

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

INOLA SCHOOL AND AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: North Broadway and First Street Northwest, Inola, Oklahoma 040, Rogers County 131; Sec. 5, T 19 N, R 17 E

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

OWNER: Inola Board of Education, P.O. Box 786, Inola, OK 74036

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

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

A building of ten rooms, this school and auditorium is a single-story, T-shaped (181' x 129') structure constructed of cut, coursed, and rusticated native stone of buff color. The roof is flat with parapets. The doors are framed by pilasters and pilaster strips are also in the corners and along the front wall of the school. The metal encased windows have concrete lentils and a concrete continuous sill. Window placement is in groups of three, which contain concrete sills and lentils. The original windows have been replaced with smaller ones. A rain shelter has been added to the entrance, and an additional building is attached to the northwest side of the school. These alterations do not impeach the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

This school is exceptional in quality of workmanship, type, style, and scale. The construction of this building gave employment opportunities to destitute laborers in the area and provided educational opportunities for more children in the area. The project enabled the infusion of wages of some 51,000 man-hours of labor into the local economy. The structure still serves as an elementary school in Inola, suggesting the continuing influence of the WPA.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: At the corner of North Broadway and First Street NW go 195 feet NW, 75 feet SW, 195 feet SE, and 75 feet NE, all in the SW 1/4 of Sec. 5, T 19 N, R 17 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 132-a; 132-b