

OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

Ohio Historic Preservation Office
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1. No.	2. County LOR	4. Present Name(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Coded
3. Location of Negatives O.H.I.O. Resource Ctr.		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Magraugh House, Holly House, Gilbert House, Capps House, Comings House, Kerr House, Dumas House, Thompson House, Ward House	
Roll #	Exp. #		Facing
S. Side 6	12		
Front 6	13		

6. Specific Address or Location 42 South Cedar Street	17. Date(s) or Period c. 1870-1883	17b. Alteration Date(s) c. 1915	30. Foundation Material Sandstone
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 0900-085-102-033	18. Style or Design Italianate	High Style <input type="checkbox"/>	31. Wall Construction Balloon Frame/Western Frame/Platform
7. City or Village Oberlin	18a. Style of Addition or Element(s)	Elements <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	32. Roof: Type Truncated Hip Pitch Low Material Asphalt Shingle
8. Site Plan with North Arrow	19. Architect or Engineer Unknown		33. No. Bays Front 3 Side 6
	19a. Design Sources Unknown		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Wood, Beveled Siding (1st fl.), Wood, Shingle (2nd fl.)
	20. Contractor or Builder Unknown		35. Plan Shape Irregular
	21. Building Type or Plan Other House		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Altered, Substantially
	22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling		37. Window Type(s) 1 over 1, 2 over 1, 2 over 2
9. U.T.M. Reference	23. Present Use Single Dwelling		38. Bldg. Dims. 68 x 35
Zone	Easting	Northing	39. Endangered? No Explain:
<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Structure		40. Chimney Placement Paired Interior Roof Surface
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Object		41a. Distance from road approx. 20'
11. On National Register ? No	12. N.R. Potential ? No	24. Ownership <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	41b. Frontage on road 91 ft.
13. Part of Estb Hist Dist? No	14. Dist. Potential ? No	25. Owner's Name & Address, if known	
15. Name of Established District (N.R. or Local)	26. Property Acreage .27	27. Other Surveys in Which Included No	
16. Thematic Association(s) Governmental administration - Public Official, Private	28. No. of Stories 2	29. Basement? Yes	

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features
This house has subtle Italianate flair. The middle and right bays of the first-floor façade are covered by a porch; the middle one is the front door. The porch is supported by square columns with brackets. The left bay of the front façade is an octagonal bay window on the first floor. Almost all the doors and windows are topped by shaped wooden lintels. The south side of the house has a one story addition with a side door that opens onto a very small porch. On the second floor, the frieze is slightly decorated with rectangular panels, but has no brackets under the eaves (perhaps removed?). Decorative woodwork covers the bricks under the porch and the bay window. There appears to be a screened-in back porch.

43. History and Significance
Farmer John Magraugh (also known as McGraugh), his wife S. A., and their daughter Florence lived in this house from the early 1880s until at least 1902. Mrs. Lucy Huddleston lived with them from 1897 until around 1899. R. H. Holly lived here in 1916, and Clyde Gilbert moved in by 1929. Fine Arts professor Edward Capps, Jr., lived here from 1933 until 1938, and Charles R. Comings moved into the house in 1939 (City Directories). Comings was the son of bookstore proprietor A. G. Comings, who served as mayor of Oberlin from 1884 to 1888 (cont.)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (see #52)
There is a hip-roofed garage in the backyard.

45. Sources of Information
O.H.I.O. Resource Center: Oberlin City Directories. Lorain County Courthouse, Auditor Property Records, 2001. Internet. <http://www.loraincounty.com/auditor/index.shtml>. Oberlin Historic Preservation Commission Files. O.H.I.O. Resource Center Files. Sanborn fire insurance maps. Oberlin News Tribune, Bicentennial Edition, Thurs. 17 June 1976. Pat Holsworth, Oberlin Pioneer Database. Oberlin College Yearbooks, O.H.I.O. Resource Center. Prue Richards, Interview, September 2002.

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48. Date Recorded 12/16/2002
49. Revised by
50a. Date Revised
50b. Reviewed by

51. Condition of Property

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruin
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good/Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Destroyed/Burned
<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	Date _____

54. Farmstead Plan



52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Barn Type(s)

<input type="checkbox"/> Corn Crib or Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Summer Kitchen	<input type="checkbox"/> Silo
<input type="checkbox"/> Smoke House	<input type="checkbox"/> Spring House	<input type="checkbox"/> Ice House
<input type="checkbox"/> Designed Landscape Features	<input type="checkbox"/> Privy	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage

53. Affiliated OAI Site Number(s) _____

OAI Completed? _____

Archaeological Feature:	Observed	Expected on Basis of Archival Research
Well	_____	_____
Privy	_____	_____
Cistern	_____	_____
Foundation	_____	_____
Structural Rubble	_____	_____
Formal Trash Dump	_____	_____
Other _____	_____	_____

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and as a school board member in 1901. Charles followed his father' s footsteps and served as mayor of Oberlin. Charles had served in the Spanish-American War (Richards). L. E. Kerr lived here in 1942, followed by M. O. Dumas and Paul Thompson in 1956, and P. S. Ward in 1961 (City Directories).