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National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.



### 1. Name of Property

Historic name: Outville Hay and Grain Company Building

Other names/site number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of related multiple property listing:

N/A

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

### 2. Location

Street & number: 6641 Outville Road SW

City or town: Outville State: Ohio County: Licking

Not For Publication:  Vicinity:

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

\_\_\_ national \_\_\_ statewide X local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

X A \_\_\_ B \_\_\_ C \_\_\_ D

<u>Barbara Power</u>	DSHPO for Inventory & Registration	<u>1-31-2018</u>
Signature of certifying official/Title:		Date
___ State Historic Preservation Office, Ohio History Connection _____		
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government		

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.	
_____	_____
Signature of commenting official:	Date
_____	_____
Title :	State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government


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**4. National Park Service Certification**

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:)

  
Signature of the Keeper

3-22-18  
Date of Action

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private:
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

**Category of Property**

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

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**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	sites
<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	structures
<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

COMMERCE/Specialty Store – Grain Elevator  
INDUSTRY/PROCESSING/Grain Mill           

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

COMMERCE/business  
RECREATION AND CULTURE/museum

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## 7. Description

### Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

OTHER/early 20<sup>th</sup> century industrial/agricultural \_\_\_\_\_

NO STYLE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Materials:** (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: rock-faced concrete block, metal \_\_\_\_\_

**Narrative Description** (Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

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### Summary Paragraph

The Outville Hay and Grain Company Building, a two-story rock-faced concrete block commercial building with gable roof, was built in 1921. It is located at the southeast corner of Outville Road S.W. and Walnut Street in the unincorporated village of Outville in Harrison Township, Licking County, approximately five miles east of the city of Pataskala. Other than another commercial building (at left background in photo 1), of frame construction with a standing seam metal roof, and a contemporary restaurant a little farther north, the nominated property is the only other surviving commercial building of several that once stood in Outville. Other properties in the village, all residential in character, are arranged along both sides of Outville Road, primarily north of the railroad crossing that is immediately south of the nominated property. These other buildings are of varying ages and states of preservation. The nominated property has a high degree of integrity, which is discussed in more detail below.

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## **Narrative Description**

### **Physical Context**

The long, narrow parcel on which the nominated property is located was part of the original town plat, which was prepared after the arrival in 1853 of the Central Ohio Railroad. Now operated by the Columbus & Ohio River Railroad, this an active east-west rail line running several yards south of the nominated building. Single track now, it once had three tracks, and also a spur track serving the nominated property. This last track was removed about 2010, and the other tracks were reduced to a single one over 30 years ago. During the building's use as a hay and grain operation, it had a rear addition of frame construction; this was removed in the early 1980s when the company closed. It served to expand the facility's grain-processing operations and was accompanied by exterior storage and loading bins; these are visible in a historic view of the property, and there also was a horizontal fuel storage tank. In addition, there was a small open-air coal-loading area next to the spur track. Typical of many small retail coal facilities, coal was received from the bottom hoppers of railroad cars, scooped up by a bucket loader, and piled next to the spur track. Customers used a wheelbarrow to load their coal into their trucks or wagons.

All of Outville's buildings, including a church at the north end of the village, are similar in their modest scale, orientation to Outville Road, and lack of significant architectural detail or ornamentation. Outside the village, in every direction north, south, east, and west, Outville is surrounded by active farms.

### **Exterior**

The two-story Outville Hay and Grain Company Building (photos 1 – 5 and 7, 8) has a sandstone foundation, rock-faced concrete block masonry on three exterior walls (the east – rear -- wall is smooth-faced block), and wood-framed interior walls and floors. The gable roof has wood rafters and sheathing previously covered with asphalt shingles. In 2015 a standing seam metal roof was installed on the main building and on the front awning structure, and a corrugated metal lean-to roof was installed to duplicate a missing original along the north side of the building. The original wood windows and primary doors throughout the building were replaced with new wood ones in 1993, but original opening sizes, fenestration pattern, and locations all were retained.

The front of the building (photos 1, 8, 9, 10) faces west and is three bays wide with a center door flanked by single one-over-one double-hung windows to either side, defining the first floor storefront. The window located to the right of the entrance is the larger of the two, perhaps used as more of a display window than the narrower window on the left side of the storefront. A sloped porch roof supported by three evenly spaced metal poles runs across the front of the building, providing a covering to the entrance. This roof has sawtooth-shaped tongue-and-groove siding on the ends and is older, possibly original, in all but its new roof covering. Historically a Sinclair gas pump was located along the roadside in front of the building. The two second story one-over-one double hung windows are located in the two outer bays and have plain stone sills.

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The north side of the building (photos 7, 8) has nine bays, with the first floor featuring five small fixed single sash windows alternating between three single openings with sliding wooden loading doors and a man door in the western end of the elevation. Four of the windows are set well above head height. The westernmost window is set at the level of a truck's side window and may have served as a transaction window. A raised wood loading platform with open wood steps at the west and east ends is in front of the three loading doors. As noted above, a newer wood lean-to roof supported by wood posts runs the length of this side of the building. It is a replacement – and a near duplicate, as indicated by historic photos – of an original roof of this design, intended to shelter vehicles and people while loading and unloading materials. The second story single one-over-one double hung windows are evenly spaced along the elevation.

