



# OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

RPR Number:

1. No. <b>BUT-02019-01</b> REV		4. Present Name(s) <b>Robertson Hall</b>		9-01 BUT-0201
2. County <b>Butler</b>		5. Historic or Other Name(s) <b>Robertson Laboratory</b>		
6. Specific Address or Location <b>520 East Spring Street</b>		19a. Design Sources		2. County Butler
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number		20. Contractor or Builder		
7. City or Village <b>Oxford</b>		21. Building Type or Plan <b>Other Building Type</b>		4. Present or Historic Name(s) Robertson Hall
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: <b>Oxford</b> <b>16 694803 4375373</b> Zone Easting Northing		22. Original Use, if apparent <b>College/University STORAGE</b>		
10. Classification: <b>Building</b>		23. Present Use <b>College/University</b>		35. Plan Shape <b>Rectangular</b>
11. On National Register? <b>NO</b>		24. Ownership <b>Public</b>		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? <b>NO</b>		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known <b>Miami University</b> <b>Oxford, Ohio 45056</b>		36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. <b>Original/Most significant construct</b> 17b. 37. Window Type(s) <b>8 over 8</b> <b>4 over 4</b>
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		26. Property Acreage		
16. Thematic Associations: <b>University</b>		27. Other Surveys		38. Building Dimensions
17. Date(s) or Period <b>1916</b>		28. No. of Stories <b>Two story</b>		
18. Style Class and Design <b>Element Neo-Classical Revival</b>		29. Basement? <b>Yes</b>		39. Endangered? <b>NO</b> By What?
18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)		30. Foundation Material <b>Unknown</b>		
19. Architect or Engineer <b>Frank L. Packard</b>		31. Wall Construction <b>Brick bearing</b>		40. Chimney Placement <b>No chimney observed</b>
		32. Roof Type <b>Flat</b> Roof Material <b>Built-up (tar paper, membrane, graveled)</b>		
		33. No. of Bays <b>3</b> Side Bays <b>6</b>		41. Distance from & Frontage on Road
		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) <b>Stretcher or running bond</b>		
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)				
<p>This small building is two stories high with a raised basement. The north elevation has three bays on first and second floors, with a center entry door with fluted pilasters and entablature surround. Windows are 8-over-8 sash on the second floor and 4-over-4 sash on the first. The only other decorative feature on the facade is a soldier brick beltcourse above the second story windows. A full porch occupies the south elevation. It has four round columns supporting the flat roof. In the center of the brick base is a diamond-shaped stone accent. Robertson Hall is attached to Kreger Hall to its west by a small 1-story enclosed breezeway.</p>				
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)				
<p>Robertson Hall was originally built in 1916 to house the carpenter shop and storage rooms for supplies and food. Designed by Columbus architect Frank L. Packard, the building was built at a cost of \$15,000. With the opening of a separate Food Service Building in 1933, this building was used as a central maintenance facility. That use was also discontinued after a new Service and Stores Building was constructed on the campus in 1958. This building was remodeled in 1960 for use as a laboratory for the university's pulp and paper technology program. It was named for Reuben B. Robertson, Jr., a member of the MU Board of Trustees 1957-60, former deputy secretary of defense, and president of the Champion Paper and Fiber Company in Hamilton, Ohio.</p>				
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)				
<p>The building sits on the south side of Miami University's central quadrangle, with the Hub at its center. It is immediately adjacent to Kreger Hall.</p>				
45. Sources of Information				
<p>Flintermann, Peter, Miami Buildings Past and Present, 1966; MU Physical Facilities, Building Information, 2005; Miami University Archives, building files; Tatnall, Carrie, Ohio Historic Inventory Form, 1999.</p>				
46. Prepared By: <b>Judy Williams</b>		47. Organization: <b>Historic Preservation Consultant</b>		6. Specific Address or Location <b>520 East Spring Street</b>
49. PIR Reviewer:		48. Date Recorded: <b>07/30/2008</b>		
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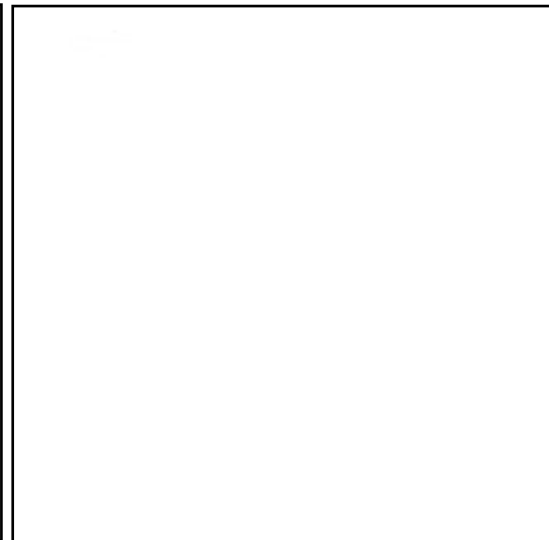
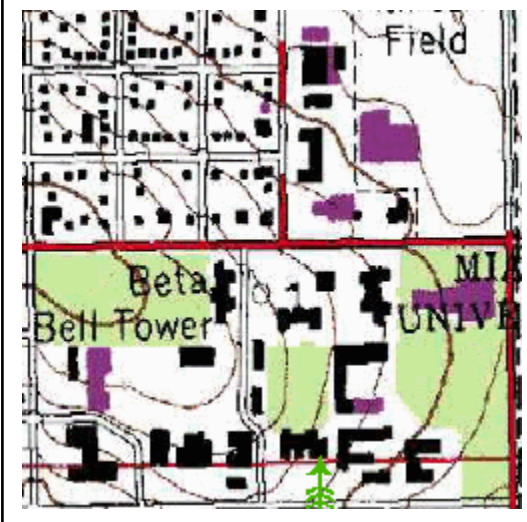
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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan :



Door Selection:  
**Single centered**

Door Position:  
**Flush**

Orientation:  
**Gable end axis**

Symmetry:  
**Bilateral symmetry**

Report Associated With Project:

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