OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

HENNEPIN SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Hennepin, Oklahoma 040, Garvin County 049

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--garage/workshop

OWNER: Jim and Bob Wingo, Box 350, Henepin, OK 73046

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Garvin County Courthouse, Pauls Valley, OK 73075

DESCRIPTION: deteriorated; altered; original site

The old Hennepin school is rectangular $(75' \times 79')$ and constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. The roof is gabled. Doors on the front and side are recessed behind archways. Window openings, with cut stone sills, rise to the eaves and are presently filled with concrete block and wood inserts which on the rear encompass smaller aluminum sash windows. The inserts, a small concrete block addition on the rear and garage doors cut the walls on the west end and front have impaired the architectural integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1937; architect/builder: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

Within the rural community of Hennepin, the school building is architecturally significant in terms of type, style, materials and nature of workmanship. As a WPA building in a rural area, it is notable for its size. Equally important is that the structure introduced modern education into the region, facilitating the educational process. Also significant is that construction of the building 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: Less than four acres

Quadrangle: Hennepin, Okla.

1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Situated on the northwest edge of Hennepin, the structure occupies Lots 1 and 2 and the southeast one-fourth of Block 5, Hennepin original survey.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none