

# WOSU-TV (2470 North Star. Rd.)

Herrick Archives Number 094

## A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

### 1. Name

1.1 Never Officially named by Board of Trustees action.

1.2 Alternate names noted:

1.2.1 Called "WOSU-TV Television Station" on drawings.

1.2.2 Board action approving the plans used the name, "Television Station Studio Building."

1.2.3 Later Board minutes refer to "Television Station Building. "

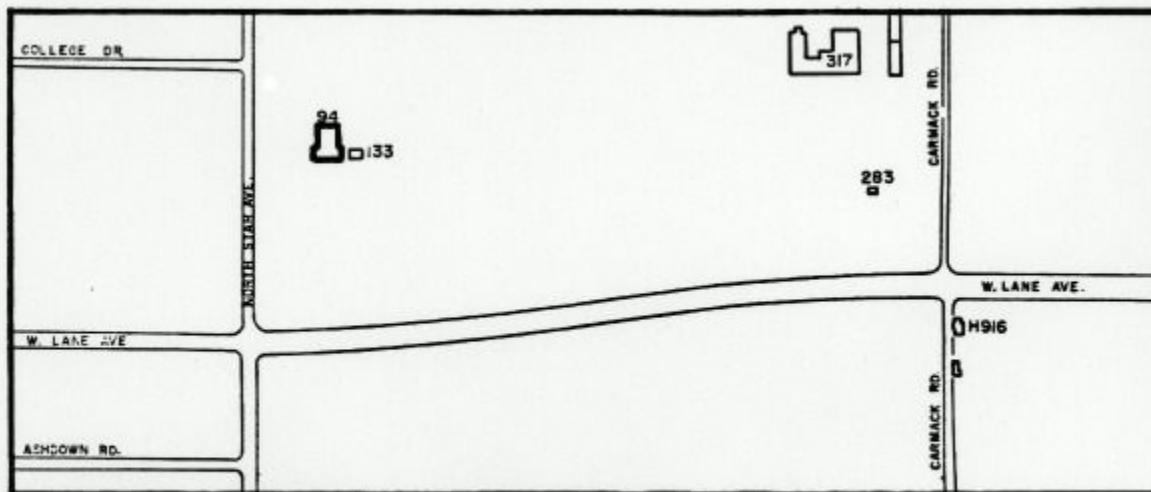
1.2.4 Current sign in front of building reads "Ohio Educational Broadcasting." (Building currently leased to Ohio Educational Television Network.)

See Addenda Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4

### 2. Location

2.1 Located at 2470 North Star Road. See map below.

2.2 For greater detail, see Sheet 49 in the book of campus maps in the University Archives.



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

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### 3. General Description

3.1 Type of construction:

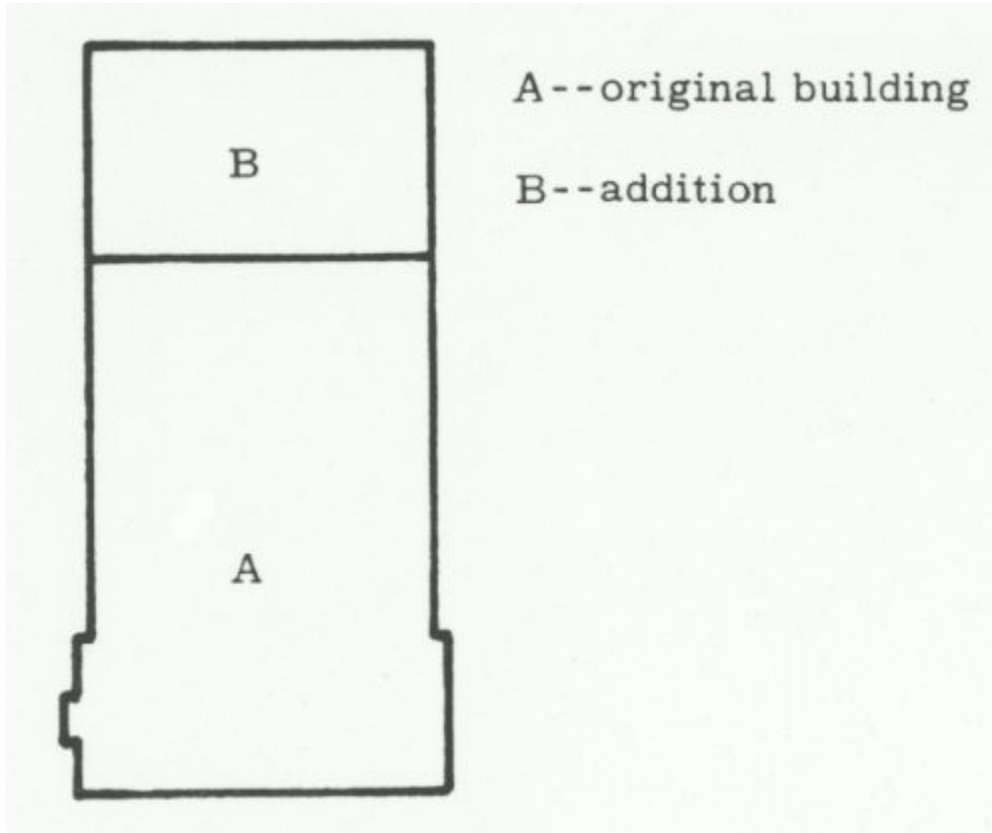
Concrete block.

