

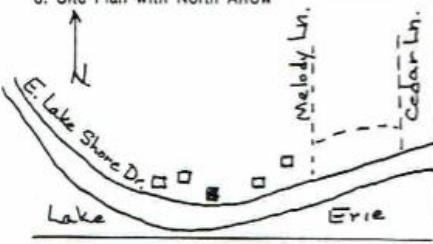
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Ohio Historic Preservation Office
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Columbus, Ohio 43211
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OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. ERI-1655		4. Present Name(s) William Gorchester Residence		ERI-1655
2. County Erie		5. Other Name(s) Frederick Shippel Residence and Winery		
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.		6. Specific Location on the southeast shore of the island, 450 ft. west of Melody Ln. and just east of ERI-1658.		Erie
7. City or Town Kelley's Island		16. Thematic Category Agric., ethnic, manufacturing		
8. Site Plan with North Arrow		17. Date(s) or Period c. 1872		William Gorchester Residence
9. U.T.M. Reference Zone 17 Easting 358640 Northing 460940		18. Style or Design Vernacular		
10. Site Building Structure Object		19. Architect or Engineer		Shippel Residence & Winery
11. On National Register? No		20. Contractor or Builder		
12. Is it Eligible? No		21. Original Use, if apparent Residence, wine cellar		
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? No		22. Present Use residence		
14. District Potent'?		23. Ownership Public Private		
15. Name of Established District N/A		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known William + Fern Gorchester, Box 721 Kelley's Is., Ohio 44438		
16. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) A linear, side-gabled building with a single, central-ridge chimney on a normally sloped roof. Roofline is highlighted by wide, over-hanging eaves. The later addition of asbestos shingles over the original horizontal plank siding obscures any trim features. Windows are double-hung, 1/1 lights (replacement), with the addition of a large picture window in the gable end, first floor. A one-story, screened		25. Open to Public? Yes No		
17. History and Significance Frederick Scheppel (aka Shippel) was born in Baden, Germany in 1828, and emigrated to New York City in 1846. After working as a farmer and baker in Virginia, New York, and Texas, he moved to Cincinnati where he worked as a farmer for a salary of \$12 per month. In 1853 he moved to Sandusky where he found employment with Addison Kelley. He was among the first group of		26. Local Contact Person or Organization A. Peper: KI Historical Survey		
18. Description of Environment and Outbuildings Located on the southeast shore. Originally a 14 acre linear lot stretching between Lake Shore and Woodford roads. The property adjacent to the August Schaedler winery + residence (ERI-1654+58) on the west and the former James Estes property (ERI-1656) on the east. A gable-roofed		27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		
19. Sources of Information Hills, History of Kelley's Island Aldrich, History of Erie County, Ohio Census Records		28. No. of Stories 1 1/2		
		29. Basement? Arched limestone? Yes No		
		30. Foundation Material Coursed Limestone		
		31. Wall Construction Wood Frame		
		32. Roof Type & Material Gable/roll roofing		
		33. No. of Bays Front 2 Side 4		
		34. Wall Treatment Asbestos Shingle		
		35. Plan Shape Rectangular		
		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition Altered Moved		
		37. Condition Interior Good Exterior Fair		
		38. Preservation Underway? Yes No		
		39. Endangered? By What? Yes No		
		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes No		
		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road		
		46. Prepared by Kevin Fape		
		47. Organization KI Planning Comm.		
		48. Date 7/85		
		49. Revision Date(s)		



50. House Type No.

Code No. Name

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. 28 Picture No(s). 24

42. (Cont'd) porch on the north gable end, over looks the ruins of the Shippel winery press house. The limestone press house foundation connects with the arched limestone wine cellar in the basement of the residence.

43. (Cont'd) Germans to buy land on the island when, in 1858, he purchased 2½ acres of land from James Estes which he converted into a vineyard. In short time he had 14 acres, worth \$1200, planted in grapes which bordered the western line of James Estes' property. Before building his own residence, Fred Shippel was a boarder in the Estes household (c. 1860) along with Charles Wells who also later established his own winery (Er-356). In 1867, Shippel lost his property and bought a farm in Tennessee, but was dissatisfied and soon returned to Kelley's Is. Upon his return he purchased on time, for \$7,000, his old 14 acre vineyard. Successful management of the grape crop enabled him to pay off his debt in five years. He lived with his sister Pauline, and a hired hand, Henry Smith. Their operation lasted from about 1870 until 1895 when he bought a 110 acre farm in Perkins Township and moved off the island. The island property was purchased by John and Sarah Blatt.*

44. (Cont'd.) limestone smoke house and separate privy sit near the north foundation wall of the press house ruins. The press house was attached to the residence.

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