The south elevation (photos 1 – 3) has a pattern of windows and doors on the first floor different from that of the north elevation. Here there are only three high-set windows and two sliding loading doors; at the west end is a single double-hung window lighting the south portion of the office area. The second story has four one-over-one double-hung windows.

The rear (east) elevation (photos 4, 5) is built of smooth-faced concrete block. It has a sliding door on the first floor and a centered (but plywood-infilled) single window on the second floor. Residual roofing tar and other marks show where the building's wood frame additions once were attached. Stubbed-off sheet metal piping extends from the façade in two places; these were part of the grain-moving equipment. Concrete infilling in another location indicates where other such piping may have existed prior to the addition's demolition sometime after the company closed in 1982.

### **Interior**

The interior of the building features the business office and store at the western front of the building (photos 11- 17). This space has wood floors and plaster walls and is in an L shape. One door leads to the rear portion of the building (photos 18, 19 and 21 – 24), which has a barn- or warehouse-like character. It currently has salvaged board-and-batten wall surfaces taken from a demolished 1889 Licking County barn. Wooden vents and the barn's cornerstone are also incorporated into this portion of the building. A door in the western part of the room opens into a stairway to the second floor, while a partitioned space in the east end contains a small modern kitchen (photo 20), adjacent to which is a bathroom. The second floor (photos 25 – 28) was a single open space where some of the grain mixing and bagging operations went on; the surviving wood shafts that held the belt-and-bucket elevating equipment remain in place in the east end of this space; east of them are a recently-built bathroom and closet. The floor has been finished in plywood, and the walls have been dry-walled. The original stair and railing are intact, as is the original exposed roof structure.

When all of the milling equipment was intact, the Hay and Grain would receive farmers' grain in bulk – it arrived by truck or wagon and was dumped into the in-ground hopper just outside the lean-to roof of the north side truck drive (photo 6). From here, an auger and elevating system took it to exterior storage bins until it was needed. The company provided custom grinding and

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blending of grains to meet customers' specifications; the finished product then was bagged and stored on the first floor until it was sold and shipped. Shipping could be by customers' trucks, but also, if there were more distant sales, by rail. Some shipments were bagged grain stacked in boxcars, but it could also be loaded in bulk into the same kind of cars, with reinforced paper "grain doors" across the cars' sliding steel doors to keep the lading from leaking out. After about 1970, bulk grain shipments by rail typically were in "covered hopper" cars that loaded through roof hatches and better protected the grain from moisture

### **Integrity**

The Outville Hay and Grain Company Building has lost some of its original elements, as well as its later additions, but the property conveys its historic integrity through its location, setting, design, materials, and its overall feeling and association to communicate very clearly its place in the commercial, agricultural, and social life of its community. The front porch and the north side truck drive, as well as the in-ground hopper where grain was dumped, are in place; the office area is in its original form and resembles how it would have looked when in operation; and the physical fabric of the building itself is largely intact. In addition, the chalkboard with the company's product pricing from its last day in business has been preserved (photo 17). Replacement windows and doors are appropriately designed, and features such as the various exterior sliding doors are original. The finished character of the office area and the unfinished state of the rear room, as well as the grain-handling equipment on the second floor, convey the different functions housed in each space; and the exterior arrangement of driveway and loading doors convey how the firm's customers interacted with the facility when going there to meet various needs. Its distinctive checkerboard signage has contributed to this building's status as an important visual landmark in Outville. The building's site is tidier than when trucks and freight cars and coal wagons were frequenting it, but the adjacent rail line is active, and the Hay and Grain retains its original relationship to both it and to Outville Road. Given all this, it is not very difficult to imagine back to the years when this nearly century-old building was in the peak period of its 61-year history as the commercial heart of the village of Outville.

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**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.)

- 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.
- 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 grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Commerce  
Agriculture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Period of Significance**

1921-1967  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Dates**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Person**

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

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**Cultural Affiliation**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Architect/Builder**

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**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Outville Hay and Grain Company Building is nominated under National Register Criterion A for its significance in local agriculture-based commerce during the early- to-mid twentieth century. Based in the unincorporated village of Outville, this company served the surrounding rural community from its opening in 1921 until the 1980s, its peak operation coinciding with the agricultural development and prosperity of Licking County farming from the 1920s through the post-World War II era. The nominated property is significant for its association with local commerce and agriculture. The period of significance begins in 1921 with the construction of the building and ends in 1967, at the 50-year mark for National Register eligibility. It continued to serve its original function until October 1982 when it closed. It had been owned and operated by the same family during the entire period it was in business.

