

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER SCHOOL

LOCATION: 6th and C Streets, Antlers, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Antlers Board of Education, 306 NE A Street, Antlers, OK 74523

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

A three room building, the Antlers Negro school is a single story, rectangular (28' x 64') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. Rock selection and placement is excellent. With a composition shingle covering, the hipped roof has a gable dormer without lights above the centrally placed front entryway. Original windows, which reached to the eaves and rested between concrete sills and lintels, have been replaced by ones more energy efficient. On the northwest corner has been added a small room of brick construction. This addition does not impair the architectural integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1938; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

This structure was the school building for Antlers blacks before integration. The WPA labor on the project was also black. The building, therefore, is significant because construction of it provided work opportunities for unskilled and unemployed black laborers in the Antlers area, providing a measure of economic security and self esteem. It also created a modern educational environment that promoted an enthusiasm for learning. As an urban WPA school building, the structure is notable for its modest scale, especially when compared with buildings for white students. Within the community it is unique architecturally because of its type (black school), style, scale, materials and workmanship. Indeed, it and other WPA school buildings became the prototype of subsequent buildings constructed from uncut native stone in the Antlers area.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Antlers East, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 259030 3790160

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lot 5, Block 34, Antlers original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 148-A, 148-B

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ANTLERS SCHOOL CAMPUS (Three buildings)

LOCATION: A and 3rd Streets, Antlers, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Antlers Board of Education, 306 NE A Street, Antlers, OK 74523

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Antlers school campus includes three WPA structures: Rodman Hall Auditorium, a Home Economics building and Brantley Elementary School. The auditorium is a single story, rectangular (130' x 73') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The roof, covered with composition shingles, is pent in type; the main doors are recessed behind arches. Wood inserts enclose the original window openings and a concrete block extension has been added to the south rear. The alterations, however, do not impeach the architectural integrity of the structure.

The Home Economics building is situated directly west of the auditorium. A single story, rectangular (88' x 45') structure with offsets, it was constructed of beautiful dark red, untooled and uncoursed sandstone. With a composition shingle covering, the roof is gabled, with intersecting gables on either end on the front and on one end on the back. The front porch roof is supported with small columns; windows are wood sash and rest on concrete sills. An exterior chimney is located on the rear.

The Brantley Elementary School occupies an area just south of the home economics building. It is a single story, inverted U-shaped (207' x 54' horizontally, with two 36' x 34' vertical wings) structure constructed of cut blocks and roughly coursed native sandstone. Masonry is generally crude. The roof is gabled with parapets, while the windows are now metal encased. The front entry porch between the wings is covered by a flat roof supported by an open arcade; entry on the north wing is through a porch under a gable roof and parapets. The tower-like character of the parapets give the building a Gothic Revival flavor.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1940; builder/architect: unknown

As urban WPA school structures, the Brantley building is notable for its unique architectural style, while it and the home economics building demonstrate the improvement of workmanship over time (1937-1940). Within the Antlers community, the school structures are unique architecturally because of their type, style (gothic as opposed to vernacular), scale and workmanship. Moreover, they became the prototype of subsequent and widespread use of native stone as construction material. The three buildings are significant because construction of them provided work opportunities for unskilled and unemployed laborers in the Antlers community which had been hard hit by the impact of the depression on the timber industry. The importance of the structures to the educational life of the town is reflected by that fact

that they are still in use as places of learning.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than two acres

Quadrangle: Antlers East, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--15 258540 3791020; B--258480 3791000; C--258440 3790940

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lot 3, Block 7 and West one-half of Block 8, Locke Addition, Antlers city

PICTURE REFERENCE: 149-A, 149-B, 149-C, 149-D, 149-E, 149-F, 149-G, 149-H

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CLAYTON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: West Pine Street, Clayton, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present
use--educational

