OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CHILDERS GYMNASIUM

LOCATION: Vicinity of Delaware, Oklahoma 040, Nowata County 105; NE 1/4, Sec. 1, T 26 N, R 16 E.

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; unoccupied; unrestricted; present use--none

OWNER: Childers Full Gospel Church, c/o Otto Pace; Route 1, Delaware, OK 74027

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Nowata County Courthouse, Nowata, OK 74048

DESCRIPTION: fair condition; altered; original site

The gym is a single-story, rectangular (34' x 61') structure of cut, coarsed, and rusticated native stone of a buff color. The roof is flat with parapets. The single entry door has a concrete lentil. The windows have concrete lentils and sills, and the window panes are gone. The north wall has been replaced with a red brick wall. This alteration impeachs the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; builder/architect: unknown

The type, style, scale, materials, and workmanship of this gym are unique to the area. The project provided employment for destitute laborers and provided recreational opportunities for children in the area.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go west of Delaware on highway no. 28 some 6 miles and south on highway no. 28, 1/2 mile to the gym site, being in the NE corner of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 1, T 26 N, R 16 E, and goes 416 feet south, 208 feet east, 416 feet north, and 208 feet west.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none