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**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

### **Outville Historic Overview**

The unincorporated village of Outville is in Harrison Township, in the southwest quadrant of Licking County, Ohio. The town is a creature of the railroad, established in 1853 when the Central Ohio Railroad was completed between the state capital at Columbus, to the west, and Newark, the seat of Licking County, to the east. The railroad named this location Kirkersville Station, at the intersection of the railroad and the north/south road (now Outville Road) that led south to Kirkersville, about two miles away. At that time, Kirkersville was a small but busy community along the National Road, an important national transportation route that crossed the mid-section of Ohio. To avoid confusion between the town and the location of its railroad station, James Outcalt, a railroad agent, renamed the stop after himself. Atlas maps from both 1866 and 1875 show Outville as "Outville P.O.," indicating that it was important enough to warrant a post office, even though it was little more than a crossroads at the time. (figure 1) This is perhaps understandable because of the effect of the railroad. By the late 1850s the Central Ohio Railroad had been completed between Columbus and Bellaire, on the Ohio River. At nearby Wheeling (in Virginia at the time) it connected with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which even then was becoming one of the important trunk railroads of the eastern United States. Also in the late 1850s, the Steubenville & Indiana, which, through connecting lines, extended into Ohio from Pittsburgh, joined the Central Ohio at Newark. For more than a century after that the track through Outville to Columbus was shared by the two companies. The S&I was destined to become part of the Pennsylvania Railroad system, and the line through Outville was part of the PRR's critically important route between New York City, Pittsburgh, and St. Louis. The result was that Outville enjoyed considerably better rail service -- freight, passenger, express, and mail -- than most other communities of its size. It had a frame 1899 depot with a telegraph office and an "interlocking" tower that controlled connections between the multiple tracks in the area. These facilities were operational until the 1960s. The tower was demolished long ago; passenger service to Outville was discontinued in 1940 (but continued to other stations on this line until 1979), and the depot was then used for storage by railroad maintenance crews. The depot (NR, 1995, #95001034) was moved in 1963 to preserve it and was moved again in 1993 by the Harrison Township Trustees to township land just to the west of Outville for use as a museum and meeting venue.

Under the railroad's stimulus the area around the road crossing began to develop and by the 1880s had become a small settlement with a few houses and commercial buildings. Lyman Beecher laid out lots on the west side of Outville Road for houses and several members of the Rugg family were instrumental in the early history of the community. Elijah Rugg owned a general store, Sylvester and Nat Rugg operated a hardware store and livery, and Samuel Rugg laid out residential lots on the east side of Outville Road. Several members of the family also operated the Outville post office. From its beginnings in the nineteenth century Outville had several grain mills serving the needs of its agrarian community. An early clay product

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manufacturer southwest of the railroad provided drainage tile to area farmers seeking to improve land drainage. Burton Cain had an early feed mill on the northwest side of the railroad in the late nineteenth century, providing seed grinding and other services to local farmers. He also engaged in the livestock business for a time, shipping the stock by rail primarily to eastern markets and buyers. During the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, local farmers depended on area feed mills for their grinding, mixing, bagging, and shipping of both inbound and outbound grain.

During the period of significance, agriculture was the largest industry in Licking County, and most of the residents of Harrison Township made their living from farming. Harrison Township had a population of 1,049 in 1840 (before the railroad and the founding of Outville); the population had increased modestly to 1,329 forty years later in 1880. In 1930, Harrison Township's farming population consisted of 867 people living on 155 farms. In the 1960 census the population of Licking County was 36,928 urban residents (mainly in Newark, which had a significant industrial base) and 33,717 rural residents out in the various townships. As recently as 1997, Licking County generated \$133 million in cash receipts from agriculture, fourth in farm income behind Mercer, Darke, and Wayne counties. Not all rural folk were or are farmers, of course, but agriculture remains an important part of the county's economy. Major crops in western Licking County included, and still include, grains, corn, livestock, and orchards.

Suburban development began in Harrison Township as early as the 1950s and continues to this day. It is largely influenced by expansion from Columbus, which enjoyed high employment levels in government, insurance, education, industry, and warehousing/distribution. In addition, beginning in the 1980s the small village of Pataskala, about five miles west of Outville, began an aggressive program of suburban development that continues today. Even so, significant suburban development has not engulfed Outville, and it retains its rural village character.

### **Ralston Purina Company**

Ralston Purina began in St. Louis in 1894 as the Robinson-Danforth Commission Company. In 1898 the firm introduced a cracked-wheat cereal dubbed Ralston Whole Wheat, after Robinson-Danforth entered an agreement with health-food promoter Albert Edgerly, who called himself "Dr. Ralston." The Purina name was a blend of "pure" and "farina." In 1902 the company was renamed Ralston Purina and adopted the checkerboard design as its corporate image. By this time it was producing and marketing a line of grain-based animal feeds called "chow," the term adopted after the CEO overheard World War I soldiers referring to their rations as such. In 1921 the company began selling its feeds in easy-to-handle pelletized form. The various lines of "Purina Chow" contained beneficial supplements and were marketed as superior to the plain grains farmers were accustomed to using as feed. Over many years Ralston Purina added other product lines and diversified into other businesses, and today it is no longer a free-standing firm. Its breakfast cereals and animal feeds, however, still have a presence in their respective markets. For Ralston Purina's agricultural customers, the various feed mills, farm supply stores, and others serving the farming, poultry, and livestock industries, both the company's signage and the checkerboard-painted building façade were significant marketing tools. The Outville Hay and

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Grain Company was no exception, and its historic paint treatment has been carefully restored by the building's current owner.

