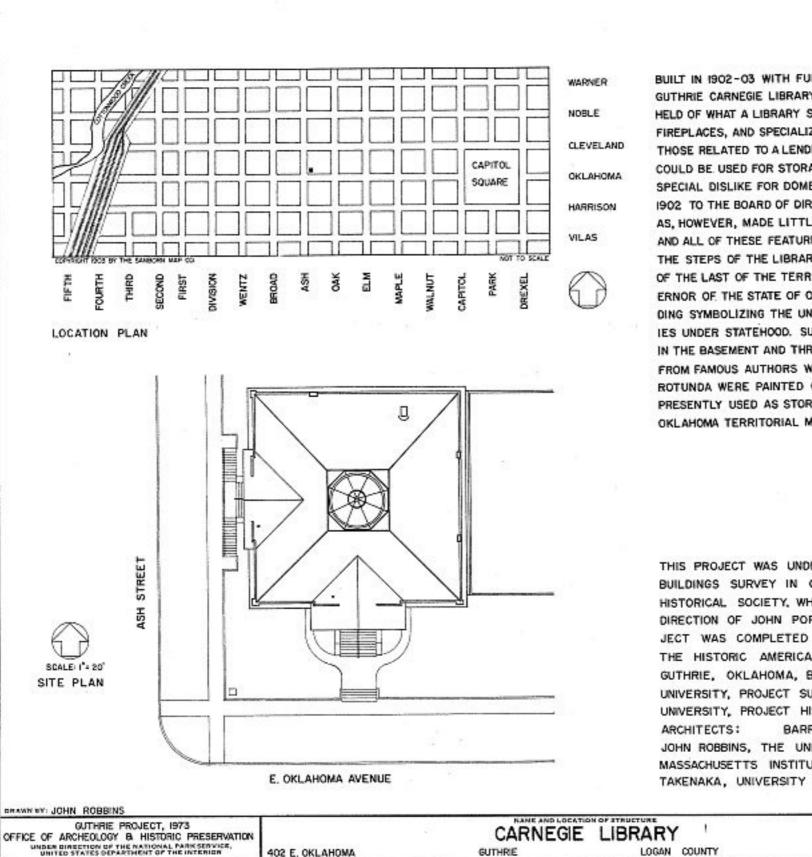
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BUILT IN 1902-03 WITH FUNDS PROVIDED BY ANDREW CARNEGIE THE GUTHRIE CARNEGIE LIBRARY VIOLATES NEARLY EVERY IDEA CARNEGIE HELD OF WHAT A LIBRARY SHOULD BE. HE OBJECTED TO TALL WINDOWS, FIREPLACES, AND SPECIALIZED ROOMS FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN THOSE RELATED TO A LENDING LIBRARY AS CONSUMING SPACE WHICH COULD BE USED FOR STORAGE OR BOOK DISPLAY. CARNEGIE HAD A SPECIAL DISLIKE FOR DOMES WHICH HE EXPRESSED IN A LETTER OF 1902 TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LIBRARY, CARNEGE'S IDE-AS, HOWEVER, MADE LITTLE IMPRESSION ON ARCHITECT J.H. BENNETT AND ALL OF THESE FEATURES WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIBRARY DESIGN. THE STEPS OF THE LIBRARY WERE THE SCENE FOR THE INAUGURATIONS OF THE LAST OF THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNORS AND THE FIRST GOV-ERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA WHICH INCLUDED A MOCK WED-DING SYMBOLIZING THE UNION OF OKLAHOMA AND INDIAN TERRITOR-IES UNDER STATEHOOD. SUBSTANTIAL ALTERATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE BASEMENT AND THROUGH GENERAL UPKEEP, FOUR QUOTATIONS FROM FAMOUS AUTHORS WHICH HAD BEEN FRESCOED AROUND THE ROTUNDA WERE PAINTED OUT AND NOT RESTORED. THE LIBRARY IS PRESENTLY USED AS STOREROOMS AND OFFICES FOR THE ADJOINING OKLAHOMA TERRITORIAL MUSEUM.

