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OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CLEVELAND GRADE SCHOOL

LOCATION: Delaware and Ortner Street, Cleveland, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County 117

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

OWNER: Cleveland Board of Education, 211 E. Wichita, Cleveland, OK 74020

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK 74058

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A building of eight rooms, the Cleveland Grade School is a single-story, rectangular (152' x 124') structure constructed of red brick. Masonry of the building is running bond. The roof is flat with parapets and has a cross gable at the central portion of the building. The entry is recessed behind pilasters with art deco styling. The metal encased windows have been reduced in size, and the top pane of each has been painted with blue paint. An additional building has been constructed on the north side of the school. This alteration does not impeach the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939; builder/architect: unknown

Architecturally, this building is unique because of its type, art deco style, scale, and workmanship. In particular, the use of brick by the WPA was unusual in NE Oklahoma. Construction of this school also provided some security for destitute workers during the depression. The project enabled the WPA to infuse the wages of some 33,000 man-hours of labor into the local economy. Completion of the school greatly enhanced educational opportunities in this area.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre  
Quadrangle: Cleveland, Okla.  
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 726850 4020920

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 7 through 8 in Block 4 of Cleveland original.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 120-a; 120-b
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Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg.,
Stillwater, OK  74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

LOCATION: High School Road and Kiowa Street, Cleveland, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County
117

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition—N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present
use—recreational

OWNER: Cleveland Board of Education, 211 E. Wichita, Cleveland, OK  74020

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK  74058

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

The Cleveland gym is a single-story, rectangular (86' x 124') structure constructed of
red brick with the east wall being made of cut and coarsed native stone. The masonry of the
brick is in running bond. The roof is gabled. Pilasters on the entrance display the art deco
architectural style. The sash windows have lentils of brick laid vertically and slip sills of
concrete. Decorative pilaster strips along the south wall also demonstrate an art deco
flavor. An addition to the building on the west side does not impeach the integrity of the
building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937; building/architect: unknown

The building is unique in type, style, and workmanship. The use of brick was unusual for
the WPA in NE Oklahoma. This project also provided employment for unskilled, destitute
workers during the depths of the depression and infused wages of some 15,000 man-hours of
labor into Cleveland's local economy. The structure created a new environment conducive to
learning for children in the area and contributed to the increase of morale among the citizens
in Cleveland.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre  Quadrangle: Cleveland, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 727970 4021310

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: A tract 312.2' x 208.7' east of the Thorn tract in Block
4, Cleveland Kinney addition.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 121-a; 121-b
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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

JENNINGS SCHOOL

LOCATION: Park and Fifth Streets, Jennings, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County 117

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

OWNER: Jennings Board of Education, Box 128, Jennings, OK 74038

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK 74038

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A building of eight to twelve rooms, this school is a rectangular (73' x 181') structure
constructed of red brick in running bond. The roof is flat with parapets. The front entrance
has a spectacular display of pilaster strips which give the building a definite art deco style.
Many individual metal encased window panes have been painted, and concrete blocks have been
added to the base of the building. These alterations impeach the architectural integrity of the
building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1935; builder/architect: unknown

The school is unique within the Jennings community in terms of type, style, scale, and
workmanship. Construction of the building provided security to many unskilled and
unemployed workers, while the project also provided further educational opportunities to the
students of Jennings and the surrounding area.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: On a three acre tract of land on the south corner of
Park and Fifth Streets

PICTURE REFERENCE: none
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Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg.,
Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

LONE CHIMNEY SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Pawnee, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County 117; NE 1/4, Sec. 8, T 20 N,
R 5 E

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

OWNER: Lone Chimney Church, Pawnee, OK 74058

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK 74058

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A building of two rooms, the Lone Chimney School is a single-story, rectangular (29' x
68') structure constructed of cut and coarsened native stone of buff color. The roof is gabled
with an intersecting cross gable over the entrance. The double-door entry is recessed behind
an archway. The windows on the west side, that reach the eaves, contain wood inserts but,
this alteration does not impeach the architectural integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: Oklahoma Dept. of Instruction Pattern Book

Construction of this school provided work for unemployed and unskilled laborers in a
rural area where few opportunities were available and infused wages of some 13,400 man-hours
into the local economy. The school also created a new environment conducive to learning for
students who, until that time, were deprived educationally. Architecturally, its unique in
terms of type, style, scale, and quality of workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: West Point, Okla.

