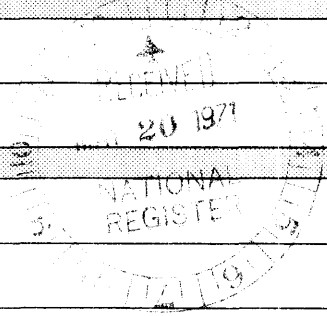


**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
 INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Kansas	
COUNTY: Morris	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 71620.0032	DATE 6/21/71



**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Farmers and Drovers Bank

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
201 West Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Council Grove

STATE Kansas	CODE 66846	COUNTY: Morris	CODE 127
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**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____	

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
Farmers and Drovers Bank, Hale White, President

STREET AND NUMBER:  
201 West Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Council Grove

STATE:  
Kansas

CODE:  
66846

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
Register of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Morris County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN:  
Council Grove

STATE:  
Kansas

CODE:  
66846

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
NONE

DATE OF SURVEY:  
 Federal  
 State  
 County  
 Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
Council Grove

STATE:  
Kansas

CODE:  
66846

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Farmers and Drovers Bank building is situated at the southwest corner of Main and First streets in Council Grove. It has a 25 foot frontage on Main street and a 75 foot length on First street.

The primary building material for the bank was red brick with hand hewn stone trim. The stone water table is painted white.

The windows on the first floor are capped with a semicircular limestone arch while the second floor windows are rectangular with stone sills and brick lintels. The upper part of the arched first floor windows and the top panel of the second floor windows are colorful stained glass. The second story windows are separated into pairs by semicircular protruding limestone trim which terminates at the roof level in a turret.

The rectangular building features a corner entrance raised several steps above sidewalk level. A heavy stone arch with a superimposed bay window further emphasizes the corner entrance. A false roof pediment is located above each narrow facade; a large dominant roof turret is above the entrance. Wood shingles painted white comprise the cornice. A full basement with arched windows in window areaways completes the building. The building is unaltered and in an excellent state of repair.

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**3. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1892

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  |  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The Farmers and Drivers Bank was organized January 26, 1882. One of the principal stockholders and the first president of the bank was W. H. White. (His family continues to manage the bank's affairs.) In 1887 when the West, as well as Council Grove, was booming, the bank's directors acquired and cleared the site at 201 West Main with the intention of constructing a new and larger building. However, the bottom dropped out of the boom and for several years hardly any new structures were being built, not even by a bank in as solid financial condition as the Farmers and Drivers.

Ground was finally broken for the new building in May, 1892, and by mid-June the basement was excavated. The construction contracts were let to local people as much as possible. Lewis Paterson had the contract for bricklaying, Jack Jones for the stone work, and F. Rousselot and his son Joseph for the woodwork.

The Farmers and Drivers Bank occupied its new quarters during the week of February 24-March 3, 1893, and remains there to the present. The two story building with a full basement cost an estimated \$20,000. Since the bank at that time required only the first floor, the basement was rented to one of the local newspapers, the Council Grove Guard, while the second floor contained offices of two dentists and a law firm.

The Farmers and Drivers Bank building is a well preserved and distinctive work of architecture. It is an interesting mixture of many architectural traits typical of the Eclectic style in Kansas, including minarets, bulbous tower, and arches.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Brigham, Lalla Maloy, The Story of Council Grove on the Santa Fe Trail (n.p., 1921), pp. 64, 93, 152.  
 Council Grove Courier, February 17 and 24, 1893.  
 Council Grove Guard, February 19, 1887; June 10, 1892; January 27, February 17 and 24, March 3 and 24, 1893.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES							
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			LATITUDE			LONGITUDE	
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NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"	38	39	51
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"				96	29	21
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"						
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"						

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than one

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: Richard Pankratz, Planner  
Charles Hall, Architectural consultant

ORGANIZATION: Kansas State Historical Society DATE: March 8, 1971

STREET AND NUMBER: 120 West Tenth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Topeka STATE: Kansas CODE: 66612  
 CODE: 20

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: Nyle H. Miller  
 Nyle H. Miller

Title: Executive Secretary, Kansas State Historical Society

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

David A. Connolly  
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

JUN 21 1971

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:  
William J. Pankratz  
 Keeper of The National Register  
 MAY 24 1971

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