### **Outville Hay and Grain Company**

The Outville Hay and Grain Company building is located on one of the parcels comprising the original town plat, completed after the arrival in 1853 of the Central Ohio Railroad. The original building on the site, a frame two story building, was owned by W. B. Drake and known as the Drake Hardware Store. This building and another one just to its north were destroyed by fire in 1920. The site of the former hardware store was purchased in 1921 by Ben H. Thomas, his brother Earl Thomas, and William Myers, who built the rock-faced block building that would become the Outville Hay and Grain Company. The business opened on October 3, 1921 and remained in business for 61 years, until October 1982, continuously owned by the Thomas family.

During the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, local farmers depended on area feed mills for their grinding, mixing, and other services these local mills provided. The "Hay & Grain," as it was locally known, provided grain grinding and mixing services and sold fertilizer, coal, paint, building materials, hardware, John Deere farm equipment, gates, fencing and also – most importantly in regard to the appearance of the building – the animal feed products of the Ralston Purina Company. The distinctive "checkerboard" design painted on the front area of the building arose from the Hay and Grain's association with that firm. (figure 2)

Throughout its history the Outville Hay and Grain Company served the varied needs of the local agricultural community and became an informal community center among its customers. For example, the "liars' bench," as it was known locally, was sheltered under the front porch and was a gathering place which facilitated socializing among farmers and others visiting the business. The store also sponsored community activities and had a weekly column in the local newspaper. (figure 3)

The informal gathering place and the business's sponsorship activities were important aspects of maintaining a "sense of community" in a rural agricultural area. The Outville Hay and Grain name appears in a historic photograph (figure 4) on the cover of *The Furrow*, which was published by John Deere and distributed by Outville Hay and Grain to its customers. "*The Furrow*'s first issue was printed in 1895, and its popularity quickly snowballed; circulation grew to reach more than 4 million consumers at its peak in 1912. Today, the magazine reaches about 570,000 consumers in the U.S. and Canada, and about 2 million globally, through the same legacy network of John Deere dealers that distributed the original magazine."<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [www.contently.com](http://www.contently.com) Gardiner, Kate. "The Story Behind 'The Furrow', the World's Oldest Content Marketing.

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Outville Hay and Grain closed in 1982, probably due to several factors, including changes in the size of farms and the retailing of farm-related necessities. Big-box retail companies such as Tractor Supply and Rural King, for example sell much of what is needed on a farm, while the expanded use of large farm equipment has led to regional dealerships that sell and lease equipment to farmers. Residential subdivision development in Harrison Township has led to the reduction in the number of farms and farm acreage, even though most of the subdivisions are located along U.S. Route 40 (the old National Road) in Kirkersville and Pataskala. A few subdivisions are located near Outville. The 2010 population of Harrison Township was 7,561, with the vast majority commuting to jobs elsewhere with a median commuting time of 30 minutes.<sup>2</sup>

The nominated building was purchased and renovated by Doug and Helen Smith in 1994. Today the building houses the offices of Doug Smith Realty & Auction Co. with the entire rear portion of the building devoted to a museum focused on southwestern Licking County and illustrating the agriculture, milling, and railroad history of the area. Although the collection is not part of the architecture, it does help to convey an association with the building's historic use.

### **Summary**

The Outville Hay and Grain Company building is an excellent and well-preserved example of an agriculture-related business that used to be quite common in small rural communities. The business served its rural farm base of customers by providing both needed products and services and as an informal social and community center for its customers. The building is a visual landmark – as the largest and most substantial commercial building in Outville and for its distinctive checkerboard painted signage on the building exterior. The building is in active use and has been preserved under the stewardship of the current owners.

The Outville Hay and Grain Company Building retains a high level of all seven aspects of integrity: it is on its original site and retains its physical association with the village of Outville; its original design, despite removal of later grain-processing additions and other operational elements on the site, remains intact on its interior and exterior; its setting, the village of Outville, retains its original modest scale and rural character; nearly all of the building's original character-defining materials and features remain intact and in place; its level of workmanship is expressed in its concrete block walls, its painted signage, its wood interior structure and finishes, and some remaining grain-processing elements; it still strongly evokes the character and feeling of a small town commercial and social venue, particularly with the continuation of the tradition of the "liars' bench" out front; and its association with the long agricultural life and economy of the village and the surrounding township is strongly communicated by the building.

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<sup>2</sup> Licking County Planning Commission. *2010 Census Fact Sheet for Harrison Township*.

