Dill Field is part of the Savage Football Stadium and consists of a football field, which can be determined by the goal posts at each end and an asphalt track that encloses the football field. Stands are located to the west of the field and in front of Jones Field House. The stands are located only on one side and could probably seat about thirty-five hundred fans. A stone foundation supports them, however brick portions arranged in a stretcher...

The athletic grounds, which Dill Field is a part of, began their official association with the college in 1884, when 17.64 acres of land was purchased from John Vetter, a chaplain who served with the 5th US Colored Cavalry (Holsworth). Subsequent purchases through 1912 eventually took the total acreage up to the 24.84 acres it is today (College Archives). As early as 1902, Dill Field is referenced in materials, however it was at that time slightly south and west of where it is today (at the continued...)

Dill Field is located at the corner of Woodland Avenue and Union St. The field is in fair condition and is surrounded by several college buildings that are maintained.

City Directories, O.H.I.O. Resource Center.; Gordon, Stephen C, 'How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory,' Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, 1992.; Holsworth, Pat, Oberlin Pioneer Database.; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.loraincount...
51. Condition of Property: Good/Fair

52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers

Door Selection: Unknown
Door Position: Unknown
Orientation: Unknown (cannot determine from existing info)
Symmetry: Cannot determine from form

FOR OHPO USE:
49. Revised By:
50a. Date Revised:
50b. Reviewed by:
RPR Number:

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con’t)

bond pattern can also be found on the stands. Underneath the stands is an open area where stairs can be climbed to reach the bleachers. A structure is located in the middle at the top of the stands. The structure appears to be a press box that is made of wood and contains a flat roof. There are three raised sections on the press box. The center tower is slightly lower and contains three windows, either awning or hopper. The towers at the end have no windows and extend about six feet up. A band of windows runs along the main section of the press box, the windows appear to be one-over-one double hung. The back wall of the stands is stone as the bottom front at ground level is as well. A chain link, wire fence surrounds the field and tubing is located on top of the fence, which was mostly likely added on later as a safety precaution.

corner of Woodland and Union). A plan was formulated in 1913, to develop the land into a multi-purpose athletic field with places for football, baseball, track, and tennis, and the college almost immediately started with the first phase of the plan, the football field and temporary bleachers. The Olmsted Brothers, Landscape Artists designed the general layout of the complex, with Cass Gilbert (Oberlin's resident architect) designing the entrance gates, grandstands, and fence. A lack of funds, and then WWI, quickly put the rest of the athletic complex on hold, and the stadium seating that is now present was not built until 1925. In 1948, a former WWII Navy drill hall was moved to Oberlin from Camp Perry, VA, and erected behind and conjoining to the Stadium. This building became Jones Field House. Dill Field is named in honor of the Dill family; graduates of Oberlin College as well as financial supporters. Jones Field House is named in honor of George M. Jones, the first man to hold the Office of the Secretary position when it was created in 1899 (College Archives). Savage Stadium Complex is named in honor of Charles Winfred Savage, an influential director of the

43. History and Significance (Con’t)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con’t)

45. Sources (Con’t)

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