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The Lemhi County Courthouse is a modest classically inspired two-story brick building. Rusticated stone trim compliments the brick and emphasizes the vertical effect. An inset central bay dominates the facade with its four handcarved stone Doric columns. The light colored denticulated cornice is interrupted in the center by a dormer, which is flanked by finials. The dormer's broken pediment serves as the pedestal for a stone statue of Justice.

The shallow hipped roof has iron ridge cresting. All the windows have stone lintels and sills. All the stone employed came from the Shoup quarry on Mud creek nearby.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Lemhi County courthouse is unique in Idaho for its sculpture and fine stone columns. Although the design of the building is awkward, the statue of justice, by George Oxham of Ogden, Utah, is one of the state's best pieces of public sculpture, and the only one on a courthouse. George Oxham also was responsible for the stone columns and trim which he made on the lcoation.

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