### 128 Morgan Street, Lorain

#### 1. No.
LOR-1726-21

#### 2. County
Lorain

#### 3. Location of Negatives
O.H.I.O Resource Cent

#### 4. Present Name(s)

#### 5. Historic or Other Name(s)
Biggs House

#### 6. Specific Address or Location
128 Morgan Street

#### 7. City or Village
Oberlin

#### 8. Site Plan with North Arrow

#### 9. U.T.M. Reference

- **Quadrangle Name:** Oberlin
- **Zone Easting Northing:** 17 39766 457114

#### 10. Classification: Building

- **Original Use, if apparent:** Single Dwelling
- **Present Use:** Double

#### 11. On National Register?

- **Ownership:** Private

#### 12. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)

- **This altered vernacular house, which is currently a duplex, displays elements of Greek Revival style in its pronounced cornice and gable cornice returns. The porch is located at the right side of the elevation and has square supports as well as a roofline that arches at the ceiling. A large, one-over-one window is located at the porch, and the door is to the left, but faces the east on the protruding gabled section of the main facade. A continued...**

- **A carriage house with a dormer is located behind the home, and it appears to be fairly unaltered. The house is located across the street from a large green space along Plum Creek.**

#### 13. Part of Established Hist. Dist?

- **Owner's Name & Address, if known:**

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

- **Distance from & Frontage on Road:** Approx. 40'

#### 15. Other Designation (NR or Local)

#### 16. Thematic Associations:
Civil War, Painting, COMMERCE

#### 17. Date(s) or Period

- **Alteration Date(s):** c. 1873

#### 18. Style or Design

- **Style of Addition or Elements:** Greek Revival

#### 19. Architect or Engineer

#### 20. Contractor or Builder

#### 21. Building Type or Plan

- **House Type:** Other House Type

#### 22. Original Use, if apparent

- **No academic style - Vernacular, Yes**

#### 23. Present Use

- **No academic style - Vernacular, Yes**

#### 24. Ownership

- **Private**

#### 25. Endangered?

- **By What:**

#### 26. Property Acreage

- **.31**

#### 27. Other Surveys

#### 28. No. of Stories

- **Two story**

#### 29. Basement?

- **Yes**

#### 30. Foundation Material

- **Stone bearing**

#### 31. Wall Construction

- **Balloon frame/western frame/pla**

#### 32. Roof Type

- **Cross gable**

#### 33. No. of Bays

- **3**

#### 34. Exterior Wall Material(s)

- **Clapboard or weatherboard**

#### 35. Plan Shape L-shaped

#### 36. Changes

- **Addition:** Yes
- **Altered:** Yes
- **Moved:**

#### 37. Window Type(s)

- **1 over 1, 2 over 2**

#### 38. Building Dimensions

- **30 x 35**

#### 39. Chimney Placement

- **Off center within roof surface**

#### 40. Chimney Placement

#### 41. Distance from & Frontage on Road

- **Approx. 40'**

#### 42. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)

- **This house was built in 1873 as one of the 1st on Morgan. LS&MS RR baggage master Joseph Biggs lived here from 1873-80. In 1880, he sold the**
- **property to Hiram Alonzo & Delana Pease, both born in Massachusetts. Hiram Alonzo's father, Hiram Pease was a founder of Oberlin & brother of**
- **Peter Finder Pease. H. Alonzo attended OC Prep. In 1861, H. Alonzo gathered troops from Oberlin to create a Civil War regiment & became**
- **captain of the company, but resigned his commission in 1862 to become a landscape continued...**

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- **large green space along Plum Creek.**

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#### 45. Sources of Information

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#### 46. Prepared By: Petersen, T Reeves, M Surov

#### 47. Organization: O.H.I.O

#### 48. Date Recorded: 08/19/2003
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**Four over Four Window** is left of the porch in the first story, with two six over six windows in the second story. The attic features a one over one window. The west elevation is heavily obscured, however, two over two, one over one, and rectangular windows are visible. A cross-gabled section projects out near the center of the elevation. The east elevation has a set of three four over four windows at the left side of the first story and two two over two windows in the second story. A one over one window is in the attic. A protruding bay window is at the first story, near the center of the elevation and a shed roof covers it. A door is located further to the right, and a double hung window is located at the far right.

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