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**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 # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
  - Other State agency
  - Federal agency
  - Local government
  - University
  - Other
- Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreage of Property** less than one (0.0689 acres)  
Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

**Latitude/Longitude Coordinates**

Datum if other than WGS84: \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

- |              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| 1. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 2. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 4. Latitude: | Longitude: |

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**UTM References**

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or  NAD 1983

- |             |                 |                   |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Zone: 17 | Easting: 363715 | Northing: 4428144 |
| 2. Zone:    | Easting:        | Northing:         |
| 3. Zone:    | Easting:        | Northing:         |
| 4. Zone:    | Easting :       | Northing:         |

**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Parcel Number 20050224005470 in the unincorporated village of Outville, Harrison Township, Licking County, Ohio.

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundary includes the entire parcel historically associated with the nominated property.

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**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title: \_\_ Doug Smith, property owner and Jeff Darbee and Nancy Recchie/consultants  
organization: \_ Benjamin D. Rickey & Co. \_\_\_\_\_  
street & number: \_\_ 382 East Town Street \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town: \_\_ Columbus \_\_\_\_\_ state: \_\_ Ohio \_\_ zip code: \_\_ 43215 \_\_  
e-mail \_\_ nrecchie@gmail.com \_\_\_\_\_  
telephone: \_\_ 614-582-8268 \_\_\_\_\_  
date: \_\_ July 29, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:



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Name of Property

Licking County, OH  
County and State

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

### Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

### Photo Log

Name of Property: Outville Hay and Grain Company Building

City or Vicinity: Outville, Harrison Township

County: Licking

State: Ohio

Photographer: Jeffrey Darbee (Benjamin D. Rickey & Co.)

Date Photographed: May, 2017

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

- 1) Northeast view showing main (west) elevation at left, south elevation at right.
- 2) Eastward view along south ("railroad side") elevation, showing freight doors used in shipping/receiving products.
- 3) Closer view, to northwest, showing freight doors on "railroad" side of building.
- 4) West view of east elevation; this elevation is smooth-faced concrete block, with evidence of now-removed frame additions.
- 5) West view showing east (left) and north (right) elevations. This is the "truck" side of the building.
- 6) West view of grain-receiving hopper located just east of north elevation canopy over the truck drive.

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- 7) Southwest view showing reconstructed canopy along north elevation. Canopy and platform serving three loading doors facilitated customer receipt and delivery of various products.
- 8) Southeast view showing north (left) and west (right) elevations.
- 9) Southeast view of restored Purina "Checkerboard" corporate identity scheme typical of locations selling Ralston Purina Company products.
- 10) Main (west) elevation showing bench that served a critical social function in this small community.
- 11) First floor, south view in office area at front (west) end of building.
- 12) West view in office. This and the rest of the first floor serve both as the owner's business office and as a private museum.
- 13) North view across office from its south end. Door at right leads into rear room.
- 14) East view toward raised office area extension. Enclosure of stairs to second floor (photo 25) is at right.
- 15) Southeast view from main office into east extension.
- 16) West view from office extension into main office area.
- 17) Chalkboard with various product prices at the time the Hay & Grain Company ceased operating in 1982.
- 18) First floor, rear room, east view along north wall.
- 19) North view, first floor; doorway leads into kitchen area.
- 20) East view into added kitchen, first floor.
- 21) West view, first floor, along north wall back toward office area. Wood floor is original.
- 22) Detail of north wall and partial view of ceiling structure. Note roof of canopy over truck drive outside window.
- 23) West view, first floor, looking along south wall of building. Doorway in background leads to stairs to second floor.
- 24) Farm gate once was among products sold by Hay & Grain Company; view also shows detail of board-and-batten interior siding.
- 25) West view from first floor upstairs to second floor. West wall of building visible at top of stairs.
- 26) East view along south wall, second floor, looking down stairs to first floor.
- 27) East view of second floor, looking west toward west wall of building. Drywall was added at some point in past; stair to first floor visible at left center. Insulation has been laid on (but not attached to) floor to avoid heat loss on first floor; original wood floor has been replaced by plywood.
- 28) Second floor, east view near east end of building, showing surviving elements of grain elevator system

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Figure 1. Harrison Township from an 1875 atlas of Licking County, Ohio by L. H. Everts. Outville P.O. is located directly north of Kirkersville along the railroad tracks that bisect the township from east to west.

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Figure 2. This painting of the nominated building was created in the 1930s by Gwendolyn Graves, a resident of the village of Granville in Granville Township, Licking County. Note the checkerboard painting and the bench in front of the store – both were distinctive characteristics of this important business and informal social meeting place.

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Figure 3. Outville Hay & Grain Co., 1927. *The Furrow* was a popular publication, published by John Deere and distributed through John Deere retailers to local customers.

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Figure 4. This undated historic photo shows farm equipment with the Outville Hay & Grain Co. name on the side.

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Figure 5. This undated advertising piece shows the diversity of products sold by the Outville Hay & Grain Co. It clearly addressed the multiple needs of the local rural farm population.

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Figure 6. This farm field gate has "sold by Outville Hay & Grain Company, Outville, Ohio" painted on it as a form of advertising.



