

Will Rogers Archway



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Project no: WR-MC-116 & WR-MC-116A

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Outline



- Original Building Details
- Planning of the new structure
- During construction
- Final product

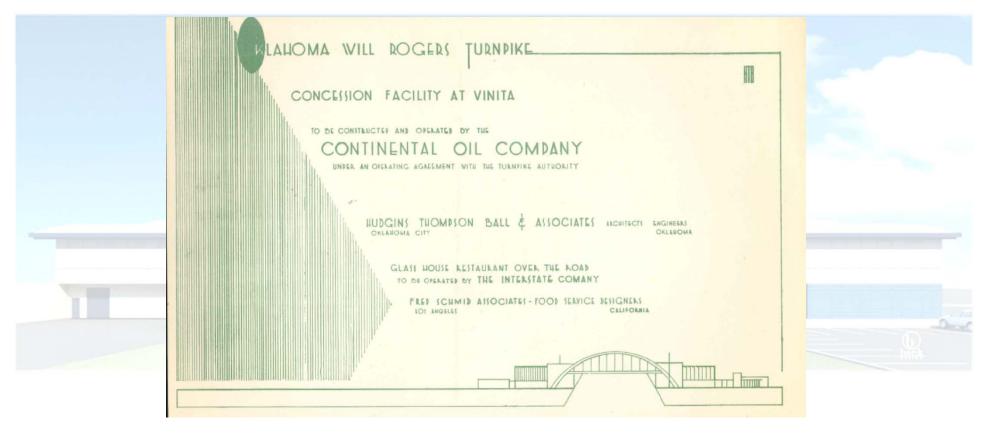




- The engineering and economic feasibility studies for the Will Rogers Turnpike were completed in October 1954.
- Bonds in the amount of \$68 million were issued in December 1954 for construction of the Will Rogers Turnpike.
- The first bid for construction on the Will Rogers Turnpike was awarded on April 27, 1955.
- The Will Rogers Turnpike was opened to traffic on June 28, 1957.
- The Oklahoma Highway commission designated the Turner Turnpike and the Will Rogers Turnpike as Interstate 44 on July 14, 1958. The Highway Commission designation was for signage only.

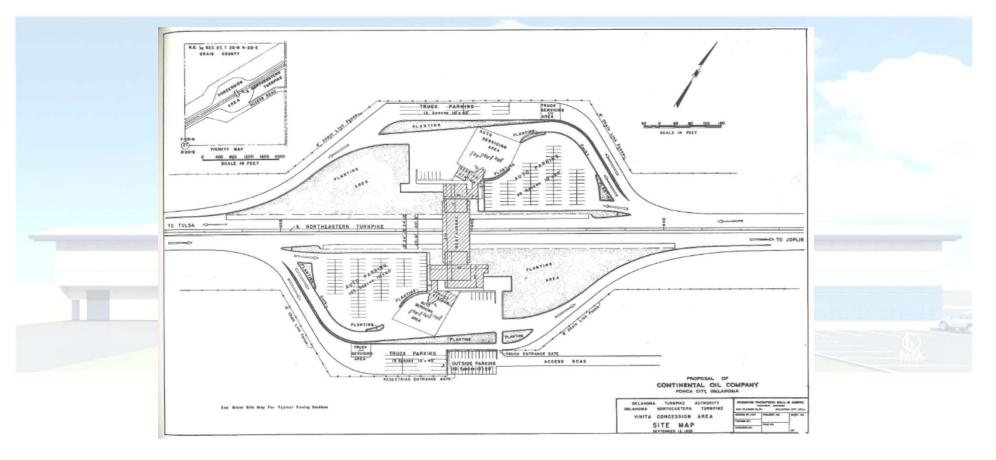


















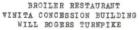
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VINITA CONCESSION BUILDING
WILL ROGERS TURNPIKE
OKLAHOMA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

Hudgins-Thompson-Ball & Assoc. Architect-Engineers





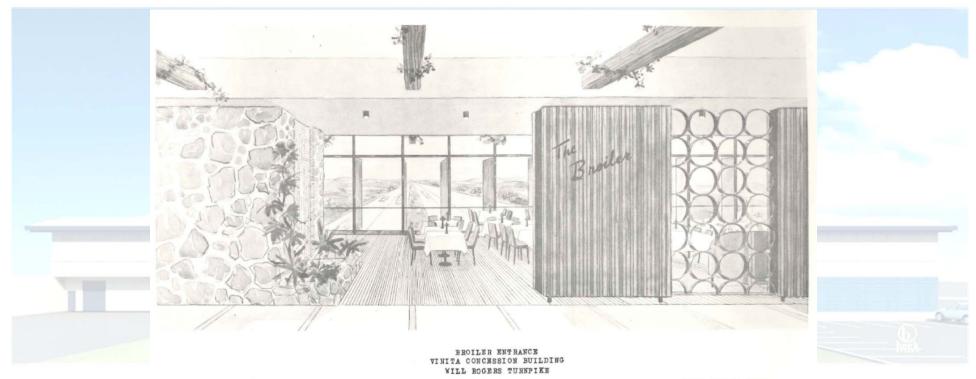




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Planning of the New Structure (ST. 1966)











