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DATA SHEET

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Loudoun Hall (Grimes House)

AND/OR COMMON Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER *S of Paris off KY 955*
R. F. D. #5, Box 279

CITY, TOWN Paris VICINITY OF 06

STATE Kentucky CODE 021 COUNTY Bourbon CODE 017

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
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5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Bourbon County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER Main Street

CITY, TOWN Paris STATE Kentucky

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

DATE 1971 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Kentucky Heritage Commission

CITY, TOWN Frankfort STATE Kentucky

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES Greek Revival-1850
Federal brick-1812

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ethel Gaitskill, Owner; Daniel Kidd, Architectural Historian; Mary Cronan Oppel, Historian

ORGANIZATION

/Kentucky Heritage Commission

DATE

August 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Box 279 /104 Bridge Street

TELEPHONE

(502) 564-3741

CITY OR TOWN

Paris /Frankfort

STATE

Kentucky

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

Ethel W. Melton

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

10/26/77

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

[Signature]

DATE

8-2-78

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST

[Signature]

DATE

7-31-78

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and there are high baseboards, two-panelled doors, and shouldered architraves around doors and windows in the frame section (see photos 5 and 8).

Mantels in the earlier brick portion are Federal and are treated with incised work (see photo 9). Also retained here are original baseboards, wooden ceiling cornices, reeded door and window reveals, and six-panelled doors.

Much of the ash flooring in both sections has survived, and among the most fascinating of all original items is the wallpaper in the central hall (see photo 6). Executed in the "trompe l'oeil" fashion, its design consists of marbelized Ionic columns set among marbelized sections bordered by typically Greek "moldings." The "columns" support a denticulated "frieze" that continues around the entire hall (see photo 5).

Arranged in a row behind the house are seven outbuildings erected in 1909. The L & N Railway secured a right-of-way through the farm in 1883 and their tracks extend from the front to the back of the property, running within 150 feet behind the house. Also located near Loudoun Hall is a family cemetery where many members of the Grimes family, continuous occupants of the house, are buried.

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Page 2, Paragraph 4, Line 1:

This sentence should be corrected to read;

