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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Columbiana County Infirmary

AND/OR COMMON  
Columbiana County Home**2 LOCATION**STREET & NUMBER  
County Home Road

CITY, TOWN

Lisbon

STATE  
Ohio VICINITY OF  
CODE  
039 NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

18th Douglas Applegate

COUNTY

Columbiana

CODE

029

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

 DISTRICT BUILDING(S) STRUCTURE SITE OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

 PUBLIC PRIVATE BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

 IN PROCESS BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

 OCCUPIED UNOCCUPIED WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

 YES: RESTRICTED YES: UNRESTRICTED NO

## PRESENT USE

 AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PRIVATE RESIDENCE RELIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC TRANSPORTATION OTHER: vacant**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**NAME  
Columbiana County Commissioners

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Lisbon

 VICINITY OF

STATE

Ohio

44432

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. County Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Market Street

CITY, TOWN

Lisbon

STATE

Ohio

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**TITLE  
None

DATE

 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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

The Columbiana County Infirmary is a complex of four brick buildings, three of which flank three sides of a grassy rectangular courtyard on the side of a slight elevation. A county road is at the base of the elevation and a fourth building, the power house, is located across the road from this grouping.

The northernmost building surrounding the courtyard, the superintendent's house, was probably built about 1845 although the county histories and commissioners journals are unclear as to the exact date of construction.

It is a 2 1/2 story brick building laid in common bond upon a cut stone foundation and full basement. The house has a gable slate roof and a 6 bay facade measuring 52 feet and 3 bay side elevations measuring 32 feet. The windows are 6/6 double hung sash throughout and have stone lug sills and flat lintels. A single story wooden porch supported with square columns and a concrete block foundation extends across the facade and covers the main entrance recessed within sidelights and a transom. A metal fire escape reaches to the 2nd floor level on the eastern elevation and there are doorways at the first floor level at the rear and western side elevation.

The main building or men's dormitory as it is now known forms the western side of the courtyard. Built in 1861, it is a T-shaped three-story masonry building with the first level in stone and the upper two in brick. It has a gabled slate roof and a single metal ventilator shaft in the center of the roof. The 100' wide facade features a simple, open two-story veranda and is regularly pierced with 6/6 double hung windows with plain stone sills and lintels.

The southernmost building around the courtyard is "the insane building" or women's dormitory built in 1873. It is a 60' by 40' two-story brick building constructed on a full cut stone basement. It has a gabled slate roof with two metal ventilator shafts in the peak. The gable end facade which faces the county road has an open two-story wooden porch. The side elevations have been stuccoed although portions of this covering have fallen off.

Across the road from the insane building is a functionally designed two-story boiler built in 1880. It has regularly spaced segmental arched 2/2 windows and a asphalt shingle covered hipped roof. A 45 foot square smokestack is at the southern end of the boiler. The boiler is still operable to heat the complex with steam.

The boundaries are drawn to include only these four structures and a small stone underground storage building adjacent to the main building. Other buildings are on the grounds but are too recent to meet the criteria nor do they have architectural significance. The original turn-of-the-century barn exists to the west of the nominated complex but is visually unrelated and has been surrounded with contemporary structures connected with the county dog kennel that have adversely affected its integrity.

# 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Since the organization of the earliest counties in the state the county governments have felt compelled to provide for their indigent and mentally ill populace. This resulted in the construction of "poor houses" and infirmaries. Few counties in the state however, have the excellent complex at the Columbiana County Infirmery. These four masonry buildings surrounding a grassy courtyard constitutes an attractive and impressive 19th century grouping. While they are not constructed in any identifiable architectural style, these buildings illustrate the utilitarian vernacular forms common to institutional structures erected in the 19th century.

The Columbiana County Commissioners, like many others in the state, considered farm labor to be the most therapeutic environment for the county's indigent and mentally ill population. As a consequence, in 1829 they purchased a 200 acre farm several miles west of Lisbon. There was apparently a braced frame structure on the farm which was rehabilitated and a new "poor house" was constructed. About 1845 these buildings were replaced by the present superintendent's house. In 1861 the large T-shaped building which forms the western side of the complex was constructed and an additional 133 acres was purchased. By 1872 this arrangement was found to be inadequate and "an institution of wider scope" was developed to care for the "infirm and unfortunate" of the county. This included the renovation of the superintendent's house and the construction of the insane building on the southern edge of the complex. These Infirmery buildings were painted red and reportedly made an attractive contrast to the large white frame barn to the rear of the grouping. The steam heating plant across the road from the insane building was constructed in 1880.

