

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**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 Aroney, E. W. - Henry County High School

historic E. W. Grove-Henry County High School

and/or common E. W. Grove-Henry County High School Tower Building

2. Location

street & number Grove Boulevard ___ not for publication

city, town Paris ___ vicinity of congressional district Seventh

state Tennessee code 047 county Henry code 079

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>Vacant</u>

4. Owner of Property

name Henry County Board of Education

street & number 213 West Washington Street

city, town Paris ___ vicinity of state Tennessee 38242

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Henry County Courthouse, Register of Deeds

street & number Courthouse Square

city, town Paris ___ vicinity of state Tennessee 38242

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records ___

city, town state

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

Situated atop McCampbell's Hill, the E. W. Grove-Henry County High School is a two-and-a-half story rectangular building with raised basement. Sixty-two feet wide by one hundred-eighteen feet long, it consists of a central block with a two-bay wing on either side. A slightly projecting square tower with rounded buttresses finished with pyramidal roofs is located at the left corner of the central block while an octagonal bay is situated at the right corner. The exterior wall covering is grey pressed brick and the foundation, also brick, is covered with concrete which has been coursed to simulate cut stone. A stone watertable separates the basement level from the first floor.

A raised one story Neo-Classical style porch supported by four brick pillars extends the length of the central block. A decorative iron balustrade is connected by the pillars and is repeated on the porch roof. The main entrance, located in the north facade, consists of double leaf front door with sidelights and a multi-paned transom. Identical door units are located in the east and west elevations with the complete entrance consisting of brick pilasters supporting a denticulated architrave and cornice. Windows vary in style and size. Styles include: six-over-nine, four-over-four, and two-over-two sash; four-paned casement; nine-pane circular; and round arched with and without key-stones. Window trim consists of cut stone sills and lintels. Two steeply pitched gable dormers are located on the north facade and have rounded buttresses on either side; one dormer with hipped roof is centrally located on both the east and west facades. A hipped roof covers the main building. The turret has a tent roof while the tower has a pyramidal roof; both have decorative metal finials. The roof covering is asphalt shingles.

Structurally, the building is in good condition. The exterior has not been altered other than the replacement of the original roof material. Interior alterations have been minimal with none of the original material being removed.

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
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<input 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 type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1905-1906 **Builder/Architect** R. H. Hunt,

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

E. W. Grove-Henry County High School, built in 1905-1906, is significant for its associations with the development of public education in Henry County, Tennessee. The building, designed by Architect R. H. Hunt, is significant in its architectural craftsmanship.

E. W. Grove moved to Paris in 1874 to become clerk and prescriptionist at Dr. S. H. Caldwell's drugstore. He soon entered into a partnership with Caldwell and within a few years he purchased the entire stock and became owner of the drugstore. During the years Grove lived in Paris, he perfected a tonic of tasteless quinine for chills associated with fevers and malaria. With success of this tonic, Grove established the Paris Medicine Company. In 1889 Dr. Grove moved his company to St. Louis, Missouri where a laboratory and manufactory were constructed.

The first step toward free public education on the secondary level in Henry County was taken in 1902 when Dr. Grove submitted a proposition to the Henry County Quarterly Court giving the county \$20,000.00 to erect a high school. This proposition was rejected by the court. A second proposal was submitted in July 1905. This proposal called for the appropriation of \$40,000.00 for the purchase of land and the construction of an educational institution by Henry County and the city of Paris. In turn, Dr. Grove would provide an endowment fund of \$50,000.00 for the maintenance and operation of the school. The court accepted Dr. Grove's proposal. On June 26, 1906 the cornerstone of the E. W. Grove-Henry County High School was laid.

On March 1, 1917 Albert Williams, state superintendent of public instruction, organized a vocational agriculture course at E. W. Grove-Henry County High School. This was the first department to be developed under the provision of the Smith-Hughes Act signed by President Woodrow Wilson on February 23, 1917.

The design of the educational institution was the product of the Chattanooga architectural firm of R. H. Hunt and Company. Hunt was one of the South's most widely known architects and his company had established itself as a most productive architectural design firm. Architectural styles employed by Hunt could be categorized by a building's type or function. Most of his designs derive their significant architectural features from Greek or Roman classicism and various Victorian styles.

E. W. Grove-Henry County High School is an example of Hunt's functional building designs. Although it is not lavishly decorated, it reflects both Neo-Classical and Romanesque features which were popular during his career as an architect.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Henry County Court Records. Henry County Courthouse, Paris, Tennessee.

Maurice H. Field. Master's Thesis, "The Development of Education in Henry County, Tennessee."

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10. Geographical Data

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

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Quadrangle name Paris, Tennessee

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundary of this nomination coincides with the inside right-of-way of that portion of Grove Boulevard which encircles the E. W. Grove-Henry County High School. See area outlined

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Northwest TN Development District date August 15, 1980

street & number Box 63, Weldon Drive telephone (901) 587-4213

city or town Martin state Tennessee 38237

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

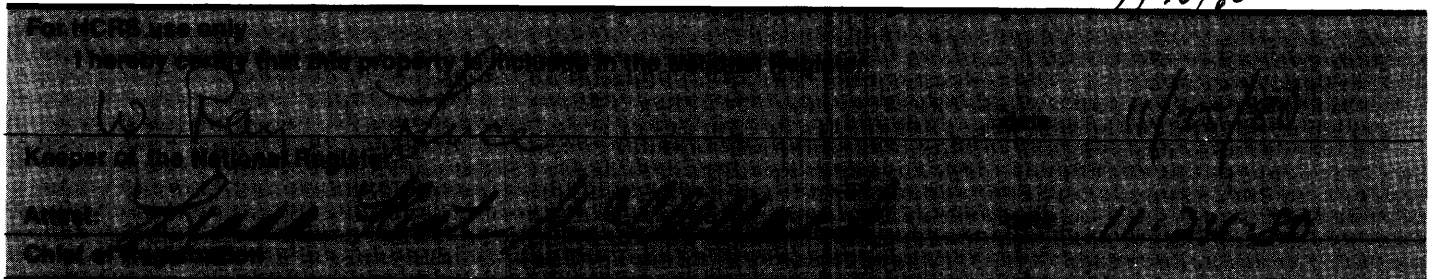
The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Herbert L. Hager

title Executive Director, Tennessee Historical Commission date 9/26/80



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in red on attached tax assessor's map 105-E and Henry County Board of Education Survey map. The nominated property is a tract of land containing the high school, walkways leading to it from the Grove Boulevard loop and some tree cover.