

## OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

SHAMROCK GYMNASIUM/AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: Tipperary Street and Cork Avenue, Shamrock, Oklahoma 040, Creek County 037

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

OWNER: Shamrock Board of Education, Box 308, Shamrock, OK 74068

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

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

This gymnasium/auditorium is a single-story, rectangular (63' x 115') building constructed of both uncut and cut, rusticated and unrusticated native stone of buff and auburn colors. The walls and corners have pilaster strips that are cut, coursed, and rusticated native stone, while the walls are actually of uncut, colorful native stone. This mixture of material makes the structure very unique. The roof is arched with a flat portion in the front, and both have parapets. New doors have been added. Some of the windows have been painted white and others have white boards inserted in them. There is a wooden enclosed porch attached to the west side of the building. The alterations do not impeach the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA project, this gymnasium/auditorium is unique in style, type, and especially materials and workmanship. The interplay with uncut and cut native stone is something unique and this workmanship also displays an art deco style. This structure is significant because it furthered education and provided employment for destitute workers at a critical point in the depression. Through this project, the WPA infused the wages of some 29,600 man-hours of labor into the local economy.

### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Block 27, Lots 1 through 24, Shamrock original.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 23-a; 23-b