

Ackerman Property

Herrick Archives Number H 953

A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

1. Name

1.1 Never officially named by Board of Trustees action.

1.2 Alternate names noted:

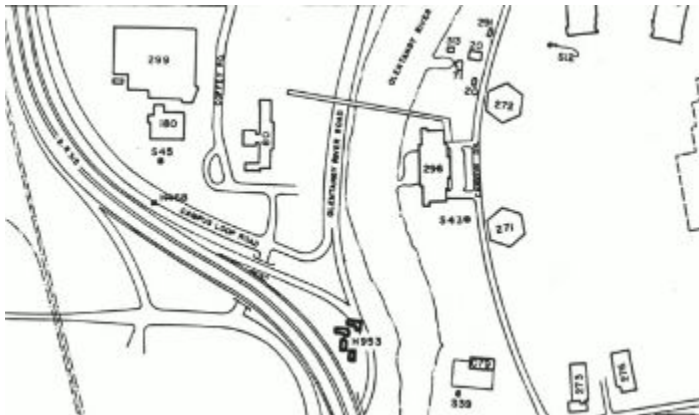
Owned by Gustav & Esther Ackerman

Site of Ackerman Greenhouse Floral Company

The University leased the house to Weldon C. Dillon.

2. Location

2.1 House located at 1802 Olentangy River Road; greenhouse salesroom, at 1794 Olentangy River Road.



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A,

3. General Description

3.1 Type or construction:

All buildings of frame construction.

3.2 No. of stories:

All one story, except house was 1 1/2 stories.

3.3 Increments of construction:

None.

3.4 Areas of building:

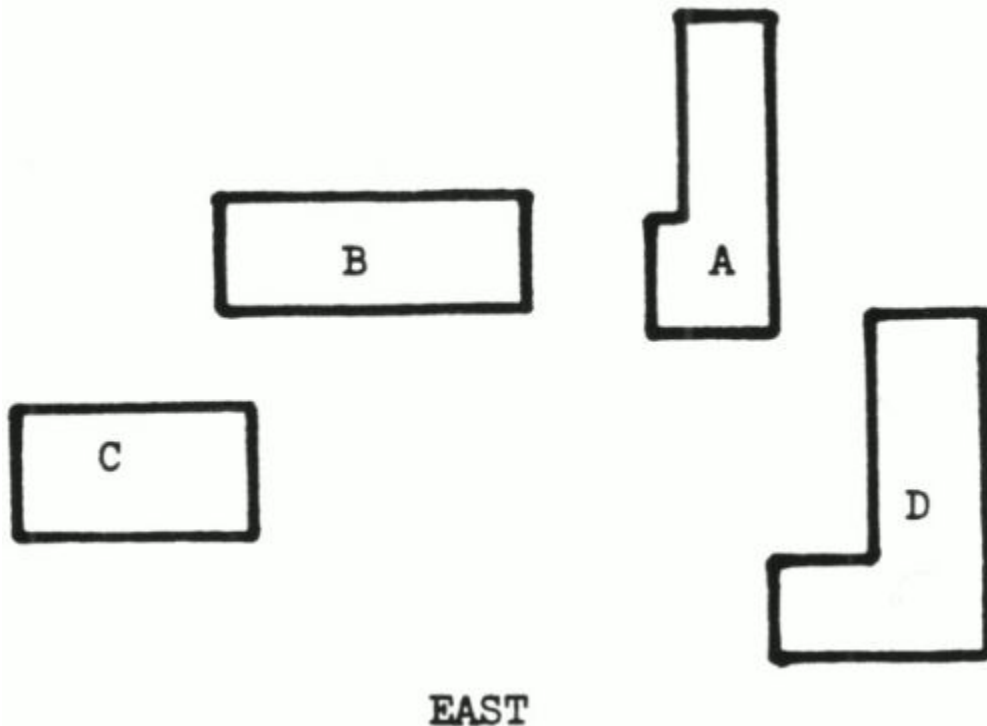
No records.

3.5 Layout of buildings:

This property was long the site of greenhouses operated by Gustav Ackerman. At one time these were six large greenhouses, five south of the house and one north.

Neither photographs nor written records examined to date reveal precisely which buildings were still standing at the time of acquisition by the University, but the sketch below shows the principal structures at that time.

See Addendum No. 1



Building A was the house. It included a basement, kitchen, dining room, living room, three bedrooms, and a bathroom.

Building B was a sales building.

Building C was the boiler house for heating the greenhouses.

Building D was principally a garage, but a photograph taken September 19, 1959 (X 22703) indicates that the west end might have been designed originally for residential purposes.

B. HISTORY OF BUILDINGS

This property was acquired by Oscar L. and Ruth C. Thomas from Mrs. Ethel Ackerman, widow of Gustav Ackerman. The Thomases in turn sold it to the University by warranty deed executed February 17, 1959 (Deed Book 2160, p. 644).

C. Demolition

Demolition of all buildings approved by Board of Trustees on November 10, 1961. Copies of correspondence in the files of the Property Management office indicate that the buildings were still standing on February 22, 1962, but were under contract for removal.

D. Photographs

1. In Photoarchives:

- X 22700 House and sales building
- X 27701 Boiler House
- X 22702 Rear of House
- X 22703 Structure D
- X 22704 Structure D

The October 26, 1946 aerial survey reveals clearly these buildings and the greenhouse as of that date.

John H. Herrick
April 12, 1976

ADDENDUM NO. 1

See Map 194-02, Part 1 for buildings as of the 1940's.

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September 23, 1981