## OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

OAK GROVE SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Eufaula, Oklahoma 040, McIntosh County 091; NW, SW 1/4, Sec. 9, T 9 N, R 15 E.

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

OWNER: Eufaula Board of Education, Box 609, Eufaula, Oklahoma 74432

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: McIntosh County Courthouse, Eufaula, OK 74432

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

This building of two rooms is a single-story, rectangular  $(28' \times 70')$  structure constructed of uncut native stone of auburn and buff colors in masonry of random rubble. The strategic use of the colorful rock gives the structure its own unique design. The roof is gabled with a center gable over the main entrance, this entryway contains fout woodshafts on pedistals as well. The windows in back reach to the eaves, and all window openings have wood coverings. A piece of the stone fence still exists. The alteration does not impeach the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: ca. 1935-1936; builder/architect: Oklahoma State Dept. of Instruction Pattern Book

Construction of this school is significant because it provided employment for destitute workers on relief, giving them an income that prevented starvation, while it infused wages of some 13,200 man-hours of labor into the local economy. Educational opportunities greatly increased in this rural area after completion of the school. Architecturally, the building is unique in terms of type, style, scale, materials, and workmanship.

## **GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:**

Acreage: One and one-half acres

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

## UTM: 10 251330 3905760

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go west of Eufaula on highway 9 some 8.5 miles then south on county road 1.5 mile to the school site, a 1.5 acre tract that begins 520 feet south of the NW corner of the SW 1/4 in Sec. 9, T 9 N, R 15 E and goes 208 feet east, 208 feet south, 208 feet west, and 208 feet north.

## PICTURE REFERENCE: 46-a; 46-b