

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		5. Historic or OtherName(s) Dexter House	
Roll #	Exp. #		
Front	1	24	N

6. Specific Address or Location 20, 22 East Lorain Street	17. Date(s) or Period c.1870	17b. Alteration Date(s)	30. Foundation Material Sandstone
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 090006102027	18. Style or Design No academic style - vernacular	High Style <input type="checkbox"/>	31. Wall Construction Wood Frame
7. City or Village Oberlin	18a. Style of Addition or Element(s)	Elements <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	32. Roof: Type Hip Pitch Steep Material Asphalt Shingle
8. Site Plan with North Arrow	19. Architect or Engineer unknown		33. No. Bays Front 4 Side 3
	19a. Design Sources unknown		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Wood, Narrow Horizontal Siding Wood, Shingle
	20. Contractor or Builder unknown		35. Plan Shape Square
9. U.T.M. Reference	21. Building Type or Plan Duplex		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Unknown
Zone	22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling		37. Window Type(s) 2 over 2, 1 over 1
Easting	23. Present Use Multiple Dwelling, Double		38. Bldg. Dims. 50' x 46'
Northing	24. Ownership <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private		39. Endangered? No Explain:
10. <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	25. Owner's Name & Address, if known		40. Chimney Placement No Chimney Observed
<input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Object			41a. Distance from road 35' approx.
11. On National Register ? No	26. Property Acreage .15		41b. Frontage on road 67'
12. N.R. Potential ? Yes	27. Other Surveys in Which Included no		
13. Part of Estb Hist Dist? No	28. No. of Stories 2 and 1/2		
14. Dist. Potential ? Yes	29. Basement? Full		
15. Name of Established District (N.R. or Local)			
16. Thematic Association(s) Professional, Commercial, College			

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features
This duplex is symmetrical. Ionic columns support the roof of the large porch. There are four bays on the front of the house: the inside two are doorways into the house, and the outside two are windows. On the second story there are four windows and a small half-circle window in the middle. On the top story, two large wall dormers with cornice returns and gable roofs face the road. They are sided in shaped wood shingles. The sides of the house are simple, with a beltcourse and gable dormers on each side.

43. History and Significance
This duplex started as a single house, built before 1877. Then, around 1908, the second house was added on, and lived in by a local jeweler, A.F. Meseke, and dentist, James Dexter, and their families. Around 1929, the entire duplex was inhabited by the Hakes family--Miss Mabel Hakes and her brother's family. They lived there as a family until the mid-1950s. Miss Mabel Hakes was the assistant in the Oberlin College Secretary's Office. From 1916 to 1919, Fred M. Maddock, later to become a well-known Oberlin historian, resided there.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (see #52)
On each side of the house a gravel driveway leads to a garage. The garage on the east side is relatively new, and holds one car. The garage on the west side is older.

45. Sources of Information
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. Oberlin City Directories.

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48. Date Recorded 1/26/2002
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)

n/a

<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garage

53. Affiliated OAI Site Number(s) _____

OAI Completed? _____

Archaeological Feature:	Observed	Expected on Basis of Archival Research
Well	No _____	No _____
Privy	No _____	No _____
Cistern	No _____	No _____
Foundation	No _____	No _____
Structural Rubble	No _____	No _____
Formal Trash Dump	No _____	No _____
Other _____	No _____	No _____

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