This house is an example of one that displays Queen Anne, Dutch Colonial Revival, and Craftsman elements. The irregular massing, and wood shingles of the second story indicate the Queen Anne style. The porch, located at the center and left half of the main facade, has Tuscan columns on top of cobblestone bases. The main entry contains a set of narrow double doors, with square windows. The Dutch Colonial Revival influence is carried out through continued...

This house first appears in the Oberlin City Directory in 1890 with Rev. Irving M. Channon listed as the occupant. Rev. Channon was a missionary and later a bookstore owner in Oberlin (Holsworth, Phillips 265). In 1891, Nathan M. Strong moved in with his wife, Rosa (City Directory). Nathan was a cooper who made and repaired wooden barrels & a Civil War veteran from the 34th Veteran Volunteer Infantry Regiment (Holsworth). By 1894, Walter Persons occupied this house with his wife Emma and continued...

The house is located on a quiet block of well-maintained homes, and has a detached, two car garage.
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4. Present Name(s)  

5. Historic or Other Name(s) Strong House

51. Condition of Property: Good/Fair

52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers

- Door Selection: Single off center
- Door Position: Flush
- Orientation: Gable with two story same height
- Symmetry: Bilateral asymmetry

54. Farmstead Plan

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

...the gambrel roof of the front facade. This roof has had skylights added to it. The other facades have gable roofs. The west elevation has an exterior chimney, covered completely in cobblestone. The third floor was not originally gambrel; according to local historian Dick Lothrop, a 1948 fire that destroyed the third floor and part of the home's interior was replaced by the gambrel roof, designed by Arba Fowls, a local contractor. Another period of change for this house, according to Lothrop was between 1910-1915, when the house was remodeled from its original appearance (which reportedly resembled a neighboring house, 235 Elm Street). This first remodel involved a living room addition with a chimney and stone fireplace.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

...children LaVerne and Ferdinand (City Directory, Holsworth). Walter was a shoemaker and storeowner in Oberlin (Holsworth). He lived in this house until his sudden death in 1942 or 1943; according to local historian Dick Lothrop, Emma lived here & taught pottery from the home until she was killed in a devastating fire to the house in 1948 (City Directory). Their son Frederick occupied the house until around 1956 (City Directory). Lothrop reported that the second floor was rented to OC faculty, all who narrowly escaped the fire of 1948; they included Ellen Johnson (art professor), Lucy Lewis (harp professor), & Dorothy Daub (employed at Carnegie Library). Another resident of the house was C.K. Swenson in 1956 (City Directory). According to Lothrop, D.E. Moore bought this house from Frederick Persons & resided here by 1961. In 1970, P.A. Thomas, a junior high school teacher lived here (City Directory).

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

45. Sources (Con't)

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