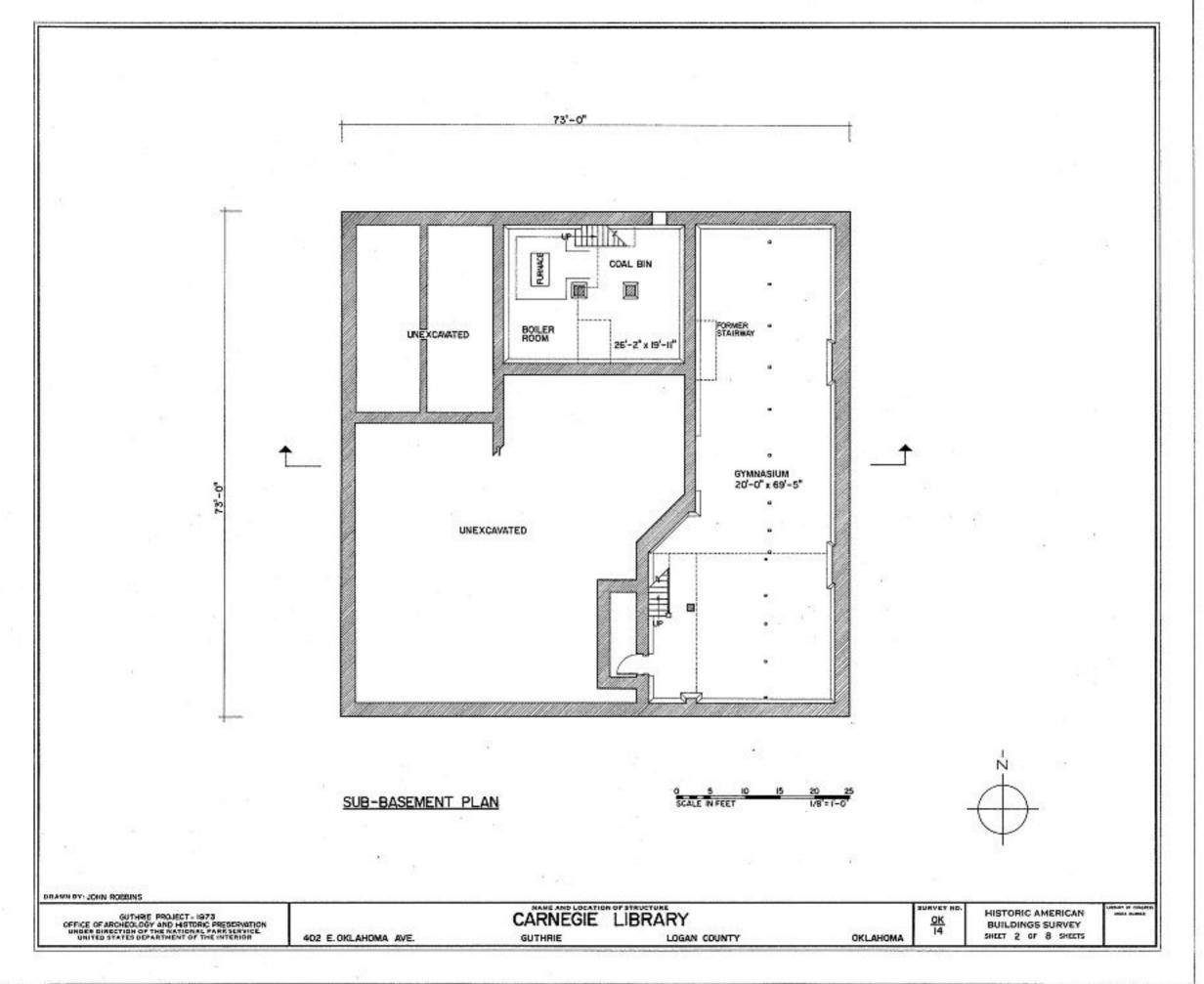
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