

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

NATIONAL REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Una Consolidated School

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number Una-Prairie Road

N/A [] not for publication

city, town Prairie

[x] vicinity

state Mississippi code MS county Clay code 25 zip code 39756

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

- [x] private
[] public-local
[] public-State
[] public-Federal

Category of Property

- [x] building(s)
[] district
[] site
[] structure
[] object

Number of Resources within Property

Table with 2 columns: Contributing, Noncontributing. Rows for buildings, sites, structures, objects, Total.

Name of related multiple property listing: Clay County Multiple Resource Area

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. [] See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official Kenneth A. P. Paul

Date SEPT. 18, 1991

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property [] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. [] See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- [x] entered in the National Register. [] See continuation sheet.
[] determined eligible for the National Register. [] See continuation sheet.
[] determined not eligible for the National Register.

- [] removed from the National Register.
[] other, (explain):

Entered in the National Register. Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action 11/15/91

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Education : School

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Other: Community Center

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

No Style

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick piers
walls weatherboard

roof metalother weatherboard
wooden porch

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Una School is a one story, frame, pyramidal roofed structure supported on brick piers. It sits on a shaded drive south of the Una to Prairie Road, with a similar structure that once served as the teacher's house to the east. A few pieces of playground equipment survive between the front porch and the road. (See photo #1.)

The school's most striking architectural features are: its steep pyramidal metal roof, topped by a hipped-roof vented belfry; its central, one-bay porch with hipped roof supported by turned posts; and its square massing. The facade is five bay (window, window, door, window, window). Its windows are 6/6 double hung sash, in plain frames. The entry has a plain surround and double four-panel doors with covering screens.

A hipped roof wing, not visible from the front, has been added to the rear to house bathrooms. In plan, the school has two large classrooms, a central hall, and an auditorium with a stage for school and community events. (See plan, attached.)

With the exception of the added rear wing, very few changes have been made to the 1912 structure: a block wellhouse was added to the left rear (southeast) in the mid-20th century, and a new porch floor and railings have been added since it became the Community Center in 1950.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)
Education

Period of Significance
1912- 1936

Significant Dates
N/A

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Significant Person
N/A

Architect/Builder
Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Una School is significant as the best and earliest example in Clay County of a rural school built to bring students from outlying areas to a central, consolidated building. Built in 1912 to gather students in from the Bell, Hogpen, and Alliance schools, it offered not only classrooms, but a large auditorium for school and community events. The place of consolidated schools in the development of the Mississippi educational system is described in the Educational Resources section of the Historic Context statement for the nomination. The period of significance listed for the school is the period during which it was a functioning education building.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Historic Context Bibliography.

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 # _____

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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository:

Miss. Dept. of Archives & History

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property Approximately 2 acres

UTM References

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries for the Una School include all of the frontage between the building and the Una-Prairie Road to the north and 25 feet to the east, south, and west of the building's exterior walls.

Section 9, Township 15, Range 5

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Boundary Justification

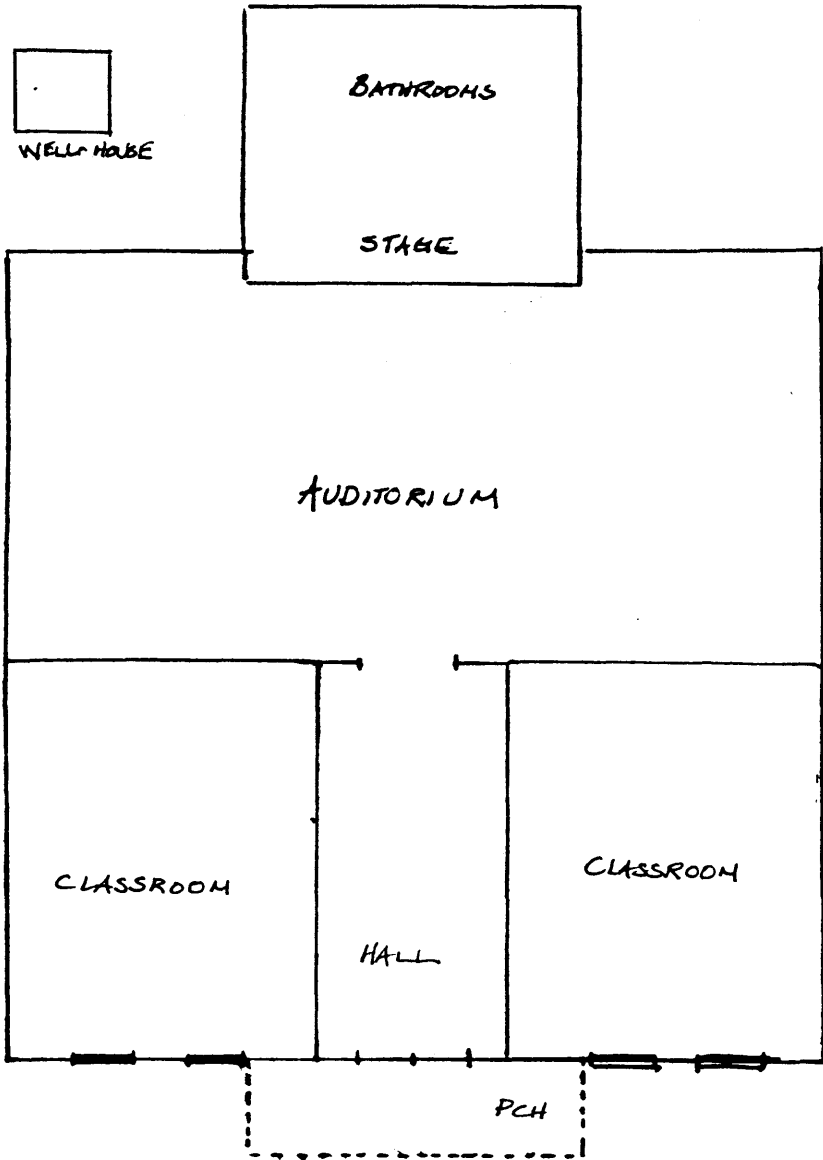
The boundaries include the school and the land immediately in front, toward the Una-Prairie Road. This is the area most historically associated with the school.

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UNA SCHOOL



NOT TO SCALE

