

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

MAZIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

LOCATION: Mazie, Oklahoma 040, Mayes County 097

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

OWNER: Board of Education, Box D, Chouteau, OK 74337

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Mayes County Courthouse, Pryor, OK 74361

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

The Mazie School is a two room, rectangular (45' x 95') structure constructed of uncut native stone of buff and auburn colors in a masonry of random rubble. The roof is gabled with a center gable over the entrance. There are also two chimneys on the roof. The windows are paired and placed by threes. All windows have concrete sills. The are lunette windows with shutters near the gable on the north and south sides. The windows have been reduced with fiber glass inserts or partially filled in with brick. A rain shelter has been added to the entrance. A concrete addition was also added. These alterations do impeach the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939; builder/architect: unknown

This school is significant because it constituted an economically important community resource in Mazie which is 70 percent Amish and Mennonite. Its construction provided local families with wages of more than 24,000 man-hours of labor which were infused back into the depressed agricultural 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. It enhanced educational opportunities for children in the area. Architecturally, the building is unique in terms of type, style, materials, scale, and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Rocky Point, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lot 1, Block 15, Number 10 in the city of Mazie.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none