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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name N/A
other names/site number West Third Street Historic District

2. Location

street & number W. Third St. between Shannon St. and Broadway N/A not for publication
city, town Dayton N/A vicinity
state Ohio code OH county Montgomery code 113 zip code 45407

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<u>28</u>	<u>4</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>28</u>	<u>4</u> objects
			<u> </u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: N/A
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 1

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official W. Ray Juce Date 12/8/88
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State or Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE/TRADE - business

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE/TRADE - business

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Romanesque

Classical Revival

foundation stonewalls brickstoneroof asphalt

other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The West Third Street Historic District is a commercial district of two and three story brick buildings built between 1885 and 1924. The buildings have stores on the ground level with offices and apartments above. The facades are made primarily of brick, with stone and metal trim. The one stone facade belongs to a Neo-classical Revival bank building at 1154 West Third Street (photo 11). Styles are wide ranging from the outstanding High Victorian Italianate Walters Block at 1120 West Third Street (photo 10), through turn-of-the-century Italianate (photo 12) and commercial Romanesque Revival (photo 6), to the Neo-classical Revival theater and bank building (photos 3 & 11). The district is linear, only three blocks long. There is a short extension south on Williams Street that encompasses the historically related Wright Cycle Company building built in 1886 (NR: 2-13-86), and four residential structures that help convey the area's context. The district is surrounded by blighted residential lots heavily impacted by demolition. Located only ten blocks from the center of the city it was one of Dayton's earliest streetcar suburbs (1869). While the district has suffered demolition it fully conveys its character as an early suburban streetcar commercial block that evolved at the turn of the century.

Third Street is the city's main east-west thoroughfare. East of the river on Third Street is an Urban Renewal area that was once one of the most prestigious residential locations in Dayton. It is now a widely spaced starkly modern area, encompassing the urban campus of Sinclair Community College and the Montgomery County Administration Building both designed by Edward Durrell Stone. Near the district across the Great Miami River bridge is an area of extensive demolition and several industrial buildings. The center of the city is clearly visible from the edge of the district.

The first building at the southeast end of the district is the Gem City Ice Cream Building, an industrial building at 1005 West Third Street (photo 1). The present facade dates to 1914. The building actually consists of a series of additions wrapped around the structure (right center bay) that housed the first Wright bicycle shop in 1893. Gem City Ice Cream was the first manufactured ice cream in Dayton. On the opposite side of the street (south side) is the unique Mediterranean style three story building of 1914 (photo 4) that housed Dr. Alaman's offices on the second floor and apartments on the third floor. Past an adjacent vacant lot is the Nedham Building of 1897 (photo 5), a significant survival of the mixed residential and commercial facade, now rare in Dayton. Back on the north side there is a brick walled lot and a noncontributing, out-of-period building followed by the diminutive Neo-classical Revival Midget Theater (1019-1021) of 1912 (photo 3). Across the street is the fine commercial Romanesque Revival style Booth building of 1890 (photo 5).

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Next to the Midget Theater is Mory's Block built in 1884 (1023-1027), a pivotal early commercial structure. Mory's Block is a brick two story building with a stairway bay and three storefront bays on the street level. The original iron columns and metal store front cornice have all survived. Seven window bays with stone sills and a continuous lintel service Mory's Hall. Above the lintel are recessed panels with corbelled tops and a label panel. A stone string course supports a blind arcade just below the metal cornice. The store windows have been infilled with smaller windows and siding, however, the original storefront configuration is still apparent.

Adjacent to Mory's Block at the corner of Williams Street is the early twentieth century store and office block, the J. A. Prior Building built in 1924 (photo 2). The south side of the street has an important late nineteenth century collection of commercial Romanesque buildings at the east end of the block (photo 6). The Enterprise Block built in 1890 (1026-1028) has a hall on the third floor. The one story stucco structure next door (1032) is clearly a survivor of the earlier low scale buildings present before annexation by Dayton. Little else is known about this building in spite of extensive research. The Setzer Building built in 1906 is a fine early twentieth century commercial structure. The Hoover Block is the location of the Wright Brothers' printing business built from 1890 to 1895. This building is to be rehabilitated as an aviation museum related to the Wright Cycle Company Building located to the rear of the Hoover Block at 22 Williams Street.

The Williams Street extension south is focused on the Wright Cycle Company Building. This is where the Wright Brother's aviation experiments began. It is a typical neighborhood grocery store type of the period. The four additional houses (23-25, 26, 29 & 30 South Williams Street) (photo 7 & 8) are all properties built as a part of the streetcar suburban development after 1869. They create a vital setting for the cycle shop. The district ends with modern structures and demolition sites on South William Street.

The 1100 block is in full urban scale resembling a small "main street". There is an unfortunate void on the southwest corner of Williams and West Third Streets. The Victorian Italianate commercial Gunkel Building built in 1898 (1101-1107) on the northwest corner is a significant contributor to the district architecturally and historically. It housed the Hamburger Hardware Store for many years and also Dayton's first branch post office (photo 12). The Gunkel Building has three storefront bays on West Third Street. The left store cornice is elaborately decorated while the right is quite plain. The apartments above have semicircular windows with stone head molds and on each side a Chicago type window with stone sill and decorated lintel. The metal cornice is lavishly decorated. The storefront bays have been badly renovated.

Adjacent to the Gunkel building are the Gunkel Block built in 1893 (1109) and the Webbert Flats built in 1908 (1117) both are fine three story examples of turn-of-the-century commercial architecture with first floor storefronts and apartments above. Unfortunately, the building across the street at 1114-1118 West Third Street (photo 9) was badly renovated in the 1950's. It has been compatibly rehabilitated as part of the Walters Block project.

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The Walters Block, built between 1885-1893 (photo 10), is the only remaining High Victorian commercial block left in Dayton that clearly represents its time in history. The Walters Block is a brick three story High Victorian Italianate commercial block built in three parts; circa 1885, 1888 and 1893. There are six storefront bays with cast iron pillars (several have been reconstructed) the left two bays have cast iron pillars (several have been reconstructed) and the right four bays have limestone pillars. A stairway bay leads to apartments on the second floor. The third floor has a lodge hall. Both second and third floor interiors are in excellent condition. There are seventeen bays of one-over-one double hung sash windows with metal pediments on the second level and cornices on the third. The facade has two open fire escapes. A sheet metal cornice defines the upper terminal.