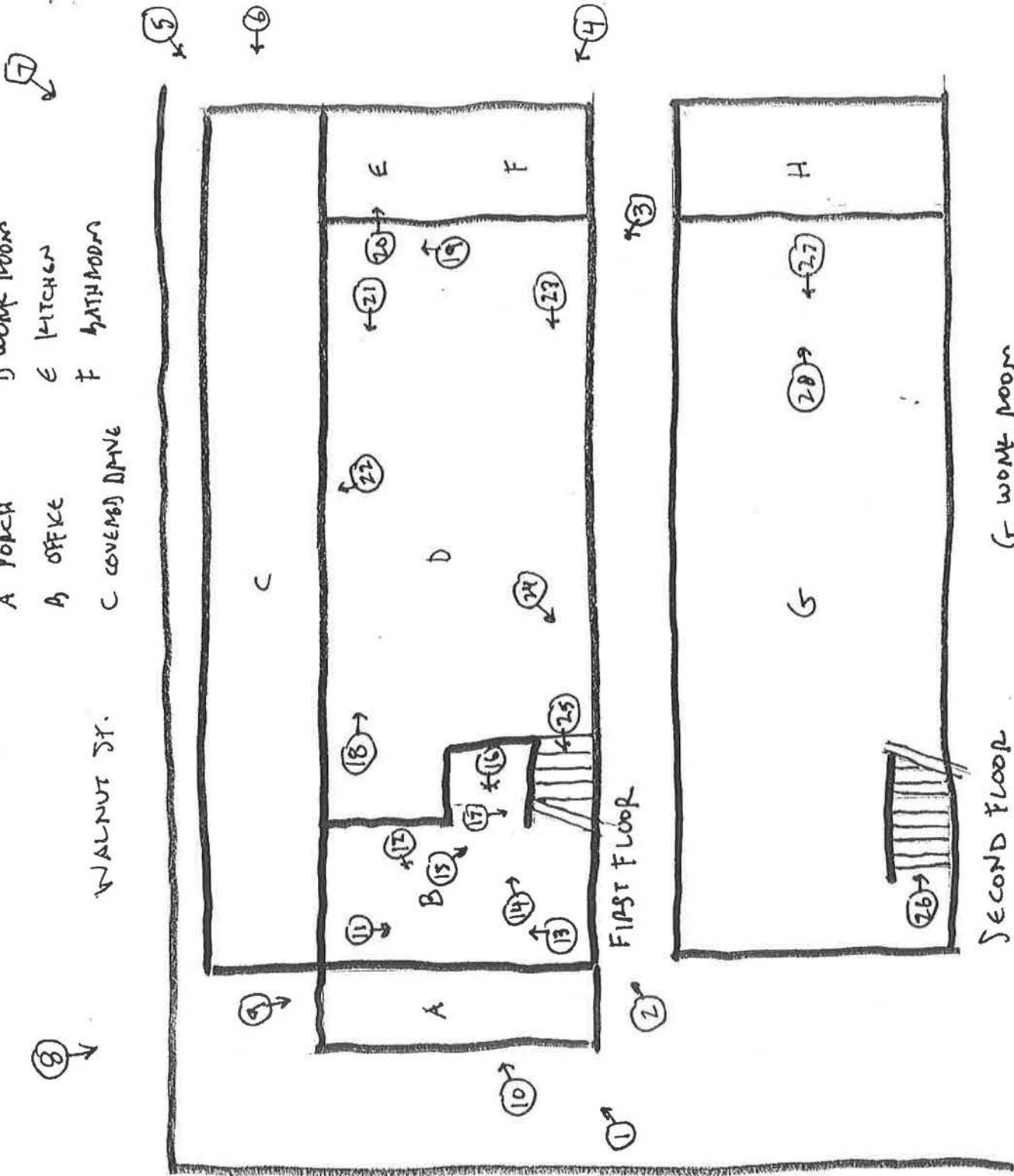
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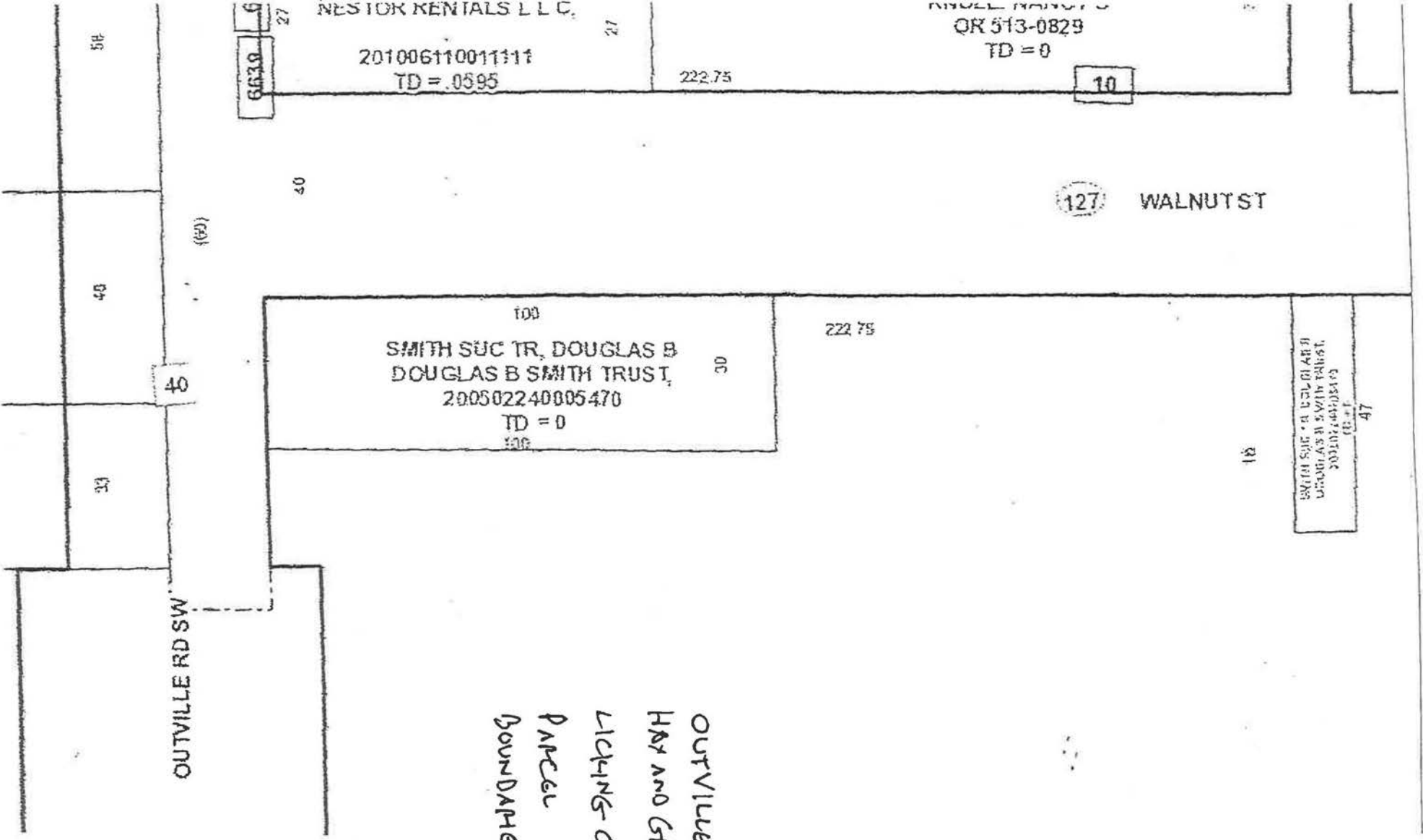
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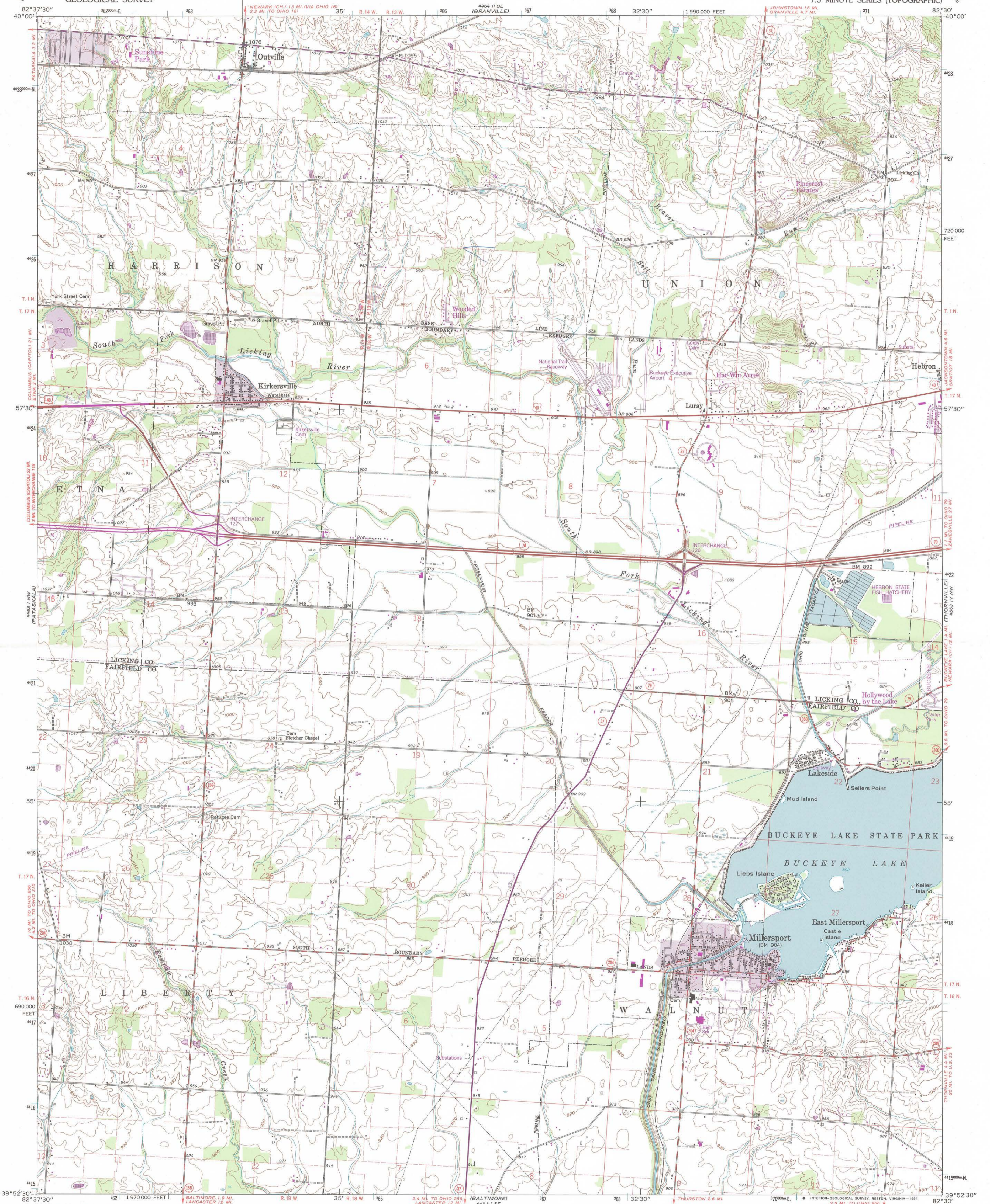
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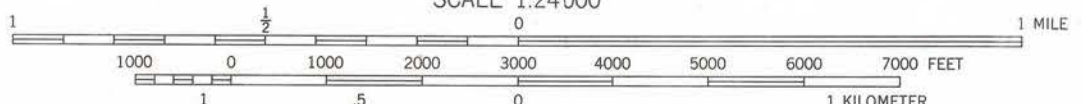
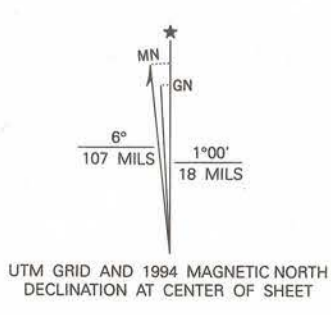
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BUILDING MATERIAL

