

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

BLUE BELL SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Sapulpa, Oklahoma 040, Creek County 037; NW 1/4, Sec. 35, T15N, R10E

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

OWNER: Roy Ashton, Rt. 1, Box 386, Sapulpa, OK 74066

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Creek County Courthouse, Sapulpa, OK 74066

DESCRIPTION: fair condition; altered; original site

This rectangular (72' x 55') school has four rooms and is constructed of cut, coursed, and rusticated native stone of buff color. The roof is gabled with a center gable containing a lunette window. The entry is recessed behind an archway. The sills are concrete. There is a stone fence with an arch in the middle in front of the school. The windows, which reach to the eaves, have been covered with boards and smaller energy-efficient windows have been inserted. An additional building is on the east side as well, all of which impeachs the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1938; builder/architect: Oklahoma State Dept. of Instruction Pattern Book

The construction of this school created a new environment conducive to learning in this rural and remote area. Also, unskilled laborers out of work were given an opportunity to do useful work and gain some economic security. The school is also unique in this area in terms of style, type, materials, and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go west of Sapulpa on state highway No. 33 some 6 1/4 miles and north on county road one-half mile to the school site, it being on property that begins at the SW corner of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 35, T 18 N, R 10 E and goes 416 feet north, 208 feet east, 416 feet south and 208 feet south and 208 feet west.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none