The population of the Infirmery was generally over 100 and included a majority of indigents and a far smaller percentage of "insane," "epileptic," and "idiotic." At the turn of the century, a Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Riddle served as the superintendent and matron. They supervised the cultivation of hay, wheat, and all the vegetables utilized at the Infirmery. The 1905 county history noted with pleasure that the population of the Infirmery had decreased between 1880 and 1905 which was attributed to the "enhanced conditions of health, industry and prosperity throughout the county."

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Atlas of Surveys of Columbiana County, Ohio. Philadelphia: A.H. Mueller, 1902.  
 History of Columbiana County, Ohio. Philadelphia: D.W. Ensign & Co., 1879.  
 William McCord. History of Columbiana County, Ohio and Representative Citizens. Chicago: Biographical Publishing Company, 1905.

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Approximately one and 1/2

QUADRANGLE NAME Lisbon QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A	1 7	5 1 4 4 8 0	4 5 1 3 8 8 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION Beginning at the point where the eastern edge of the Infirmary driveway meets the County Road Road, proceed along the southern edge of the Road approximately 150'; then go northeast 150 feet to a stream; then go southeast along the stream 100'; then go southwest across County Home Road to the Infirmary driveway approximately 400'; then follow

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES the eastern edge of the drive around the Superintendent's House to the place of beginning

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

David A. Simmons

ORGANIZATION

Ohio Historic Preservation Office

DATE

3/79

STREET & NUMBER

I 71 & 17th Avenue

TELEPHONE

614-466-1500

CITY OR TOWN

Columbus

STATE

Ohio

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

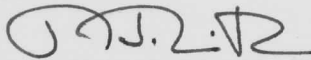
NATIONAL

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



4/24/79

TITLE

DATE

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

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 6-20-79

ATTEST: William H. Abraham  
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE 6-19-79

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Columbiana County Infirmary, Lisbon Vicinity, Columbiana County, Ohio

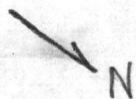
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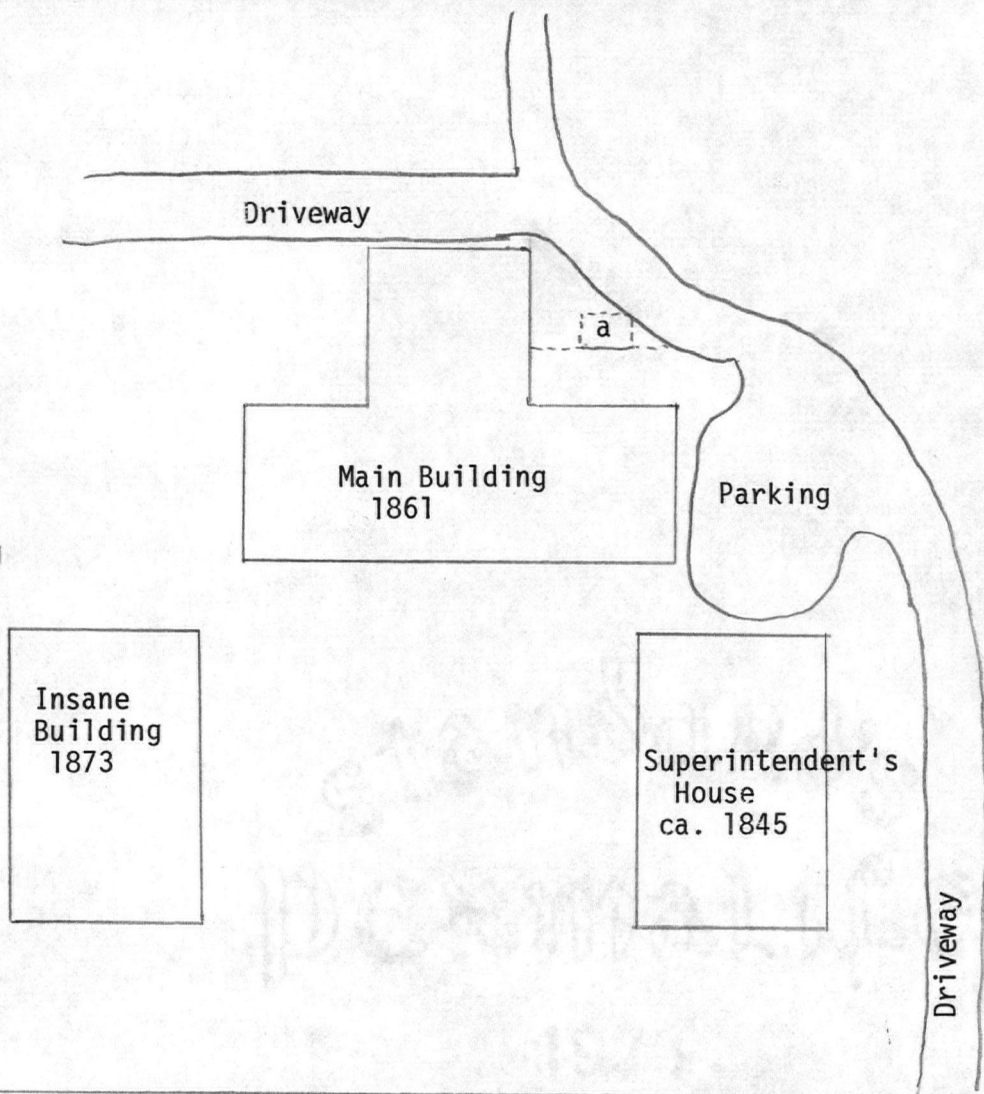
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SITE MAP

