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3. Bank of Burbank (~~No. 3 on Sketch Map and Photo Nos. 11-15~~)

Location: Northwest Corner of McCorkle and
First Streets,
Burbank, OK 74633

Owner of Property: Cotton Patterson
P. O. Box 144
Burbank, OK 74633

Description:

The Bank of Burbank is a one-story, native sandstone, commercial building with coursed ashlar finish. It is approximately 15' X 25' and has a flat roof with 3' parapet on all sides except the rear. It stands on the northwest corner of First and McCorkle streets with no adjoining buildings.

The facade (east side) has two large fixed pane windows with smooth concrete lintels and sills. The south side has two fixed pane windows with smooth concrete lintels and sills. There is one wood panel door with transom and smooth concrete lintels. The north side has plain masonry finish with no openings. The rear (west side) has one opening. It is a 1/1 double hung wood window with transom. The cutaway entry has round arched opening with stooped entrance of five concrete steps. The original wood panel door remains intact. There is half-round transom above the door. Above the arched entryway is a masonry inscription which reads: "19BANK10." Decorative elements are modest. There is the traditional Richardsonian Romanesque round arched entryway and the contrast in texture provided by the smooth concrete lintels and sills. The windows and door on southside have been replaced to accommodate the building for use as a residence.

Statement of Significance:

The Bank of Burbank is both historically and architecturally significant because: (1) it is oldest commercial building still intact in Burbank and the third oldest bank building in Osage County, and (2) it is the finest example of Richardsonian Romanesque architecture in Burbank and one of the best representations of this style as applied to a commercial building in Osage County.

The building housed the only banking operations in this small oil boom town for more than 38 years surviving the depression of the 1930s. In 1948, it assumed a different role as it became the United States Post Office for the town and continued in that capacity for approximately 30 years.

Although detailing is modest, the building exemplifies the heavy, massive texture of the Richardsonian Romanesque style. Characteristic of the style, it includes the round arched entryway, rock-faced exterior finish, and straight-topped, deeply-recessed windows with plain lintels and sills.

The nominated property was converted into a residence following its use as a post office, however, the integrity of the building remains intact.

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Quadrangle Name: Burbank, Oklahoma

Scale: 7.5 minutes

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Verbal Boundary Description: Lots 7-8, Block 5, Original Townsite of Burbank, OK.