3.2 No. of stories:

One story with no basement.

3.3 Increments of construction:

Enlarged once (see sketch).



3.4 Present area of building as shown in inventory records of Division of Campus Planning:

9,830 square feet gross; 7,354 square feet net assignable

See Addendum No. 5

3.5 Volume of building:

1,663,300 cubic feet (PP)

### B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION--ORIGINAL BUILDING

1. On September 7, 1954 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Howard Dwight Smith and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.
2. Bids were received on November 2, 1954 (T).
3. On November 8, 1954 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Joseph Skilken & Co.

Electrical: Electric Power Equipment Co.

Heating & ventilating: Piping Contractors Co.

Plumbing: A. C. Wheeler Heating & Plumbing Co.

4. Completion and occupancy:

4.1 All contracts for building construction were substantially completed on July 1, 1955 (A).

4.2 President Bevis threw the switch that began operation of the station on February 2, 1956 (L 10/1/57).

### C. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION--ADDITION

1. On September 9, 1960 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by W. E. Linch and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on October 21, 1960 (T).

3. On November 11, 1960 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Vardussy Construction Co.

Electrical: Electrical Contractors, Inc.

Heating: John E. Lloyd Plumbing & Heating Co.

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4. Completion and occupancy:

4.1 The addition was completed March 1, 1961 (A)

4.2 Initial space assignments in the addition were made by Campus Planning on March 6, 1961 (P).

### D. COST

1. Carried at \$245,907. 95 as of June 30, 1961 (B).

2. Increased by \$8,626.00 in 1961-62 to the present total of \$254,533.95 (B)

### F. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Townshend Hall served as headquarters for the College of Agriculture until the new Agricultural Administration Building (003) was completed. Townshend Hall was then extensively remodeled under contracts awarded by the Board of Trustees on January 10, 1958 (T) and completed in 1959 (A).

### G. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photoarchives:

X 7805--original building

X 7913--includes addition

John H. Herrick  
June 7, 1973

**ADDENDUM NO. 1**

In March, 1975 the name was changed to "2470 N. star Road, Building No. 1."

John H. Herrick  
December 8, 1975

**ADDENDUM NO. 2**

This sign in front of the building now carries the name "Richard B. Hull Operations Center."

John H. Herrick  
February 11, 1977

**ADDENDUM NO. 3**

The Board of Trustees on February 7, 1975 authorized a new lease of this building and Building 133 to the Ohio Educational Television Network Commission.

John H. Herrick  
September 5, 1979

**ADDENDUM NO. 4**

The following additional name for this building has been found on old campus maps:

Educational TV

John H. Herrick  
September 21, 1981

**ADDENDUM NO. 5**

Campus Planning records now show the net assignable area of this building as 7,089 square feet.

John H. Herrick  
November 7, 1984