

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

BUSHYHEAD SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM/AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: Vicinity of Bushyhead, Oklahoma 040, Rogers County 131; NW 1/4, Sec. 21, T 23 N, R 17 E

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

OWNER: Romaine E. Sellmeyer, Rt. 5, Claremore, OK 74017

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Rogers County Courthouse, Claremore, OK 74017

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

This WPA project has eight rooms or more and is a single-story, rectangular (122' x 108') structure constructed of red brick. The masonry is running bond. The school roof is flat, while the gymnasium roof is arched. Both have parapets. The school entrance has pilasters that reflect an art deco style. The gymnasium's entrance has been made into a garage door. The windows on the school have white board inserts. The gymnasium windows, which have brick lentils, have been knocked out.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1938; builder/architect: unknown

This structure is significant because it gave educational opportunities to children in a rural area and provided work for destitute laborers when they most needed it. Nothing in the area can compare to this structure in scale. It is also unique in terms of style, type, and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The school and gym are within a 2 acre tract in the northeast corner of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 21, T 23 N, R 17 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none