(Not to scale)



a = Underground Building



County Home Road (C.R.412)

Boiler

1880

Property

*Columbiana County Infirmary*

State

*OH. (Columbiana)*

Working Number

*5.7.79.958*

**TECHNICAL**

Photos

*5*

Maps

*1*

**CONTROL**

*OK <sup>pl</sup> 5.8.79*

**HISTORIAN**

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

*Currently vacant structures. ~~are~~  
formerly utilized as up on house - farm -  
significant for county care - facility for  
infirm, insane, etc. Architectural  
significance is not addressed.*

*accept  
Brabham  
6.19.79*

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

**OTHER**

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

*accept  
Brabham  
6.19.79*

**BRANCH CHIEF**

**KEEPER**

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

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Federal Register Entry

*7-3-79*

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_



Columbiana County Infirmary, Lisbon Vicinity,  
Columbiana County, Ohio

Photographer: David Simmons, 3/79  
Negatives: Ohio Historic Preservation Office

View of underground storage facility from north

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Columbiana County Infirmary, Lisbon Vicinity,  
Columbiana County, Ohio

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View of complex from north with boiler on left

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View of western or rear elevation of Main Bldg

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Columbiana County Infirmary, Lisbon Vicinity,  
Columbiana County, Ohio

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View taken from north of Infirmary complex

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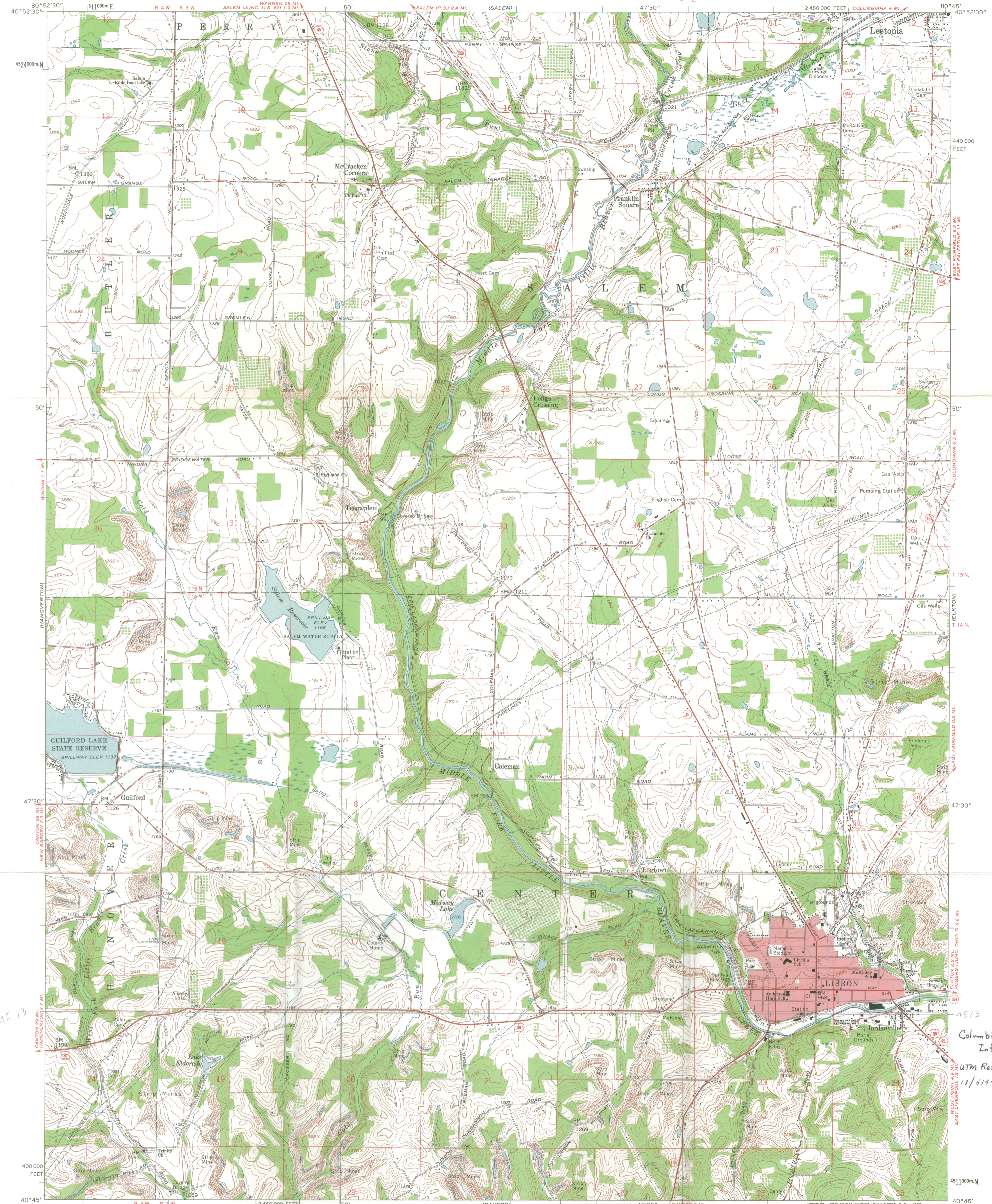
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View taken from northeast showing Main Building  
and Insane Building

