

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

COBB SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Durant, Oklahoma 040, Bryan County 013; Sec. 31, T 5 S, R 9 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public ownership--N/A; unoccupied; unrestricted; present use--vacant

OWNER: Cobb Community, Route 2, Durant, OK 74701

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Bryan County Courthouse, Durant, OK 74701

DESCRIPTION: deteriorated condition; unaltered; original site

An eight-room building, the Cobb School is a single story, rectangular (55' x 150') structure constructed of red brick. The roof is flat with capped parapets; double-door side entryways have concrete porches; the front doors, centrally placed, are recessed. The metal windows are grouped by threes.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

As a rural WPA school building, the structure is notable because of its brick construction materials and size (scale). To the community it is unique architecturally in its faint allusion stylistically to art deco, in its type, even in its materials, and in character of workmanship. That construction of the building afforded work opportunities and some economic security to laborers long on relief also makes it important.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

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

UTM: 14 739260 3774160

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The property is located eight miles north of Durant on state highway No. 78, and begins at a point 12.44 chains south and 2.58 chains east of the NW corner of Sec. 31, T 5 S, R 9 E, and runs east 4.00 chains, north 2.50 chains, west 4.00 chains, and south 2.50 chains.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 12-A, 12-B