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 SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
 TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS
1 NAME

HISTORIC

Calendar Rohrbough House

AND/OR COMMON

Grissom House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Corner, Third and Madison Streets

CITY, TOWN

Kinmundy

-- NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

24th

STATE

Illinois

VICINITY OF
CODE

12

COUNTY

Marion

CODE

121

3 CLASSIFICATION
 CATEGORY
 DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT

 OWNERSHIP
 PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
 PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED

 STATUS
 OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
 ACCESSIBLE
 YES: RESTRICTED
 YES: UNRESTRICTED
 NO

 PRESENT USE
 AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER
4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Elwyn D. Cheatum

STREET & NUMBER

7113 Manning Drive

CITY, TOWN

Peoria

VICINITY OF

STATE

Illinois

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Marion County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

General Delivery

CITY, TOWN

Salem

STATE

Illinois

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Illinois Historic Structures Survey

DATE

October, 1972

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL
DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

405 East Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Springfield

STATE

Illinois

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located atop Kinmundy's "Quality Hill", the Calendar Rohrbough House is a two-story rectangular building with low-pitched hip roof and full brick basement. It is thirty-one feet wide by forty-one feet long. Exterior and interior bearing walls are sixteen inches thick and built of locally-manufactured brick. The exterior is painted red and is in good condition. Wooden verandas eight feet wide extend the full length of the south and west sides of the house. They are ornamented with scroll brackets, as is the cornice. Four-over-four sash windows feature original wooden shutters, sandstone sills, and radiating brick lintels highlighted in white. A cast-metal plate at the threshold of the main entrance bears the date of construction, 1875.

Principal rooms (two parlors, library, sun room, dining room, kitchen and four bedrooms) are arranged about a central hall upstairs and down. Interior oak trim (including ornamental grillwork above the doors) is original, as is the six inch pine flooring in all rooms except the main parlor and dining room where oak hardwood has been laid over the pine. Wooden cabinetry in the kitchen is original.

An enclosed porch and summer kitchen adjoining the east side of the house are either original or were added sometime soon after 1875 (scroll brackets here are identical to those on the main cornice and verandas). An exterior chimney and a bay window were added to the west side of the house in 1925. Original roofing material has been replaced by asphalt shingles except over the verandas where a tin and zinc alloy material remains. The main roof has its original box guttering. At one time an overhead reservoir tank built into the ceiling of one room received water from the guttering system; this was heated by a metal roof, then used for bathing purposes. The system is no longer in use.

A one-story wooden outbuilding with shed roof dates from the early part of the twentieth century and is not included as part of this nomination.

3 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1875-1925 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

With its low-pitched hip roof, bracketed verandas and elongated, segmental-arched windows, the Calendar Rohrbough House is one of countless vernacular interpretations of the Italianate style found in small towns throughout Illinois. It has been identified by the Illinois Historic Structures Survey as the prime example of this type in Kinmundy and one of the half-dozen or so finest Italianate houses in Marion County. The building is equally significant as the former home of turn-of-the-century Kinmundy's most prominent citizen, Captain Calendar Rohrbough.

History

Calendar Rohrbough came to Illinois from Upshur County, Virginia (now West Virginia) in 1857 at the age of twenty-three. He worked as a teacher, then as a merchant, and organized Company H of the 118th Illinois Volunteer Infantry in 1862. Commissioned captain in 1863, Rohrbough served with great distinction in the Vicksburg campaign and in the western Louisiana offensive. He was mustered out of the army at Baton Rouge in 1865 and resumed civilian life as a prosperous merchant in Kinmundy where--according to Brinkerhoff's History of Marion County, Illinois--"his chief life work was carried on with great success and benefit to himself as well as to the welfare of the community and country in which he lived." Captain Rohrbough was founder and first president of the Kinmundy First National Bank and the Kinmundy Savings and Loan Association, served as mayor and councilman in the city government, and ran unsuccessfully for Congress in 1888.

The second owner of the house, Fred O. Grissom, purchased it from the Rohrbough estate in 1925. He too was a prominent citizen of

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Kinmundy, having served the city as editor and publisher of the Kinmundy Express for eighteen years, then as postmaster for twenty-three years, finally as mayor for eight.

The present owner purchased the house upon the death of Mr. Grissom in 1978 at the age of 102.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Brinkerhoff, J. H. G., Brinkerhoff's History of Marion County, Illinois, B. F. Bowen and Co., Indianapolis, Indiana, 1909

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre

QUADRANGLE NAME _____ QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE	1. Elwyn Cheatum, President	2. C. Fukuda, J. Flemming	DATE	May, 197
ORGANIZATION	1. 2. Century 21 Capitol Real Estate	2. Ill. Dept. of Conservation	TELEPHONE	1. 309 692 5231
STREET & NUMBER	1. 7113 Manning Drive	2. 405 East Washington	TELEPHONE	2. 217 782 334
CITY OR TOWN	1. Peoria	2. Springfield	STATE	Illinois

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL _____ STATE _____ LOCAL _____

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ILLINOIS

STATE

Date Entered SEP 6 1979

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
✓ Rohrbough, Calendar, House (Grissom House)	Kinmundy Marion County
Coronado	Rockford Winnebago County
Proctor, John C., Recreation Center	Peoria Peoria County
Unity Building	Chicago Cook County
Church of the St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Monastery	Libertyville vicinity Lake County

Also Notified

Honorable Charles H. Percy
Honorable Adlai E. Stevenson
Honorable Paul M. Simon
Honorable John B. Anderson
Honorable Robert H. Michel
Honorable Cardiss Collins
Honorable Robert McClory

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