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| NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES<br>REGISTRATION FORM  | INTERAGENCY RESOURCES DIVISION<br>NATIONAL PARK SERVICE                                   |
| 1. Name of Property  |   |
| historic name <u>Bristow Tire Shop</u>   |   |
| other names/site number <u>N/A</u>   |   |
| 2. Location  |   |
| street & number <u>115 West Fourth Street</u><br>city or town <u>Bristow</u><br>state Oklahoma code OK cou | not for publication <u>N/A</u><br>vicinity <u>N/A</u><br>nty <u>Creek</u> code <u>037</u> |

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this <u>XX</u> 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 <u>XX</u> meets <u>does not meet the National Register Criteria</u>. I recommend that this property be considered significant <u>nationally</u> statewide <u>X</u> locally? (<u>N/A</u> See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official

<u>Oklahoma Historical Society, SHPO</u> State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. ( \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

Date

December 19, 1994

# State or Federal agency and bureau

| 4. National Park Service Certification   |                     |                   |
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| I, hereby certify that this property is:<br>entered in the National Register<br>See continuation sheet.<br>determined eligible for the<br>National Register<br>See continuation sheet.<br>determined not eligible for the<br>National Register<br>removed from the National Register | Beth Bolund         | <u> </u>          |
| other (explain):   | Signature of Keeper | Date<br>of Action |

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) <u>X</u> private <u>public-local</u> <u>public-State</u> <u>public-Federal</u> Category of Property (Check only one box)

Category of Property (Check only one box) <u>X</u> building(s) <u>district</u> site structure object

Number of Resources within Property

| Contributing | Noncontributing |            |
|--------------|-----------------|------------|
|              | 0               | buildings  |
| 0            | 0               | sites      |
| 0            | 0               | structures |
| 0            | 0               | objects    |
|              | 0               | Total      |

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) <u>Route 66 and Associated Historic Resources</u> <u>in Oklahoma</u>

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| 6. Fu     | nction or Use   |         |             |               |                  |
|-----------|---|---------|-------------|---------------|------------------|
|           | ric Functions (Enter categor<br>COMMERCE/TRADE  |         |             |               |                  |
|           | nt Functions (Enter categori<br>COMMERCE/TRADE  |         |             |               | -<br>-<br>-<br>- |
| <br>7. De | scription   | ·       |             |               | -<br>-<br>-<br>- |
| Archi     | tectural Classification (Ent<br>ITALIAN RENAISSANCE   | er cate | gories from | instructions) |                  |
| Mater     | ials (Enter categories from<br>foundation <u>N/A</u><br>roof <u>TIN</u><br>walls <u>BRICK</u> | instruc | tions)      |               |                  |
|           | other   |         | ······      |               |                  |

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- XX A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- XX C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- \_\_\_\_ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes. \_\_\_\_ A

removed from its original location. B

\_\_\_\_ C a birthplace or a grave.

- \_\_\_\_ D a cemetery.
- a reconstructed building, object, or structure. E
- F a commemorative property.
- \_\_\_\_ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance <u>1926-1944</u> ca. 1923

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| 8. Statement of Significance (Continued)  |  |  |  |  |
| Significant Dates <u>N/A</u>  |  |  |  |  |
| Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)  |  |  |  |  |
| Cultural Affiliation <u>N/A</u>   |  |  |  |  |
| Architect/Builder <u>Unknown</u>  |  |  |  |  |
| Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)  |  |  |  |  |
| 9. Major Bibliographical References   |  |  |  |  |
| (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)   |  |  |  |  |
| <pre>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 #</pre> |  |  |  |  |
| Primary Location of Additional Data          X       State Historic Preservation Office         Other State agency         Federal agency         Local government         University         Other         Name of repository:   |  |  |  |  |

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing 1 <u>14</u> 735650 <u>3968140</u> 3 2 <u>4</u> <u>-----</u> <u>N/A See continuation sheet.</u>

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

| 11. Form Prepared By   |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Maryjo Meacham, Director, Design/Researc<br>name/title <u>Lisa Bradley &amp; Susan Roth, Graduat</u> | h Center; Brenda Peck, Historian      |
| University of Oklahoma,<br>organization <u>College of Architecture</u>                               | date <u>May 31, 1992</u>              |
| street & number <u>830 Van Vleet Oval</u>  | telephone <u>405/325-2444</u>         |
| city or town <u>Norman</u>   | state <u>OK</u> zip code <u>73019</u> |
| Additional Documentation   |                                       |
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Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location. A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

## Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

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| Property Owner                                 |   |
|--|---|
| (Complete this item at the request of the SHPO | or FPO.)                                |
| name <u>Jack E. and Melissa G. Smith</u>       |   |
| street & number <u>115 West Fourth Street</u>  | telephone                               |
| city or town <u>Bristow</u>                    | _ state <u>OK</u> zip code <u>74010</u> |

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#### SUMMARY

The Bristow Tire Shop, built ca. 1923, is located on Fourth Street at the south edge of the Bristow, Oklahoma, central business district on Route 66. The transportation-related commercial building to the east of the Bristow Tire Shop was constructed ca. 1925 and other commercial buildings as well as residential structures surround the nominated building. The station is designed in the Italian Renaissance Revival style with a hipped, tin roof and is sheathed with white and blue glazed bricks. Although an addition has been added to the rear of the station, the original brick service station continues to maintain a high degree of architectural integrity.