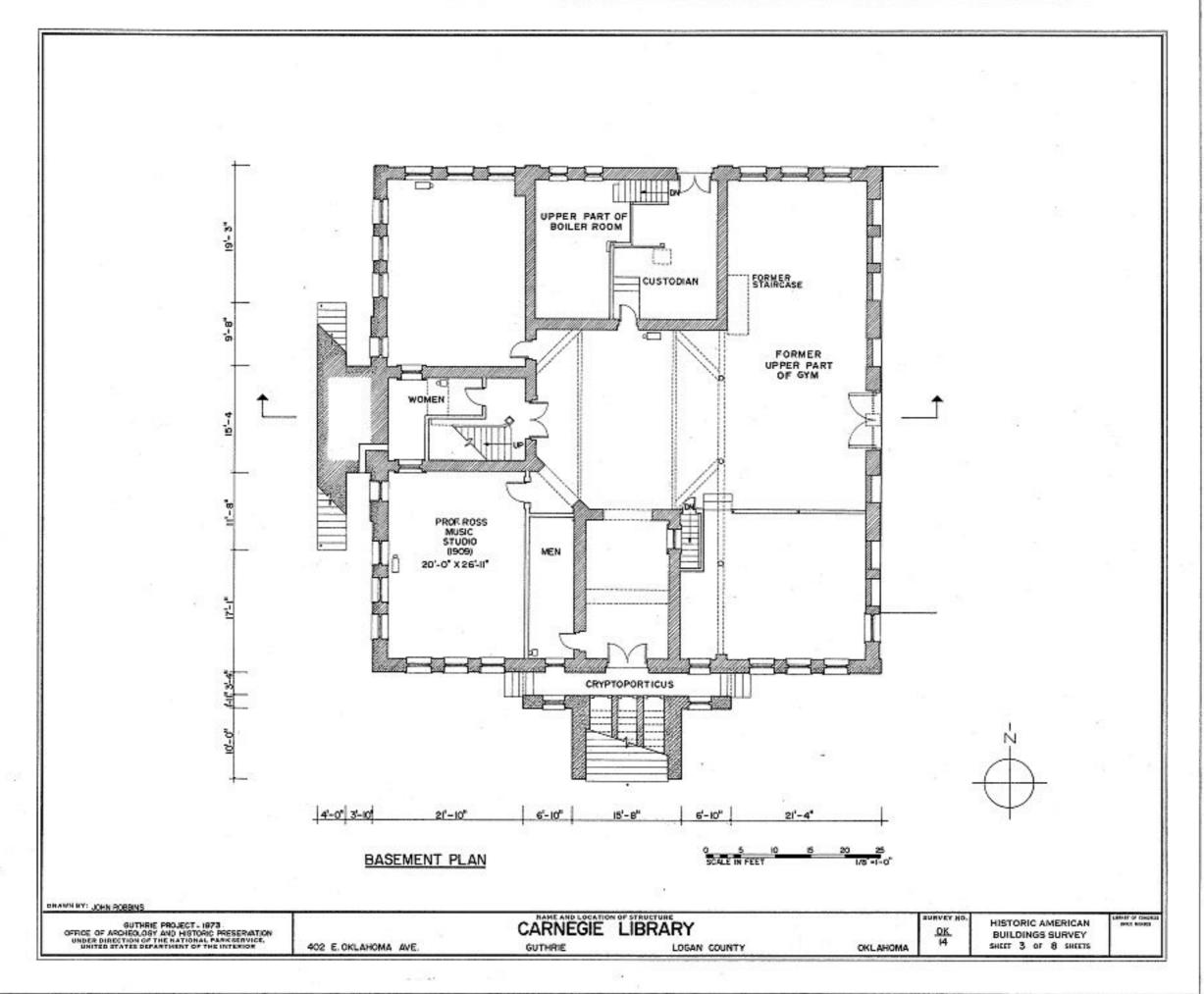
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