**Champe House**

- **Address:** 264 East Lorain Street, Lorain
- **City:** Oberlin
- **County:** Lorain
- **Date:** c. 1920

**Thematic Associations:** Manufacturing/Industrial

**Style or Design:** High Style

**Added Elements:** Bungalow

**Original Use:** Single Dwelling

**Present Use:** Single Dwelling

**Ownership:** Private

**Acreage:** .48

**Foundation Material:** Stone bearing

**Roof Type:** Gable with side gable

**Wall Construction:** Balloon frame/western frame/pla

**Changes:** Addition Altered Moved

**Windows:** 1 over 1

**Endangered?:** Yes

**Chimney Placement:** Multiple random

**Distance from & Frontage on Road:** Approx. 20'

**Description:**

This Dormer Front Bungalow contains a full porch with a clapboard wall running between the brick bases with cement caps. The porch supports have slanted sides, and cement steps lead up to it. The door is located right of the center and has glass in the upper half. A one-over-one window is located to the right of the door, with a set of three one-over-one windows to the left. The east elevation projects at the center of the first story. The continued...

This house is not listed in city directories prior to 1929, therefore the Champes may be the original owners of this house, between 1929-1930. Henry H. Champe lived here with his wife, Harriet, until her death in 1955, and his death in 1961 (Westwood). Henry was a janitor (City Directory). In 1937, Horace and Edward Champe are listed as living here. Horace was a tinner and Edward was a laborer (City Directory). In the following years, Edward is not listed, however, Horace lived here, along in continued...

This house appears to be in good condition. Lorain Street is one of Oberlin’s busier roads, and other houses primarily bordered this one, with the exception of the Department of Transportation’s Federal Aviation Administration building to the east.

**Sources of Information**

1. No. LOR-1703-21  
2. County Lorain  
3. Location of Negatives O.H.I.O. Resource Cen  
4. Present Name(s) 
5. Historic or Other Name(s) Champe 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: Lateral axis
Symmetry: Bilateral asymmetry

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

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

projection contains a one-over-one window and a door that faces the south; a small window is located above the door. The remainder of the east elevation features a set of three one-over-one windows at the first story and two one-over-one windows in the second story. The west elevation contains an exterior chimney, located right of center. A door is located to the left, with a shed hood and cement steps with an iron railing leading up to it and facing the south elevation. A one-over-one window is located between the door and the chimney, with two above, in the second story. A projection at the left (rear of the house) contains a one-over-one window.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

Henry Champe in 1961, as well as Floyd W. Walker and his wife, Lucille (Champe). After Horace’s death in 1969, the house may have sat empty for at least a short time, as it is named ‘vacant’ in the 1970 city directory. According to the property card, Lucille Champe Walker obtained the house in 1965, and it was passed to Gary M. Champe in 1997.

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

45. Sources (Con't)

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