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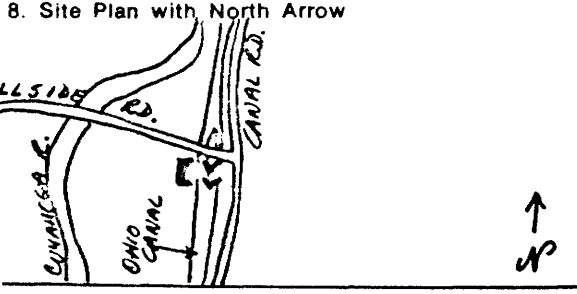
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
Columbus, Ohio 43211

OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No 3	4. Present Name(s) Lock Tender's House and Inn
2. County Cuyahoga	5. Other Name(s)
3. Location of Negatives OHS	

6. Specific Location
7104 Canal Road

7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity
Valley View



9. Coordinates

Lat. _____ Long. _____

U.T.M. Reference

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Zone	Easting	Northing
10.	Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>
11. On National Register? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	12. Is It Eligible? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

15. Name of Established District
Ohio and Erie Canal

16. Thematic Category
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17. Date(s) or Period
c. 1830s

18. Style or Design
Classic Revival

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, If apparent
dwelling and inn

22. Present Use
dwelling and storage

23. Ownership Public Private

24. Owner's Name & Address, If known
**John L. & F. N. Gosselin
12124 Schreiber Road
Valley View, O. 44125 N.P.S.**

25. Open to Public? Yes No

26. Local Contact Person or Organization
Bessie E. Birth

27. Other Surveys in Which Included
part of "Ohio and Erie Canal National Historic Landmark"

Approx. Acreage: **1**

28. No. of Stories **2**

29. Basement? Yes No

30. Foundation Material
stone

31. Wall Construction
wood frame

32. Roof Type & Material
gable/asphalt sheet

33. No. of Bays Front **6** Side **4**

34. Wall Treatment
clapboard siding

35. Plan Shape **rectangle**

36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition Altered Moved

37. Condition Interior _____ Exterior **good**

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
200' X 50'

42. Further Description of Important Features
Porches at left front and right rear were added later; that at the front probably dates to 1910-1920. Double doors on structure at right probably were a later modification, possibly to admit vehicles.



43. History and Significance
No documentation has come to light for this reputed lock tender's house (on the left) and inn for canal travelers (on the right). Its design and proximity to Lock No. 38 and its spillway make this local tradition entirely plausible. Wilcox comments on this phenomenon in his history of the Ohio Canals. This is the only such structure extant for that portion of the canal in the Cuyahoga Valley.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings
Rural canal setting, opposite Lock No. 38. There is a garage.

45. Sources of information
Interview with Bessie E. Birth, Valley View-Cuyahoga Valley Historical Association, Valley View, Ohio, 11 February 1976.

46. Prepared by
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47. Organization

48. Date
2/76

49. Revision Date(s)

Frank Wilcox, The Ohio Canals, selec. and ed. William A. McGill (Kent, O.: Kent State University Press, 1969), p. 16.

Cuyahoga
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