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45. Sources of Information

of the house has a large bay window with a window above it that has another decorated triangular pediment. On the southwest corner of the house is a wooden addition with a brick foundation. On the north side, a wooden staircase leads to a small wood porch on the second story and a separate entrance into the house. There is another decorated triangular pediment on this side of the house.

Directory; in 1891 Jefferson & MJ Hill moved in; and by 1894 Mrs ED Van Deusan & her children Linnie & Ruth were living here. In 1895, Judson & Ida Stone moved in & the Stone family continues to live here. Judson was an express agent at the time but was appointed postmaster in 1905. During his long career in politics & public service he served as a village treasurer and a member of the village council, president of the Oberlin Board of Commerce in 1912, state senator for three terms (1914-1920), secretary of Oberlin Business Men's Club in 1933, & was a grand sentinel of the Royal Arcanum, a fraternal organization (Holsworth, Oberlin News 4/07). Judson & Ida had five children, Ida, Frank, Charles, Robert, & Floyd before Ida's death in 1912. Judson re-married to Gertrude Dixon, a graduate of the OC conservatory, & they had two children together, Dorothy & Paul. Dorothy left after she finished school, but Paul stayed with his wife Ina for the rest of his life. Ina worked at the OC library & Paul was an accountant at the Hixon-Peterson Lumber Co. & later secretary of the Oberlin Elevator Co. Paul's parents also remained in the house until their deaths: Judson,
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