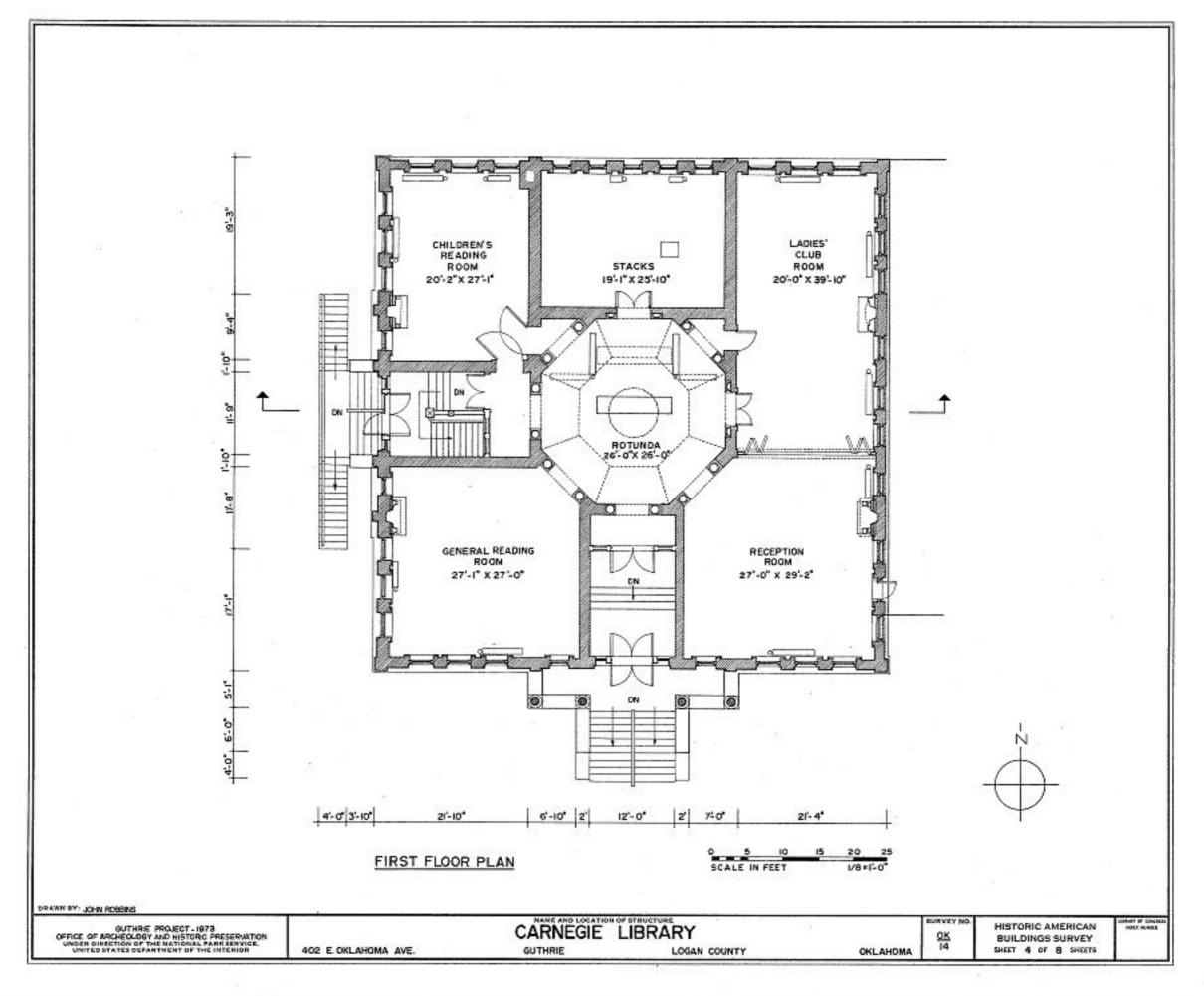
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