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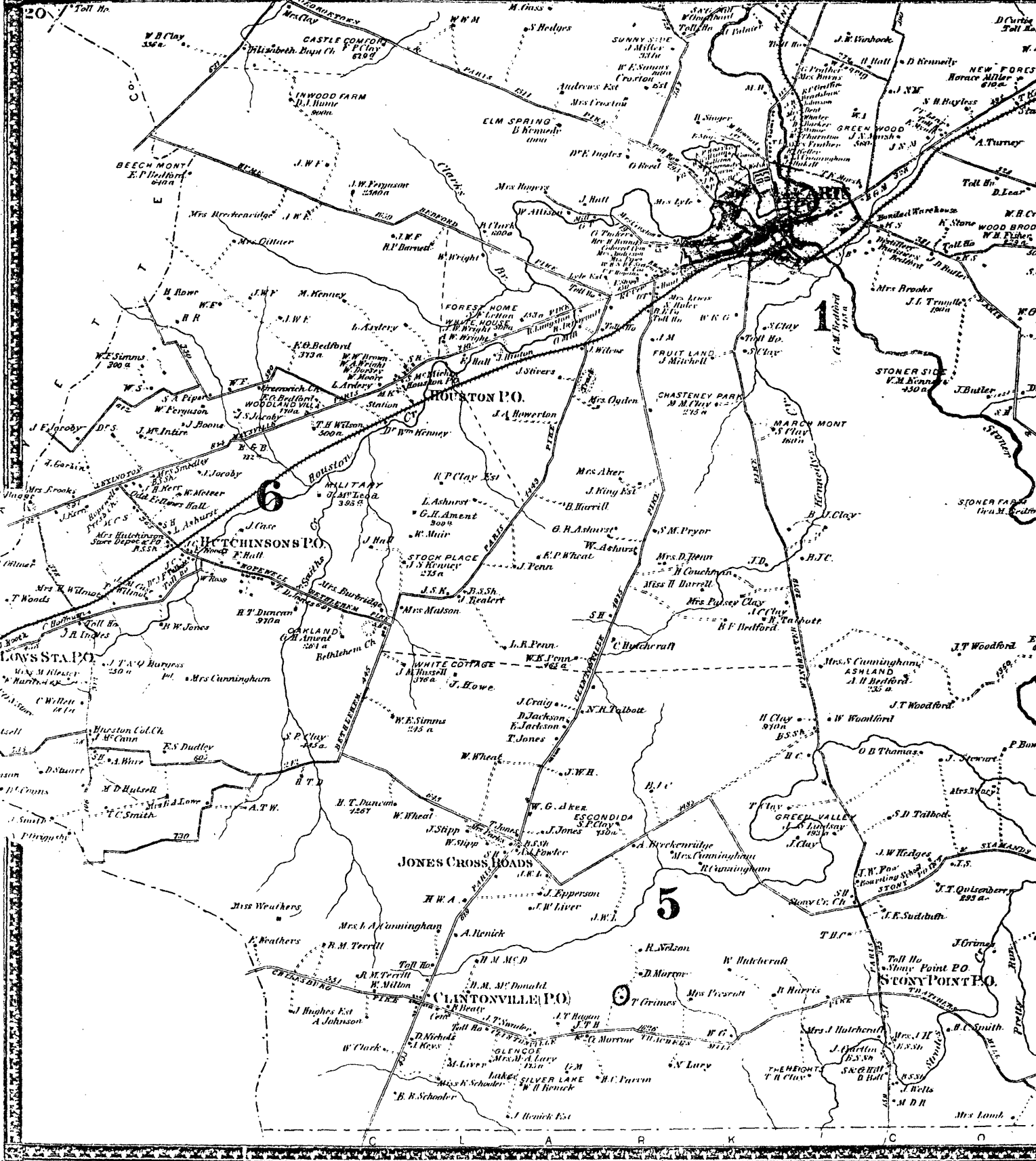
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Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated acreage includes the main residence, five outbuildings and the family cemetery. The driveway in front of the main residence serves as the southern boundary, and a line running west of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad tracks serves as the eastern boundary - the railroad tracks not being part of the nominated property.



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E.P. Bradford 6100

Mrs. Hertrich
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ELM SPRING
B. Knott

SUNNY SIDE
J. Miller 310 a.

