

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

FITZHUGH SCHOOL

LOCATION: Unmarked Streets, Fitzhugh, Oklahoma 040, Pontotoc County 123

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

OWNER: Roff Board of Education, Box 157, Roff, OK 74865

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pontotoc County Courthouse, Ada, OK 74820

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The Fitzhugh schoolhouse is a single-story, rectangular (55' x 41') structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native stone. The gabled roof is covered by wood shingles. There are four single door entryways with stoops covered by small gable porches supported by braces. Wood sash windows have stone sills.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA rural school building, the Fitzhugh School is unique in its design, i.e. two single door entries on either end. This structure also contains in-door toilet facilities, equally unusual for rural schools. Within the community it is architecturally significant in terms of type, style, workmanship and materials. That the building also helped alleviate the economic consequences of the depression for the jobless of the Fitzhugh area is also important, as is the fact that the structure enhanced the learning environment of the community.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Roff North, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 703820 3838140

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 1 through 6 of Block 7, and Lots 1 through 24 of Block 8, both in Hattox Addition to Fitzhugh original plat

PICTURE REFERENCE: 57-a; 57-b