

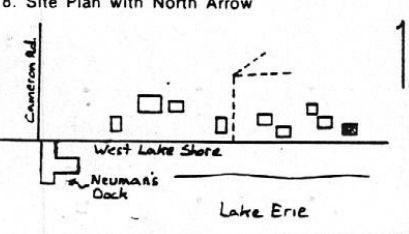
OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

Ohio Historic Preservation Office

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OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY
SINCE 1885

1. No. ERI-1718		4. Present Name(s) Francis Betzenheimer Residence		1. No. ERI-1718	
2. County Erie		5. Other Name(s) Herbert Bickley House, Frederick Grun House			2. County Erie
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.					
6. Specific Location North side of Water St., 250 ft. west of the former R.R. dock		16. Thematic Category Ethnic, industry		28. No. of Stories 2	
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island		17. Date(s) or Period c.1900		29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design Shingle		30. Foundation Material Plain ashlar	
9. U.T.M. Reference 1 7 3 5 6 5 9 0 4 6 0 6 12 0		19. Architect or Engineer		31. Wall Construction Wood Frame	
10. Zone Easting Northing Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>		20. Contractor or Builder		32. Roof Type & Material Pyramidal, asph. shingle	
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		21. Original Use, if apparent Residence		33. No. of Bays Front Side	
12. Is It Eligible? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use Residence		34. Wall Treatment textured cedar shingles	
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		35. Plan Shape square	
14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Francis Betzenheimer Box 464 Kelleys Island		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Name of Established District N/A		25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		37. Condition Interior Exterior good	
16. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape: KI Hist. Survey		26. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
17. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) In addition to the textured shingle wall treatment this house has several other features common to the shingle style. These include 8/1 light, double sash windows, and a semi-hexagonal, two story corner bay window blended into the house by continuous roof line. The central window of the first story bay is transomed. An open, hipped porch across the front of the house is supported by battered columns that rest upon a solid, shingled		27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
18. History and Significance The house was built by Frederick Grun (aka Green) c.1900, on land purchased from Michael Keeley, a quarry worker. Born in 1875, Frederick had emigrated from Germany with his family in 1888 to work in the vineyards of Kelleys Island. His father had been hired to come here as a wine blender. In 1900 he married, bringing his new bride to this house. His sister, Bertha work-		28. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
19. Description of Environment and Outbuildings The house is located in an area formerly heavily developed with houses of families associated with both the south quarry operation of the KIL&T Co., (ER-338), and the fishing industry. Many of these houses have since been		29. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 50' / 116'	
20. Sources of Information Census Records Hamilton Collection: Hayes Presidential Center Oral Hist.: Francis Betzenheimer Ted and Bonnie Blatt 1874, 1896 Atlas Maps, KI.		30. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		42. Prepared by K. Pape Kate Boker	
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50. House Type No.

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51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Barn Type(s)

Code No. Type

Corn Crib or Shed Smoke House Privy
 Silo Spring House Carriage House
 Summer Kitchen or Ice House

Other _____

52. Archaeological Site on Property?

Yes
No

Basis for Information

Owner Collection
 Above Ground Earthworks or Mound
 Cultural Materials Noted

OAI No. _____

53. Farmstead Plan



54. Photo

Roll No. 20 Picture No(s) 1-2

42. (Cont'd)

balustrade. The location of the brick chimney is in the center of the roof. (The roof line is detailed with prominent frieze band; the roof originally covered by slate shingles.

43. (Cont'd.)

ed as a domestic for their neighbor, Theodore McGurn, and later married Henry Schlesselman (ERI-1749). C. 1920 Herbert Bickley and his wife, Elizabeth Feyedelem (See ERI-1716), bought the house from Grun. Herbert and his brother, Leonard had started a fishing business when they lived together in the nearby building that had been Charles Carpenter's first wine cellar (ERI-1706). After his brother left the island, Herbert ran an independent operation selling his fish to Lay Brothers. He had his own boat, nets and crew, using the former middle dock east of Neuman's. His twine shanty (now demolished) was located in the rear of his home, and his men dried their nets on the site of Fred Schardt's former peach orchard west of Cameron Rd. He shared his large lot with the Italian community of quarry workers that lined its northern edge where they grew hay for their livestock. His daughter Bonnie married Ted Blatt, son of Norman Blatt (ERI-1595), a second daughter, Nadine, married Howard Brown, operator of the General Store (ERI-1559). One son married Ardrita Ward, daughter of Esther and Stewart Ward (ERI-1693), a second, Logan, married Geraldine Beatty, daughter of Henry and Rosella Beatty. All the couples vacation on the island. Francis Betzenheimer, son of fisherman Alex Betzenheimer, (ERI-k583)*

44. (Cont'd.) *OLDER BROTHER LOGAN MARRIED JOHN H. W. O. S. SISTER*

removed. The houses on each side of the house both burned c. 1920's. The one on the west is thought to have been the William S. Webb house, and the one on the east that of T. McGurn. Their foundation remnants can still be seen as a slight mound.

* purchased the house in 1950. He, too, was an independent fisherman, and is now a pilot for the Neuman Boat Line.