This vernacular two-story house has a gable front roof and side wing. The hallway main entrance may have originally been a side hallway entrance since the house has had extensive additions and there is another door leading onto the front porch along a recessed wall. The porch extends the width of the house and has a flat roof and round porch posts. The windows are mostly double hung replacements and vary in number of lights. Three separate types of foundation stones demonstrate the difficulty of determining the original orientation of the house. The rear additions have gable roof lines and small, off-center, within ridgeline, chimneys.

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44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (see #52)
This residential street has many well cared for historic homes, but rehabilitations and conversions to rental threaten its historic integrity.

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

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The 1866 red brick Italianate at 47 College Place. That house is now located at 73 ½ South Professor and belongs to O.H.I.O. (O.H.I.O. Resource Center). In 1873 a physician, C.D. Noble lived in this house; from 1877 to 1886 the Oberlin College Treasurer, J.B.T. Marsh lived here; and from 1888 through 1897 his wife and children lived here (City Directories). From 1899 through 1941 the Bosworth family lived here; first Mr. E.I. Bosworth, a professor and then Dean of the Theological Seminary and then E.F. Bosworth, his son, Dean of Men at Oberlin College (City Directories). In 1956 Mrs. Florence Lister was identified as residing in the house and then in 1961 the house was listed as divided into two addresses for the first time with J. William and Edith T. Grice at 78 and Mrs. Janet Owens at 76 (City Directories).

This house is significant through its association with James Monroe, a man important in both education and abolition, and for its long association with Oberlin College. Though exterior features have changed, the house retains the integrity of its distinctive characteristics. This house was listed by the City of Oberlin as an Oberlin Historic Landmark in September 1975. In 1978 the house was listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a structure in Oberlin College’s Historic Resources thematic nomination. (O.H.I.O. Resource Center).