Across from the Walters Block is a nonconforming modern building (1127) and vacant lot (photo 13) both which occupy the historic site of the last Wright Brother's bicycle shop where the first airplane was invented. The historic building was moved to Greenfield Village in Dearborn, Michigan. The adjacent Hale Building, circa 1923, is a contributing early twentieth century structure. The void next to the Walters Block is the result of a serious fire in 1986.

The Mariette Flats, built in 1913 (1146-1148), represents the influence of early twentieth century cultural expression in architecture. The Mariette Flats located on the north side is a three story pressed brick, mixed commercial and apartment building in Georgian Revival style. The margins have rusticated brick quoins. The center bay is an elaborate cast iron entrance with Doric pilasters, cornice with label and segmental pediment with foliated tympanum. The large door is heavily paneled and has a transom. Above the doorway on the second floor level is a bulls-eye window with swagged garlands. On each side, three bay storefronts have central doors. The right and left bays of the upper facade have a recessed mullion window that has a molded segmental head and paneled spandrels. The windows are six-over-six double hung sash. There is a strong dentiled cornice above the third floor level. Over the cornice is an attic with three-over-three double hung sash windows, rusticated brickwork and a secondary cornice.

Next on the south side is a nonconforming infill building constructed after the period of significance. Last at the corner is the Neo-classical Revival West Side Building and Loan Association Building of 1922. It has the district's only stone facade. The north-side, of the west-end of the block suffered a major fire in 1911 which seriously damaged or destroyed all of the buildings west of the alley (photo 15). The Hoersting-Holtman Building at 1131-1137 West Third Street was "rebuilt." The Hoersting-Holtman Building 1909 has four primary bays and two stairway bays. The storefront bays are mixed in pattern and appear to have considerable original fabric. Each stairway bay has a multiple light transom and stair light above. There are four 3-part polygonal oriels with elaborate scroll sawed Eastlake like detailing. The cornice is whimsical with panels, pendants, rosettes, variformed dentil like devices and modillions.

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The twin Groneweg Building, built in 1913 (1139), and William Webbert Building, circa 1912, (1143-1145) with their second story oriels and metal cornice are excellent representatives of their time. The Sapp Building circa 1912 (photo 16), shows the influence of the Prairie style (1147). The Olney Flats (1153) (photo 16) anchors the district on the north side. The Olney Flats 1913 is a three story yellow brick building. Originally a grocery store, it was renovated into a restaurant in the 1940's. There are three recessed bays with corbelled tops on the upper stories. The center bay has a stairway window with stone surround and a blind segmental arch encompassing three round headed mullion windows. The side bays have paired rectangular windows with stone lintels and sills. Over each third story window is a brick panel. The metal cornice has brackets and attic windows. The west side has storefront bays, seven bays of apartment windows and a round arched recessed porch in the northwest corner.

The West Side has suffered serious economic decline since the violent race riot of 1966. The 1200 block of West Third Street has been excluded from the nomination because of extensive demolition (photo 17). While demolition has had an impact, the districts historic character is intact. The district as it stands represents a significant collection of related historic buildings worthy of preservation for its architecture and its local association with historic persons of national significance.

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8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Invention
Architecture

Period of Significance

1885-1924

Significant Dates

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

Wilbur and Orville Wright

Architect/Builder

unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The West Third Street Historic District is significant under Criterion B for its association with Orville and Wilbur Wright, the inventors of the airplane. Several Wright Brothers' printing and bicycle shops were located in the district. For example, the printing shop in the Hoover Block and the Wright Cycle Company Builders located at 22 West Third Street. The district is also significant under Criterion C as a cohesive collection of late 19th century and early 20th century commercial buildings representing a suburban streetcar commercial block. It has a strong commercial Romanesque Revival character with dark red brick, corbelling and round arches. There are also excellent Victorian Italianate and Neo-Classical buildings dating from 1885 to 1924.

The Wrights lived near the district at 7 Hawthorne Street (demolished). Orville Wright's earliest enthusiasm was for printing and he set up his first printing shop at home. In 1889 he took the business to 1210 West Third Street (demolished) and in 1890 moved it to the second floor at the new Hoover Block. While mainly job printers, the brothers also published a weekly magazine and several newspapers including the Westside News. Wilbur Wright, though associated with the printing business, soon took an interest in the booming bicycle fad. In 1892 he opened the Wright Cycle Exchange at 1005 West Third Street which is now incorporated within the walls of the Gem City Ice Cream Building, present appearance dating to 1914. The shop moved next door and then across the street to 1034 West Third Street until 1894. In 1895 the printing and bicycle businesses were brought under the same roof at 22 South Williams Street. There, the Wright brothers began experimenting with aviation. The printing business was finally sold in 1899. In 1897 the Wrights moved to 1127 West Third Street where, in 1903, they invented the first airplane.

The Wright Cycle Company closed its doors in 1908, but the Wrights' office stayed at 1127 West Third Street until 1918. Henry Ford moved the building to Greenfield Village in 1936. Orville maintained an office and laboratory (demolished) at 15 North Broadway until his death in 1948.

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Apart from the Wrights, the district is associated with Paul Lawrence Dunbar (1872-1906), the internationally renowned black poet. Dunbar was born in Dayton and grew up in and around the district. The Dunbar family home is located just outside the district. Although both his parents were illiterate, his mother was a former slave, they encouraged Dunbar to learn to read and write and to get an education. He showed his literary talents early. In high school he became the president of the Literary Society and was also the chief editor of the school paper. He graduated from Dayton Central High School in 1890, the only black man in his class.

A mutual interest in printing and newspapers brought Dunbar and Orville Wright together and they collaborated on Dunbar's shortlived Tattler, a black neighborhood paper. Dunbar contributed frequently to local newspapers, including the Wrights' Westside News. Some of his early poetry was published by the Wrights at their presses located in the Hoover Block. Although no buildings in the district are associated specifically with Dunbar, the thriving commercial strip is representative of the neighborhood in which he grew up and worked.

The West Third Street Historic District is also significant architecturally as a suburban streetcar commercial block of the late 19th and early 20th century. In 1869 W. P. Huffman and H. S. Williams established the Dayton Street Railway as a way of opening up to the real estate market the farms lying within a short distance of Dayton. The West End was already starting to blossom when the railway was put down on West Third Street. The street car added the needed impetus behind the West End development and shops sprung up along the line with residential areas growing up behind.

