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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Blacksmith's House
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
210 W. Main St.
CITY, TOWN
Pawhuska
STATE
Oklahoma
VICINITY OF
No. 2
COUNTY
Osage
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
No. 2
CODE
113

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Mrs. Virgie Stewart ✓
STREET & NUMBER
210 W. Main
CITY, TOWN
Pawhuska
STATE
Oklahoma

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Office of the County Clerk
STREET & NUMBER
Osage County Courthouse
CITY, TOWN
Pawhuska
STATE
Oklahoma

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Oklahoma Comprehensive Survey
DATE
1978
DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
Oklahoma Historical Society, Preservation Office
CITY, TOWN
Oklahoma City
STATE
Oklahoma

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

The Blacksmith's House was built in 1872 and is the oldest house now standing in Pawhuska. Constructed of sandstone blocks of varying shapes and sizes, it is a typical early settlers house of the area, in vernacular style. The front part of the house is two-story with a central entrance and window on either side of the door. The second story windows (three of them) are half hidden by the eave of the sloping roof. At each end of the house is a chimney serving a fireplace. There is a one-story room at the back of the building, also of native stone.

The house today is still a sturdy stone building, complete with native lumber flooring and gas lights on the ceilings. In 1973 fire heavily damaged the structure, however, and a new roof was put on. Some of the windows are still covered with cardboard. While the house has good potential for renovation to show an early type home, it is in a state of disrepair at the present time.

Forty-two years ago the house was bought by its present owner for a very small but undisclosed sum of money. Virgie Stewart, the present owner, had been renting the house for \$5 a month and after her husband died she bought the house. The house stands on the main street of Pawhuska very near the downtown area and is bordered on one side by a used car lot and a defunct barber shop on the other.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Tribal History
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1872 to Present BUILDER/ARCHITECT Osage Tribe

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Blacksmith's House is not only the oldest house standing in Pawhuska. It is also the first house built in Pawhuska. The structure represents the earliest stage of Osage history in the area and symbolizes the increasing acculturation of the Osage to white culture and their increasing participation in a non-Indian economic system.

When the Osages moved from their Kansas reservation to what is now Osage County, they felt it was important to take along a blacksmith to care for their horses and to fulfill other material needs. However, it was difficult to get anyone to accompany them into their new and undeveloped area. They did finally obtain a smith - a Swiss by the name of Delarue - but only by promising to build him a house. They kept their commitment, starting to work on the house as soon as they reached their new lands. And it was completed even before they completed the Agent's house, normally the first structure built. This reaffirms the importance of a blacksmith to the tribe.

The structure is considered important by local residents. But all attempts to acquire it for preservation or other purposes have been stymied by the present owner, a colorful character in her own right, who believes she should be an integral part of any development of the property.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Newspaper article: The Tulsa World, June 1, 1973
Interview: Joe McGuire, Pawhuska, OK., Sept. 8, 1978

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY under one acre

UTM REFERENCES

QUADRANGLE NAME Pawhuska, OK.

QUADRANGLE SCALE 7.5 min.

14
 A 14 737700 4060550
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING
 C

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING
 D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lots 6 and 7, Block 97, Pawhuska

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marjorie M. Schweitzer

Kent Ruth, editor

ORGANIZATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey

DATE

9/78

STREET & NUMBER

Oklahoma State University

TELEPHONE

405/884-5456

CITY OR TOWN

Stillwater

STATE

Oklahoma

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Harry E. Deupree M.D.

TITLE

DATE 2-20-79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles [Signature]
 OFFICE OF ARCHIVES OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION
 ATTEST: *Carol [Signature]*
 MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

5-7-79

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 DATE 5/1/79