

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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1. Name

historic Territorial Commercial Buildings of Chandler, ^{TR} Oklahoma

and/or common Same

2. Location

street & number See Continuation Sheet N/A not for publication

city, town Chandler — vicinity of

state OK code county Lincoln code

3. Classification

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

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple ownership (see continuation sheet)

street & number

city, town — vicinity of state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Lincoln County Courthouse

street & number

city, town Chandler state OK

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Oklahoma Comprehensive Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1983 federal state county local

depository for survey records Oklahoma Historical Society, Preservation Office

city, town Oklahoma City state OK

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Chandler, Oklahoma, with a population of 3,000, is the seat of Lincoln County in Central Oklahoma. The county is primarily agricultural with a minor oil field near Chandler. The town was laid out along a wooded ridge with the courthouse at the summit. The central business district lies along Manvel Avenue, oriented generally north-south, with some commercial properties on the side streets between Sixth and Thirteenth streets. This has been Chandler's business district since the town was laid out in 1891, and only one small shopping plaza has attempted to draw customers away. The town has retained much of its territorial ambience. Several streets and sidewalks are paved with brick stamped "Chandler, O.T." and hitching rings stud the curb in the 700 block of Manvel. At least ten homes and two churches from the territorial period are standing and in use, and along Manvel are sixteen commercial buildings constructed in the territorial period. All the commercial buildings are constructed of locally quarried sandstone or locally produced brick. All were originally Romanesque or Victorian in style and some retain ornamental details suggestive of the territorial Guthrie architect, Joseph Foucart. Several retain cast iron columns or ornamentation; others, especially in the 700 Block of Manvel, were made homogenous by repeated use of a four-foot brick parapet along the roof line. Most had and still have behind modern dropped awnings-pressed metal ceilings which could be uncovered. Of the 16 territorial commercial buildings 13 are included in this nomination. One, the St. Cloud Hotel, has deteriorated badly, others have undergone some renovation, while the City Drug Store and the Clapp-Cunningham Building have been restored in part. The three not nominated, the First National Bank, the Collar (C.R. Anthony) building and the Chandler Bakery have undergone such extensive renovations as to destroy their architectural integrity. These buildings are very appropriate for the locale; Their thick walls - eighteen to twenty-four inches in some cases - still protect the interiors from extremes of heat and cold as well as severe weather. Many of the buildings on the east side of Manvel offer street-level access both on the ground floor and basement because of the sharp downward slope of the hill from Manvel eastward to Allison Avenue. All the buildings are in use still, some housing more than one business.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" 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 1897 - 1907 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The territorial commercial buildings of Chandler, Oklahoma, are significant because they represent a unique period in city and state history and architecture. Chandler, Oklahoma, was founded September 28, 1891, in the wake of the Sac and Fox Opening. A land run town, Chandler had been predetermined the seat of Lincoln County and its site surveyed with Manvel Avenue its main commercial street. Within three months the population stood at 1200. Most of the buildings in town were frame before March 30, 1897, when a tornado killed fourteen people and left the town in splinters. Several houses were spared but the business district was devastated. When it was rebuilt, many buildings were constructed of locally quarried sandstone or brick from the newly opened Chandler Pressed Brick Company. Thus the buildings nominated here fall into a period bounded by the tornado of 1897 and statehood in 1907. In addition, these buildings are unique in that they demonstrate the paradox of the Twentieth Century arriving simultaneously with settlement in this particular area of Oklahoma. While Chandler was a frontier town in the sense that it had been settled barely a decade before most of these buildings were constructed, it was also a town of the Twentieth Century in that its citizens even in 1900 enjoyed the benefits of electricity, gas lighting, the telephone, and the railroad. The St. Cloud Hotel (1904) even boasted the first elevator in town. Not only did these commercial buildings offer comfort and convenience, they were also aesthetically appealing, being built in the styles popular between 1897 and 1907. Several Romanesque buildings in the 900 block of Manvel and the nine Romanesque arches in the 700 block competed with the Victorian elegance of the St. Cloud Hotel, the Clapp-Cunningham Building, the Wolcott Building, and several smaller structures.

Sixteen of Chandler's territorial commercial buildings survive of which thirteen are nominated here. In the 700 block of Manvel are six buildings constructed by the "north end merchants," among them the brothers A.E. and A.F. Mascho. Nominated are the Chandler Bookstore, the Murphy Building, the Oleson-Crane Building, the Wolcott Building, and 720 Manvel. The sixth, the Chandler Bakery, which once boasted three Romanesque arches, has been rennovated past recognition and nomination. In the 800 block on 812 Manvel, 814 Manvel, and the Feuquay Building, all distinguished by identical hooded bays on the upper floor. In the 900 and 1000 blocks are the Boston Store, the Milly Building, and 1014 Manvel, all Romanesque behind some alteration of their facades. On the south end of the business district are the Clapp-Cunningham Building and the St. Cloud Hotel, both imposing Victorian buildings. Two other large Victorian buildings - the First National Bank and the Collar (C. R. Anthony) Building - are not nominated because extensive moderization and alteration has destroyed their authenticity. Thus Chandler, Oklahoma has an impressive collection of territorial buildings as evidence of its pre-statehood past.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Chandler City Index to Lots, Lincoln County Court House, Chandler, OK
Ferrell, Sally. "Historic Highlights." Lincoln County News, March, 1981-Sept. 1982.
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10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property See continuation sheet

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References

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	Zone	Easting	Northing
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Verbal boundary description and justification

See continuation sheet

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

state	N/A	code	county	code
state		code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Oklahoma Preservation Survey date 1983

street & number 502 Math Sciences telephone 624-5678

city or town Stillwater, Oklahoma State University state Oklahoma

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 National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature C. Emmet Self date 2-7-84

title _____ date _____

For NPS use only
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Beth Giverson date 1/5/84
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: See Continuation Sheet for Justifications date _____
Chief of Registration

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Norman, Oklahoma

Interviews: H. B. Cunningham, Don Ferrell, Sally Ferrell and Glenn Nichols
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name Territorial Commercial Buildings of Chandler Thematic Resources

State Lincoln County, OKLAHOMA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 1. Chandler Bookstore | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 2. Murphy Building | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
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| 3. Oleson-Crane Building | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
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| 4. Wolcott Building | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
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| 5. Building at 720 Manvel Ave. | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Return</u> |
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| 6. Building at 812 Manvel Ave. | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Return</u> |
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| 7. Building at 814 Manvel | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Return</u> |
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| 8. Feuquay Building | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Return</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 9. Boston Store | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |
| 10. Milly Building | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Return</u> |
| | | Attest | _____ |

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State Lincoln County, OKLAHOMA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 11. Building at 1014 Manvel Ave. | Substantive Review Keeper | <u>Return</u> |
| | Attest | _____ |
| 12. Clapp-Cunningham Building | Substantive Review Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
| | Attest | _____ |
| 13. St. Cloud Hotel | Substantive Review Keeper | <u>Beth Grosvenor 4/5/84</u> |
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| 14. | Keeper | _____ |
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APPROVAL

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Name change to Mascho Building and Public Privy