The architecture of this period has the mixed character of the turn-of-the-century. Common unifying elements are the metal cornices, brick, and overall rhythm of the facades. The east end of the district decreases in scale and contains only the Gem City Ice Cream plant. Other unique buildings include the Mediterranean style Dr. Allaman Building built in 1914 (1002), the mixed residential commercial facade on the Nedham Building, built in 1897 (1010-1012) and the tiny Midget Theater, built in 1912 in Neo-Classical Revival style (1019-1021). The middle cluster around the Williams Street intersection is more Victorian and Romanesque Revival. Here we have excellent examples in the Booth Building built in 1890 (1018-1020), the Enterprise Building built in 1890 (1026-1028) both Romanesque Revival, and the Gunkel Building built in 1898 in Victorian Italianate. The west terminus is 20th century in character. The north side has a series of buildings with oriel bays including the Hoersting-Hortman building of 1909, Groheweg Building of 1913, and William Webbert Building, circa 1912 (1137-1143). The Sapp Building is the district's one Prairie style building built circa 1912. On the south side of the west end of the district there is a Georgian Revival apartment, the Mariette Flats built in 1913 (1146) and a Neo-Classical Revival style bank, built in 1924 (1154).

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This streetcar commercial block is considerably different from the other examples in Dayton. It is more urban, compact and architecturally distinguished, and is on a greater scale than others found in Dayton, dominated by two and three story buildings. Those structures that have survived in similar areas are one and two story strips, primarily at intersections and are interspersed with residential buildings. One of these is part of the Huffman Historic District (NR: 8-24-82) on East Third Street. The other west side streetcar commercial block is on the West Fifth Street. It is small and nearly demolished.

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Williams to the south lot line of parcel 32 lot 6353 and on to the back lot line, thence northerly along the back lot line to the north side of Peck's Alley, thence westward to the intersection with Broadway, thence northward along the east side of Broadway to the start point.

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Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- 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 # _____

- Primary location of additional data:
- State historic preservation office
 - Other State agency
 - Federal agency
 - Local government
 - University
 - Other
- Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property 10.1

UTM References

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C 1,6 7|3,3|7,2,0 4,4|0,4|1,0,0

B
 Zone Easting Northing

D

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Verbal Boundary Description Broadway and the alley between W. 2nd St. and W. 3rd St., thence easterly along the south side of the alley past Williams to the vacated alley east side lot 6308, thence southerly along lot 6308 and diagonally across W. 3rd St. to the corner Shannon, thence southerly west side Shannon to Peck's Alley thence westerly along the north side of Peck's A-ley to the back lot line of lot 7794, thence southerly along the back lot line to the south line of lot 7793, thence westward along the lot line crossing

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Boundary Justification The W. Third Street Historic District's boundaries were defined to incorporate the best examples of the area's commercial buildings, and with a short extension south along Williams St., to include the Wright Cycle Company building. To the east of St. and west of Broadway are extensive areas of demolition. What buildings remain outside the district are of insufficient integrity for inclusion in the nomination.

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11. Form Prepared By

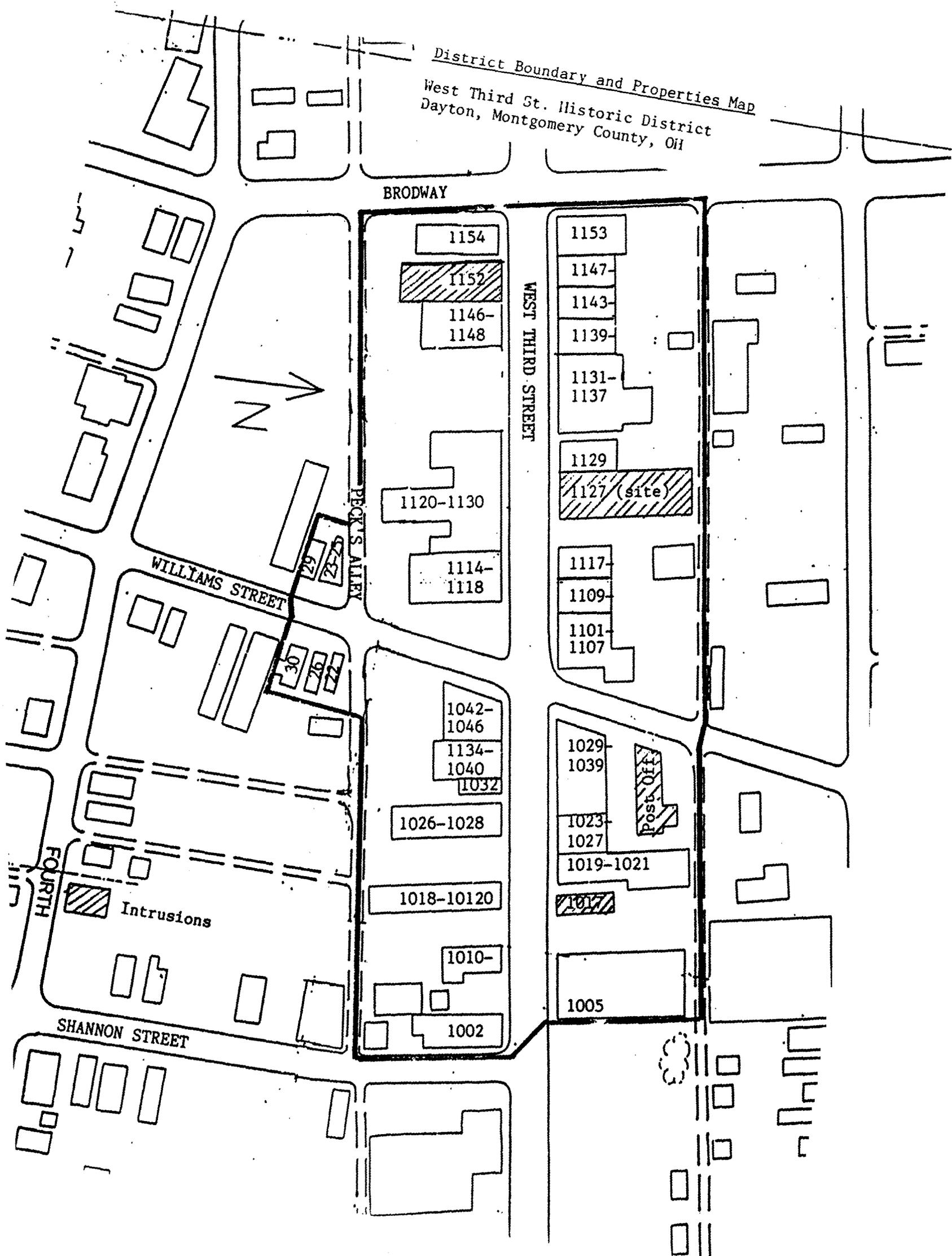
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city or town Dayton state Ohio zip code 45419

