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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF STONE COUNTY
STONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number ST-185

Owner Missionary Baptist Church

Property Name Roasting Ear Church
and School

Address c/o Mr. Floyd Brewer

Location vic. of Onia

Route 71, Box 526

Significant Date/s 1918

Mountain View, AR 72560

NE of Onia

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Located along the Roasting Ear Creek in northwest Stone County, the Roasting Ear Church and School was constructed in 1918 by a local carpenter, Dee Whitts. The structure represents a rectangular plan built on a continuous three-foot stone foundation. The framed weatherboard building is covered with a gable roof with return cornices.

The principal facade (north) features two gable end entries. Two stairs, with roughly cut stone steps, lead to separate single multi-paneled wood doors, with four-light transoms, and trimmed in simple classical surrounds. Three screened slit vents are located above the doors in the gable mass. Three four-over-four double-hung windows, also placed within simple classical surrounds, make up the fenestrations on the east and west elevations. The east and west walls are nicely finished with a wide cornice board. Except for the three slit vents in the gable, the rear elevation (south) is a solid mass. In the past, a window opening existed in the center of the elevation.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Roasting Ear Church and School represents the type of early twentieth century facility built for local education and religious purposes. The structure was built c. 1918 under the direction of Dee Whitts. It is adjacent to Roasting Ear Creek in northwest Stone County. The frame weatherboard structure is rectangular in plan with two entries in the front gable facade.

Verbal Boundary Description: The nominated property, located within the NE¹/₄ of the SW¹/₄ of the SW¹/₄ of S8, R12W, T15N, is bounded on the west by a benchmark and on the east by Mills Creek and on the north and south by lines running parallel to and 50' from the two facades of the structure.

Acreage: less than 1
Quadrangle Name: Onia

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference:
Zone: 15

Easting: 564130

Northing: 3978170

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only
received 8/14/85
date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Stone County MRA
State ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 31. Dew Drop Inn Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 32. Dougherty, H. J., House Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 33. Lackey General Merchandise and Warehouse Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 34. Clark-King House Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 35. Lancaster, John L., House Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 36. Mabry, H. S., Barn Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 37. Marcella Church & School Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 38. McCarn, Noah, House Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 39. Pruitt, Pinky, Barn Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____
- 40. Roasting Ear Church and School Entered in the National Register *for* Keeper Melvin Byers 9/17/85
Attest _____

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

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REF #
85002230

Roasting Ear Church and School (Stone County
MRA)
Stone County
ARKANSAS

Working No. 106 1 4 1985

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-4-86

Date Due: 9/12/85 9/28/85

Entered in the National Register Action: ACCEPT 9/17/85
 RETURN
 REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

| Category | Ownership Public Acquisition | Status Accessible | Present Use |
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4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition

- excellent
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- ruins
- unexposed

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

 ___ national ___ state ___ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title date

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



RESOURCE PHOTOGRAPH SHEET

ARKANSAS
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Historic Resources of Stone County
Roasting Ear Church & School, ST-185
Onia vicinity
Don Brown, photographer
1983
Negative on file at the AHPP
Viewed from the northwest



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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000031