W.E. Simms
Crawton 651

Andrews Est.
Mrs. Crawford

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MARCH MONT
S.P. Clay 1600

CHASTENEY PARK
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Atlas of Bourbon, Clark, Fayette,
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Map 2. The Grimes house
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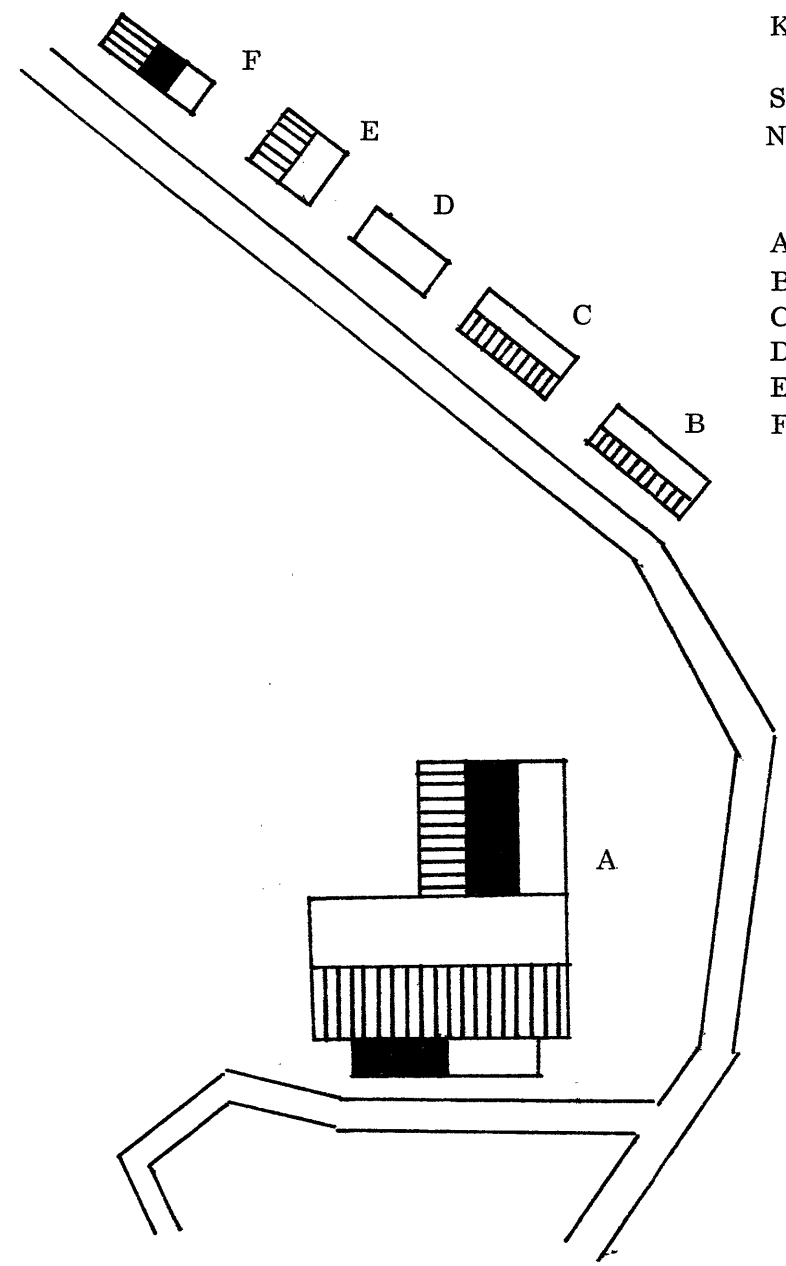
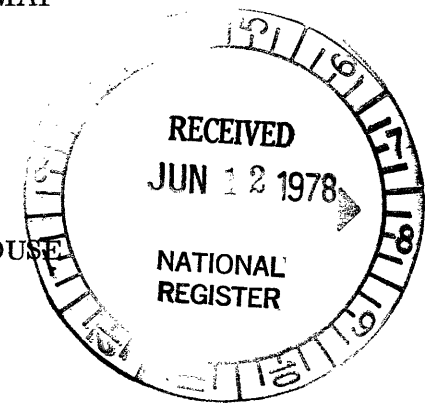
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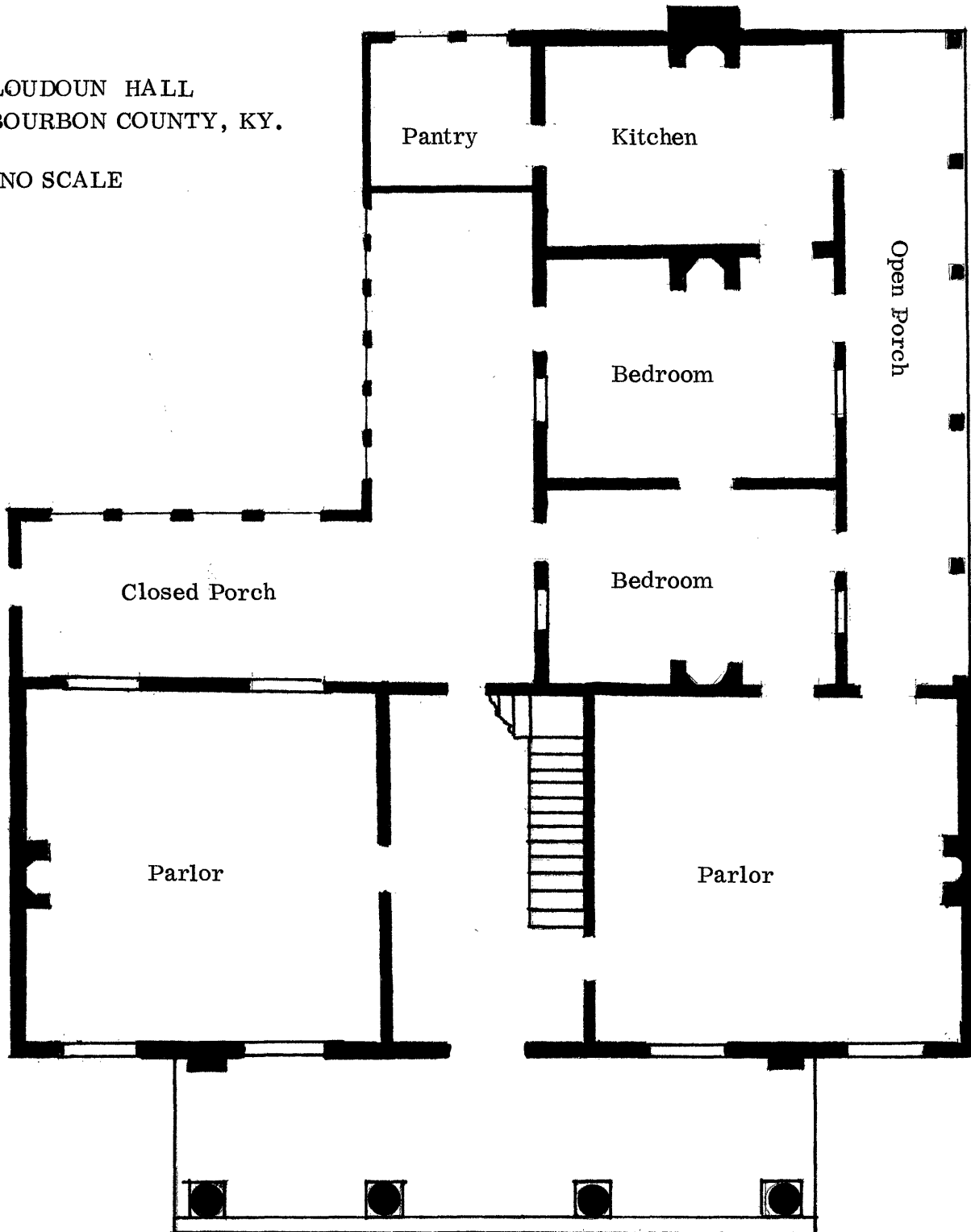
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Daniel Kidd
Sketch Map

