

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

WASHINGTON SCHOOL

LOCATION: Lee Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 040, Creek County 037

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

OWNER: Sapulpa School Board, 1 S. Mission, Sapulpa, OK 74066

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

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

This school of 15 rooms or more is a three-story, rectangular (60' x 218') building constructed of cut, coursed, and rusticated rock on the lowest level, and of red brick on the remaining portions. The masonry of the red brick portion is running bond. The roof is flat with parapets. The entrances have stone stairways and brick pilaster strips. The windows are grouped by fives with single window arrangements in between and paired windows above each entrance. The continuous sills have rounded corners, which in combination with the pilasters, display the art deco architectural style of the school. There is also a stone fence, built by the WPA, in front of the structure. There are additions attached to the back, but this does not impeach the integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA building, the school is notable for its definite art deco style and for its scale. The size, style, and workmanship of the structure also suggest the relative "prosperity" of the urban school districts as opposed to the rural areas. It is a significant project because it provided useful work for unskilled and unemployed laborers in Sapulpa and ingused wages of some 100,000 man-hours of labor into Sapulpa's economy. In addition, it greatly enhanced educational possibilities in this area.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Sapulpa South, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Block 52, Lots, 3 through 6, Sapulpa original.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 22-a; 22-b