

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

KELLYVILLE GYMNASIUM

LOCATION: At the south end of Elm Street, Kellyville, Oklahoma 040, Creek County 037

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

OWNER: Kellyville Board of Education, Kellyville, OK 74039

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

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

This gymnasium is a single-story, rectangular (80' x 50') structure constructed of uncut native stone of auburn and buff colors with masonry of random rubble. Pilaster strips are along the walls and in the corners and are made of cut and rusticated stone. These pilaster strips hint at an art deco style of architecture. The roof is arched and has parapets. Some window panes are painted; sills are concrete. The south side entry is covered by a concrete addition. These alterations impeach the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA project, the gymnasium is unique in terms of style, type, materials, and workmanship. The placement of the stones enhance the artistic workmanship done by the unskilled workers. Building the gym gave destitute workers useful employment and some economic security. At the same time, the project added education to the Kellyville community.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 3, 4, and 5 of Block 25, Kellyville original, specifically, beginning at the south end of Elm street, go 40 feet east, then the gym goes 40 feet north, 50 feet east, 80 feet south, 50 feet west to the point of beginning.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none