567 E. Hudson St. Columbus, OH 43211 614/298-2000

## OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

RPR Number:

1. No. <b>BUT-00195-01</b> REV	4. Present Name(s) Lottie Moon House		BUT-0019 5-01
2. County <b>Butler</b>	5. Historic or Other Name(s) Lottie Moon House, Ric	chey House	1 019
6. Specific Address or Location  220 East High Street	19a. Design Sources	35. Plan Shape <b>L-shaped</b>	2. County Butler
•	20. Contractor or Builder	36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates:	Te unity
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number	21. Building Type or Plan Four-over-Four	17. Original/Most significant construct	
7. City or Village Oxford	22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling	37. Window Type(s) Modern Replacements	<u>ا</u> ا
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oxford 16 694474 43756	23. Present Use UNKNOWN USE	38. Building Dimensions	resent or H
Zone Easting Northin  10. Classification: Building	24. Ownership <b>Public</b> 25. Owner's Name & Address, if known	39. Endangered? NO  By What?	4. Present or Historic Name(s)  Lottie Moon House
11. On National Register? NO	Miami University Oxford, Ohio 45056	40. Chimney Placement  Off center within roof surface	<b>e</b> e(s)
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO 15. Other Designation (NR or Local)	26. Property Acreage 27. Other Surveys	41. Distance from & Frontage on Road 60 feet and 78.6 feet 51. Condition of Property:	
16. Thematic Associations: Civil War	28. No. of Stories  Two story  29. Basement? Yes  30. Foundation Material	Excellent  52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies Structure Type	
17. Date(s) or Period 17b. Alter  1831  18. Style Class and Design	Ashlar Stone, w/no water table ation Date(s) 31. Wall Construction Brick bearing	Date	
Element Greek Revival Element Italianate	32. Roof Type  Truncated hip  Roof Material	Associated Activity	
18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)	Asphalt shingle  33. No. of Bays  3 Side Bays	5 53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers: Historic (OHI)	
19. Architect or Engineer	34. Exterior Wall Material(s)  Common or American bond	Archaeological (OAI)	

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)

This house is 2 stories, with a hipped roof and broadly projecting eaves and wide frieze board. Constructed of brick (painted), it has three bays on the facade, with a trabeated central entrance with transom and sidelights. First floor windows are taller than those on the second floor. Across the front is a porch with Italianate character, a later addition. It has brackets at the eaves and an unusual carved arch design at the entrance. Side elevations are plain. There is a dormer on the west side.

43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)

This building is best known as the home of Lottie (Charlotte) and Virginia Moon, both of whom were reputed to be Confederate spies. Lottie is the more infamous of the two, and numerous stories about her colorful and spitfire behavior exist in Oxford history. Her wedding fiascos and spy adventures are told in Ophia Smith's book, Old Oxford Houses. Sympathetic to the Southern cause, Lottie and her husband agreed to help transmit messages useful to Confederates through Cincinnati in an effort to get Kentucky to repel the northerners, according to Smith. Other occupants of the house include Miami president John W. Hall and then the Richey family (Sutton Clay and Lorella Rusk Richey). It was acquired by Miami University in 1986.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)

The house occupies a corner location on High Street directly north of the Miami campus. It sits among other residential structures owned by the university, including the president's house (Lewis Place) two doors away. Across the front of the property is a wrought iron fence with a gate and two limestone bollards at the front walk. The lion's head on the gate is said to have been made by S. C. Richey.

45. Sources of Information

Smith, Ophia, Old Oxford Houses; Tatnall, Carrie, Ohio Historic Inventory Form, 1999; The Miami Student, 'House of Confederate Spy Remains Standing in Oxford,' March 30, 1962.

46. Prepared By: **Judy** 49. PIR Reviewer:

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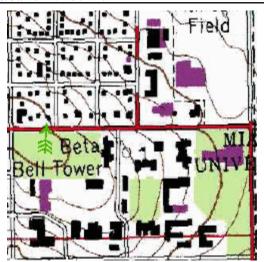
48. Date Recorded: **04/13/2009** 

50. PIR Review Date:

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8. Site Plan with North Arrow



54. Farmstead Plan:

Door Selection:

Single centered

Door Position:

Flush

Orientation:

Lateral axis

Symmetry:

Bilateral symmetry

Report Associated With Project:

NADB #:





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