District Boundary and Properties Map
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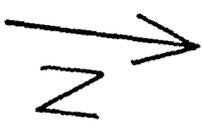
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SHANNON STREET

FOURTH



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Intrusions

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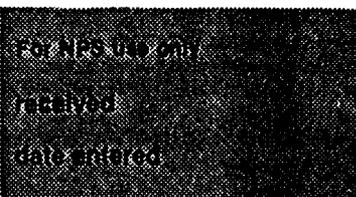
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Address	Architectural Impression	Building Historic Name	Date of Const.
<u>West Third Street</u>			
1002	Mediterranean influence	Allaman Building	1914
1010-1012	mixed Residential commercial	Needham Building	1897
1005	industrial	Gem City Ice Cream Building	c1886-1914
1017	intrusion		
1018-1020	commercial Romanesque	Booth Building	1890
1019-1021	Neoclassic Theater	The Midget Theater	c1912
1023-1027	commercial Romanesque	Mory's Block and Hall	1884
1026-1028	commercial Romanesque	Enterprise Building	1890
1029-1039	Early 20th Century commercial	J. A Prior Building	c1924
1032	vernacular		unknown
1034-1040	commercial Romanesque	Setzer Building	1906
1042-1046	commercial Romanesque	Hoover Block	1890
1101-1107	Victorian commercial	Gunkel Building	1898
1109-1111	commercial Romanesque	Gunkel Block	1891
1114-1118	intrusion		
1117-1119	commercial Romanesque	Webbert Flats	1908
1120-1130	High Victorian Italianate	Walters' Block	1885-1893
1127	intrusion	Wright Cycle company Site	
1129	early 20th Century commercial	Hale Building	c1923
1131-1137	Eastlake influence	Hoersting-Holtman Building	1909
1139-1141	Early 20th Century Commercial	Groneweg Building	1913
1143-1145	Early 20th Century Commercial	William Webbert Building	c1912
1146-1148	Georgian Revival	Mariette Flats	1913
1147-1151	Prairie influence	Sapp Building	c1912
1152	intrusion		
1153	commercial Romanesque	Olney Flats	1913
1154	Neoclassic Bank	West Side Building and Loan	1922
<u>South Williams Street</u>			
22	Victorian shop	Wright Cycle company	1886
23-25	Queen Anne influence	residential	
26	Queen Anne influence	residential	
29	Victorian Vernacular	residence	
30	Victorian Vernacular	residence	

North Williams Street

United States Post Office an intrusion (facility leased from private owner)



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7. Summary Description:

The West Third Street Historic District was listed to the National Register of Historic Places in 1989. The nomination includes commercial properties along both sides of West Third Street between Shannon Street and Broadway. The nomination is listed under Criterion A and C for its associations with Orville and Wilbur Wright and Paul Laurence Dunbar and for its collection of late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial architecture.

Included in the nomination is the property known as 1019-1021 W. Third Street and referred to as the Midget Theater c. 1912. This is a two-story commercial property that was built in two phases. The earliest portion known as 1021 W. Third Street was built around 1874 as a saddler and the later portion was added around 1912 as a motion picture theater. In 1912, the facade was altered to its current appearance. The building was described in the 1989 nomination there have been no changes to the building since that time. Below is an analysis of the available Sanborn maps for the property. This analysis illustrates how the building was transformed while remained two storefronts for the majority of its history.

The earliest available Sanborn map to show the property is the 1887 map, which labels the property as a saddler. The Williams City Directory for Dayton, Ohio, lists 1021 W. Third Street as a manufacturer and dealer of collars, whips, and sweat-pads as early as 1874. The owner of the operation is William J. Osterday. Osterday purchased land along W. Third Street known as Lot 12 in 1870 and Lot 11 in 1888. The property was both a business and residence to the Osterday family from around 1874 to 1912.

1021 W. Third Street is depicted on the 1887 Sanborn map on the west end of a large parcel adjacent to 1023 W. Third Street. The building is a two-story brick structure with two rear additions on its north elevation. The additions include a one-story brick portion and a smaller, one-story frame section. There are no outbuildings indicated on the parcel but 1017 W. Third Street is shown on the east as a gunsmith.

There are a few changes to the parcel shown on the 1896 Sanborn map. These include the addition of a second story on the former one-story brick portion as well as the construction of yet another one-story frame addition. There is also a single outbuilding indicated along the western edge of the property and to the north of the main building. The size of this building is similar to

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a privy. It is a one-story frame structure. The only other building on the parcel is 1017 W. Third Street located on the eastern edge and labeled as "saw filing and gunsmith,,"

The 1911 Sanborn map shows all the same information with the only change being the function of 1017 W. Third Street from a gunsmith to "feed,, store.

The next available Sanborn is the 1919 map which depicts a sizable addition to the east and north (rear) elevations of 1021 W. Third Street. This addition is labeled as 1019 W. Third Street; however, Sanborn map continues to indicate a separate storefront at 1021 W. Third Street.

In 1912 Caroline Osterday sells a portion of her property to Harry C. Morey. Morey erected the Midget Theater and leased it to Sherman W. and Benjamin F. Potters (Dalton 1999:19). The 1915-1917 city directory lists Sherman Potterf at both 1021 W. Third Street and 1019 W. Third Street. As explained earlier, the 1919 Sanborn map shows this building adjoining 1021 W. Third Street on both its east and north elevations. The northern rear additions of the 1021 W. Third Street are demolished. The city directory only lists the two storefronts under the control of Potterf from 1915-1917 since by 1917-1919 the directory has 1021 W. Third Street listed as a shoeshine parlor and apartment. 1019 W. Third Street remains the Midget Theatre from 1913-1914 until 1928.