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Map 3. First-floor plan.

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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

Ethel W. Melton

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

10/26/77

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

[Signature]

DATE

8-2-78

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST

[Signature]

DATE

7-31-78

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and there are high baseboards, two-panelled doors, and shouldered architraves around doors and windows in the frame section (see photos 5 and 8).

Mantels in the earlier brick portion are Federal and are treated with incised work (see photo 9). Also retained here are original baseboards, wooden ceiling cornices, reeded door and window reveals, and six-panelled doors.

Much of the ash flooring in both sections has survived, and among the most fascinating of all original items is the wallpaper in the central hall (see photo 6). Executed in the "trompe l'oeil" fashion, its design consists of marbelized Ionic columns set among marbelized sections bordered by typically Greek "moldings." The "columns" support a denticulated "frieze" that continues around the entire hall (see photo 5).

Arranged in a row behind the house are seven outbuildings erected in 1909. The L & N Railway secured a right-of-way through the farm in 1883 and their tracks extend from the front to the back of the property, running within 150 feet behind the house. Also located near Loudoun Hall is a family cemetery where many members of the Grimes family, continuous occupants of the house, are buried.

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Page 2, Paragraph 4, Line 1:

This sentence should be corrected to read;

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Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated acreage includes the main residence, five outbuildings and the family cemetery. The driveway in front of the main residence serves as the southern boundary, and a line running west of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad tracks serves as the eastern boundary - the railroad tracks not being part of the nominated property.

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Map 2. The Grimes house
is circled in red.

