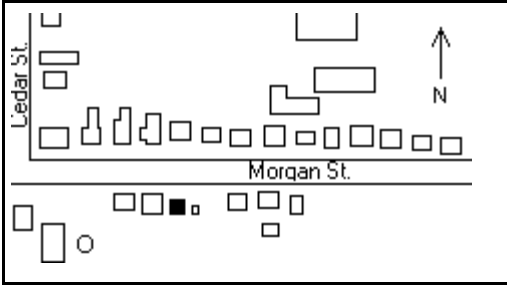


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1. No. LOR-1732-21		2. County Lorain		4. Present Name(s)		1. No. LOR-1732-21
3. Location of Negatives O.H.I.O. Resource Cen						
Roll No. 9		Picture No.(s) 00,01		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Grandison House, Bails House		2. County Lorain
6. Specific Address or Location 167 Morgan Street		16. Thematic Associations: Grocery, College,		28. No. of Stories One and a half story		
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 0900-095-101-021		17. Date(s) or Period 1885		17b. Alteration Date(s) c. 1986		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
7. City or Village If Rural, Township & Vicinity Oberlin		18. Style or Design Stick, Eastlake		High Style Elements Yes		
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)		29. Basement? Yes		
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oberlin 17 397519 4571101 Zone Easting Northing		19. Architect or Engineer		30. Foundation Material Stone bearing		
10. Classification: Building		19a. Design Sources		31. Wall Construction Concrete block		
11. On National Register?		20. Contractor or Builder John Decker		32. Roof Type Gable with side gab Roof Material Asphalt shingle		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist?		21. Building Type or Plan Other House Type		33. No. of Bays 3 Side Bays 2		
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling, , ,		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Clapboard or weatherboard		
		23. Present Use Single Dwelling, , ,		35. Plan Shape Irregular		
		24. Ownership Private		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition Altered Yes Moved		
		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known		37. Window Type(s) 1 over 1,		
		26. Property Acreage .42		38. Building Dimensions 45 x 28		
		27. Other Surveys		39. Endangered? By What?		
				40. Chimney Placement Off center within roof surface		
				41. Distance from & Frontage on Road Approx. 35'		
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)						6. Specific Address or Location 167 Morgan Street
<p>This house is an example of a Stick style cottage. A pair of narrow doors is located at the center of the main facade. The doors have molded wood panels, which arch at the tops. Wood steps and balustrade lead to the entry. Decorative knee braces support a shed hood above the door. One-over-one windows to the left and right of the entry have smaller hoods above them and decorative knee braces. The clapboard siding directly above and below the continued...</p>						
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)						
<p>John Decker built this house in the fall of 1885 for one of his craftsmen, Alexander Grandison (Blodgett 132). John Decker and Alexander Grandison were involved in building Peters, Talcott, and Baldwin Halls at OC (Blodgett 132). The next resident of the house was Thomas Bails and his family (City Directory). Thomas Bails was a grocer in Oberlin until about 1909 when he sold his grocery to F.T. Waters (Oberlin News). Thomas died in a hit and run accident in 1917, but the Bails family lived in continued...</p>						
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)						
<p>The house is well-maintained and is situated in a residential neighborhood of other homes in good condition. A detached, two-car garage is located behind the home, which is in excellent condition, and is much newer than the house. The original carriage house collapsed in the late 1970s.</p>						
45. Sources of Information						
<p>Blodgett, Geoffrey, 'Oberlin Architecture, College and Town: A Guide to Social History,' Oberlin College, 1985.; City Directories, O.H.I.O Resource Center.; Holsworth, Pat, Oberlin Pioneer Database.; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.lorainc continued...</p>						

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51. Condition of Property: Excellent

52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies
Carriage house

53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers

Door Selection: Single centered

Door Position: Recessed

Orientation: Lateral axis with lateral smaller extension

Symmetry: Bilateral symmetry

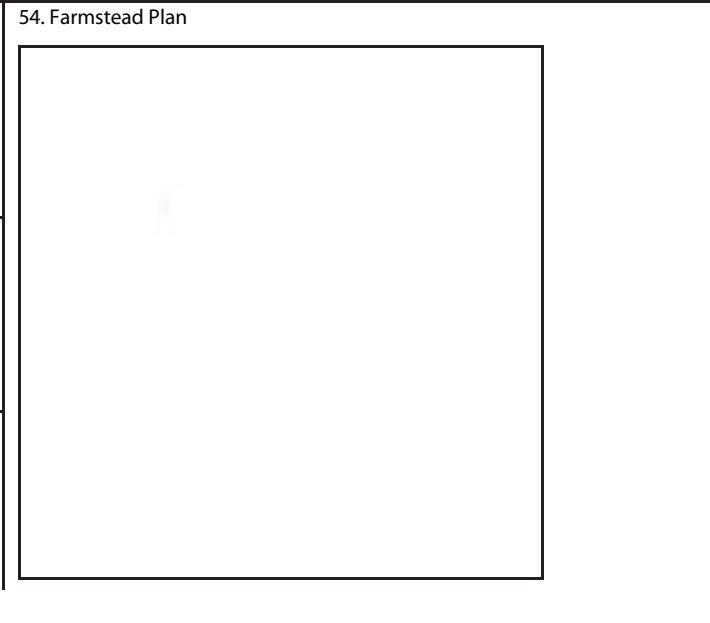
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42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

windows, as well as above the door, runs diagonally. Vertical clapboard siding runs approximately 2 feet down along the steeply pitched gable that marks the central entry. The gable has decorative bracing and knee braces. A small awning window is situated above the entry's hood. The west elevation has one-over-one windows to the left at the first and second stories, each with small hoods above them. The one-story addition at the far left has a rectangular window, flat roof, and modern concrete block foundation. The east elevation includes an entry near the center with a door that faces the front elevation. A square, projecting bay at the right has a slightly mansard roof and a one-over-one window with a small railing on top of the roof. A one-over-one window is in the second story, within a gable that has decorative bracing. A one-story addition at the left has a one-over-one window and a flat roof, which enclosed the former side porch during the Richards' occupancy of the house. Another addition extends from the far left corner with a polygonal, gazebo-style roof; this addition was added in the late 1980s, just after the Bradfords moved into the house.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

this house until about 1959 when Bertha Bails passed away (Blodgett 132). The house was then purchased by Oberlin College and rented out to faculty until about 1975 (Blodgett 132). According to local historian Prue Richards, OC professor of math George Andrews rented the house, as did Peter & Jodi Richards. The Richards purchased the house around 1974 from the college & sold it in 1986.

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

45. Sources (Con't)

county.com/auditor/index.shtml, Accessed 2003.; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.; Gordon, Stephen C., ' How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory,' Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, 1992.; McAlester, Virginia and Lee, ' A Field Guide to American Houses,' Alfred K. Knopf Inc., New York, 2000.; ' Alumni Register: Graduates and Former Students, Teaching and Administrative Staff, (1833-1960),' Oberlin College, 1961.

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