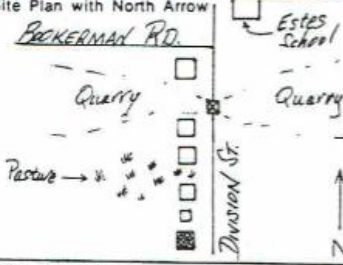


# OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. ERI-1599		4. Present Name(s) Knapp Residence		1. No. ERI-1599
2. County ERIE		5. Other Name(s) Uri Ward House ; Paul Kromer House		
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.				4. Present Name(s) Ignore Sator House / Barbara Knapp
6. Specific Location West side of Division St., 1600 feet south of Bookerman Rd., 6th house		16. Thematic Category Social/Political, agricult.	28. No. of Stories 2 w/1 wing	
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island, Ohio		17. Date(s) or Period c.1860	29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design Greek Revival	30. Foundation Material L.Stn. rubble block	
9. U.T.M. Reference Zone Easting Northing 17 357550 4606830		19. Architect or Engineer	31. Wall Construction Coursed l.s. slab	
10. Site Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure Object <input type="checkbox"/>		20. Contractor or Builder	32. Roof Type & Material Gable/aspr./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 Wing 3 2	
12. Is it Eligible? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use Residence	34. Wall Treatment Coursed l.s. slabs	
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 Rect.	
14. District Potent'l? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Bart Knapp c/o H. Knapp Kelleys Isla, Ohio	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 Good Exterior Excel	
16. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) This front-gabled example of local Greek Revival style lacks the colonades and entablatures frequently found in other similar buildings of the region. Locally, however, these features are more commonly absent. Corbled brick chimneys are located in center of both gable ends. Eaves are deeply overhanging and set-off by frieze board. The front elevation contains the most prominent detailing. This includes squared and coursed rubble limestone wall treatment with cut and		26. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape; KI.Hist.Survey	38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
17. History and Significance This house is an excellent example of local Greek Revival style expressed with native limestone materials. The building has a substantial mass and prominent detailing that reflect on the affluence of its builders, Paul and Francesca Kromer, who built it c.1860 on 3 acres of land purchased from George Kelley. Little is known of this family other than the comment in "The Islander of 3/7/1863 that Kromer was one of five to build houses in the three		27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A	39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
18. Description of Environment and Outbuildings Set on open lot enhanced by several large maple trees. Driveway on north side of house leads to front-gabled garage behind house. Garage built of limestone and features coursed rubble wall treatment.		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 40' / 162'	
19. Sources of Information MSUS Records Aldrich, History of Erie Co., Ohio Hills, History of Kelleys Island, Ohio Oral Hist: J & F Betzenheimer, R. Schnittker Hamilton Collection, Hayes Presidential Center		46. Prepared by Kevin Pape	47. Organization KI.Planning Commis	
		48. Date 6/85	49. Revision Date(s)	

50. House Type No.

Code No. Name

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51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Barn Type(s)

Code No. Type

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

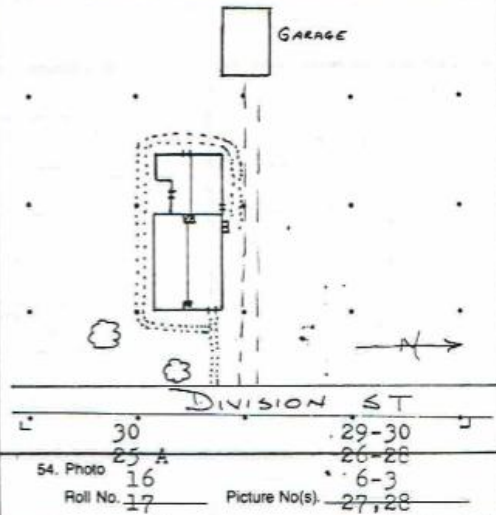
Other \_\_\_\_\_

52. Archaeological Site on Property?

- Yes   
 No

Basis for Information

- Owner Collection   
 Above Ground Earthworks or Mound   
 Cultural Materials Noted  OAI No. \_\_\_\_\_



42. (Cont'd)

dressed limestone quoins and large, cut stone water table. The entrance is highlighted by massive flush, cut limestone lintel; trabeated transom and side lights; and a paneled door with fanlight. Wall treatment on other facades is coursed rubble limestone with dressed rubble quoins. Windows are all 6/6 (except for three 1/1 replacements) and are treated with plain lug sills and flush lintels detailed with tooled margins. A rear one-story gabled wing is treated in the same manner as the main section of the house. It has recessed open porch in south eave wall and entrances in all three elevations. Cellar entrance on north side of main section. Alterations are limited to aluminum storm windows and doors. Interior stairway identical to nearby ERI-1604.

43. (Cont'd.)

years prior to 1863 that cost between \$1000 and \$2500. The other four were W.D.Kelley's, S.S.Dwelle's, Lewis Beatty's, and James Hamilton's. (23 smaller houses costing between \$200 and \$1000 were erected.) In 1867 the house was sold to Uri Ward, son of grape grower, Edmond Ward (ERI-1673). Born on Kelleys Island, 1845, Uri was educated at Oberlin College. He married Ann Rush, daughter of Jacob Rush, another prosperous island vintner, in 1866. Mr. Ward took an active part in the affairs of the community serving as President of the Village Council in 1890, and in 1894 as Dist. Representative to the Ohio Legislature. After his term in the legislature he returned to farming and the cultivation of his vineyards both here and on his lands on Ward Rd. living as an honored and respected member of the island. In 1898 a rear wing was added to the house. It remained in the hands of Mr. Ward's daughters, Anna and Charlotte into the 1920's. Later owners (c.1940-50) were Lester Beatty and his wife, Henrietta Dwelle Beatty. Lester, born on Kelleys Island in 1893 to Henry and Treana Beatty, was the grandson of Lewis Beatty (ERI-1653). Henrietta, born on the island in 1905, was the daughter of Nelson and Rose Fedderson Dwelle (ERI-1584). For several years, in the early 1950's, the couple operated a tea room in their home.