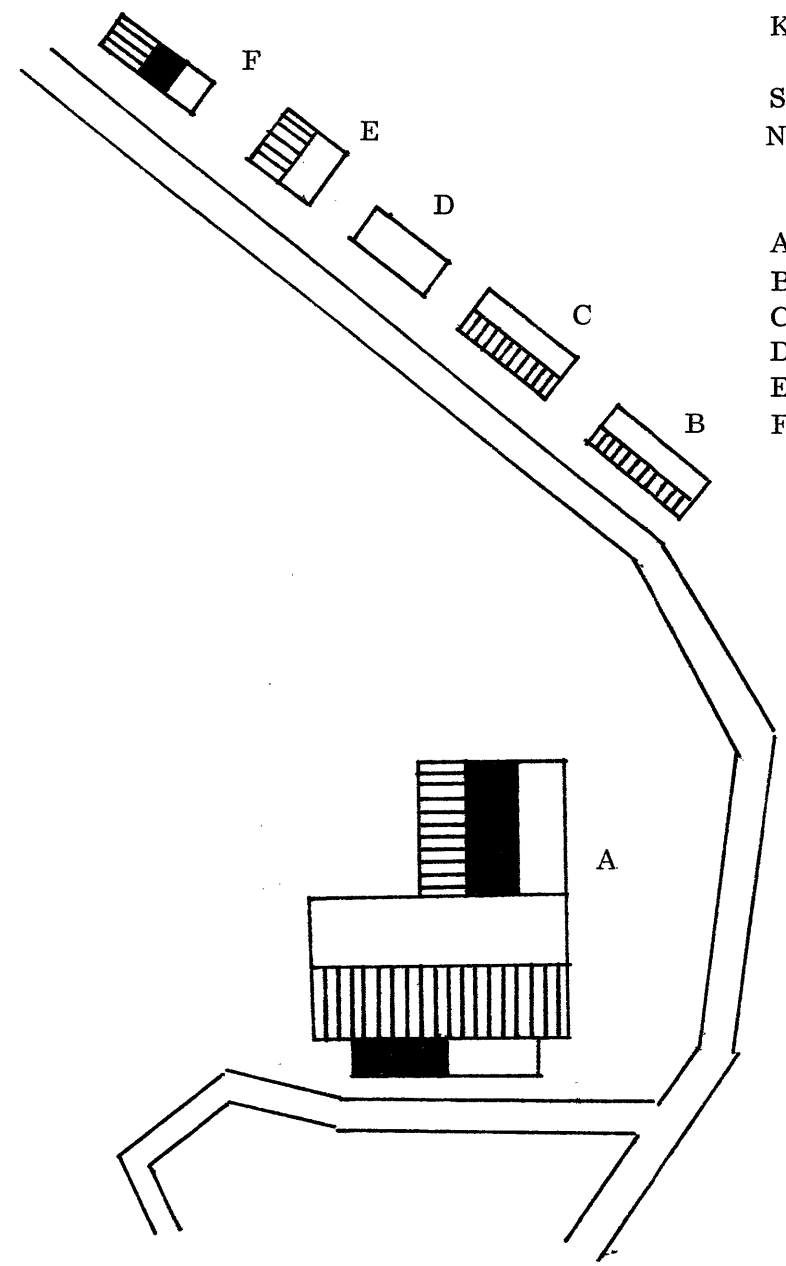
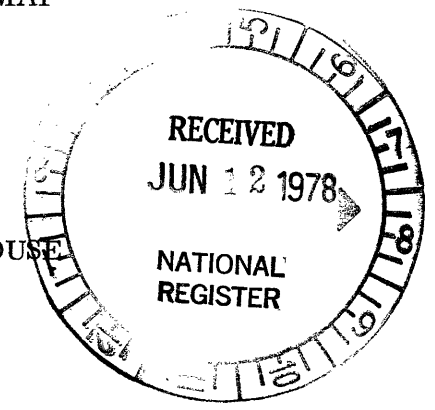
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SITE LOCATION MAP
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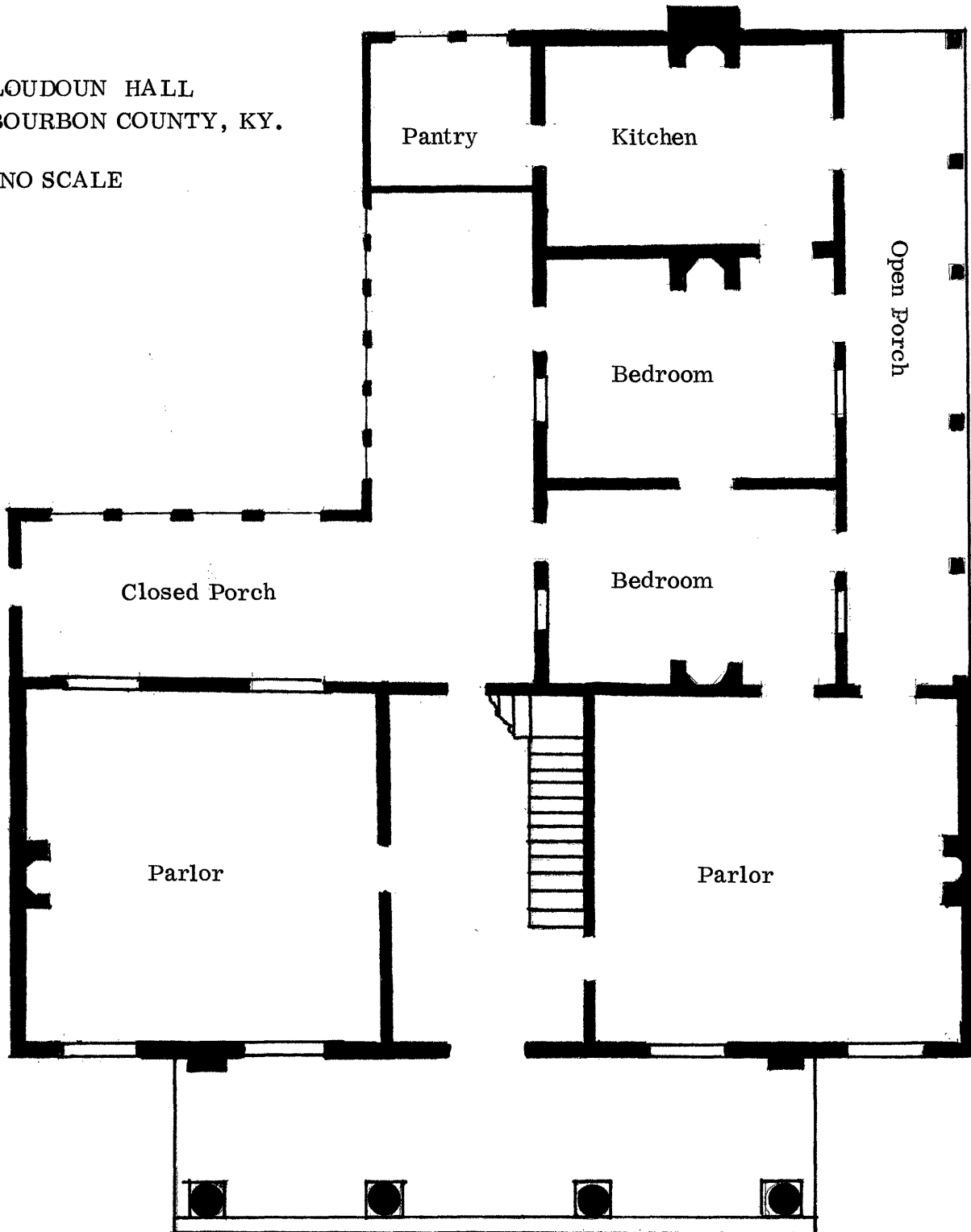
- A RESIDENCE
- B DWELLING
- C STORAGE
- D CHICKEN HOUSE
- E DWELLING
- F STORAGE





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Sketch Map

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Map 3. First-floor plan.