

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

DEERES CHAPEL SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Eufaula, Oklahoma 040, McIntosh County 091; SE 1/4, Sec. 36, T 10 N, R 15 E.

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

OWNER: Jack Pendley, Route 3, Eufaula, OK 74432

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: McIntosh County Courthouse, Eufaula, OK 74432

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A building of two rooms, Deeres Chapel School is a single-story, rectangular (68' x 28') building constructed of uncut native stone of auburn and buff colors. The beaded masonry of the school is random rubble, and a unique design was made in the construction of this particular building. With a new cover, the roof is gabled with an intersecting center gable over the entrance supported by wooden pediments. The gabled roof has been extended on the south and east sides. A garage is attached to the north side. An addition is also attached to the east side. The doors are new and are located under the extended gable roof areas. New energy-efficient windows were installed in the reduced window openings. The alterations impeach the integrity of the school.

SIGNIFICANCE: ca. 1936 - 1937; builder/architect: unknown

This school is unique in terms of type, style, scale, materials, and workmanship. It is quite unique within the Deeres Chapel community. Construction of it is also significant because it provided work for destitute laborers badly in need of it at a time when such opportunities were few. Educationally, this school created a new environment conducive to learning in this rural area of McIntosh County.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go west of Eufaula on highway no. 9 some 5.5 miles to the school site. At that intersection, go north 85 feet where the school begins; go 68 feet north, 28 feet west, 68 feet south, 28 feet east to the point of beginning in the SW corner of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 36, T 10 N, R 15 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none