



United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. **Place additional certification comments, entries, and narrative items on continuation sheets if needed (NPS Form 10-900a).**

1. Name of Property

historic name Carselowey House

other names/site number Kelley House

2. Location

street & number 403 N. Gunter

city or town Vinita

state Oklahoma code OK county Craig code 035 zip code 74301

☐ not for publication
☐ vicinity

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

national statewide X local

Bob Blackburn

Signature of certifying official/Title

Oct 24, 2011

Date

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official

Date

Title

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

☒ entered in the National Register

☐ determined eligible for the National Register

☐ determined not eligible for the National Register

☐ removed from the National Register

☐ other (explain:)

John Edson H. Beall

Signature of the Keeper

12.7.11

Date of Action

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	private
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Local
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - State
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Federal

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	building(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	district
<input type="checkbox"/>	site
<input type="checkbox"/>	structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
3	0	buildings
0	0	district
0	0	site
0	0	structure
0	1	object
3	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Domestic: Single Dwelling, Secondary Structure

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Domestic: Single Dwelling, Secondary Structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Late 19th and Early 20th Century Revivals:

Colonial Revival

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions.)

foundation: Concrete

walls: Wood

roof: Asphalt

other: _____

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Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance of the property. Explain contributing and noncontributing resources if necessary. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, setting, size, and significant features.)

Summary Paragraph

The Carselowey House is a two and one-half-story house located in northwest Vinita, Craig County, Oklahoma. The house is located at the northwest corner of North Gunter Street and West Tahlequah Avenue. A curved driveway is located on the southeast elevation of the house providing access from Tahlequah Avenue. The house was completed in 1895 by an unknown builder. The exterior of the house is clad with weatherboard and uses Colonial Revival vocabulary. The interior of the house includes original woodwork and room layout.

Narrative Description

House, built 1895:

The façade, southeast elevation, faces onto North Gunter Street. A public sidewalk lines both Gunter Street and Tahlequah Avenue; the sidewalk leading to the main entrance on the façade extends from Tahlequah Avenue to the central entry. Wood steps, four total, lead to the partial width, gable roof, wooden porch. The gable porch roof is supported with square wooden columns. The entry has multi-light pane and panel door. The door is framed with matching divided-light sidelights. Located on either side of the entry is a single wood frame one-over-one double hung window. Each window has a wooden sill and lintel. The northeast/southwest corner of the façade is canted on the first floor. The canted corner has a single wood frame one-over-one double hung window. The roof of the canted corner has decorative wooded scroll details. The second floor of the façade has a central single wood frame one-over-one double hung window. On either side of the central window is a pair of wood frame one-over-one double hung windows. All windows on the first and second floor, excluding the canted corner, of the façade have wood shutters. Located in the hipped roof is a hipped roof dormer with wooden louvers.

The southwest elevation has a partial width porch on the first floor. The porch is accessed via wooden steps. The hipped roof porch shelters two wood frame one-over-one double hung windows and a wooden pane and panel door with a wood frame transom on the first floor. The second floor has two wood frame one-over-one double hung windows with wood shutters. Located in the roof is a hipped roof dormer with Queen Anne pane windows. The wing on the northwest elevation has a one-story entry at the interior corner. This entry has a single wood frame one-over-one double hung window and a pane and panel wood frame door with a wood frame transom window. The entry has a turned wood column and baluster. The second floor of the southeast elevation wing has a single wood frame one-over-one double hung window.

The northwest elevation has a wood frame one-over-one double hung window on both the first and second floor of the wing. The main core of the house on the northwest elevation has a single wood frame one-over-one double hung window on both the first and second floor at the southwest-northwest corner. Both windows have wood shutters. A wood frame one-over-one double hung window is located on the second floor at the northwest-northeast corner. At the interior corner of the northwest-northeast corner is a one-story hipped roof section. The northwest elevation has a wood frame one-over-one double hung window while the northeast elevation has a wood frame one-over-one double hung window and a wood panel door.

The northeast elevation has three wood frame one-over-one double hung windows on the first floor which commence after the canted corner. The second floor has four wood frame one-over-one double hung windows. At each corner of the main body of the house are corner boards with unadorned capitols and brackets at the eaves. The corners of the rear wing have corner boards with unadorned capitols.

The interior of the house has two bedrooms on each side of the second floor. The second floor is accessed via a staircase near the rear elevation kitchen. The main floor has a large sitting room off of the main entry, a dining room, kitchen, study and a bedroom. A fireplace is located in both the sitting room and dining room. The sitting room fireplace has both Ionic and Doric columns and a metal surround. All interior doors have transom windows on the first floor. The most dramatic detail in the house is the beveled glass main entry door with beveled glass sidelights.