The theater addition on the 1919 Sanborn map is sizable and extends the entire length of the property. 1019 W. Third Street is a brick building. Its storefront facing W. Third Street is a two-story building labeled as an entrance with portions of its west wall shared by 1021 W. Third Street; however, the map clearly indicates a separate storefront at 1021 W. Third Street. This two-story storefront is approximately the same dimensions as the original two-story brick portion of 1021 W. Third Street. The south facade of 1021 W. Third Street was altered around 1912 to give a unifying appearance to the buildings. It is very unlikely that the southern portion of 1021 W. Third Street was demolished; however it is almost assured that the rear additions were razed to make room for the large theater. Interior inspection of the southernmost section indicates a former brick exterior wall on the east side and its hand-cut stone foundation is intact.

The theater was impressive at the time of its construction. It had seating for 300 in opera chairs, a rest room for ladies and toilet facilities for both sexes. It was equipped with its own electric

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generator to power both the lights and the projector. The stage area held the screen, green velvet drapes, and a drop cloth (Dalton 1999:19). There is very little of its interior remaining. In the 1950s the building was used as a hall and later a gymnasium. Today the basic footprint shown on the 1919 Sanborn map remains but both storefronts are abandoned.

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8. Statement of Significance

The West Third Street Historic District was listed to the National Register of Historic Places in 1989. The nomination includes commercial properties along both sides of West Third Street between Shannon Street and Broadway. The nomination is listed under Criterion A and C for its associations with Orville and Wilbur Wright and Paul Laurence Dunbar and for its collection of late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial architecture.

Included in the nomination is the property known as 1019-1021 W. Third Street and referred to as the Midget Theater c. 1912. The nomination currently sums up the history of this property as "One of the most unique structures is the diminutive Midget Theater Building which operated at 1019-1021 from c. 1912 to 1928,,". Not only is this sentence no longer correct it dismisses a large portion of the property's heritage.

In 1874, 1021 W. Third Street is listed in the Dayton City Directory as housing a manufacturer and dealer of collars, whips, and sweat-pads. The owner of the operation is William J. Osterday. Osterday purchased two lots on West Third Street. The first was bought in 1870 and known as Lot 12 and the second as Lot 11 purchased in 1888. The property was both a business and residence to the Osterday family where he and his wife Caroline raised ten children. Currently, the nomination lists the earliest business in the area as Zachariah T. Hoover's drug store. The drug store operated from 1875-1916. Osterday established his business at the same time helping to portray the early history of the neighborhood. In 1909 William J. Osterday died and his obituary published in both English and Germany Dayton newspapers states that he was one of the oldest harness makers in the city with his business at his residence for 32 years. His residence is listed as 1021 W. Third Street.

The city directory indicates that the Osterday family resided at 1021 W. Third Street from 1874 until 1912. By 1915-1917 the directory lists Sherman Potterf as the occupied at 1021 West Third Street. The first mention of 1019 W. Third Street is in the 1913-1914 city directory when it lists it as the Midget Theater (Potterf Brother Theater).

Caroline Osterday sold a portion of her property to Harry C. Morey in 1912. Morey erected the Midget Theater for Sherman W. and Benjamin F. Potterf. The construction cost was \$33,000 for the 300-seat theater. Its name was due to the fact that Sherman was a midget and used this as an

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advertising campaign with a slogan that there was “nothing small about the Midget—Only the manager,, (Dalton 1999:19). The theater was very successful showing silent film with music provided by a Wurlitzer orchestra piano and in 1915 showing Renfax Musical Talking Motion Pictures. In 1917 the Potterf brothers sold their interest to William E. Riceanson who almost immediately sold to Julius Leopold the owner of Mecca Theater at 1217 W. Third Street (Dalton 1999:19). In 1918 the Midget Theater was closed for remodeling and reopened to the general public making it one of the earliest theaters in the area to service both the black and white citizens of Dayton. The manager at the time, R. C. Krapp, stated in the *Dayton Forum* “the theater will be run in an up-to-date manner, courtesy of employes [sic], and patrons’ comfort will be the slogan at all times,, (*Dayton Forum* August 30, 1918). At the time of its reopening there were 40 motion picture theaters in the Dayton area. Most of these were exclusively white businesses; however, on the west side of Dayton both the Midget and the Playhouse theaters (located across the street at 1020 West Third Street) were opened to the general public. In 1927 John Lahm purchased the theater but in less than a year he closed its doors for good most likely due for increased competition from modern theaters such as the Classic and the Palace (Dalton 1999:19).

The Midget Theater was located at 1019 W. Third Street from 1912-1928 and at 1021 W. Third Street from 1915-1917 (Williams City Directories). However, the history of 1021 W. Third Street is much richer as one of the neighborhood stores that helped establish this community. The Osterday harness shop would have been in operation during the time the Wright Brothers were inventing, printing, and running their bicycle shop. William J. Osterday had over a 32-year long presents on the West Third Street. It is very likely that all the local residences and shop owners knew him. His presence as one of the first business owners on West Third Street is noteworthy.

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Sanborn Maps. Dayton, Ohio, W. Third Street & N. Williams, 1887.

