OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

DRUMRIGHT BATHHOUSE/POOL

LOCATION: Jones and Second Streets, Drumright, Oklahoma 040, Creek County 037; NE 1/4, Sec. 6, T 17 N, R 7 E.

CLASSIFICATION: building and structure; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--recreational

OWNER: The City of Drumright, City Hall, Drumright, OK 74030

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

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The bathhouse has three rooms and is a single-story, rectangular (18' \times 64') structure constructed of uncut native stone of auburn and buff colors with beaded mortar. The masonry is random rubble. The center part of the roof is arched, while each side is flat. All parts have parapets. The entrance has two doors separated by the central arched portion of the building. There are two large windows on this central portion, and small windows extending to the eaves with new window panes. The strategic placement of the many different colors of stone raise the workmanship to the level of art. An addition has been attached to the north side of the bathhouse.

The swimming pool is constructed of concrete and is rectangular (153' \times 64'). A stone wall lining was built around this pool. A new fence has been added. The alterations do not impeach the architectural integrity of the pool or bathhouse.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939; builder/architect: unknown

The pool and bathhouse are significant because they reflect the broad construction the WPA gave to "useful" projects and because construction of them provided jobs for unskilled and unemployed laborers. The WPA infused wages of some 46,450 man-hours of labor into the local economy. The building is unique within the community because of its style, materials, type, and especially the artistic workmanship. Detailed masonry and imaginative placement of rock makes this building very unique within Drumwright.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre Quadrangle: Drumright, Okla.

1:24,000/7.5 min.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the intersection of Jones and Second Streets, go south 98 feet to a point of beginning, then go 171 feet west, 64 feet south, 171 feet east, 64 feet north, all in Sec. 6, T 17 N, R 7 E.