

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

OSAGE AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING ANNEX

LOCATION: Osage Agency Complex, Pawhuska, Oklahoma 040, Osage County 113

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

OWNER: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior, Washington, D. C. 20000

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Osage County Courthouse, Pawhuska, OK 74056

DESCRIPTION: excellent; altered; original site

Two story and rectangular (48' x 33'), the Osage Agency Administrative Annex is constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. The mortar is beaded. The roof is flat with parapets that are capped with pre-formed concrete blocks. Metal casements, resting on cut stone sills, fill one-half windows. First and second story windows are perpendicularly placed in a plane recessed from the exterior surface and that extends from the top of the second story window to the ground. Perpendicular placement also applies to the exterior doors, the top one leading to the second floor and the bottom one to the first floor.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1938-1939; architect/builder: unknown

The Agency Building Annex is significant in that it is one of the few WPA-constructed buildings associated with an Indian tribe--despite the large number of Native American groups in Oklahoma. Architecturally it is unique in terms of its two stories with entryways on each level. That its construction provided job opportunities for destitute whites and Indians during the course of the disastrous national depression is particularly significant.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: less than one acre

Quadrangle: Pawhuska
1:24,000/7.5 min.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the south east corner of the "Osage Agency Reserve" on the original Pawhuska plat, go west 400 feet (to the alley), then north 150 feet and east 50 feet to a point of beginning, then go 50 feet east, 40 feet north, 50 feet west and 40 feet south.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 107-a; 107-b