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Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs  
taken 1958. Field checked 1960

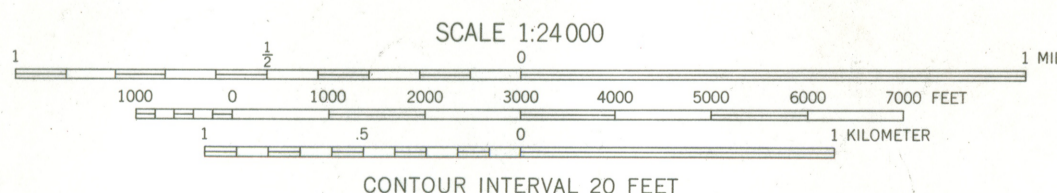
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Ohio coordinate system, north zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
zone 17, shown in blue

Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where  
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked

Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown

Entire area lies within Congress Lands north of the Old Seven Ranges  
Land lines based on the Ohio River Base

TRUE NORTH  
APPROXIMATE MEAN  
DECLINATION, 1960



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

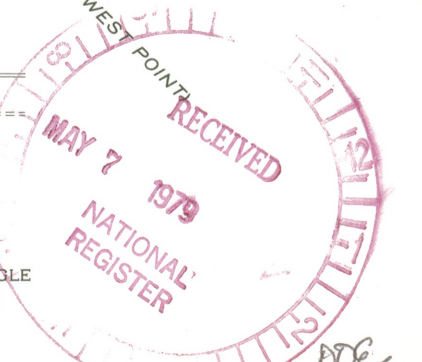


ROAD CLASSIFICATION	
Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route

LISBON, OHIO  
SE 1/4 LISBON 15' QUADRANGLE  
N4045-W8045/7.5

1960

Columbiana County  
Infirmary  
UTM Reference  
17/51480/4513880



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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

OHIO

STATE

Date Entered JUN 20 1979

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Gantz Homestead	Grove City vicinity Franklin County
Columbiana County Infirmery	Lisbon vicinity Columbiana County
Williams, Abner, Log House	Lashley vicinity Noble County
St. James Episcopal Church	Boardman Mahoning County
Lay, Samuel, House	Olmsted Falls Cuyahoga County

Also Notified

Honorable Howard M. Metzenbaum

Honorable John H. Glenn, Jr.  
Honorable Tennyson Guyer  
Honorable Delbert L. Latta  
Honorable William H. Harsha  
Honorable Chalmers P. Wylie  
Honorable Douglas Applegate  
Honorable Lyle Williams  
Honorable Ronald M. Mottl

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Dr. Thomas H. Smith  
Director  
The Ohio Historical Society  
Interstate 71 at 17th Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

6/25/79

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

OHIO

STATE

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Cory, Ambrose, House	Fostoria Seneca County
Leipsic City Hall	Leipsic Putnam County
Fort Ball-Railroad Area Historic District	Tiffin Seneca County
Doan House	Wilmington Clinton County
Tanglewood	Chillicothe County
Rombach Place	Wilmington Clinton County

Also Notified