

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

LODI SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Red Oak, Oklahoma 040, Latimer County 077; Sec. 12, T 6 N, R 21 E

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

OWNER: Mr. Walter Durbin, Temple, OK 73568

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Latimer County Courthouse, Wilburton, OK 74578

DESCRIPTION: Good; altered; original site

Initially a two-room building, the Lodi School is a single story, rectangular (70' x 29') structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. The hipped roof, now covered with composition shingles, has a central gable over the front porch which covers a recessed two-door entry way. Wood sash windows on the front rest between concrete sills and lintels. Window openings on the rear have been filled with wood inserts and smaller, metal sash windows inserted. The alteration does not impeach the original integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

Architecturally the building is unique in the community because of its type, Richardsonian style, scale, materials and workmanship. But the school building is especially significant because construction of it provided work opportunities and some economic security in a rural and remote area for unemployed laborers who had been made destitute by the depression. It also created a new environment conducive to learning for students theretofore deprived educationally.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

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

UTM: 15 313800 3875850

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow U.S. highway No. 270 east one mile from Red Oak and turn north on a paved county road; go north approximately four miles to an unpaved county road intersecting from the east; turn east 132 feet to the school site on the north side of the road. The property begins 132 feet east from the SW corner of the NW 1/4, of the NW 1/4, of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 12, T 6 N, R 21 E, then goes 295.6 feet north, 295.6 feet east, 295.6 feet south, and 295.6 feet west.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 75-A, 75-B