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TEXAS HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM - TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION (rev. 8-82)

NATIONAL REGISTER

1. County Ellis ELL 5. USGS Quad No. 3296-234 Site No. 1231
 City/Rural Waxahachie WX UTM Sector 702-3585
 2. Name Ferris School/Fourth Ward School 6. Date: Factual 1911 Est. _____
 Address 411 Gibson 7. Architect/Builder _____ Contractor _____
 3. Owner Waxahachie I.S.D. 8. Style/Type _____
 Address 411 Gibson, Waxahachie 75165 9. Original Use institutional-school
 4. Block/Lot Ferris Addition/School block all Present Use institutional-office
 10. Description Two-story load-bearing masonry school of brick; hip roof w/ gables w/ composition shingles and box eaves; double-door primary entrance; square plan w/ symmetrical facade centered on large arched entry, inset panel treatment of second story facade; brick cornice piers rise through roof; square cupola; stone sills at
 11. Present Condition good
 12. Significance EDUCATION: The product of a significant building program by the public school district in the early 20th century, the result of the town's growth and the increased importance of public schools (as opposed to private academies) in education.
 13. Relationship to Sites: Moved _____ Date _____ or Original Site X (describe) northwest of CBD; old cotton textile mill to southwest; otherwise surrounded by residences.
 14. Bibliography Tax rolls, City directories 15. Informant _____
Sanborn Maps 16. Recorder Hardy-Heck-Moore / Date Sept. 1985; updated
 BJ PHOTO DATA Sept. 1990

DESIGNATIONS

PHOTO DATA

TNRIS No. _____ Old THC Code _____ B&W 4x5's _____ Slides _____
 RTHL HABS (no.) TEX- _____ 35 mm Negs. _____
 NR: Individual Historic District
 Thematic Multiple-Resource
 NR File Name _____
 Other _____

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Description continued: windows, 6/6 double hung wood sash with 3-pane transom windows above. Light fixtures on the site are modern additions. Interior woodwork and pressed metal ceilings are original.

Significance continued: ARCHITECTURE: The best-preserved of Waxahachie's historic school buildings, it follows the traditional plan and simple form of established public school design of the early 20th century.

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National Park Service**

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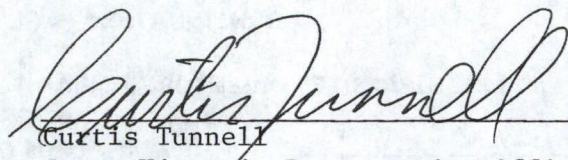
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Addition to the Historic Resources of Waxahachie, Texas (Partial Inventory of Architectural and Historic Properties):

- Ferris School at 411 Gibson

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 of Historic Places and certify that the property has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.



Curtis Tunnell

10-25-90

Date

State Historic Preservation Officer

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Waxahachie Multiple Resource Area
State Ellis County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 811 71. Williams, Porter L., House **Substantive Review** Keeper Patrick Andrews 9/24/86
 Attest Bob Savage 9-24-86
- 72. Witten, Pat, House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Alvin Byrum 9/24/86
 Attest _____
- 213 73. Wyatt Street Shotgun House **Substantive Review** Keeper Patrick Andrews 9/24/86
 Historic District Attest Bob Savage 9-24-86
- 74. Ferris School** **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Alvin Byrum
 Attest 12/6/90
- Keeper _____
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Ferris School

MULTIPLE NAME: Waxahachie MPS

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Ellis

DATE RECEIVED: 11/06/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 11/20/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/06/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/21/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90001858

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 12/6/90 DATE

**Entered in the
National Register**

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES of WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS

FERRIS / FOURTH WARD SCHOOL

411 GIBSON

WAXAHACHIE, ELLIS CO., TEXAS

PHOTOGRAPHER: UNKNOWN

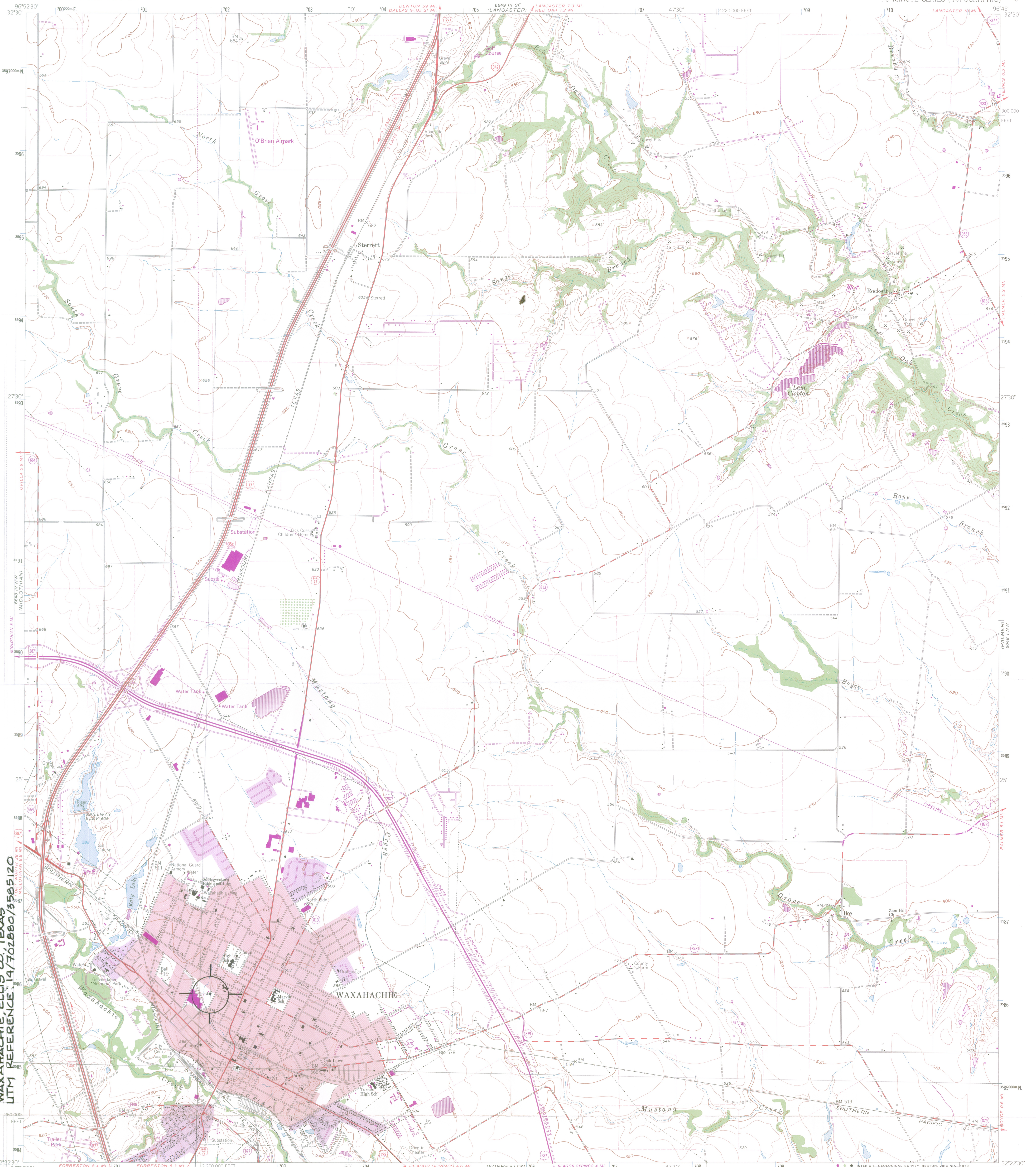
NEGATIVE WITH WAXAHACHIE I.S.D.

CAMERA FACING NORTHWEST

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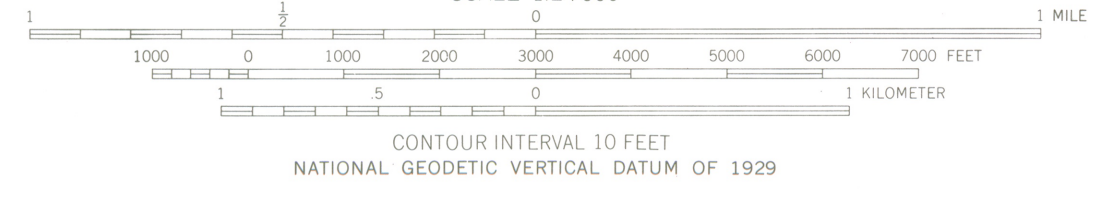


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411 GIBSON
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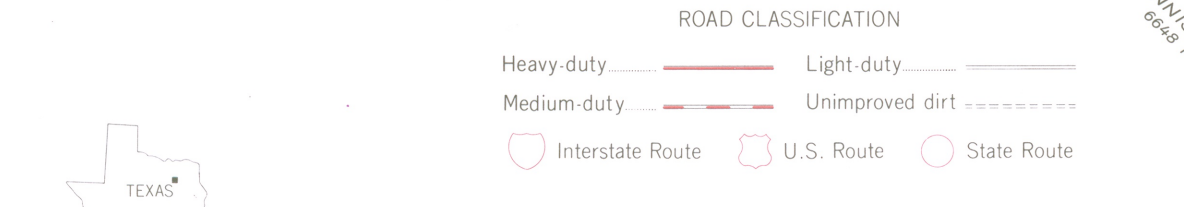
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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Texas coordinate system, north central zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 14, shown in blue
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked
Area covered by dashed light blue pattern is subject to controlled inundation

UTM GRID AND 1978 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET
Revisions shown in purple and woodland compiled from aerial photographs taken 1976 and other source data. This information not field checked. Map edited 1978
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



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QUADRANGLE LOCATION
3296-234

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.
N3222 5-W9645/7.5
1961
PHOTOREVISED 1978
AMS 6648 IV NE-SERIES V882