OWNER: Clayton Board of Education, Box 190, Clayton, OK 74536

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The Clayton high school auditorium is a single story, T-shaped (98' vertically and 98' horizontally) structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native stone. Masonry and stone placement is excellent. The roof is flat with parapets capped with limestone blocks; entryways are recessed; window placement is by twos. Angular lines lend an art deco flavor to the structure. The building is surrounded by a WPA constructed drainage ditch that is well maintained, as the auditorium itself is.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1937; builder/architect: unknown

The building is significant because of the work opportunities construction of it provided relief roll laborers in the rural Clayton area, enabling them to attain a measure of economic security and self respect. The building also promoted community awareness and the presentation of theatrical productions, both of which raised spirits during difficult times. As a rural WPA school building, it is remarkable in its type (only one other auditorium as opposed to a gym/auditorium was located), scale/size and its allusion to art deco style. To the community it is unique architecturally because of its type, style, scale and workmanship. It and other WPA structures became the prototype of buildings constructed from uncut and uncoursed native stone during and after World War II.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Clayton, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 284060 3829840

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block 1, Clayton original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 150-A, 150-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

FEWELL SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Nashoba, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 36, T 1 N, R 21
E

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; restricted; present
use--residence

OWNER: Mr. Ray Young, Fewell Rural Route, Nashoba, OK 74558

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: Good condition; unaltered; original site

A three-room building initially, the Fewell school is a single story, L-shaped (28' x 42', with 15' x 13' extension) structure constructed of undressed and uncoursed native sandstone. With beaded mortar, masonry is excellent. The sheet metal covered roof has intersecting gables; the front entryway at the southeast corner is behind double arches. Wood sash windows on concrete sills rise to the eaves.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-37; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

In the heart of the forest region, the Fewell area suffered great economic distress when the lumber industry cut back its operations. Construction of the school building, therefore, provided work opportunities for laborers long on the state relief rolls, permitting a measure of economic security. The building is also significant because it afforded a modern educational facility for students isolated in remote regions. Within the community, the structure is wholly unique architecturally in terms of type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. Currently a private residence, it is an excellent example of adaptive reuse.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

Quadrangle: Albion Southeast, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 312525 3821685

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow U.S. highway No. 271 southeast of Clayton to state highway No. 144; turn east and go approximately 14 miles to the first left turn past the Fewell community; go up the lane two-tenths of a mile to the school site, it beginning at the NE corner of Sec. 36, T 1 N, R 21 E, and running south 297 feet, west 297 feet, north 297 feet and east 297 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 151-A, 151-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

JUMBO SCHOOL CAMPUS (Two structures)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Jumbo, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 28, T 1 S, R 15 E

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; unoccupied; unrestricted; present use--vacant

OWNER: Jumbo Community, Jumbo, OK 74551

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: deteriorated; unaltered; original site

The Jumbo school is composed of two WPA structures: a school building and a teacherage. A two-room building, the school is a single story, rectangular (70' x 30') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. Covered with original wood shingles, the roof is gabled; the principal entryways are recessed behind arches; and the classroom windows, which reach to the eaves, are wood sash and rest on pre-formed concrete sills. The roof is in much need of repair, as are the windows.

Situated some 150 feet northwest of the school is the teacherage. Measuring 35 feet by 24 feet and shot-gun in style, it is a single story structure constructed of wood frame and clap board siding. The later has been covered with asbestos siding. A porch and roof are at the north front; windows are wood sash. It too is in need of repair.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1940; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

The two buildings are significant because they obviously created for students a new environment conducive to learning. As rural WPA school structures, they constitute a classic facility--a two room school with teacherage. Within the Jumbo community the school building especially is unique architecturally because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. Construction of them, of course, gave much needed employment opportunities to unskilled and destitute agricultural laborers, who without the WPA would have faced certain starvation.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than two acres

