OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

GREENVILLE SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Marietta, Oklahoma 040, Love County 085; SW 1/4, Sec. 29, T 6 S, R 2 E

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

OWNER: Greenville Board of Education, Rt. 1; Marietta, OK 73448

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Love County Courthouse, Marietta, OK 73448

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The Greenville School is a ten-room, single-story, rectangular (177' x 58') structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. The building has a flat roof and parapets with a concrete cap. Entryways are recessed in a facade that steps out from the wall and rises to a roofline cornice. The wood sash windows, placed by threes, have concrete sills. Vertical indentions on end wall provide decorative detail.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1938; builder/architect: unknown

The Greenville School is an especially attractive building. Its construction provided job opportunities for many oil field workers left without jobs by the depression as well as farmers stricken by drought and a depressed economy. The building reflects the pride of workmanship and self-esteem of laborers struggling to keep off the dole. The Greenville School certainly was a fulfillment of the aims of the WPA: to construct a building of beauty and permanence unique in style, materials, scale, and workmanship that would benefit the community immediately and for years to come.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: approximately one acre

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

UTM: 14 673110 3764100

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go four and one-half miles north of Marietta on U.S. 77 to school site, the property beginning at the NW corner of the SW 1/4 and running south 105 feet to a point of beginning, and then east 210 feet, north 210 feet and west 210 feet to point of beginning in Sec. 29, T 6 S, R 2 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 34-a; 34-b