This vernacular gabled ell residence demonstrates some Craftsman elements in its decorative features. The front (east) gable element of the Craftsman style, with a solid half-wall around its perimeter, covered in the same material as the exterior of the house. The very low-pitched hipped porch roof is supported by simple, paired square wooden columns. The columns occur on both corners of the porch, on both sides of the centrally-located poured concrete stairs with metal railing, and on the side railing continued...

A house was located at this address at least by 1873, although the Lorain County Auditor lists the construction date of this house at 1880. The first known occupant of the current house was William H. Danforth, who was a carpenter. He is only listed at this address in 1883, and he may have lived here with his English wife, Ella, whom he married in 1878, and their son, George W. Subsequent city directories, from 1886 to 1904, identify the Charles Pierce Danforth family at this residence. Charles was the brother of William, and at one time, their mother, Maryetta W. also lived here (1886-87). Charles was a Civil War veteran and tinsmith who worked at Carter and Huckins. His first wife, whom he married in 1878, was named Alice K.; she tragically committed suicide in 1888 after bearing four continued...

This house is located in a residential area of one of the primary roads into town. A driveway along the south side of the property leads to a parking area. There are no outbuildings.

43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)

45. Sources of Information

1. No.   LOR-02087-21
2. County  Lorain
3. Location  
4. Present Name(s)  Barnby-Feller House
5. Historic or Other Name(s)  Danforth-Reed House

54. Farmstead Plan:
- Door Selection: Two doors asymmetrical
- Door Position: Flush
- Orientation: Gable dominant with lateral smaller extension
- Symmetry: Bilateral asymmetry

8. Site Plan with North Arrow

Report Associated With Project:
NADB #: 
### Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features

near the ell. Beneath the porch floor, the columns are supported by stone piers, the spaces between which are filled with rectangular latticework. The north elevation has two bays apparent before the elevation becomes recessed; there are at least two bays in the recessed element. The front section of the house has a small one-pane window, a 1/1 double hung window on its first story and a small 1/1 double hung window aligned near the rear. The recessed segment has what appear to be a horizontal sliding window and another rectangular one-pane window in its first story, and another small 1/1 double hung window in the second story near its rear. The south elevation of the front gable element is plain, with no features. The south elevation of the side gable has a single window, not aligned, in each story: a 16-panel window in the first story and a 1/1 double hung window in the second. On the original segment of the house, the roof has exposed rafter tails, triangular knee braces at the corners, and slightly extended rafter ends, at least on the front gable. The back section, probably an addition or recent enclosure, judging from the foundation, has a long rectangular window with a large central pane flanked by two narrower panes, a modern door, and a horizontal sliding window. The door opens onto a set of stone steps with a metal handrail. The roof of this element is very low-pitched.

### History and Significance

children: Carrie Belle, Charles Wheat, Herbert R., and Alice E.. The children attended Oberlin High School and at least Charles took classes at Oberlin College. Charles' second wife, Adelaide, whom he married in 1893, also lived in this house. The next residents were Martin M. Ryan, a granite and marble monument cutter, his wife, Catherine, and their toddler son, Howard. The Ryans lived at this house from 1907 through 1910. The next family to occupy this house was the Reeds. They lived here for a lengthy period of time, from at least 1916 through 1970. Charles Spugeon Reed lived here with his wife Mary Lou and their children: Dorothy Francis, Charles Acril, Donald Calvin, and Marion Lucille. Charles S. was actively involved in the Oberlin Employees Association as a committee member and treasurer. He worked on the Oberlin College grounds as a deliveryman and truck driver, and eventually became the foreman. He retired from this work by the early 1950s. His sons (Charles A. and Donald) both served in the armed forces during World War II. In 1970, a student named Mrs. Jean R. Hoose lived here with the Reeds. It is not known exactly when the Reeds vacated the house, but it appears Oberlin College owned the property from 1978 to 1996, and then George Jones owned it from 1996 to 2002. Gary Barnby, Jr. owned it from about 2003 to 2005 and continued as a resident. The current owner/occupants are Ross A. & Kora Radella Feller, who purchased the property in 2005. Ross is an assistant professor of composition at Oberlin College and Kora Radella is an adjunct instructor of dance at Kenyon College. Both the Fellers and Barnby were listed as residents in 2010.

### Sources