetmore was formally surveyed and plotted in the spring of 1882 by T. S. Haun on land which was part of his original claim. The Hauns were instrumental in the early growth of the town, donating sites for the courthouse, a school, two churches, and an academy and musical institute. They also made a generous donation of land which was sold to raise funds for the construction of the courthouse. Haun was a successful rancher, a lawyer, and served a term as county attorney. He was elected to the state legislature in 1887. His last law office was at Kinsley in Edwards county, where he died in February, 1920. Mrs. Haun continued to receive the from the house in Jetmore after her husband's death.

The T. S. Haun House was given to Hodgeman county in 1964 by Mrs. Margaret Raser, a daughter of the Hauns, for use as a museum. The house is significant not only because it served so many functions for Jetmore and Hodgeman county but also because of the contributions of Thompson S. Haun to the settlement and growth of the area.

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12.	STATE	LIAISON	OFFICER C		ION			NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION						
	As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is: National State Local Local						National	Registe	u Im	JELLY and Hist	2			
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