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KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # Me-163
Mercer County

1. Name of Resource: Floyd Gritton House

2. Original Owner: Floyd Gritton

3. Other Names: Gritton House

4. Prehistoric Site _____ Building Structure Object Other _____

5. Location: N. side of Bondville Road west of Salt River

6. Owner's Name: Rufus Royalty [P]

7. Owner's Address: Bondville Pike Salvisa, Ky.

8. Evaluation: [N]

9. Recognition & Date: Nat.Landmark _____ Local Landmark _____ Nat.Register _____ HABS/HAER _____ Highway Marker _____ KY Inventory 1981 KY Landmark Certificate _____

10. N.R.Status & Date: _____

11. N.R.Group: District Name: [] Mult.Resource Area: Mercer Co. [] Thematic Name: []

12. Historical Theme: Primary: Architecture [030] Secondary: [] Other: []

13. Statement of Significance: See Attached. []

16. Date: Original Building 1860-65 [6] Addition []

17. Style: Greek Revival / Gothic Revival [31] [32]

18. Architect/Builder: Unknown

19. No. of Stories: [2.0]

20. Original Floor Plan: Central Passage [CP]

21. Single Pile Double Pile _____ N.A. _____

22. Roof Form & Material: Original _____ Gable/Asbestos Not Original X

23. Structural Material: Frame [W]

24. Exterior Material: Frame [W]

25. Foundation Material: Stone [S]

26. Major Alterations: None _____ Moved/Rebuilt _____ Other _____ Additions Enclosure of porches _____

27. Special Features: None

28. Outbuildings: None []

29. Original Function: Single family dwelling [01A]

30. Present Use: Single family dwelling [01A]

31. Condition: Good [G]

32. Endangered: Yes _____ No X

33. Attach Photos: Roll: Photo Nos: No. of Slides: 1 21-24

14. History: The house was built by Floyd Gritton shortly after the Civil War. It was shown as E. Gritton on the 1876 Beers Map of the county. Near the house was a grist and sawmill.



15. Source of historical information and/or contact person: KHC Form: Clay Lancaster, 1981.

34. Prepared by: H. Powell/F. Keightly

35. Organization: Landmark Association

36. Date: 1986

37. New Survey _____ Resurvey X

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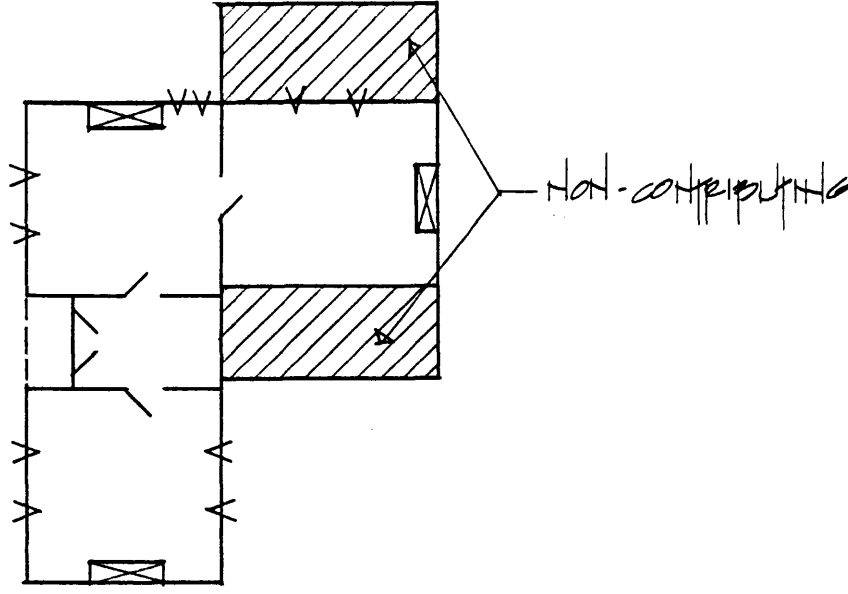
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38. UTM Point of Primary Building: Zone Easting Northing 39. G.I.S. Mod. []
 Quadrant: McBrayer 16 684240 4200460 40. Coordi.Accuracy []

41. UTM Points of Boundary (for N. R. eligible sites only):
 A. ---
 B. ---
 C. ---
 D. ---
 E. ---
 F. ---

42. Total Acreage in Present Property: 43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary:

44. Site Plan (and boundary description and justification for N.R. sites):



45. Description and House Plan:

The Gritton House is a two-story, three-bay frame residence. The windows on either side of the recessed doorway are elongated and paired. The central entrance and the second floor window above it are flanked on each side by three sidelights. The double-leaf door is highlighted by pilasters. The central recessed portico breaks the roofline with a pediment. The overhanging eaves are accented by icicle-shaped bargeboards.