Quadrangle: Jumbo, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min

UTM: A--15 248900 3814670; B--15 248860 3814680

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go seven miles west and thirteen and three quarters miles north of Antlers to the Jumbo community, then turn east on an unpaved county road and follow it one-fourth of a mile to the school site. The property is legally described as Lot 17, Jumbo School, Jumbo original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 152-A, 152-B, 152-C

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MOYERS SCHOOL CAMPUS (Three structures)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Moyers, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 5, T 3 S, R 16 E

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Moyers Board of Education, Box 488, Moyers, OK 74557

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Moyers school campus includes three WPA structures: a gymnasium/auditorium, a vocational agriculture building and a teacherage. The gym, with high ceilings, is a single story, rectangular (116' x 51') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. Over the gym the roof is arched, while over the classroom segment it is flat--both places with parapets. Most windows have been enclosed with wood inserts, and a concrete block room has been added to the front. Despite these changes, the integrity of the building remains unimpeached.

The vocational agriculture building just east of the gym is a single story, rectangular (46' x 26') structure constructed also of undressed and uncoursed native stone. The roof is gabled; the front entry is covered with a small porch; and windows are metal casement. A garage door opens through the east end of the building.

On the southeast corner of the school property is located the teacherage. Bungalow in style and measuring 43 feet by 30 feet, it is a single story structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native stone. The roof is gabled; the front entry way is covered with a small porch; the windows are wood sash. A rock addition has been made to the west end of the building, but it in no way impeaches the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1940; architect/builder: unknown

Remote and isolated, the Moyers community suffered greatly because of the economic collapse of the 1930s. Destitute lumber jacks found a measure of economic security by helping to construct the three buildings on the Moyers campus, a fact that makes the structures especially significant. That they are still in use reflects how important the WPA program was to the educational life of the community, then and now. As rural WPA school structures, they are notable for their type, especially the agriculture building, and number. Within the Moyers community they are unique architecturally because of their type, style, scale, materials and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One and one-half acre

Quadrangle: Moyers, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--15 255840 3801320; B--15 255750 3801380

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Situated on the northwest corner of the Moyers community, the nominated property begins at a point just southeast of the teacherage, being 330 feet north of the SE corner of the NE 1/4, of the SW 1/4, of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 5, T 3 S, R 16 E, and runs 115 feet west, 100 feet north, 330 feet west, 150 feet north, 330 feet east, 100 feet south, 115 feet east, and 150 south to the point of beginning.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 153-A, 153-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

NINE PINES SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Clayton, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 8, T 1 N, R 19
E

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present
use--religious

OWNER: Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Rural Route, Clayton, OK 74536

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: Excellent condition; altered; original site

A two-room building initially, the Nine Pines school is a single story, rectangular (29' x 59') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. Now covered with composition shingles, the roof is hipped with a central gable that serves as a cover, supported by four shafts, for a double-door entryway. Rear window openings have been enclosed with wood inserts, and a small concrete block addition has been attached to the north end. Neither alteration impairs the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1940; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

The school building created a new environment conducive to learning for students forced to rely upon an inadequate and decayed wood building previously. Within the community the building is unique in terms of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. Now used as a church, it is also a good example of adaptive reuse. But is especially significant in that construction of it provided work opportunities for unskilled and unemployed laborers in the remote Nine Pines area who had been forced on relief by the closing of the timber industry.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

Quadrangle: Clayton, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 286220 3827195

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Take U.S. highway No. 271 southeast out of Clayton to the Kiamichi River bridge; go one mile further to the school property on the north side of the road, it beginning at a point 209 feet north of the SW corner of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 8, T 1 N, R 19 E, and running 350 feet east, 209 feet north, 350 feet west and 209 feet south.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 154-A, 154-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

RATTAN SCHOOL CAMPUS (Three buildings)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Rattan, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Rattan Board of Education, Box 44, Rattan, OK 74562

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Rattan campus includes three WPA structures: a gymnasium/auditorium, a classroom building (southeast), and a classroom building (southwest). The gym/auditorium, with high ceilings, is a single story, rectangular (84' x 49') structure constructed of untooled and roughly coursed native sandstone. Masonry is rather crude. The roof is gabled and has parapets. The front entryway is a part of a facade that extends out from the side wall, the angular lines of which, along with the parapets, give the building a very faint reference to art deco style. Sadly, window and door openings have been enclosed or reduced in size with concrete blocks. Although unattractive, this alteration does not impeach the integrity of the building.

