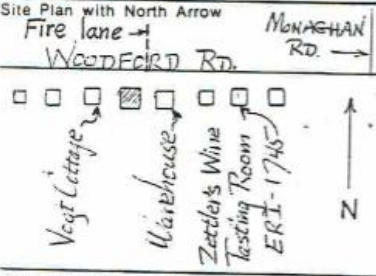




OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

No. ERI-1743		4. Present Name(s) Bechtel House		1. No ERI-1743
Location of Negatives O.H.S.		5. Other Name(s) George Bristol / Henry Vogt (Voight) House		
Specific Location South side of Woodford Rd., 1200 ft. east of ints inter section with Addison Rd.		16. Thematic Category Education; Agriculture		4. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island		17. Date(s) or Period c.1865		
Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
J.T.M. Reference 7 35 8 2 0 0 46 0 6 0 4 0		19. Architect or Engineer		
Easting <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Northing <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>		20. Contractor or Builder		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
Optional Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		21. Original Use, if apparent Residence		
Part of Estab. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Hist. Dist.? No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use Residence		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
Name of Established District N/A		23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary)		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Mrs. Lydia Bechtel 36.0 Galloway Rd., Sanduski		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
		26. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape: KI Hist Survey		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		
		28. No. of Stories 2		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
		30. Foundation Material		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		31. Wall Construction Wood frame		
		32. Roof Type & Material Gable/ asph shingle		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		33. No. of Bays Front Side		
		34. Wall Treatment		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		35. Plan Shape		
		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		37. Condition Interior Exc. Exterior Exc.		
		38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 10		
		Photo		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		History and Significance In December of 1865 George Bristol and his wife, Electa Woodford, each purchased contiguous lots totalling 7 ac. from Addison Kelley, and built the core of this house. George had come to the island in 1858 at the age of 19 to teach the newly formed second district school then located on the eastern end of Woodford rd. (See ERI-1749). It is likely that he first rented a		
		Description of Environment and Outbuildings The house sits far back from the road on a large level, open lot with fields to the east and south. The small cottage added by Wm. Henry Vogt, allegedly for his mother, is immediately to the west. A small, modern frame, gambrel roofed barn is reached by a gravel drive east of the house.		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		Sources of Information Nunan; 1874 & 1896 Atlas Maps, KI Census Records, Erie Co.; Vol 24, pg. 249,50 Erie Deeds Hills; History of Kelleys Island, 1925 Lydia Bechtel. F. Hamilton pvt. papers (courtesy Frances		
		46. Prepared by Kevin Pape & Betty Pape		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House
		47. Organization KI Planning Commis		
		48. Date: (40 Revision Date)		3. Present Name(s) Bechtel House

0. House Type No.

Code No. Name

1. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Barn Type(s)

Code No. Type

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

Other _____

2. Archaeological Site on Property?

Yes
No

Basis for Information

Owner Collection
Above Ground Earthworks or Mound
Cultural Materials Noted

OAI No. _____

54. Photo

Roll No. _____ Picture No(s). _____

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43. (Cont'd.)

house or room on Woodford Rd., and here he probably met his wife, Electa, the daughter of Jesse Woodford (ERI-1751) whom he married in 1861. After service in the Civil War he returned to the island, and by 1870 the Census shows him as a grape grower. (He was later briefly affiliated with the Stokes Winery, (ERI-1637)) However, he soon went to work for the Norman Kelley quarry, c. 1874, becoming foreman and eventually superintendant. Around 1871 he sold this house to Henry Vogt (aka Voight) and rented first the home of his widowed sister-in-law, Angeline Kelley (ERI-1527), then that of William S. Webb (not extant), before building his fine new home (ERI-1694) on Water St. in 1893.

Henry Vogt, born in Switzerland, 1833, was part of the wave of Swiss and German emigrees, who, hearing of the growing viticulture industry here, were coming to Northern Ohio and the Erie Islands in the 1850's. The 1860 Census shows Henry living on Kelleys Island with a Jacob Vogt, and by 1870 was married to Swiss born Elizabeth, and living in the Woodford area near the

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Bristols. Oral tradition suggests that he first lived on the north side of Woodford Rd., and that the foundations of this earlier house can still be seen along the fire lanes of what is now State property. This is further born out by both the 1874 and 1896 maps of the island.

Around 1880 tax records indicate that extensive improvements were made by Vogt to this present house, and c. 1881 a barn was added to the north property where he had set out additional vineyards.

Some time after Henry's death in 1901, his son, William Henry, moved into his father's house with his wife, Julia Schaedler. In 1905 William Henry then built a small cottage just to the west, traditionally said to have been for his widowed mother. The 1910 Census lists The mother, Elizabeth, as part of the household, but also lists as boarders, eight quarrymen, all of Austro-Slovak birth, indicating that the cottage might first have been for rental. (See ERI-1570)

The next known owner was Fred Schardt who bought both houses, using them as rental property. After Schardt, ownership passed through several hands until purchased by the present owner, Lydia Bechtel, daughter of island fisherman, Nelson Dwelle. (See ERI-1584.)

45. (Cont'd.)

Frank Hamilton pvt. papers (courtesy Frances Williams Toepfer)
 Erie Co. Grand List: Kelleys Island, 1870, 1880, 1890
 Oral History: Fr. Richard Bauman
 1903 Erie County Grand List, K.I.Tax

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