

## OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

LAMAR SCHOOL GYMNASIUM/AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: Vicinity of Lamar, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec. 10, T 7 N, R 11 E

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

OWNER: Lamar Community, Lamar, OK 74850

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

The Lamar gym and auditorium is a single story, rectangular (111' x 63') structure with offsets constructed of rusticated and crudely coursed native sandstone. Now covered with composition shingles, the roof is gabled with a step; the entry facade constitutes a cross gable with a recessed door. Above the doorway is a poured concrete slab. Window openings, with pre-formed concrete sills and lintels, have been covered with sheet metal, but this alteration does not impeach the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

The gym and auditorium is significant in that workers and families in the Larmar area were saved from starvation by being given the opportunity to work on it and because it provided space for school and community activities, especially basketball, which fostered a sense of identity and pride not widely known in the region earlier. Within the community the structure is unique because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship.

### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

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

UTM: 14 361570 3887360

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Located on the southwestern edge of Lamar, the property begins at a point 660 feet north and 660 feet east of the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of Sec 10, T 7 N, R 11 E, and then goes 208 feet north, 208 feet west, 208 feet south, and 208 feet east.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 59-A, 59-B