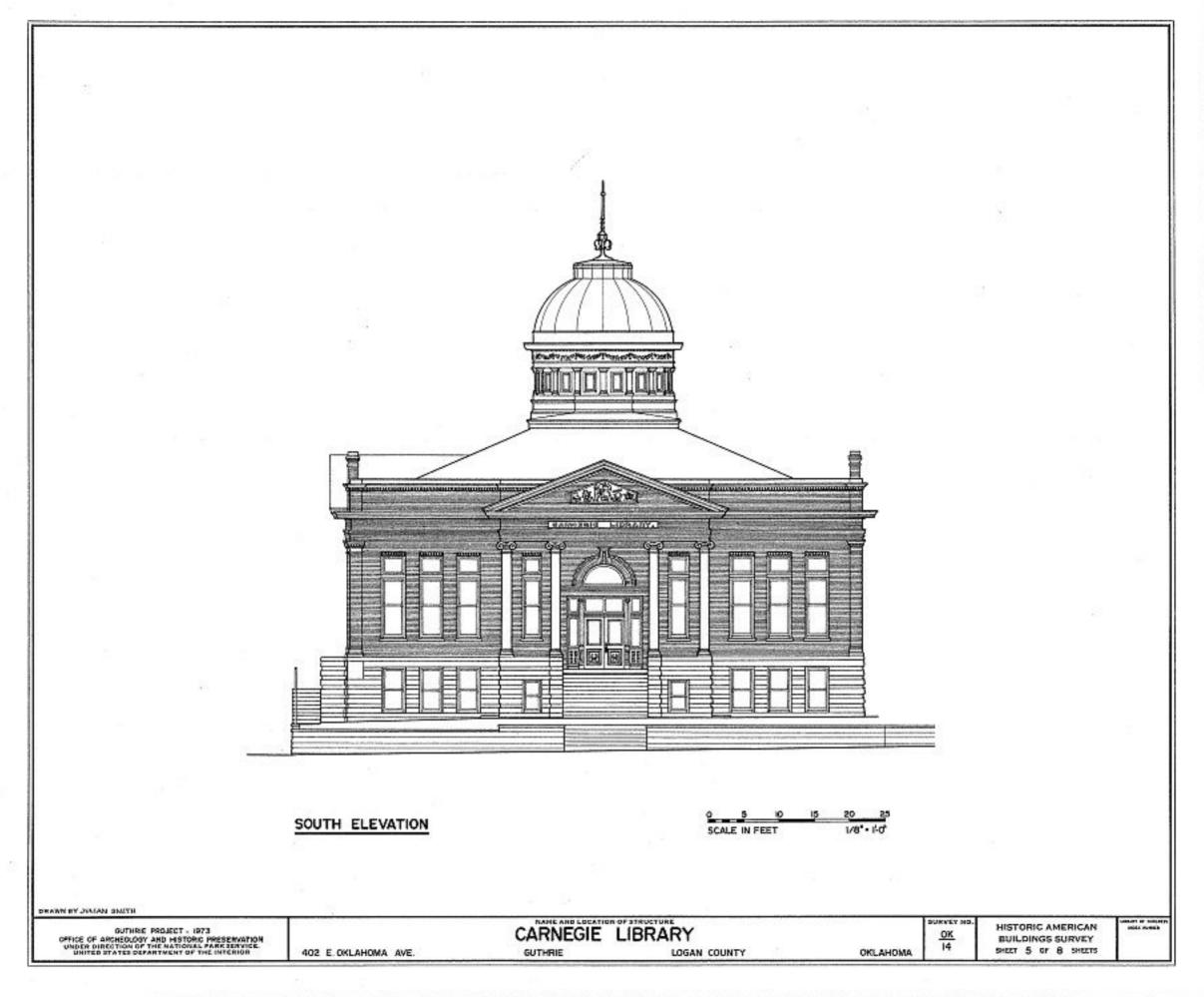
