

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

BLANCHARD GYMNASIUM/AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: 5th and Harrison Streets, Blanchard, Oklahoma 040, McClain County 087

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

OWNER: Blanchard Board of Education, Box 38, Blanchard, OK 73010

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, OK 73080

DESCRIPTION: excellent; altered; original site

A single story structure with high ceilings, the Blanchard gym is rectangular (101' X 91') and is constructed with red brick. The roof is arched with parapets. Substantial additions have been made to either end of the structure and window openings have been filled with inserts. These additions have greatly impaired the architectural integrity of the structure and make it unsuitable for nomination to the National Register of Historic places.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; architect/builder: unknown

As a WPA gymnasium, the Blanchard facility is unique because of its red brick construction and its larger than usual dimensions.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: less than one acre

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 1-5, Block 53, Blanchard original plat

PICTURE REFERENCE: none