

## OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

FEWELL SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Nashoba, Oklahoma 040, Pushmataha County 127; Sec. 36, T 1 N, R 21 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; restricted; present use--residence

OWNER: Mr. Ray Young, Fewell Rural Route, Nashoba, OK 74558

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pushmataha County Courthouse, Antlers, OK 74523

DESCRIPTION: Good condition; unaltered; original site

A three-room building initially, the Fewell school is a single story, L-shaped (28' x 42', with 15' x 13' extension) structure constructed of undressed and uncoursed native sandstone. With beaded mortar, masonry is excellent. The sheet metal covered roof has intersecting gables; the front entryway at the southeast corner is behind double arches. Wood sash windows on concrete sills rise to the eaves.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-37; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

In the heart of the forest region, the Fewell area suffered great economic distress when the lumber industry cut back its operations. Construction of the school building, therefore, provided work opportunities for laborers long on the state relief rolls, permitting a measure of economic security. The building is also significant because it afforded a modern educational facility for students isolated in remote regions. Within the community, the structure is wholly unique architecturally in terms of type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. Currently a private residence, it is an excellent example of adaptive reuse.

### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

Quadrangle: Albion Southeast, Okla.  
1:24,000/7.5 min.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow U.S. highway No. 271 southeast of Clayton to state highway No. 144; turn east and go approximately 14 miles to the first left turn past the Fewell community; go up the lane two-tenths of a mile to the school site, it beginning at the NE corner of Sec. 36, T 1 N, R 21 E, and running south 297 feet, west 297 feet, north 297 feet and east 297 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 151-A, 151-B