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INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Fremont County Courthouse

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

151 W. First Street North

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

St. Anthony

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Second

STATE

Idaho

CODE

16

COUNTY

Fremont

CODE

043 ✓

CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☒ PUBLIC☐ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE**☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO**PRESENT USE**☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☒ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Fremont County

STREET & NUMBER

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STATE

Idaho

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

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6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1972

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Fremont County Courthouse is a neo-classical revival brick building. Sitting on a raised foundation this two-story structure is crowned by a low silver dome. The outset central bay dominates the facade with its two-story Ionic columns in antis, pedimented entry and banded brick design.

A denticulated cornice supports a parapet, which has a centered balustrade and a stone cap. The windows have terra cotta sills, with the second story ones bracketed.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☐ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☐ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☒ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☒ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1909

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Wayland and Fennell

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Fremont County Courthouse is architecturally significant as a good example of the neo-classical revival style in St. Anthony, and an obvious local landmark with special meaning to the people of the county. The dome is a rare surviving example of a feature few Idaho courthouses had.

Wayland and Fennell, based in Boise, was one of the foremost architectural partnerships in southern Idaho at this time.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Teton Peak Chronicle, April 22, 1909, p. 1, c. 3-5.

Neil, J. M. Saints and Oddfellows, Boise Gallery of Art, 1976, p. 72.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approximately 2½ acres.

111° 41' 01"

UTM REFERENCES

43° 58' 04"

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
D	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This nomination includes the Fremont County Courthouse and the city block upon which it stands.

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

Don J. Hibbard, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

DATE

7 February 1978

STREET & NUMBER

610 North Julia Davis Drive

TELEPHONE

384-2120

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ____

STATE X

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

Merle Wells

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

7 February 1978

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

Charles Adams
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST: *W. Ray Luce*
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

6-9-78

[Signature]
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

1/9/79

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7. The building is a rectangular solid, with a flat roof, if the central dome is excluded. It occupies the entire block upon which it is situated. The specific design features and decorative elements were described with appropriate architectural terminology according to Blumenson with the exception of the word "antas" which might be found in any decent dictionary. The word was used to describe the unobvious rather than the obvious freestanding mate of each pair.

The building is symmetrical, and the fenestration reflects the interior spaces.

The cornice is metal and the columns are stone.

8. The Fremont County Courthouse is significant within the state of Idaho for its typical employment of a neo-classical revival style. Most major public buildings within the state, as elsewhere in the nation, employed this style which has definite associations with our government since the Federal period. The dome, a fairly typical neo-classical revival motif, was frequently employed by the firm of Wayland & Fennell and originally appeared on the Canyon County Courthouse in Caldwell and the Twin Fall High School. These last two domes have been removed from their buildings, an all too common occurrence in Idaho. The Fremont County Courthouse dome is no where near as imposing as that upon the state capitol, but it does serve its associative purpose of monumentality.

The political significance I thought to be overly self-evident. As a courthouse the building housed and represented the authority of the Fremont county government. All governmental activities occurred within the confines of its walls with regard to county wide decisions. The building housed all important vital statistics and also provided courtroom space for the carrying out of the judicial process.

The Fremont County Courthouse is not of the notorious variety, having never housed any significantly infamous personages nor has it witnessed any extreme miscarriages of justice. Rather the events which have transpired here more reflect the ebb and flow of judicial life in a small rural community than the dramatic events which provide sustenance to the lurid accounts of the national news media.



COURT HOUSE

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Fremont County Courthouse
151 W. First Street North
St. Anthony, Idaho

*Fremont
County*

J. M. Neil - Photographer
1976

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Front from the northeast

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