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# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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REIN SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Ponca City, Oklahoma 040, Noble County 103; SW 1/4, Sec. 11, T 24 N, R 2 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; private; public acquisition--N/A; unoccupied; unrestricted; present use--storage

OWNER: Dewey Wayne Kelly, Rt. 6, Box 245, Ponca City, OK 74601

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Noble County Courthouse, Perry, OK 73307

DESCRIPTION: fair condition; unaltered; original site

The Rein School is a single-story, rectangular  $(47' \times 35')$  structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native stone. The roof is gabled, with a small cross gable that, supported by four posts, covers the recessed entryway. An external stone chimney rests at one end; a single door entry opens on the other. Wood sash windows with stone lug sills are single spaced on the front, while window openings on the rear extend to the eaves. The schoolhouse retains its architectural integrity.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1937; builder/architect: unknown

The Rein School building is an excellent example of a classic one-room educational structure, only one of two that remains intact in Oklahoma's northwestern counties. To the extent that most WPA constructed schools in the northwest were multi-room and utilized brick construction materials, the Rein School is exceptionally significant regionally. The facility improved the ability of the rural school district to delivert modern educational curriculum, and its construction provided work opportunities for destitute agricultural workers. Wages from some 5000 man-hours of labor helped to revitalize the local economy. The structure is significant architecturally because it is virtually one of a kind in the region, and because of its construction materials, workmanship, scale and style.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Ponca City SE, Okla. 1:24,000/7.5 min.

#### UTM: 14 672830 4048180

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the intersection of U.S. 177 and U.S. 60 in Ponca City, go eight miles south and one-half east to the southwest corner of Sec. 11, T 24 N, R 2 E, then north 200 feet, east 200 feet, south 200 feet, and west 200 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 21-a; 21-b

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 88001359-83001371 Date Listed 9/8/88

VariousOKProperty NameCountyState

WPA Public Buildings, Recreational Facilities and Water Quality Improvements in Northwestern Oklahoma, 1935-1943 TR Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

9-8.88

Date of Act

Signature of the Keeper

Amended Items in Nomination:

All of the individual resources included with this multiple property nomination can each be counted as one contributing building with the following exceptions: Medford Bathhouse and Swimming Pool (one contributing building and one contributing structure), Buffalo City Park Pavilion (one contributing structure), Blaine Stadium and Fieldhouse (one contributing building, one contributing structure), and Woodward Crystal Beach Park (one contributing building, two contributing structures). This is consistent with the total multiple property resource count of 12 contributing buildings and 5 contributing structures listed in the nomination cover form. This information was confirmed with Melvena Heisch, Oklahoma Deputy SHPO, during a 9/8/88 telephone conversation.

DISTRIBUTION: National Register property file Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)