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Garage, built ca. 1923:

Located on the southwest side of the property is the hipped roof, one-stall garage. The southwest, northwest and northeast elevations are brick clad. The southeast elevation is open while the northeast elevation has a fixed pane wood frame window. A shed roof, one-bay addition is located on the northeast elevation. The shed roof addition is clad with wood clapboard siding. The southeast elevation has a wood pane and panel door. The other elevations have no openings.

Smokehouse, built 1895:

Located on the northeast side of the property is a one-story smokehouse. The front gable building is clad with wood board and batten siding. The façade, northwest elevation has a full-width front gable porch roof supported by round wood columns. The entry is located on the northwest elevation and is a board and batten door. There is a single fixed pane wood frame window in the southwest gable peak.

Fountain:

Located between the garage and smokehouse is a non-contributing three tiered fountain.

Setting:

The Carselowey House has a curved driveway from Tahlequah Avenue which passes near the southwest elevation porch and provides access to the garage. A public sidewalk is located on both the southeast and southwest sides of the property. An interior sidewalk extends from the public sidewalk on the southwest side of the property to the front entry and wraps around to the northeast elevation. Mature trees are located on the southeast side of the property. Additional plantings are located throughout the property, which provide screening from adjacent properties.

Integrity:

The Carselowey House maintains all seven aspects of integrity: Location, Design, Setting, Materials, Workmanship, Feeling and Association.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- ☐ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1895-1923

Significant Dates

1895, 1923

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- ☐ A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ B removed from its original location.
- ☐ C a birthplace or grave.
- ☐ D a cemetery.
- ☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ F a commemorative property.
- ☐ G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

Period of Significance (Justification)

The period of significance reflects the dates of construction, 1895 & 1923.

Criteria Considerations (explanation, if necessary)

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance and applicable criteria.)

The Carselowey House is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C in the area of Architecture as an excellent example of Colonial Revival, embodying the distinctive characteristics of that style. Identifying features of Colonial Revival that are seen on the house include an accentuated front door, sidelights on the main entry, symmetrical façade, and double hung windows. While Colonial Revival style houses were a dominant style for domestic buildings throughout the country in the early part of the 1900s, the Carselowey House is an exceptional example in Vinita that has maintained its architectural integrity.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

The Carselowey house was constructed in 1895 for Lulu and Fred Kelley. After the Kelley's respective deaths, James and Kate Carselowey purchased the property. A member of the Carselowey family has owned the property since the initial purchase in the 1920s. The Carselowey house has changed very little since the house was built. The defining historical elements have not been altered by the addition of rooms or otherwise. With the exception of the installation of a garage and landscaping, the house looks as it did when it was constructed in 1895. The interior of the house has retained its original, traditional floor plan; however, the kitchen has been updated and bathrooms added.

Many identifying characteristics of the Colonial Revival style can be identified on the Carselowey House. The most significant characteristic is the accentuated front door with a decorative pediment supported by columns which create an entry porch. This entry also has a beveled glass pane and panel door with beveled glass sidelights; these are a very common detail of the Colonial Revival style. Another important defining characteristic is the use of symmetry. The primary façade, which on the Carselowey House includes both the southeast and southwest elevations because it is located on a corner, demonstrate balanced symmetry in the window placement, door placement and dormer placement.

The Carselowey House, can be identified as a sub-type of the Colonial Revival style as it has a hipped roof without a full-width porch. Approximately 25% of Colonial Revival houses are simple two-story rectangular blocks with hipped roofs. When porches are present on this sub-type, they are usually small. This sub-type is most common from 1880 through 1910; the Carselowey House was constructed in 1895 at the height of this sub-type.

Houses in the surrounding neighborhood date from the early 1910s through the 1930s. Historic homes in this area are considerably smaller and many have suffered from alterations. The historic street patterns and landscaping remain extant however the Carselowey House is the largest and earliest constructed in the area.

The Carselowey House represents traditional American architecture in its use of the Colonial Revival vocabulary. As it demonstrates the distinctive characteristics associated with Colonial Revival and specifically represents a rare sub-type, it is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria C for its architectural merit. The Carselowey House stands in great contrast to other homes, as it is one of the earliest extant houses in the neighborhood.

Developmental history/additional historic context information (if appropriate)

The community of Vinita is located in Craig County. The sale of lots in Vinita started in 1872. Vinita was the second Cherokee town to incorporate under a law passed by the Cherokee Council. In 1898, after the United States passed the Curtis Act, which abolished tribal courts, Vinita incorporated under Arkansas law, which the United States government had extend over the Territory. According to a report of the U.S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the population of Vinita by 1886 had grown to 1,000. In 1892 the First National Bank, one of the oldest banks in Indian Territory, was established. In 1894 Masonic Lodge Number Five was founded. Ranching played an important role in the area's economy. From 1902 to 1907 Vinita served as the seat of the Northern District Federal Court. In 1907, when Craig County was created, Vinita became the governmental center. In 1900 Vinita had 2,339 residents compared to 3,157 reported at 1907 statehood. The town's population increased each decade until 1980.