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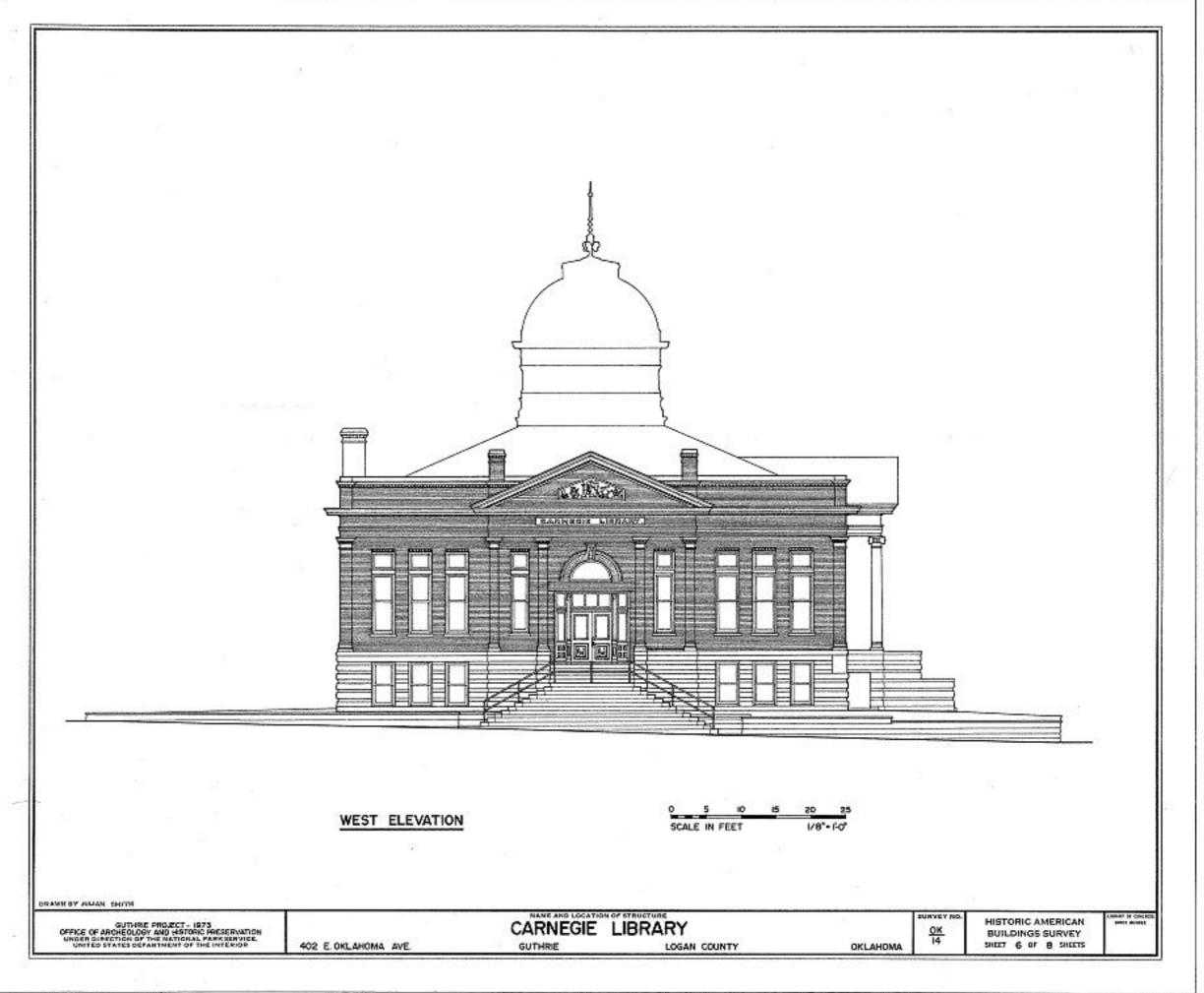


