1. Name of Property

historic name __ Randall Tire Company

other names/site number __ Product Enterprise Company

2. Location

street & number __ 237 South Wilson __ not for publication N/A
city or town __ Vinita __ vicinity N/A
state __ Oklahoma __ code __ OK __ county __ Craig __ code __ 035
zip code __ 74301 __
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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 XX 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 XX meets ____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ____ nationally ____ statewide ___ locally. (N/A See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature]
December 19, 1994

Signature of certifying official
Date

Oklahoma Historical Society, SHPO
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

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

____ entered in the National Register

____ See continuation sheet.

____ determined eligible for the National Register

____ See continuation sheet.

____ determined not eligible for the National Register

____ removed from the National Register

____ other (explain): ______________________

__________________________
Signature of Keeper
Date of Action
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5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)
- [X] private
- ___ public-local
- ___ public-State
- ___ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)
- [X] building(s)
- ___ district
- ___ site
- ___ structure
- ___ object

Number of Resources within Property

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Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Route 66 and Associated Historic Resources in Oklahoma
6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
Cat: COMMERCE/TRADE Sub: specialty store

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
Cat: RECREATION AND CULTURE Sub: sports facility

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)
Commercial Style

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
foundation N/A
roof ASPHALT
walls STONE: Sandstone
BRICK
other CONCRETE

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.)

____ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

____ B removed from its original location.

____ C a birthplace or a grave.

____ D a cemetery.

____ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

____ 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)

COMMERCIAL

ARCHITECTURE

Perimeter of Significance 1931-1944
8. Statement of Significance (Continued)

Significant Dates  N/A

________

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation  N/A

________

Architect/Builder  Unknown

________

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.)

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  # ________

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)

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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

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street & number 830 Van Vleet Oval
city or town Norman

state OK zip code 73019

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)
Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name  Howard L. Stoner  c/o Margaret Stitzel

street & number  516 North Tenth  telephone

city or town  Burlington  state  KS  zip code  66839
SUMMARY

The Randall Tire Company Building, constructed in 1931, is an excellent example of early vernacular Commercial Style architecture. The building is a one-story, native sandstone building with a flat roof. Unusually crafted with irregular shaped stone and beaded mortar work, the building is distinguished by a cresting of sandstone rocks along a curvilinear parapet. Located among a mix of property types, the building is situated on a commercial strip on the south edge of the city of Vinita in northeast Oklahoma. The Randall Tire Company Building remains nearly unchanged and possesses a high degree of architectural integrity.

DESCRIPTION

The Randall Tire Company Building is located on the west side of Route 66 on the southern edge of Vinita. It is a one story building constructed of uncut, native sandstone laid in an irregular pattern with beaded mortar joints. The roof is flat, with a curvilinear parapet wall.

The facade is organized in two parts. The southern two-thirds is occupied by a storefront; while the northern one-third of the building serves as a garage. The entrance of the storefront is flanked by two windows, one is the original steel pivot casement window with 24 lights, and the other window is a fixed aluminum window that has replaced the steel pivot window (circa 1970s). A steel pivot window separates the storefronts from the garage door opening. The garage opening is original and has a large, concrete lintel, however, the original garage door has been replaced with an overhead aluminum door. All windows and the doors on the facade of the building have prominent concrete lintels and sills. Brick quoins define the edges of the windows between the sill and lintel. The bricks are cut away in some places to accommodate the irregular edge of the sandstone as it meets the edge of the windows.

The windows located on the north elevation of the building are similar to the ones used on the front except they are spanned by one continuous concrete lintel; they have separate concrete sills. A one-story, concrete block building is attached to the south side of the Randall Tire Company Building.
ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

Few alterations have occurred over the years, although the original garage door has been replaced with an aluminum overhead garage door and one of the windows on the front façade has been replaced with a fixed window. Originally, the window was identical in style to the other metal windows except it was larger in size (according to a historic photograph taken just after the opening of the store). The fixed window is the same size as the original window. In the rear, several tin additions have been added and are used for storage. These additions are not visible from the street and do not affect the architectural integrity of the Randall Tire Company Building.
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CONTINUATION SHEET

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Randall Tire Company
name of property
Craig County, Oklahoma
county and State

SUMMARY

The Randall Tire Company Building, constructed in 1931, is located on Route 66 in Vinita, Oklahoma, and is historically significant for its close association with the route as a combination gasoline station and retail tire store. The business in the building readily served travelers in need of gasoline or tires. The Randall Tire Company Building, made of native stone, is also representative and significant as an outstanding example of roadside vernacular architecture. Contextually, it relates to "Commerce on Route 66 in Oklahoma (1926-1944)" and to the property type of Filling Stations, Service Stations and Garages.

COMMERCE SIGNIFICANCE

The Randall Tire Company is significant as an important building type serving travelers motoring along Route 66. With the depression, many stations resorted to selling products and services in addition to gasoline. The Randall Tire Company followed this trend by constructing its building in 1931 to accommodate both the gasoline station as well as the tire industry. The site for the building was located between another service station and a sandwich shop.

The original owner of the building, Jesse Randall, sold and repaired tires and pumped gasoline. In the early days, the Randall Tire Company sold gasoline for 11 and 13 cents, tires for 50 cents, and fixed flats for 25 cents. Mr. Randall owned the building from the time of its construction through the end of World War II.

Not affiliated with any one particular brand or company, the Randall Tire Company is significant as an outstanding example of an independent gas station along Route 66. While many stations depended on regional and national advertising, this station counted on its unique design and the personalized service that is often associated with a locally owned business.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Randall Tire Company Building is significant as an outstanding example of Oklahoma's vernacular commercial architecture. The native sandstone facade, whose rocks were quarried from the coal pits northwest of Vinita, is characteristic of Oklahoma's 1930s vernacular architecture. Although a popular
and attainable wall material, sandstone was less frequently used for commercial buildings. Another interesting feature of the vernacular building is the cresting of sandstone rocks along the curvilinear parapet.

This building is a product of the motoring times and represents a typical vernacular commercial design made unique with the atypical use of sandstone cresting along the parapet. The functional design enabled the owner to showcase and advertise the variety of products and services demanded by the middle class motoring public. This design encompassed large glass windows and service bays in the front.

The Randall Tire Company Building retains its historical integrity as a reminder of the importance of the tire and gasoline vendors and service garages that catered to the Route 66 traveler. It also stands as an excellent example of vernacular architecture and continues to retain a high degree of architectural integrity.
BIBLIOGRAPHY


VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lot 8, Block 71, Original Townsite of Vinita

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary includes the entire city lot that historically has been associated with the nominated building.
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