**PURINA CHOWS**  
RALPH PURINA COMPANY

**We Sell  
PURINA CHOWS**

**PUBLIC SALE**  
TUESDAY, OCT. 1

**PUBLIC SALE**  
TUESDAY, OCT. 1

**FINCK'S**  
OVERBELLS

**\$500 Charge**  
for Whiskey

**WHISKEY FREE**

**OUTVILLE HAY & GRAIN CO.**  
HAY - GRAIN - FEED - COAL  
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BUILDING MATERIAL



PURINA CHOWS  
HEALTHY POLAR COMPANY

FINCKS  
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500 VILLAGE  
WAX & GRAIN CO



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DOUG SMITH  
MAYOR



WINTER'S CO.  
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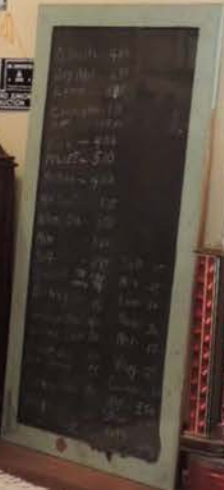
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SINCLAIR REFINING COMPANY

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Rock Pdt	-	.60	Crumbles .60
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COTTAGE CREAMERY &

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Davis' ICE CREAM

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STANDARD



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WESTERN UNION  
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CREAM STATION  
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ICE CREAM  
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NEVER-SAG GATES

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OUTVILLE HAY & GRAIN CO.

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Property Name:

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Reference number:

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Reason For Review:

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Telephone  Date

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

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The following materials are submitted on January 31, 2018  
For nomination of the Outville Hay & Grain to the National Register of  
Historic Places: Co., Licking County, OH

- Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form  
 Paper  PDF
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- Piece(s) of correspondence  
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- Other \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:

- Please provide a substantive review of this nomination
- This property has been certified under 36 CFR 67
- The enclosed owner objection(s) do \_\_\_\_\_ do not \_\_\_\_\_  
Constitute a majority of property owners
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_



January 31, 2018

J. Paul Loether, Deputy Keeper and Chief, National Register  
and National Historic Landmark Programs  
National Park Service  
National Register of Historic Places  
Mail Stop 7228  
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Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Loether:

Enclosed please find two (2) new National Register nominations for Ohio. All appropriate notification procedures have been followed for the new nomination submission.

NEW NOMINATION


Jersey Independent Order of Odd Fellows Hall  
Outville Hay and Grain Company Building

COUNTY

Licking  
Licking

If you have questions or comments about these documents, please contact the National Register staff in the State Historic Preservation Office at (614) 298-2000.

Sincerely,

*for*   
Lox A. Logan, Jr.  
Executive Director and CEO  
State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures