## OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

OLIVE SCHOOL CAMPUS (Two buildings)

LOCATION: Third Street and School Road, Olive, Oklahoma 040, Creek County 037

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

OWNER: Olive Board of Education, Rt. 1, Drumright, OK 74030

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

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Olive School Campus contains two WPA-built structures: a classroom building and a shop building. The classroom building is a two-room, single-story, rectangular  $(22' \times 75')$  structure constructed of cut, coursed, and rusticated native stone of buff color. The roof is gabled. The main entrance is on the side wall. There are new windows with blue paint on the top panes.

The shop is a single-story, rectangular  $(31' \times 60')$  structure constructed also of cut, coursed, and rusticated native stone of buff color. The roof is gabled with parapets. The entry has an archway. The workmanship gives the building a Richardson Romanesque flavor. The windows have been wood inserts and contain concrete sills. Alterations have not impeached the integrity of the building.

## SIGNIFICANCE: 1937; builder/architect: unknown

Construction of these buildings provided badly-needed economic security to unskilled and unemployed laborers in this rural area and infused wages of some 12,000 man-hours of labor into the local economy. Both aspects of the project helped relieve some of the suffering associated with the depression. This WPA project also enhanced educational opportunities within the city of Olive. These structures are also unique in terms of type, style, materials, and workmanship.

## GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than two acres

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

## UTM: A-14 727070 3989690; B-14 227070 3989620

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Block 15, Lots 1 through 24 and all of Blocks 16 through 21 of the Olive original, specifically, from the intersection of Third street and school road, go 280 feet north, 120 feet west to a point of beginning, go north 22 feet, west 75 feet, south 22 feet, then east 75 feet. From the same intersection, go west 118 feet west then 60 feet north, 31 feet west, 60 feet south, then 31 feet east.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 20-a; 20-b; 20-c; 20-d