

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

BOWLEGS SCHOOL CAMPUS

LOCATION: Unmarked Streets, Bowlegs, Oklahoma 040, Seminole County 133

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

OWNER: Bowlegs Board of Education, Box 88, Bowlegs, OK 74830

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Seminole County Courthouse, Wewoka, OK 74884

DESCRIPTION: excellent; altered; original site

The school campus at Bowlegs houses two WPA structures that constitute additions to pre-existing structures: a music and shop facility and a auditorium. Situated on the east end of an old classroom building, the music/shop addition is rectangular (97' x 47') and constructed of red brick. The roof is flat with brick capped parapets. Pilasters at the entryway and decorative brick work are important elements. Windows have been reduced in size with wood inserts.

The auditorium addition is rectangular (121' x 61') and constructed of red brick. It too has a flat roof with parapets, and window openings with brick sills. Some of the later have been bricked in.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1938; architect/builder: unknown

Within the rural community of Bowlegs, the school additions are architecturally significant in terms of type and nature of workmanship. Equally important is that the structures enhanced modern education in the region, facilitating the educational process. Also significant is that construction of the additions provided job opportunities for destitute workers long on the relief rolls of the state, enabling them to secure a measure of economic security for themselves and their families.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: two acres

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The structures are all located in the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 22, T 8 N, R 6 E

PICTURE REFERENCE: none