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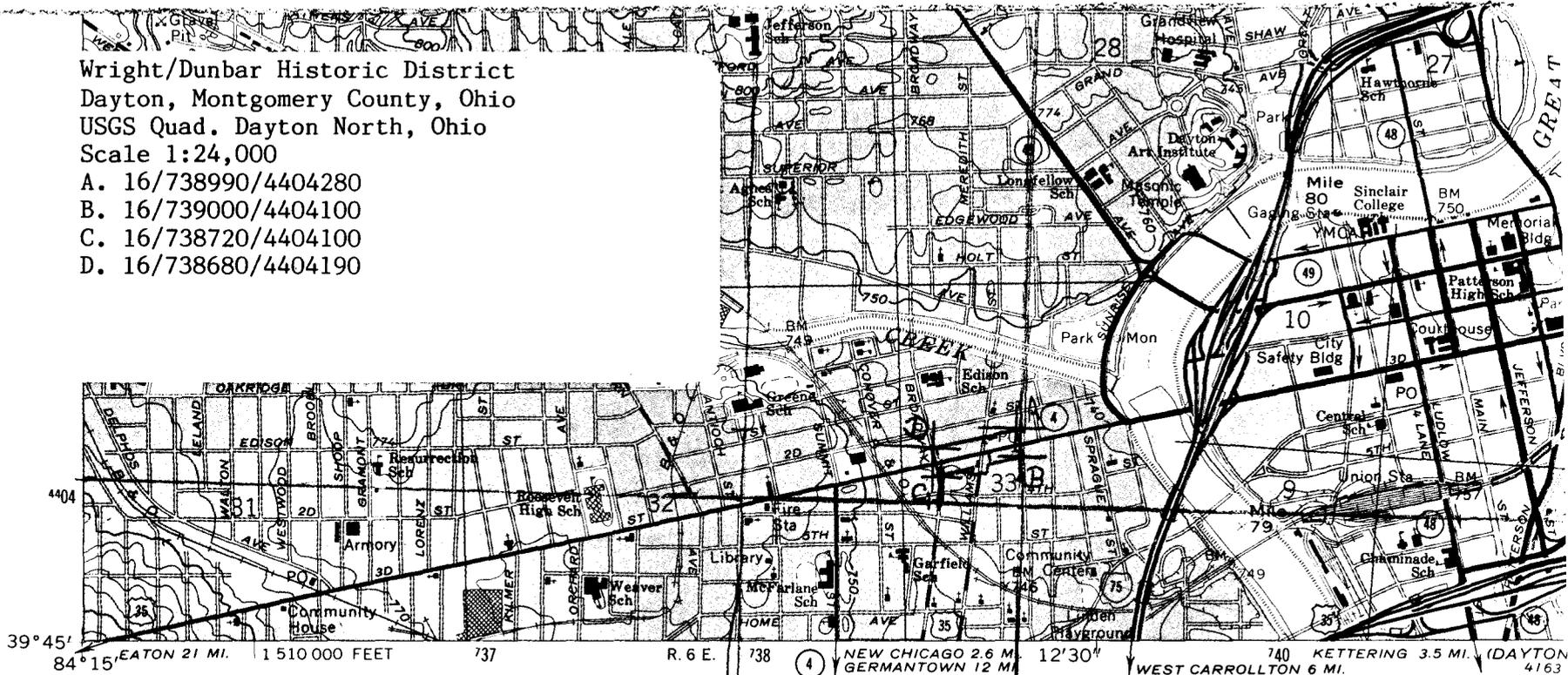
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Williams City Directory (Dayton, Ohio). Information gathered from directories between 1871-72 and 1944 for 1021 W. Third Street and 1019 W. Third Street. Directories are located at Dayton Public Library.

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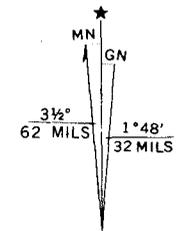
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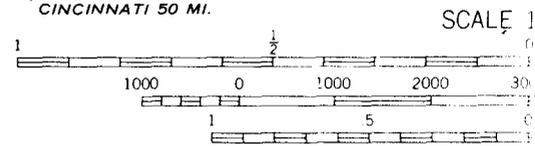
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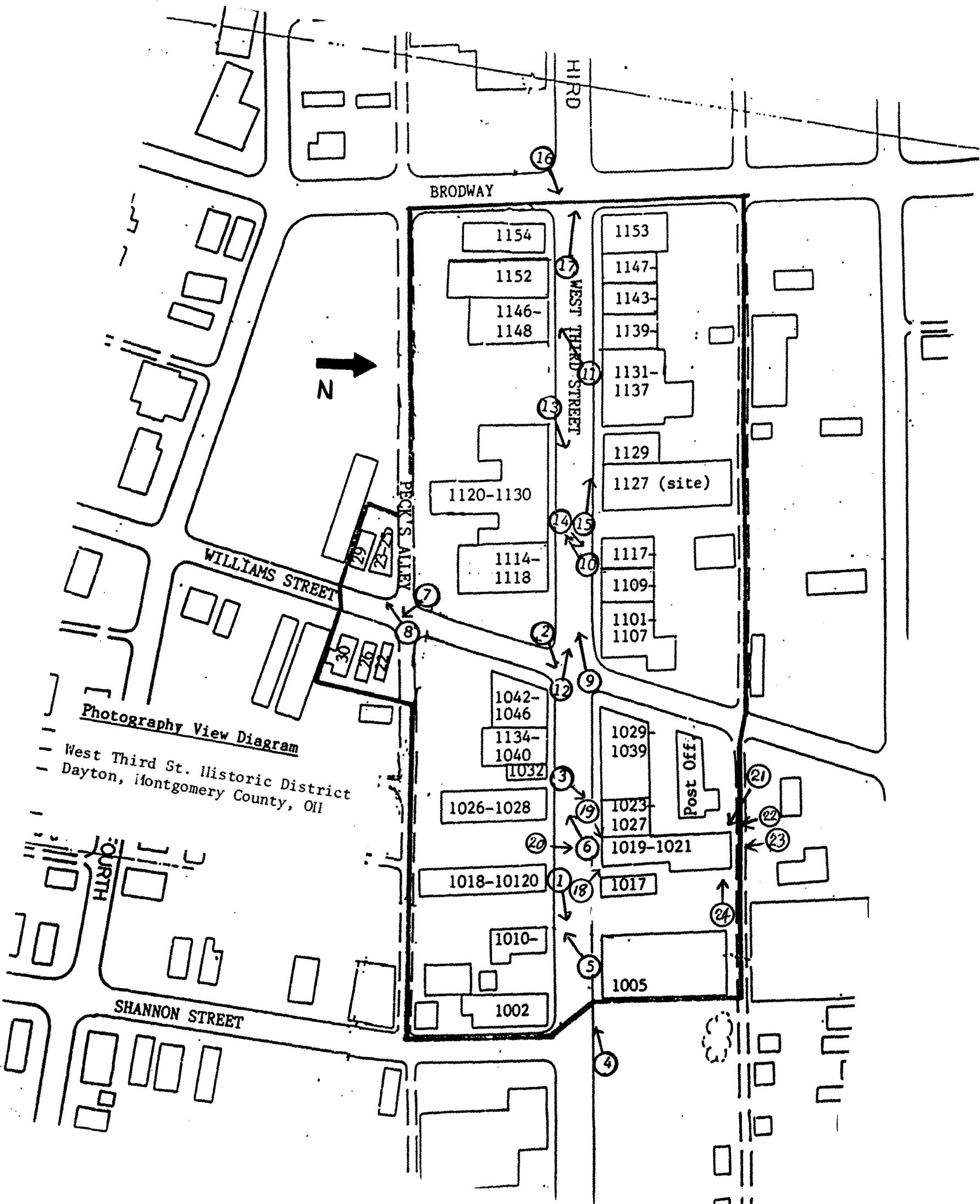
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BROADWAY