The floor plan consists of a central hallway with one room on either side. The chimneys are located on the interior of the gable end. The woodwork is original and is a simplified version of the motifs and proportions of Greek Revival. The foundation is stone.

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY SUPPLEMENT
BOUNDARY AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Historic Property Name Floyd Gritton House Site # Me-163

Multiple Resource/Thematic Nomination Title MERCER COUNTY MRA

U.T.M. Coordinates - List multiple UTM's if property is ten or more acres.

A. _____ D. _____

B. _____ E. _____

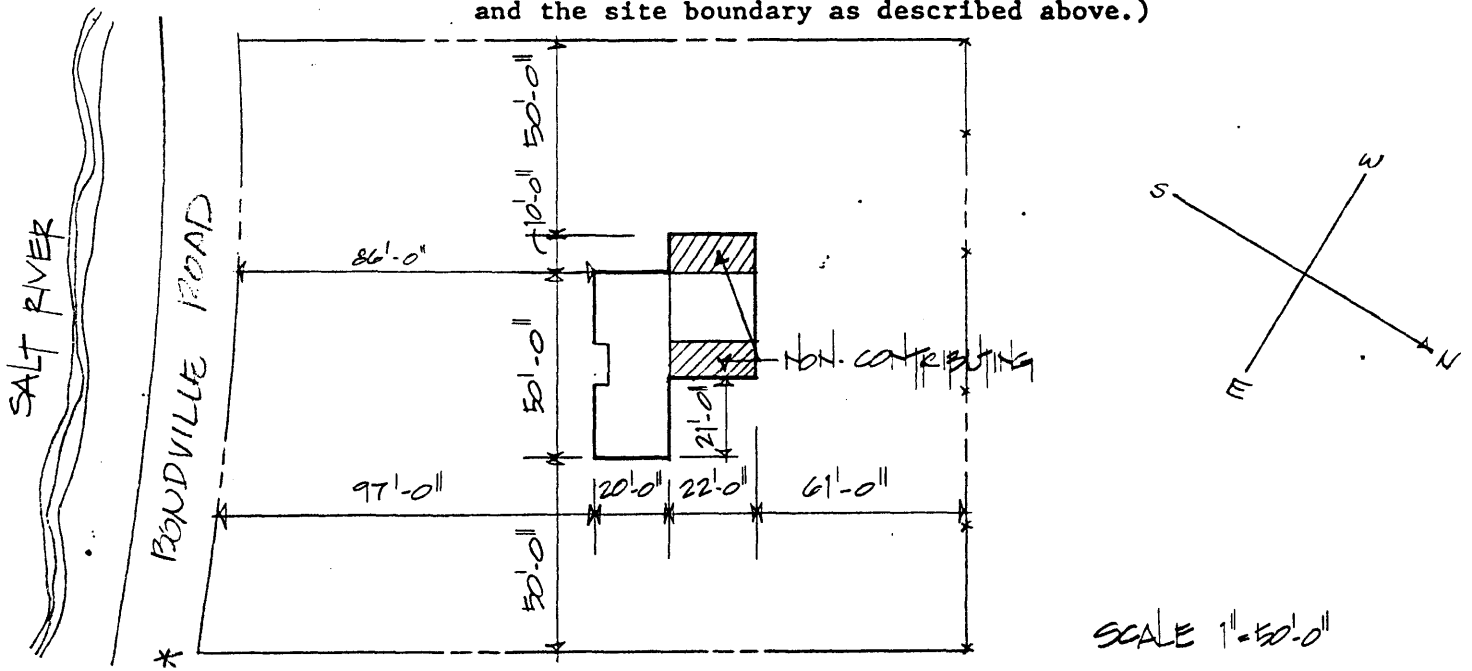
C. _____ F. _____

Verbal Boundary Description _____ Acreage .73

From a point in the north right of way of the Bondville Rd. then west 160 feet to a point; then north 189 feet to a point; then east 160 feet to a point; then south 200 feet to the point of beginning.

The point of beginning is 97 feet south and 50 feet east of the southeast corner of the building.

Sketch of Site Plan (Showing outbuildings, structures, landscape features and the site boundary as described above.)



Official Courthouse Property Reference:

POINT OF BEGINNING

Continuation Sheet: Me-163 Floyd Gritton House

Significance Statement

The Floyd Gritton House is significant under Criterion C for the period from 1860 to 1865 as an example of how builders in Mercer County chose to use elements from the Greek Revival and Gothic Revival styles to ornament single pile, central passage houses. The Greek Revival elements are visible in the recessed two-tiered doorway which is framed by sidelights. The windows are paired and elongated and the eaves ornamented by "icicle" bargeboards in reference to the Gothic Revival style.

Verbal Boundary Justification

The Bondville Road was chosen as the southeastern boundary to preserve the setback of the house. The other three boundaries were chosen arbitrarily to provide a setting for the house.

The nominated area includes one contributing building.