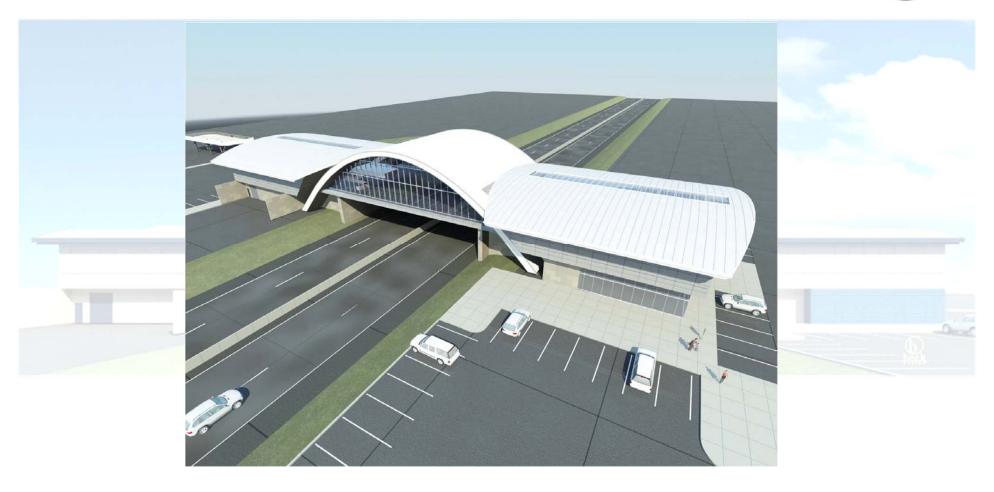


























Old Structure before Demo







Partnering Conference











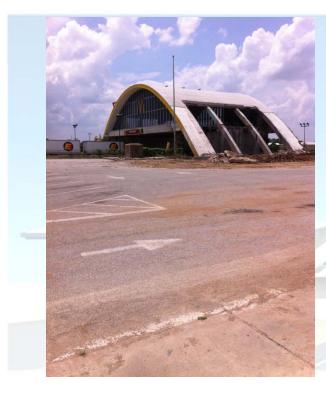




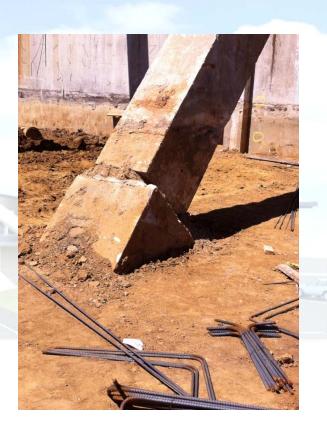




































Panoramic of West and East









During Construction









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Problems During Construction (EST. 1966)





























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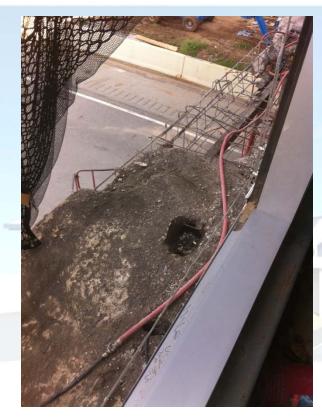


















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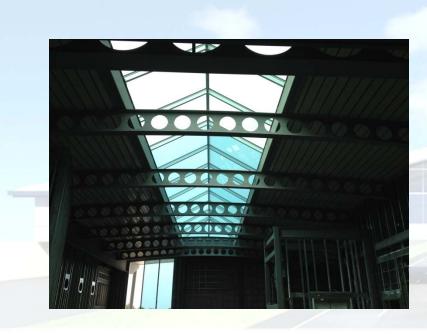










































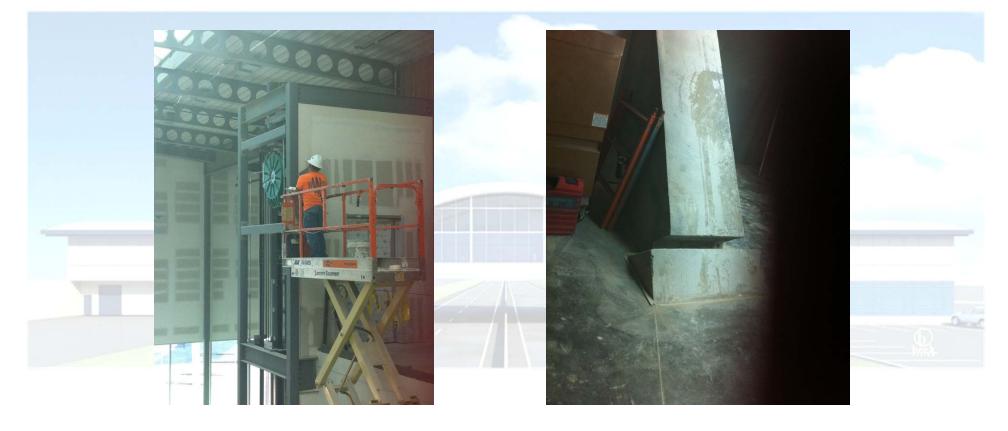






















































Glimpse of Final Product







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