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Aline I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 263

Location: One half block east of Main and Broadway, Aline, OK, Alfalfa county Owner of Property: I.O.O.F. Grand Lodge, Kingfisher, OK Location of Legal Description: Alfalfa County Courthouse

Description: Condition - good, original site

This two story flat roofed plains commercial building is 65' x 35' and constructed of red brick laid in a running bond pattern except the second story which has rows of header positioned bricks every 2' and the rusticated roof line which is laid with header positioned bricks that outline the crenellation. In the second story of the south facade are four pairs of wood framed double hung sash windows above which are three lintel like soldier positioned brickwork decorative elements. A string course of rowlock positioned bricks at the clerestory level forms a continuous sill for the second story south facade windows.

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The first floor south facade has three recessed entranceways. There are four wood framed wood doors, three with large glass panels, and one with three rectangular lights. Two of the doors have wood framed screen doors. On either side of each entranceway are two wood framed fixed windows except the western most entranceway which has two large fixed windows only on the east side. The western most doors are separated with plywood panelling resting on brickwork. Above each entranceway are eight wood framed lights and lintel-like decorative soldier positioned brickwork.

The second story of the west facade has two wood framed double hung sash windows with soldier positioned brick lintels and rowlock positioned brick lug sills. The west facade is partially painted white. All the woodwork is painted white and the wood frames for the door and window screens have been painted green. A 15' flat roofed common bond brick addition is attached to the rear of the building. A concrete building marker bordered with a rusticated leader positioned brickwork, is inscribed with the date 1930 and I.O.O.F.

Signigicance

This building, completed in 1930, replaced the old lodge building across the street, which later was destroyed by fire. The upper story housed the lodge until January 1983 when the lodge was disbannded. The society had leased the lower portion of the building to various businesses that provided the town of 300 people with needed goods and services. The three divisions of the first floor housed a cafe, a cleaning establishment, a second hand clothing store, a plumbing company, a printing shop UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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where the <u>Aline Chronicle</u> was published, and lodgment for the Rebekah's, the female counterpart of the I.O.O.F. With relocation of the lodge's charter, the vacant building became the property of the Oklahoma Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F. and is currently up for sale.

Acreage: Less than one acre <u>Verbal Boundry Description</u>: Lots 9 and 10, Block 20, Aline First Addition <u>UTM:</u> 14 4040430 549300