Lulu Poole Kelley came to the Indian Territory in 1872. She married Fred Kelley who was a businessman dealing in prairie hay. He utilized the MK & T railroad for shipping to Texas and Kansas City. According to newspaper accounts, Fred

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was the largest dealer in prairie hay in the Indian Territory and the remainder of the country. The Kelley's progressed from a simple house in town to an elaborate two-story Colonial Revival house on the edge of town in 1895. The next owners of the house at 403 N. Gunter were Arthur and Anna Carselowey. Carselowey was a well-known name in the community of Vinita. James and Kate settled just outside of Vinita contributing to the construction of a school, church, cemetery and fire station as well as keeping hundreds of acres in cultivation, cattle, hogs and horses. Arthur was the eighth and final child for James and Kate. Arthur's daughter, Mary Maxine is the current owner of the house; a Carselowey has owned the property since it was purchased in the 1920s.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Craig County Heritage Association. *The Story of Craig County Oklahoma*. Dallas, TX: 1984.

Holland, Mary. Personal Interview. June 22, 2011.

McAlester, Virginia and Lee, *A Field Guild to American Houses*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1996.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps. "Vinita." 1916, 1925, 1925-1941.

"Vinita," Encyclopedia of Oklahoma History and Culture, <http://digital.library.okstate.edu/encyclopedia> (accessed June 3, 2011).

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67 has been requested)
☐ previously listed in the National Register
☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
☐ recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

☐ State Historic Preservation Office
☐ Other State agency
☐ Federal agency
☐ Local government
☐ University
☐ Other
Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than 1 acre
(Do not include previously listed resource acreage.)

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone Easting Northing

2 _____
Zone Easting Northing

3 _____
Zone Easting Northing

4 _____
Zone Easting Northing

Latitude/Longitude

36.646396
-95.158066

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

VINITA 497/537 BLK 19 SOUTH 10' OF LOT 9 & ALL OF LOT 10

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

This includes the land that has been historically associated with the house.

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11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.

- **Continuation Sheets**

- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs:

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map.

Name of Property: Carselowey House

City or Vicinity: Vinita

County: Craig

State: Oklahoma

Photographer: Lynda B. Schwan

Date Photographed: 22 June 2011

Description of Photograph(s) and number:

No.	Subject	Dir.
0001	Façade	NW
0002	Southwest elevation	NE
0003	Northwest elevation	SE
0004	Smokehouse	SE
0005	Garage	NW

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Property Owner:

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Mary Holland
street & number 403 N. Gunter telephone 918-256-6581
city or town Vinita state OK zip code 74301

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Carselowey House
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: OKLAHOMA, Craig

DATE RECEIVED: 10/28/11 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 11/21/11
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/06/11 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/13/11
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 11000894

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 12.2.11 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Entered in
The National Register
of
Historic Places**