1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 698760 4011660

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go south of Pawnee on highway no. 18 some 7.5 miles
to the school site, it being on property that begins in the NE corner of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 8, T
20 N, R 5 E, and goes 416 feet east, 208 feet south, 416 feet west, and 208 feet north.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 122-a; 122-b; 122-c
OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

PAWNEE ARMORY

LOCATION: First and Cleveland Streets, Pawnee, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County 117; SW 1/4, Sec. 5, T 21 N, R 5 E

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

OWNER: Oklahoma Military Department, 3501 Military Circle NE, Oklahoma City, OK 73111

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK 74058

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

This armory is a single-story, rectangular (149' x 237') structure constructed of rusticated and coarsened native stone of buff colors. The central portion of the building has an arched roof, while elsewhere the roof is flat. Parapets are found on all sections of the roof. Pilasters on doorways, corners, and walls provide decorative relief and give the structure a "fortress" appearance. The garage entrances contain segmental arches. The elongated metal encased windows have new screens inserted.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1935; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA building, the armory is exceptional for its quality of workmanship. Few buildings were comparable in reference to scale. The armory is unique, architecturally speaking, within the city of Pawnee in terms of type, style, scale, and materials. Construction of this building provided jobs for destitute workers in this area, while infusing wages of some 72,000 man-hours of labor into Pawnee's economy. The jobs generated by the construction of this building helped maintain the pride of men who thereby found the means to support their hungry families. This WPA armory also contributed to military readiness during World War II.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Pawnee, Okla.

1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 697920 4022870

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: On a tract of land beginning 1248 feet west of the northeast corner of the NW 1/4, Sec. 5, T 21 N, R 5 E, and go south 416 feet, east 208 feet, north 416 feet, and west 208 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 123-a; 123-b
OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

PAWNEE BATHHOUSE

LOCATION: Vicinity of Pawnee, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County 117; SE 1/4, Sec. 30, T 22 N, R 5 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; unoccupied; unrestricted; present use--recreational

OWNER: The City of Pawnee, Pawnee, OK 74058

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK 74058

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

Adjacent to a man-made lake, this bathhouse is a two-story structure with four shower rooms. It is a rectangular (63' x 20') structure of cut, coursed, and some rusticated native stone. The roof is gabled and has an intersecting center gable over the front entry, which is arched. The windows are located near the ceiling and contain white shutters. This bathhouse has a spectacular balcony with steps leading down to the pool, which was also constructed by the WPA. The pool is dry and is now covered with grass.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939; builder/architect: unknown

Construction of the bathhouse provided employment for destitute workers during a time of severe economic depression, while it infused wages of some 18,120 man-hours of labor into Pawnee's economy. Architecturally, this bathhouse is unique in terms of type, style, materials, and especially workmanship. It also enabled recreational opportunities for the people of Pawnee and the surrounding area, which aided morale during the Depression.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Pawnee, Okla.

1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 696860 4025440

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go north of Pawnee on highway no. 18, 1 mile then west 1/4 mile on park road to the bathhouse site on a tract of land in the SW of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 30, T 22 N, R 5 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 124-a; 124-b
OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

PAWNEE SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM

LOCATION: Granite and Seventh Streets, Pawnee, Oklahoma 040, Pawnee County 117

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

OWNER: Pawnee Board of Education, 7th and Denver, Pawnee, OK 74058

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee, OK 74058

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A building of twelve rooms, the school and gym building is a rectangular (120' x 275') structure of cut, coarsened, and rusticated native stone. The school's roof is flat with parapets, and the gym's roof is gable shaped with parapets. The front entry is recessed behind an archway. Some entrances to the building were constructed at a later date. Some windows have concrete cinder block inserts, and others have been painted blue. An addition has been added to the south side of the building. The alterations do not impeach the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; builder/architect: unknown

The school and gym combination is unique for its type, style, scale, and workmanship. The project provided badly needed work for destitute laborers and infused wages of some 118,900 man-hours of labor into the local economy during the height of depressed conditions. Educational opportunities in Pawnee were greatly enhanced as well.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than two acres

UTM: 14 697020 4023260

Quadrangle: Pawnee, Okla.

1:24,000/7.5 min.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Block 27, Pawnee original.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 125-a; 125-b