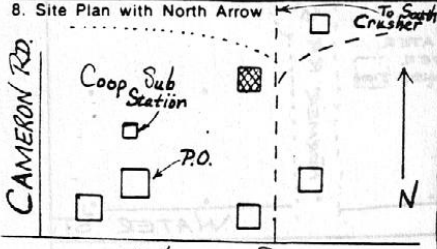




OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. ERI-1715		4. Present Name(s) Evangeline Bonchi Residence	
2. County ERIE		5. Other Name(s) KIL&T Co. Worker's House # 61	
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.		1713 is also 61	
6. Specific Location 300' North of Water St. on unimproved Ln. 625' East of Cameron Rd.		16. Thematic Category Ethnic, manufacturing	
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island, Ohio		17. Date(s) or Period c. 1920	
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design Vernacular	
9. U.T.M. Reference 17 3 5 6 4 2 0 4 6 0 6 2 4 0		19. Architect or Engineer	
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	
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		21. Original Use, if apparent Quarry workers house	
12. Is it Eligible? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use Residence	
13. Part of Estab. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Evangeline Bonchi 415 McDonough St. Sandusky, Ohio 44870	
15. Name of Established District N/A		25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
42. Further Description of Important Features. (Continue on reverse if necessary) This side-gabled house is oriented north towards the KIL&T Co. South Bay operation. It has a prominent central cross gable situated over the main entrance. A brick chimney is located in the ridge of the east gable end. Windows are all 6/6 except for a six light awning window in the stairway at the west gable end, and a nine light, single sash window in the 2nd floor of the		26. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape; KI.Hist.Survey	
43. History and Significance This is one of a number of homes that once made up an enclave of houses built or moved in for quarry workers in this immediate vicinity and to the north and west. A road leading to a number of these houses passed to the north side of the building and lead west towards Cameron Rd. Only two other houses of this group remain (See ERI-1714). Known as "Little Italy", all		27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A	
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings The house is located in an area formerly occupied by the KIL&T Co.'s South Bay quarry (See diagram of #53). Oriented away from the lake and public road towards the quarry operation. It is situated on a small bank above rail grades and quarry access roads. Gabled shed (frame, plywood siding)		28. No. of Stories 1 1/2	
45. Sources of Information Hamilton Collection, Hayes Presidential Center Oral Hist: Evangeline Bonchi Nick Bianchi Joseph and Raymond Feyedelem		29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
		30. Foundation Material stucco	
		31. Wall Construction wood frame	
		32. Roof Type & Material gable/asph shingle	
		33. No. of Bays Front Side	
		34. Wall Treatment Insul Brick	
		35. Plan Shape Rec	
		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	
		37. Condition Interior Exterior good	
		38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
		39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 300' / 100'	
		46. Prepared by Kevin Pape	
		47. Organization KI.Planning Commis	
		48. Date 9/85	
		49. Revision Date(s)	

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50. House Type No.

Code No. Name

51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependence

Barn Type(s)

Code No. Type



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

Other

52. Archaeological Site on Property?

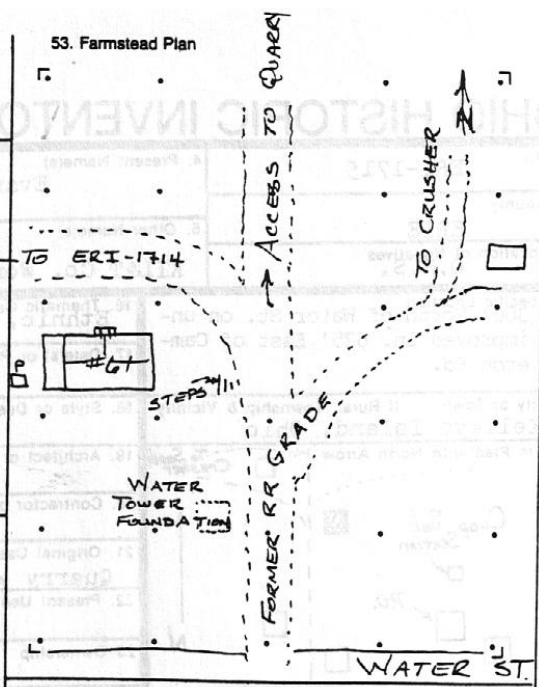
Yes No

Basis for Information

Owner Collection Above Ground Earthworks or Mound Cultural Materials Noted

OAI No. Er338

53. Farmstead Plan



54. Photo

Roll No. 23 Picture No(s). 20-22

42. (Cont'd)

southern eave wall. Trim details are obscured by asphalt shingle siding. A Shed addition with entrance door is built onto western gable end.

43. (Cont'd.)

the houses were owned by the quarry company and rented for \$2.50 to \$5.00 per month. From its size and structure, it is probable that this house was moved to its present location by the KIL&T Co. when its original location was taken for quarrying. It was rented by a number of different families and is said to have been run as a boarding house at one time. The longest tenants was the family of Dominic and Anna Bonchi, parents of the present owner. The Bonchis were among a group of Italians who were recruited to work for the quarry from San Marino in 1913. They lived first in the house now known as Taylor's Toe Hold (ERI-1714) before moving into this house. Virtually self sufficient like all of their neighbors, they worked a large garden raising most of their own produce, had chickens, and one or two pigs or a cow to provide meat and milk, even making their own wine from the readily available grapes. Mrs. Bonchi was the community's mid-wife, and Mr. Bonchi was one of the leaders of their activities and festivities. He helped organize their efforts to bring water to the houses from the nearby quarry owned water tower. Their daughter, Evangeline, after receiving her teacher's training taught the 3rd and 4th grades at Estes School (ERI-1610) for four years (1937-1941) until her father's death. The family then moved to Sandusky where she continued to teach. In 1957 Miss Bonchi purchased the house from the Cleveland Museum of Natural History and uses it as a vacation home.

44. (Cont'd.)

located about 20' west of the house. During quarry occupancy, a garden was located west of the house and boarded neighbor's garden. A chicker coop, pig pen and big barn was torn down when the electric co-op acquired the property.