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



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OK/SHPO

Lynda B Schwan

22 June 2011

facing NW

photograph 1



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Pacing NE

photograph 2



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Facing SE

photograph 3



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Pacing SE

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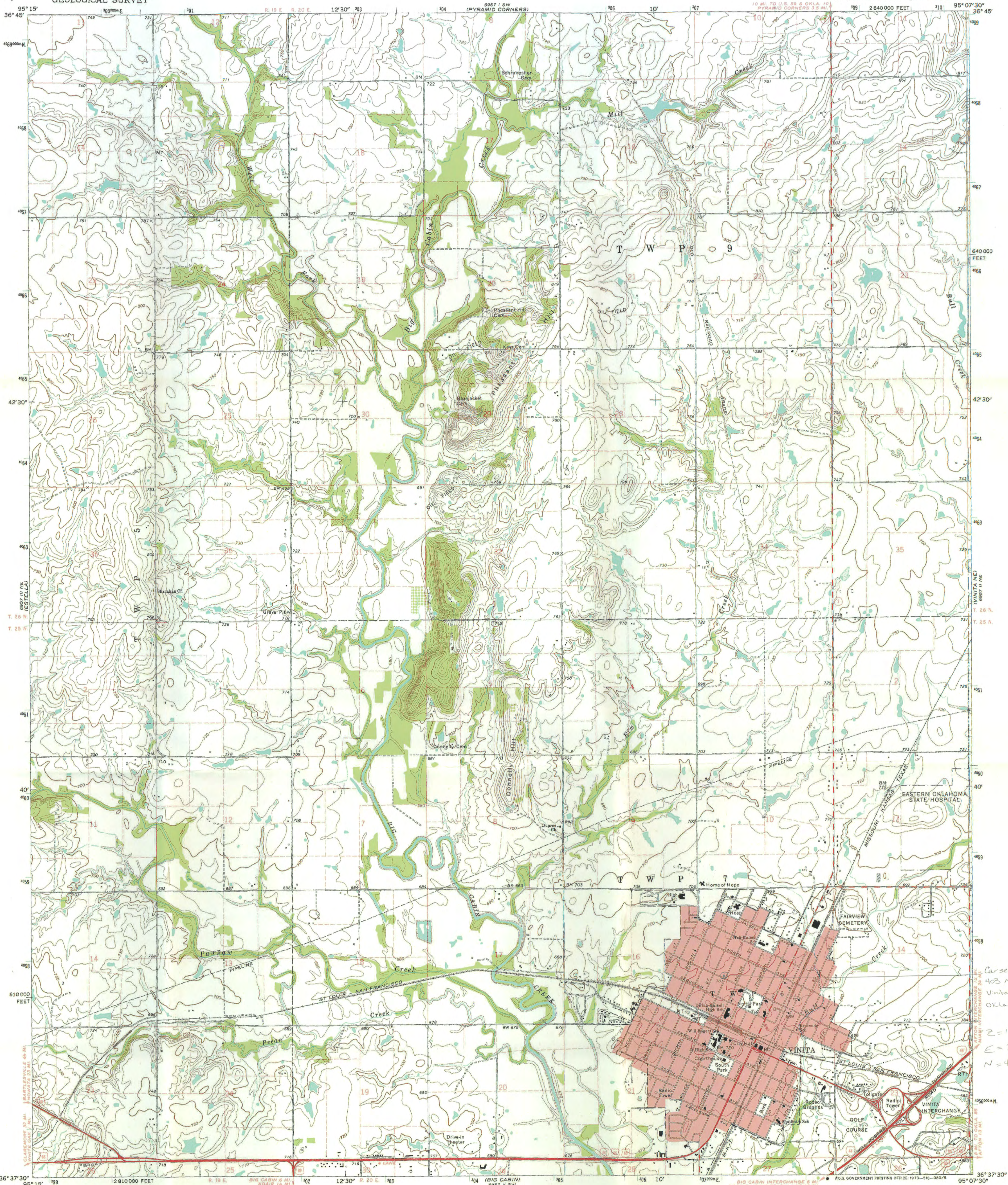
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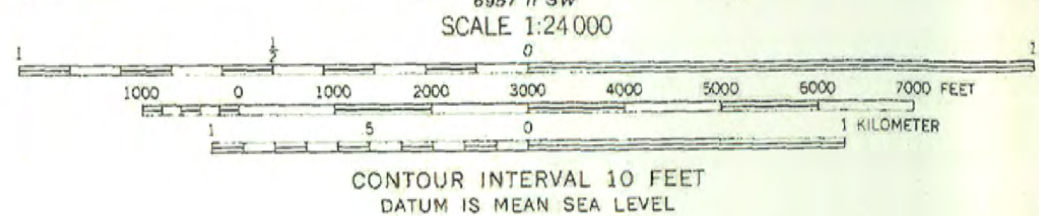
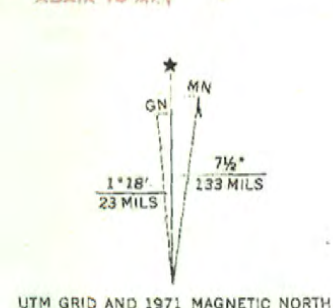
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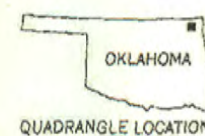
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1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
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Primary highway, hard surface
Secondary highway, hard surface
Unimproved road
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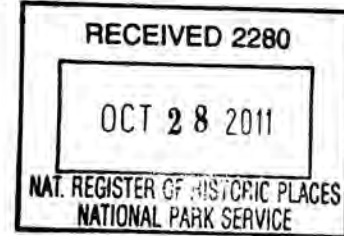
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October 24, 2011

Ms. Carol Shull
Acting Keeper of the Register
National Park Service 2280, 8th floor
National Register of Historic Places
1201 "I" (Eye) Street, NW
Washington D.C. 20005

Dear Ms. Shull:

We are pleased to transmit two National Register of Historic Places nominations for Oklahoma properties. The nominations are for the following properties:

Carselowey House, Vinita, Craig County
Sophian Plaza, Tulsa, Tulsa County

All members of the Historic Preservation Review Committee (state review board) were present for the public meeting at which each of these nominations was considered and the recommendation to the State Historic Preservation Officer was formulated. Therefore, the member possessing the requisite professional qualifications for evaluation of each nominated property participated in the recommendation's formulation.

We look forward to the results of your review. If there may be any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Lynda B. Schwan of my staff or myself.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvena Heisch".

Melvena Heisch
Deputy State Historic
Preservation Officer

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Enclosures