**OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY**

1. No. LOR-1730-21  
2. County Lorain

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

4. Present Name(s)

5. Historic or Other Name(s)
   Tobin House

6. Specific Address or Location
   154 Morgan Street

7. City or Village
   Oberlin

8. Site Plan with North Arrow

9. U.T.M. Reference
   Quadrangle Name: Oberlin
   17 397570 4571157
   Zone Easting Northing

10. Classification: Building
11. On National Register?
12. Part of Established Hist. Dist?
13. Other Designation (NR or Local)

14. No. of Stories
   28. Two story

15. Historic or Other Name(s)
   Tobin House

16. Thematic Associations:
   RELIGION: ECCLESIASTICAL GROUP, Health Care,
   17. Date(s) or Period
   c. 1891-94
   17b. Alteration Date(s)

18. Style or Design
   18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)
   Queen Anne

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Building Type or Plan
   Other House Type

22. Original Use, if apparent
   Single Dwelling

23. Present Use
   Single Dwelling

24. Ownership
   Private

25. Owner's Name & Address, if known

26. Property Acreage
   .22

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
   Roof Material
   Slate

33. No. of Bays
   2
   Side Bays
   Irregular

34. Exterior Wall Material(s)
   Clapboard or weatherboard

35. Plan Shape
   Rectangular

36. Changes
   Addition
   Yes
   Altered
   Moved

37. Window Type(s)
   1 over 1, Other

38. Building Dimensions
   68 x 20

39. Endangered?
   By What?

40. Chimney Placement
   Center

41. Distance from & Frontage on Road
   Approx. 30'

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)
   This nicely maintained home is an example of a vernacular house that displays elements of Queen Anne style. The gables of this house contain wood shingles, while the rest of the exterior is comprised of wood clapboard. A small porch at the right has turned supports and a turned railing that runs below the roof. Wood steps and a metal rail lead to the porch, which has lattice below. The door contains a window in its upper half. The gabled portion continued...

43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)
   This house was probably built between 1891-94 (City Directory). Edward Increase Bosworth, a professor of Bible & Dean of the Theology School at OC, lived here with his wife Bertha Belle (McClure) Bosworth & their two sons, Lawrence McClure & Edward Franklin until 1897-98 (Blodgett, City Directories, Holsworth). Bertha attended OC & married E.I. in 1891 (Holsworth). While living in this house, E.I., who also attended OC, chaired the Department of New Testament Language & Literature (Blodgett, continued...

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)
   Two small sheds are located behind the house.

45. Sources of Information

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51. Condition of Property:  Excellent

52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies
   Shed
   Shed

53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers

Door Selection:  Single off center
Door Position:  Recessed
Orientation:  Gable with two story same height
Symmetry:  Bilateral asymmetry

FOR OHPO USE:

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

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

of the facade to the left has a large, double hung window with a slate hood above has multiple lights bordering the perimeter of the upper sash. A one-over-one window is in the second story of the gable. The east elevation has a door near the center and wood steps that lead to a small platform in front of the entry. A double hung window is situated to the left of the door and they have a slate hood above, with multiple lights bordering the perimeter of the upper sash. Smaller one-over-one windows to the far left of the first story has a one-over-one window. An addition has an irregular shape and a window in the second story. The west elevation includes a projecting, gabled section near the center that has one-over-one windows at the first and second stories. A one-over-one window is also at the right of the gabled section, with one at the first story and two at the second story. A two-story addition is connected by an element similar to a two-story hyphen. The addition has an asphalt roof with a lower pitch than that of the original house. A small, projecting portion of the addition has a low gable. Modern windows are in the addition.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

Biography). He profoundly influenced his seminary students, often asking them ‘Just what do you mean by that?’ & ‘Just why do you say that?’ (Biography). The subsequent owner, Mary Jane Vincent, lived here with her mother Hannah Miller (Brooks) Vincent, widow of Tabor Vincent (Deed, Holsworth). Hannah attended OC (Holsworth). City Directories record the Vincents as residents in 1899 when they moved here following the death of Hannah’s brother, a Cleveland physician, whom they were living with (City Directory, Ninth Generation). Hannah died in 1906 & Mary, an invalid, lived in the house through 1916 & perhaps until her death in 1919 (City Directory, Holsworth). The deed passed to Frank Wallace Tobin, Mary’s nephew (Friedman, Holsworth). Frank owned Tobin Drugstore in Oberlin, was president of the Oberlin Savings Bank, & served on the board of public affairs (Friedman, Holsworth, Oberlin News). After Frank’s death in 1948, his son Wallace apparently owned the house until 1976 (Holsworth, Friedman, Deed).

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

45. Sources (Con’t)

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