The classroom building (southeast) is immediately adjacent to the gym, creating a courtyard between the two structures. A six-room building, it is a single story, T-shaped (30' x 87' vertically, and 30' x 82' horizontally) facility constructed of native stone laid as random rubble without any pattern. Masonry is very crude. Now covered with composition shingles, the roof is hipped with an intersecting gable. Entry to each classroom is off an outside arcade covered by the main roof. Original metal casement and wood sash windows reach to the eaves.

The classroom building (southwest) is single story and rectangular (30' x 89'). While it is also constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone, the quality of masonry is excellent. The roof is hipped; each room is entered separately from the outside through an archway; the windows are metal casement. This building is immediately adjacent to the classroom building (southeast) and just behind the gym, promoting further the courtyard effect.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1940; builder/architect: unknown

Unlike other WPA-constructed public buildings in southeastern Oklahoma, two of the three Rattan campus buildings (the gym and the classroom building, southeast) were initiated by an earlier public works agency, the Civilian Works Administration (CWA). The CWA had a "make work" rather than a "useful work" philosophy, and it shows in the crude workmanship of the lower portion of the walls the structures. One can visually discern where the CWA quit and the WPA began, for the masonry is of better quality at higher levels. That the classroom building (southwest) reflects better workmanship is because it was entirely built by WPA labor. The Rattan campus, therefore, physically reflects the progression of depression era

public works building programs. It also constitutes the genesis of modern education within the community, the WPA facilities being still in use. As rural WPA buildings, they are notable for their scale and number as well as their close proximity to each other. Within the Rattan community the buildings are unique architecturally because of style, scale, materials and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Rattan, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A—15 276980 3786760; B—15 276 930 3786740

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go one-half mile west of the intersection of state highways Nos. 3 and 93 in Rattan to the school site; the nominated property begins at a point 220 feet east of the NW corner of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 21, T 4 S, R 18 E, and runs 275 feet south, 220 feet east, 275 feet north, and 200 feet west to the point of beginning.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 155-A, 155-B, 155-C, 155-D

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

SNOW SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Snow, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127: Sec. 10, T 2 S, R 18 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--community center

OWNER: Snow Community, Snow, OK 74567

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: Excellent condition; unaltered; original site

A two-room building initially, the Snow school is a single story, rectangular (27' x 75') structure with an offset constructed of cut and roughly coursed native sandstone. The mortar is beaded but the masonry in general is crude. The composition shingled roof is hipped with a central gable over a recessed, two-door front entryway. Classroom wood sash windows resting on concrete sills reach to the eaves.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-37; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

Within the community the building is notable architecturally because there is nothing comparable in type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. That the structure constituted the dawn of modern education in the region also makes it especially significant. It became a source of pride, a function it still performs in that the building is today a community center. The school building is particularly significant because construction of it provided work opportunities for unskilled and unemployed laborers in the Snow area which had been hard hit by the curtailment of the lumber industry during the early 1930s.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

Quadrangle: Snow, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 278235 3808580

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Situated on U.S. highway No. 271 on the north edge of the community, the property begins at a point 209 feet north of the SW corner of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 10, T 2 S, R 18 E, and runs 209 feet east, 209 feet north, 209 feet west and 209 feet south.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 156-A, 156-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

TUSKAHOMA SCHOOL CAMPUS (Four structures)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Tuskahoma, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 26, T 2 N, R 19 E