## DESCRIPTION

The Bristow Tire Shop, built ca. 1923, is a one story, brick building designed in the Italian Renaissance Revival style. The building is situated on the corner of Fourth Street and Main Street on the edge of downtown Bristow, where Route 66 makes a 45 degree turn from south to west. The original building consists of a small, square, brick office and a two-pump station. The pump station and the office are both incorporated under a hipped roof covered with pressed-tin shingles which resemble clay mission tiles.

The most prominent feature of the station is the original service bay, which extends out from the front of the office. The porte cochere is supported at the corner by massive brick columns. The ceiling of the porte cochere is covered with decorative pressed-tin.

The entry door is paneled and glazed with multi-panes and capped with a row of brick headers. On either side of the entry are two, single, rounded arch windows with wooden, double hung windows with multi-panes. The windows are also outlined with brick surrounds. Identical windows are located on both side elevations.

# ADDITIONS/ALTERATIONS

Additions are located behind the original building and extend both to the north and to the west to form an "L." The original brick building continues to be the most prominent part of the facility. The first addition was to the rear of the brick building. A second addition was built behind the first with further NPS Form 10-900-a (8-86) United States Department of the Interior National Park Service NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES CONTINUATION SHEET Section 7 Page 10 Bristow Tire Shop name of property Creek County, Oklahoma county and State additions attached to this part of the building. To the west, forming an "L,"

is a third concrete block addition, and the fourth and final addition is an open, metal car wash.

Other alterations include the removal of the two gas pumps, which originally were located between the two brick columns of the front service area.

Although the additions to the building are significant in size, they are attached to the rear of the original building and are set back at such a distance that they do not significantly affect the visual appearance of the original service station building as they appear to be separate, distinctive constructions. The original portion of the building retains integrity of design, location, setting, materials, and workmanship and conveys the feeling of its past environment.

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## SUMMARY

The Bristow Tire Shop, built in the early twenties and located on Route 66 in Bristow, Oklahoma, is historically significant as a station located on the outskirts of town and was constructed at a time when the route was initially beginning its popularity. The building is architecturally significant as a "house with canopy" type service station in the Italian Renaissance Revival style along Route 66. The building retains its historical and architectural integrity. Contextually, it relates to "Commerce on Route 66 in Oklahoma (1926-1944)." The associated property type is Filling Stations, Service Stations and Garages, subtype "House with canopy."

## HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Bristow Tire Shop was at the perfect location to accommodate the Route 66 traveler by being on what was then the outskirts of the Bristow business district and, more importantly, on the most used east-west transcontinental route. To the traveler heading east, this station would have been one of the first they would have encountered entering Bristow. The Bristow Tire Shop originally sold Wilcox products from the local Bristow refinery. The station not only was selling gasoline but also offered oil, washing, greasing, and tire repairs, and most importantly, road service. The presence of a traveling mechanic on duty was top priority for the motorist on Route 66.

Continuing to take the motorists' needs into consideration, the station concentrated its energies on the tire business. After all, the tire tube and tire were the two most popular items sold in service stations after gasoline and oil products. Like many others, the Bristow Tire Shop sold tire replacements to travelers whose automobiles had taken a beating on the road. Finding this business most profitable, in 1955 the pumps were removed and the station devoted itself to tire and automobile repairs.

#### ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Bristow Tire Shop is architecturally significant as an excellent example of an Italian Renaissance Revival service station located on Route 66 in Oklahoma. Italian Renaissance Revival characteristics include the hipped tin roof clad in simulated clay tiles, and the arched windows. During the twenties, many builders were feeling the pressure of city improvement commissions. It was a NPS Form 10-900-a OMB No. 1024-0018 (8-86) United States Department of the Interior National Park Service NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES CONTINUATION SHEET Section <u>8</u> Bristow Tire Shop Page <u>12</u> name of property Creek County, Oklahoma county and State reaction to this beautification pressure in combination with an improved corporate image that inspired companies to build structurally sound and

The Bristow Tire Shop has retained its historical and architectural integrity. The original building serves as a reminder of the services once provided to the steady steam of travelers through the town as well as through Oklahoma.

attractive buildings.

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#### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The east half (E/2) of Lot 26, and all of Lots 27, 28, 29 and 30, Block 79, in the Original Townsite of Bristow, Oklahoma.

# BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary includes the entire city lots that historically have been associated with the property.