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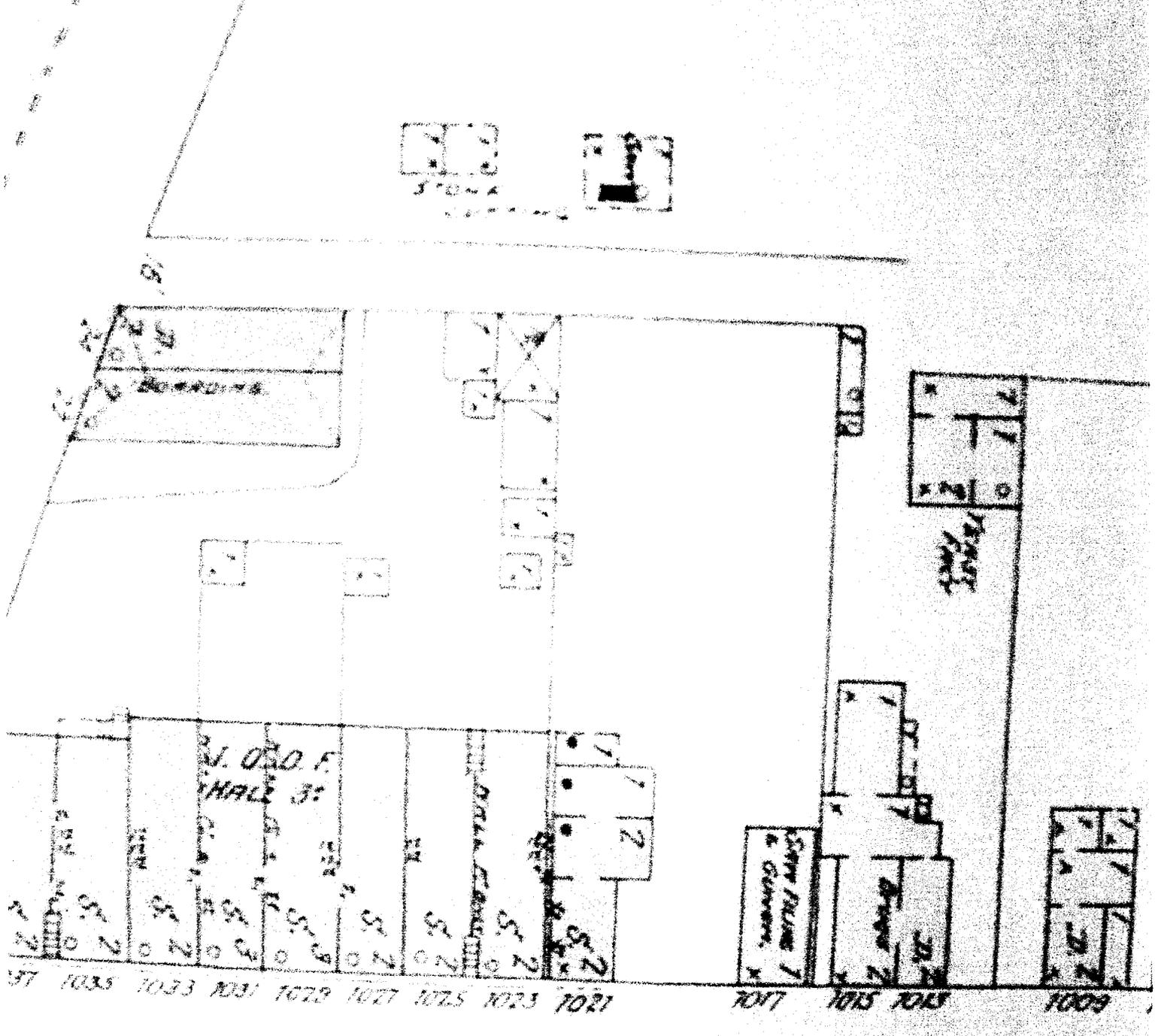
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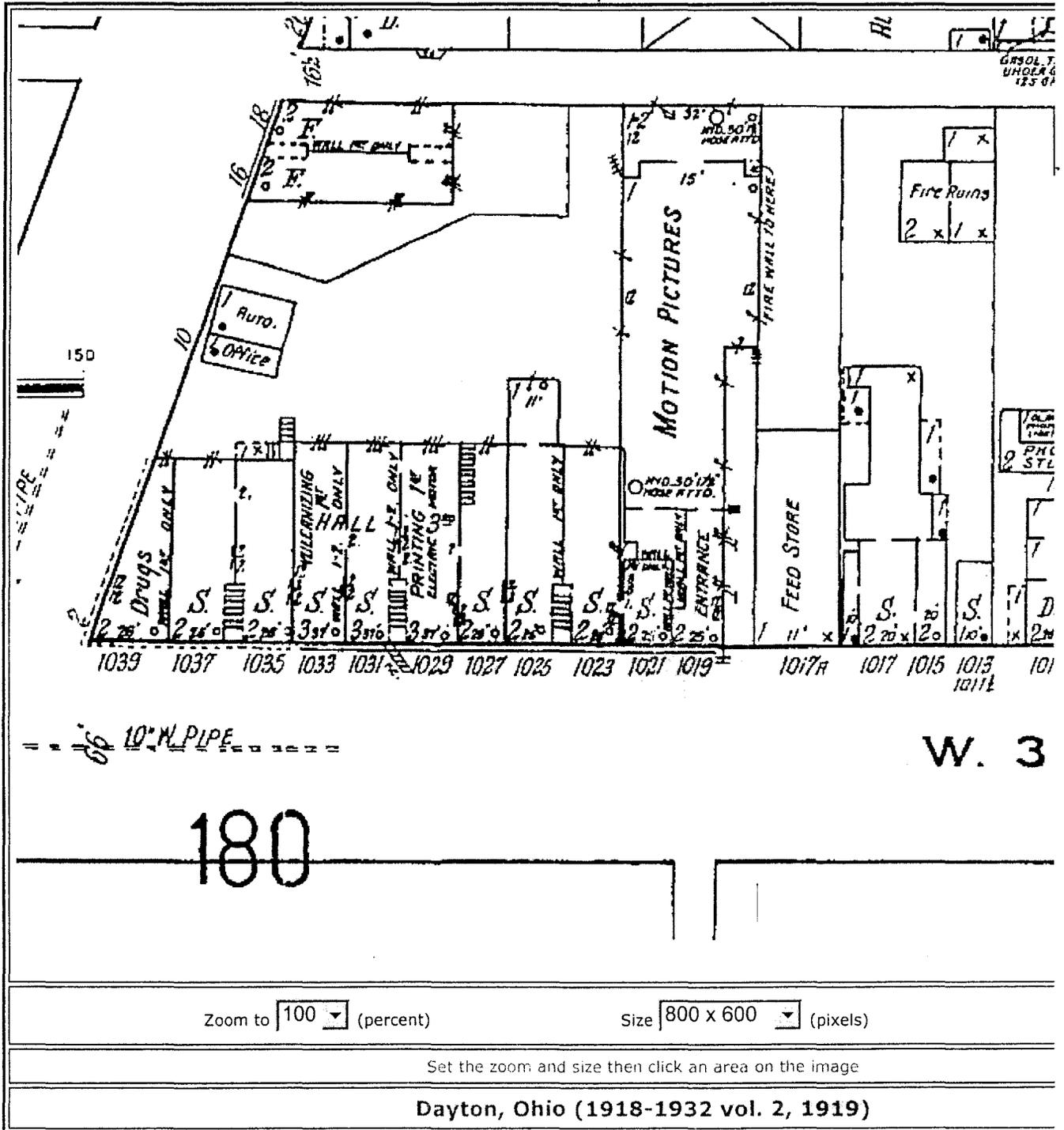
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Mayor of Dayton
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Dayton, Ohio 45401