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational/residential

OWNER: Tuskahoma Board of Education, Box 97, Tuskahoma, OK 74574

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Tuskahoma school campus includes four WPA structures: an home economics building, a gymnasium/auditorium, a teacherage and a well house. The home economics building is a single story, essentially rectangular (65' x 50') structure with offsets and is constructed of untooled and uncoursed, river washed sandstone, polished and vividly red. The roof is gabled, with intersecting gables at either end on the front. Between the intersecting gables is a porch and entryway without a covering; on the back side of the building is an exterior chimney. On the west end the window opening that reaches to the eaves has been reduced in size with wood inserts and smaller, energy efficient windows installed. Original wood sash windows are utilized elsewhere. A beautiful building, the window alteration does not impeach its architectural integrity.

Some 525 feet south of the home economics building is located the gym. A rectangular (95' x 82') structure, the gym is constructed also of untooled and uncoursed dark red native sandstone with beaded mortar. The roof is arched. Parapets and pilasters give the building an art deco flavor. Wood sash windows on pre-formed concrete sills have been painted white.

Directly west of the gym 114 feet is the well house. Measuring 11 feet by 11 feet, four foot high walls with pilasters at the corners are constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. A wood frame with clapboard siding extends the walls another foot higher. A hipped roof covers the structure.

One hundred twenty-three feet directly south of the well house is the teacherage. Shot-gun in style, the teacherage is wood frame and covered by clapboard siding. The roof is gabled. The porch roof is also gabled, supported by a pedistal and three small shafts on each corner. Blind rails enclose most of the porch. Double sash windows are placed by twos.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1940; builder/architect: unknown

The four structures are significant because construction of them provided work opportunities for unskilled and destitute laborers, many of whom were of Choctaw Indian extraction. "Useful" jobs came along just in time to prevent the total economic and spiritual collapse of the Tuskahoma community. Obviously an inducement to education and group pride, the structures demonstrate a comprehensive approach by the WPA to education: clean water,

home management, athletic facilities and teacher inducements. As rural WPA school buildings, they are remarkable for their number and size. Within the Tuskahoma community they are notable for their type, style, scale, materials and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

Quadrangle: Clayton, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--15 291380 3882950; B--15 291400 3882840; C--15 291340 3882790

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The school buildings are located one quarter of a mile south on U.S. highway No. 271 on the paved county road leading to Tuskahoma. The property has a point of beginning in the SW corner of the NE 1/4, of the SW 1/4, of the NE 1/4 in Sec. 26, T 2 N, R 19 E, and runs east 450 feet, north 330 feet, west 120 feet, north 330 feet, west 115 feet, south 330 feet, west 115 feet, and south 330 feet to the point of beginning.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 157-A, 157-B, 157-C, 157-D, 157-E, 157-F, 157-G, 157-H

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YELLOWSTONE SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Clayton, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 10, T 1 N, R 18 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--residence

OWNER: Mr. Mark McIntosh, Rural Route, Clayton, OK 74536

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: Good condition; altered; original site

A two-room building initially, the Yellowstone school is a single story, rectangular (ca. 30' x 70') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The roof, covered by composition shingles, is hipped with a central gable and porch over a recessed, two-door front entry way. The porch roof is supported by four shafts. The top halves of the original wood sash windows have been covered by clapboard siding to reduce heat build-up and loss. This alteration does not impair the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1940; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

In a remote area of Pushmataha County, construction of the Yellowstone school building spelled the beginning of a modern learning experience for youngsters who had previously been confined to dilapidated wood structures poorly lighted and heated. It also became a source of community pride in a town that was not quite making it. The building was especially significant in that construction of it provided work opportunities for unskilled and unemployed laborers who had been forced to accept relief from the state in order to stave off starvation. The job brought some economic security. Architecturally the building is wholly unique in the community because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than two acres

Quadrangle: Stanley, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 279300 3827270

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go southwest of Clayton on state highway No. 2 some three miles. The property is composed of Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, Yellowstone original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 158-A, 158-B