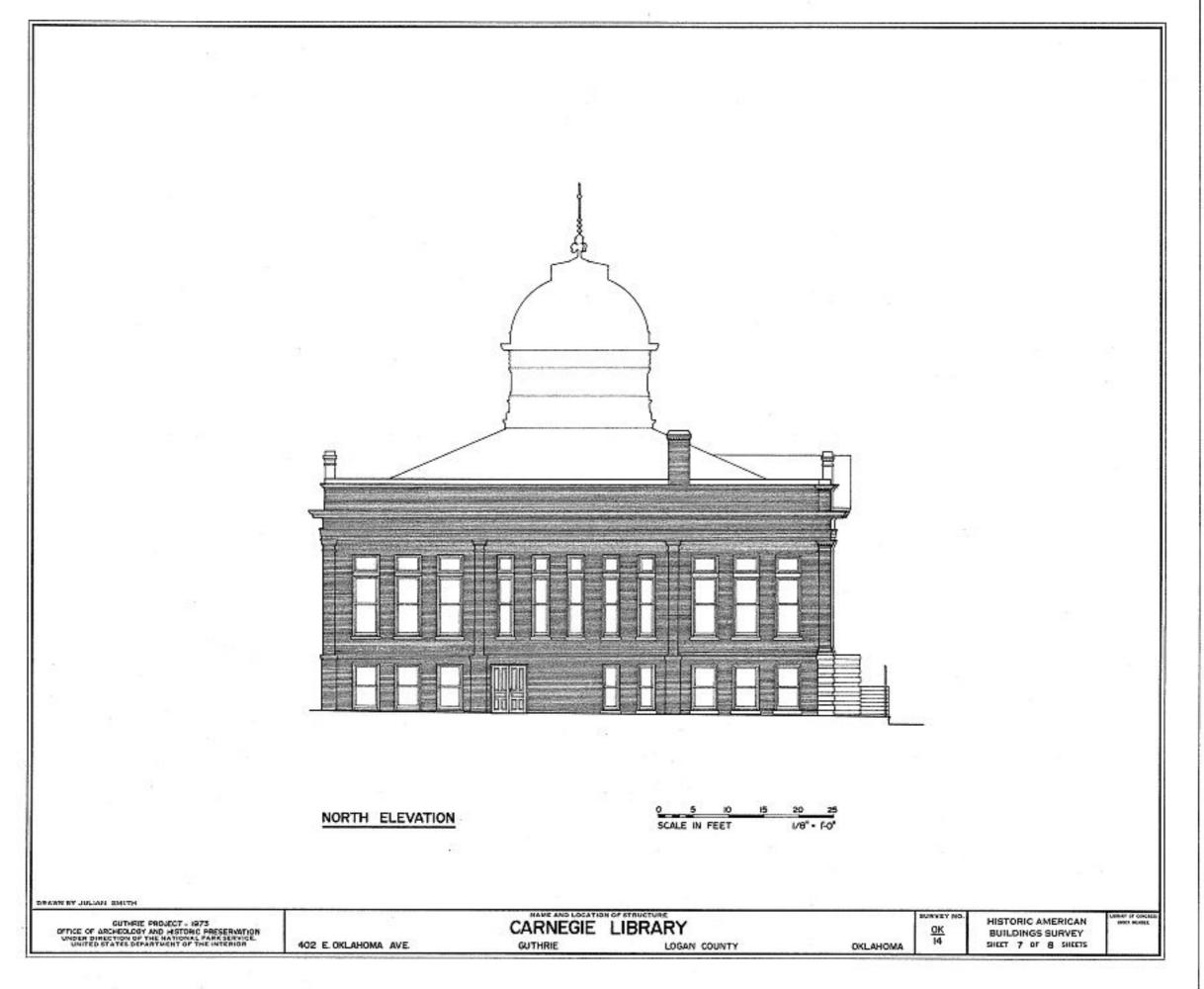






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