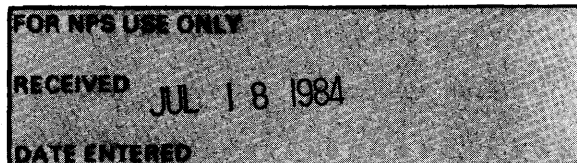


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✓ Kay County Courthouse

✓ Location: Courthouse Square, Newkirk, Oklahoma 040, Kay County 071

Owner: Kay County, Newkirk, Oklahoma

Description: Condition: good, unaltered, original site

The Kay County Courthouse is a large, approximately rectangular structure with a raised basement and an attic story. The attic story has a hipped, tiled roof. The central portion of the front facade has a monumental porticoed entranceway with Ionic columns. The main entranceway is raised and is approached by a broad flight of stairs. The monumental, central pediment has an ornamented tympanum with a raised, garlanded wreath design. The frieze is inscribed, "KAY COUNTY COURTHOUSE." Four ornamental urns decorate the parapet above the projecting cornice. The attic story is set back slightly from the wall lines of the lower stories of the building.

Significance: 1925; Builder/architect:

The Kay County Courthouse is significant because of its important role in the county's governmental structure, and because of its unique architectural styling. The courthouse exhibits a blending of Neo-Classical Revival and Second Renaissance Revival elements in an imposing, yet graceful, example of monumental public architecture. It is one of the few courthouses in Oklahoma to utilize a tiled roof.

Acreage: Approx. 1 acre

Quadrangle: 1:24,000/7.5 minute

Verbal Boundary Description: Part of Blocks of 40 and 45 of Newkirk (no further designation existed). From the southeast corner of the courthouse's front staircase walk 124.7 feet at a 45 degree angle to the fence line (west edge of sidewalk on west side of Main Street) to find southeast point of beginning at the southeast corner of lot; turn and go due west 208.9 feet to east edge of rear sidewalk at southwest corner of lot; turn 90 degrees and go due north 162.2 feet to northwest corner of lot; turn 90 degrees and go due east 208.9 feet to northeast corner of lot (west edge of sidewalk on west side of Main Street); turn 90 degrees and go due south 162.2 feet to southeast corner of lot and point of beginning.

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