This vernacular gabled ell features its gabled portion at the left side of the front/east facade. At the first story, a large plate glass 1/1 window has an upper sash that is much smaller than its lower sash. The second story has a 1/1 double hung window. Triangular brackets are below the eaves at the corners of the gable. The right side of the facade includes the ell, which has a corner porch with a hip roof, Tuscan columns, a wood balustrade, wood lattice below the porch, and modern, wood steps with metal rails that lead up to the porch. The door within the porch appears to be original. The door has a window in its upper portion, surrounded by molding with bull's-eyes at the corners of the molding. The same molding surrounds the filled panel below the window. Left of the gabled portion at the facade, wood steps lead to a second story door at the south elevation. The south elevation has a door at the far right of the second story, which opens to a wood platform. At the first story, a 1/1 double hung window is at the far right. The gabled portion has a 1/1 double hung window at the first and second stories. Left of the gabled portion, there are also 1/1 double...
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### Site Plan with North Arrow

**Door Selection:** Single off center

**Door Position:** Recessed

**Orientation:** Gable end axis

**Symmetry:** Bilateral asymmetry

**Report Associated With Project:**

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**54. Farmstead Plan:**

- **Door Selection:** Single off center
- **Door Position:** Recessed
- **Orientation:** Gable end axis
- **Symmetry:** Bilateral asymmetry
Hung windows at the first and second stories. A two-story addition has a small, horizontal sliding window at the left corner of the second story. The north elevation includes the front porch, which is at the left. The gabled portion of the elevation is at the center; it has two 1/1 double hung windows at the first story and a double hung window at the second story as well. A large addition has projecting bay windows at the left, which has many lights, at the first story, and a small, horizontal, sliding window at the right. Two horizontal, sliding windows are in the second story. Also at the second story, at the rear of the house, a later porch is visible.

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

family had moved in: Rev. Jerome Dean Davis and his children Clara Strong Davis, Genevieve Woodbury Davis, and John Merle Davis. Rev. Davis served in Japan for Congregational missions and was involved in the development of Kobe Women’s College and Doshisha University (the first Christian university in Japan). All three of his children were born in Japan and attended Oberlin College. Clara and Genevieve attended the Conservatory and John attended the seminary. Following their educations at Oberlin College, they each took up missionary vocations. Clara worked in the South American seaport of Durban, Genevieve worked in Miyazaki, Japan, and John worked in Nagasaki, Japan, as the secretary for the YMCA. They are only listed at this house in one city directory: 1894. From 1895 to 1896, Martha J. Noyes (b. 1845, NY; d. 1915, CA) lived here. She was the wife of M. J. Noyes and they had one daughter, Helen Gertrude (b. 1884 in Kodaikanal, India). Helen lived in this house and attended the Oberlin College conservatory. In 1897 Mrs. Media A. Bunker (nee Andrews, wife of L. A. Bunker) lived here with their children Marjorie C. and Lloyd R. Media later trained at Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College and became a doctor. The next residents listed in 1902 are the Jackson family (spelled ‘Jackman’ in one city directory). Charles Holmes Jackson (b. 1851, Ohio) attended Oberlin College Preparatory school from 1867-69 and was listed as a farmer while living at this address. His wife was Eva E. (nee Emmons; b. 1858, Ohio); she attended the Oberlin College Conservatory. The couple had a daughter, Grace Genevra (b. 1881; d. 1958) who also attended the Oberlin College Conservatory. The next occupants, from 1904 through 1907, were Mrs. Adaline Dye (b. 1836, Ohio; d. 1923, Oberlin), the wife of Henry S. Dye (b. 1828, Ohio; d. 1904). It might be assumed that Adaline moved to this residence following her husband’s death. They had five children, Justina (b. 1857), Elson David (b. 1859), Jesse (b. 1863), Jane (b. 1865), and Marion (b. 1868), though only Marion was listed as a resident of this house. While living here, Marion was a clerk at E. P. Johnson, a dry goods store. In 1904, the Dyes also shared the house with James Eliphalet Sprunger (b. 1871, IN; d. 1918), who was secretary of the YMCA. He also attended the Oberlin College seminary and married Elizabeth C. (nee Ensign) the year they lived in this house. From 1908 through 1910, James Walker Grant (b. 1871, Ohio; d. 1945, Oberlin) lived in this house with his wife, Grace L. (nee Cooper; b. 1875, Ohio; d. 1926, Westwood) and daughter, Geraldine (b. 1898). James worked as a brick inspector and contractor while the family lived in this house. The Grants also shared the house with Flavius Lafayette Rowell (b. 1879 in Arkansas), who had been a student at the Oberlin Academy from 1897-99 and he worked as a clerk and grocery salesman while living in this house. In 1916, new occupants had moved in: William J. Echols (b. 1872, MS) lived here with his wife, Anna (nee Shumpert). The Echols had three children: S. Evelyn (b. 1907), Anna S. (b. 1908), and Haurica F. (b. 1910). The 1916 directory does not list an occupation for William although a later directory lists him as an undertaker. The Echols shared the house with Mrs. L. C. Burnett and her daughter, Sarah. By 1920, the Echols and Burnetts had moved out and the house was occupied by the Martin family for several decades. Nathan Albert Martin (b. 1872, Ohio; d. 1957, Oberlin) lived here with his wife, Edith Hayes (nee Broadwell; b. 1877, Ohio; d. 1972, Oberlin) and their children: Grace Elmina (1900-1995), Burns Broadwell (1902-1992), John Henry (1908-1978), Nata ‘Betty’ Elizabeth (1912-1979), and Robert Delwin (1915-1995). Edith was a graduate of Oberlin High School and Nathan was the owner of a hotel/inn/tavern in town. The business owned by Nathan was the former Hotel Stanley, which was renamed Martin Inn in 1912. It was also sometimes referred to as the Martin Hotel and it was located at 31 E. College. As improvements were made, Nathan added a tea room, which was called the Painted Window. He was later the owner of the Oberlin Tavern, located at 29 E. College. As the children grew older, but remained residents, John Henry worked as a grocery clerk and later at the Oberlin Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company. Betty worked as a teacher at Pleasant School after earning her B.S. in elementary education from Ashland College and an M.S. from Ohio State University. She later went on to work as the principal of Eastwood Elementary and was a member of various educational organizations. The Martins are listed at this residence through 1948, but are absent at this address in the 1956 and 1961 directories. The 1956 directory lists William R. and Betty Allen at this house with their two children. William worked at the General Motors foundry. The 1961 directory lists Mrs. C. Lynn Donovan, a student, here, while 140 1/2 N. Main is occupied by Bruce A. and Ilene M. Aune. Bruce was an instructor at Oberlin College. In 1970, Mrs. Grace Harlow, the daughter of Nathan Martin, and the widow of George Richardson Harlow II (b. 1899; d. 1951) returned to her childhood home, where she remained through 1995. She had a son, Richard Harlow (b. 1928), who was not listed as a resident at this house. In 1970, she shared the house with Chesley W. Yellot, a construction worker. Additionally, Robert D. Jenkins, assistant development director at Oberlin College, lived in 140 1/2 N. Main. Robert was listed at this residence from 1970 through 1988. In 1995, Grace moved into Kendal at Oberlin and the house was sold to Wu Hong Chi, who was not listed in phone books as a resident in the house and may have been an off-property landlord. In 2006, Wu Hong Chi sold the property to the current owner, Oberlin College.

45. Sources (Con’t)

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