

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

LOST CITY SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Hulbert, Oklahoma 040, Cherokee County 021; NE 1/4, Sec. 2, T 17 N, R 20 E

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

OWNER: Hulbert Board of Education, Rt 3, Hulbert, OK 74441

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Cherokee County Courthouse, Tahlequah, OK 74464

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Lost City school is a rectangular shaped (approximately 65' x 25') single story building constructed of uncoursed ashlar with beaded masonry. Its cutaway roof is gabled with projecting eaves. The front entryway consists of a single wooden door with a concrete lintel recessed within a vestibule with an arched entrance. One of the single placed wooden sash windows with concrete sills and lintels on the front facade is covered over with boarding. Elsewhere the windows are arranged in bands, that reach to the eaves, with concrete sills. This school is one of exceptional beauty, unfortunately additions to three walls of its facade have destroyed its architectural integrity.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1938; builder/architect: unknown

This school is significant because it constituted an economically important community resource. Its construction provided wages for local families which were infused back into the depressed local economy. Jobs generated by the construction of the school restored a sense of pride to many men who might otherwise have been unable to provide for their families. The school served for many years as an educational facility for children of the community. Architecturally the school is unique for its arched vestibule entryway and cutaway roof design.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

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

UTM: Undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go approximately 3 miles north of Hulbert to a points of beginning 1,110 feet south of the corner to Sections 1, 2, 35, and 36, Townships 17 and 18 N, R 20 E; thence west 210 feet, thence south 210 feet, thence east 210 feet, thence north 210 feet to the point of origin.

PICTURE REFERENCE: None