This small house is a good example of an "Oberlin plainstyle" hint at the Greek revival. The single gable of the roof is perpendicular to the street, and there are cornice returns on the gable end. The first floor of the façade has a window on the left and the front door on the right, with a stoop leading up to the front door. The north side of the house has a small pair of very narrow double-hung windows, and the north side of the back of the house has a small, one-story shed-roofed addition. Wooden moldings outline all of the windows and doors.

43. History and Significance
Hosea Benjamin Tyson and his wife, Mabel, lived in this house in 1908, and Hosea worked as a stone mason (City Directories). Hosea was born in North Carolina in 1858, the son of Hosea L. and Emeline Tyson, and died in Oberlin in 1931. The family was African-American, but it is unclear whether or not they were enslaved in North Carolina. They came to Oberlin in 1866 (Bigglestone). Hosea Benjamin sued John Clark over an accident in 1905, but his brother, Sidney, had a much more dramatic courtroom experience. Sidney was engaged to marry Della Hutchison in 1885, but his fiancée was white. They were denied a wedding license because she was white, (cont.)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (see #52)
The house is surrounded by a garden and a lot of other foliage. There is a driveway on the north side.

45. Sources of Information
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued from page 1)

and an Ohio law had forbidden interracial marriage since 1861. They were arrested for unlawfully living together as man and wife, and Sidney was jailed. In February 1887, on the day their case was to be tried, it was dismissed because the law had just been repealed, so Sidney and Della were married right away (Bigglestone).

Fred M. Wright lived at 66 S. Park in 1910, followed by Mrs. K. E. Rogers in 1916, John Smith in 1929, and Ivan E. Davis in 1933. King D. Rhodes, a laborer, lived in the house from 1935 through 1940 with his wife, Beulah B., and their two children (City Directories).