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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Hokey's Drugstore
AND/OR COMMON

Old Country Store

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Corner of Main Street & Washington

__NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Krebs

__ VICINITY OF

003

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Oklahoma

40

Pittsburg

121

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

__DISTRICT

__PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

__AGRICULTURE

__MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

__UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

__PARK

__STRUCTURE

__BOTH

__WORK IN PROGRESS

__EDUCATIONAL

__PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

__ENTERTAINMENT

__RELIGIOUS

__OBJECT

__IN PROCESS

__YES: RESTRICTED

__GOVERNMENT

__SCIENTIFIC

__BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

__INDUSTRIAL

__TRANSPORTATION

__NO

__MILITARY

__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Gary and Dwyla Roe

STREET & NUMBER

Box 551

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Krebs

__ VICINITY OF

OK

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the County Clerk

STREET & NUMBER

Pittsburg County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

STATE

McAlester

OK

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Oklahoma Comprehensive Survey

DATE

1979

__FEDERAL STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Preservation Office, Oklahoma Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

Oklahoma City

STATE

OK

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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

This small red-brick building was opened for business in 1888. It has changed little on interior or exterior. On the exterior, only the front windows have been replaced. The false-front design is still there, all of brick, and even the paint is visible and legible on the top part saying "H. H. Hokey-the druggist." 1.

The interior is essentially as it was when built. Six mirrors of various sizes and designs, all original, cover the back wall and above where the fountain once stood. The dark-brown woodwork is delicately detailed, especially on the upper 2,3. part of the shelving. On the side walls, shelves stand divided into regular shelves, drawers and sliding door shelves. These drawers once held the medicines Mr. Hokey 4. carried and on many of the metal handles the names of the medicine and price are still visible. A v-shaped counter still stands at one end of the store; it too is original. However a piece of plywood has been laid over the glass top so it will not be broken. Beneath the mirrors, just above the floor, is a marble strip. This same type of marble also exists on the fountain counter. The floor is still concrete, no tile or carpet has been added. Only two grocery shelves and about three refrigeration units have been placed within the structure to help with its present function as a grocery store.

Although the building is in almostly completely original condition, structural deterioration, especially in the rear wall, threaten the building's integrity.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<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 1888 to present

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small two-room red-brick building is the oldest drugstore in the state of Oklahoma. Harry H. Hokey opened his drugstore in 1888 just as the town of Krebs was getting started.

Not only is the building still standing and being used but the interior has been left almost as it was originally constructed, showing the elegance that once existed in a coal-boom town before the turn-of-the-century. The town of Krebs grew because of the thriving coal mining that developed in this area. Many immigrants came to live here and work in the mines, especially Italians. To help Krebs' growing population, Harry Hokey opened his drugstore. Not only did it dispense drugs and serve fountain treats but it was a meeting place for the local people.

Krebs was surrounded by quite a few large mines and so Hokey's carried supplies in case of accidents at the mines. Some of the Krebs mines had some devastating disasters, at which times Hokey's was transformed into a hospital.

Harry Hokey and his drugstore served the community of Krebs and the miners until Hokey's death. At this time it was taken over by a local couple and has changed hands only once since then. It is presently used as a grocery store, still serving the Krebs' community, and the owners hope to retain the structure in as original a condition as possible.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY - Under 1 acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Krebs, OK

QUADRANGLE SCALE 7.5'

UTM REFERENCES

A 1, 5 | 2, 5, 1, 9, 7, 5 | 3, 8, 6, 8, 1, 4, 5
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B [] | [] | []
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C [] | [] | []

D [] | [] | []

E [] | [] | []

F [] | [] | []

G [] | [] | []

H [] | [] | []

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Diane Everman, Supervised by Dr. Annetta L. Cheek

DATE

ORGANIZATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey

March, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Oklahoma State University

(405) 624-5678

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Stillwater

OK

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

Harry E. DeFrange, Jr.

7-16-79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Sally J. Oldham
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

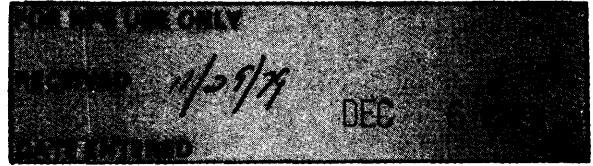
DATE 12/6/79

ATTEST: *Beck Groves*
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE 12/4/79

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