Dear Mayor:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio

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House of Prayer
111 South Broadway Street
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Gentlemen:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 87, Lot 6353, Part 32

We are pleased to inform you that the West Third Street Historic District nomination has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (NR listed 01/2589).

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Raymond McGuire
Apartment 10-B
230 West 105th Street
New York, New York 10025

Dear Mr. McGuire:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 87, Lot 6353, Part 10

We are pleased to inform you that the West Third Street Historic District nomination has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (NR listed 01/2589).

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Tom L. Gabbard
37 Sweetbriar
Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075

Dear Mr. Gabbard:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic
District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 87, Lot 6322

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Shady Grove Baptist Church
1501 Chapel Street
Dayton, Ohio 45404

Dear Sir or Madam:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 86, Lot 7793

We are pleased to inform you that the West Third Street Historic District nomination has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (NR listed 01/2589).

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Ida M. Graves
1315 West Grand Avenue
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Dear Ms. Graves:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 86, Lot 7794, Part 59

We are pleased to inform you that the West Third Street Historic District nomination has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (NR listed 01/2589).

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Aviation Trails, Inc.
22 South Williams Street
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Dear Sir or Madam:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 86, Lot 6316-6315, Part 60

We are pleased to inform you that the West Third Street Historic District nomination has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (NR listed 01/2589).

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Municipal Building
P.O. Box 22
Dayton, Ohio 45401

Dear Sir or Madam:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic
District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 86, Lot 6319

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Howard C. Smith
1158 West Third Street
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Dear Mr. Smith:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic
District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 87, Lot 6348

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Dorothy Silverman
3213 Garvin Road
Dayton, Ohio 45405

Dear Ms. Silverman:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 87, Lot 6353, Part 11

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John A. Hansard
6899 Little Richmond Road
Dayton, Ohio 45426

Dear Mr. Hansard:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 86, Lot 6362 and 6321, Part 13-16

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Gerald S. Sharkey
70 Patterson Road (Oakwood)
Dayton, Ohio 45419

Dear Mr. Sharkey:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic
District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 86, Lot 6324

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Lester J. Wright
145 Oxford Avenue
Dayton, Ohio 45406

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6409

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February 20, 1989

Phil K. Gregory
4020 Ridgeway Road
Kettering, Ohio 45429

Dear Mr. Gregory:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6413

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February 20, 1989

Hyman F. Blum
5738 Lynnaway Drive
Dayton, Ohio 45415

Dear Mr. Blum:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6411-6412

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February 20, 1989

Robyn C. Freeman
3110 Legend Way
Dayton, Ohio 45449

Dear Mr. Freeman:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic
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Book 84, Lot 6408

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C.J. Mc Lin
1130 Germantown Street
Dayton, Ohio 45408

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February 20, 1989

Michael A. Greenberg
West Side Jewelry
1146 West Third Street
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Dear Mr. Greenberg:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6403-6405, Part 50 and 6410
Book 87, Lot 6340-6343, Part 19 and 6347

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Marsha A. Greenberg
West Side Jewelry
1146 West Third Street
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Dear Ms. Greenberg:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6405 Part 14 and 15, 6406
Book 87, Lot 6345-6346, Part 18

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February 20, 1989

Albert C. Mayerson et. al.
7787 O'Bryan Place
Centerville, Ohio 45459

Dear Mr. Mayerson:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic
District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6402, 15098

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Stanley J. Cohen
100 West Second Street
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Dear Mr. Cohen:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6312, Part 55, and 6313-6314

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February 20, 1989

Beth Jacob Snagogue
7020 North Main Street
Dayton, Ohio 45415

Gentlemen:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6311, Part 23, and 6312, Part 22

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H & H Utilities Company
1005 West Third Street
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Gentlemen:

Re: West Third Street Historic District, (Wright/Dunbar Historic District), Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio
Book 84, Lot 6308-6311, Part 24

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National Register of Historic Places File Checklist

The following materials are contained in this file of the National Register form for:

Name: West Third Street Historic District

County: Montgomery

Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form

Multiple Property Nomination form

Photograph(s) *(5 updated photos 2004)*

Photograph(s) (copies)

USGS map(s)

USGS map(s) (copies)

Sketch map(s)/figure(s)/exhibit(s)

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