

**United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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received APR 15 1980

date entered MAY 29 1980

## 1. Name

historic Ikirt House

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 200 Sixth Street  not for publication

city, town East Liverpool  vicinity of 18th congressional district

state Ohio code 039 county Columbiana code 029

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property

name Bruce A. Kelly

street & number 3242 St. Clair Avenue

city, town East Liverpool  vicinity of Ohio 43920 state

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Columbiana County Courthouse

street & number Lincoln Way

city, town Lisbon state Ohio

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Ohio Historic Inventory has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Ohio Historic Preservation Office

city, town Columbus state Ohio

## 7. Description

### Condition

excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

### Check one

unaltered  
 altered

### Check one

original site  
 moved date \_\_\_\_\_

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Ikirt House is basically rectangular in shape with several irregular projecting bays. It is a two-story unpainted brick building constructed on a rusticated stone foundation with a cut stone water table. The openings are tall and rectangular and the windows have flat stone sills and lintels. Several of the bays have recessed blind windows with corbeled lintels. The projecting cornice is supported by incised brackets. The entire structure is topped by a slate-covered mansard roof from which several molded chimneys and flat-topped dormers project. There is a slightly projecting square central tower on the facade, with a single-story square wooden bay at the lower right corner, and a two-story angled corner bay at the left corner. Another rectangular two-story <sup>bay</sup> with beveled corners projects from the rear of the eastern side elevation and a single-story square bay is at the rear of the western elevation. Both side bays have porches in the corners formed with the main block and there is a small canopy with balustrade over the main entrance at the base of the central tower on the facade. The double doors of this entrance have scribed floral decorations and lead into a tiled entry hall. The fluted walnut woodwork has corner rosettes and all the original gas and plumbing fixtures remain.

There is a small brick carriage house with mansard roof to the west of the main house.

## 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

**Specific dates** ca. 1880

**Builder/Architect**

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Ikirt House is significant as the embodiment of the distinctive eclecticism of the architecture of the late 19th century and for its associations with Dr. George P. and Mary Ikirt, leading social and political figures in the eastern part of the state during the last half of the 19th century. Architecturally, the house emphasizes the vertically organized surfaces typical of the late 19th century, but also combines the irregular massing of the Queen Anne style, the decorative elements of the Eastlake mode, and the mansard roof characteristic of the Second Empire period. The original condition of the interior woodwork and fixtures combine with the exterior design to make this an outstanding and unusual house in East Liverpool. Dr. George P. Ikirt (1852–1927) was a physician and surgeon who became active in the Democratic state politics during the last quarter of the 19th century. He founded a Democratic newspaper in East Liverpool in 1884, successfully managed the campaign for a Congressional candidate against the popular Republican William McKinley the same year, served as a candidate himself against McKinley in 1888, and eventually served in the 53rd Congress from 1892–1895 as a member of the House of Representatives. Here Ikirt became active in the free silver debate engulfing Congress during this period. Mary Holmes Ikirt was active in an extraordinary number of civic, literary, religious, and women's clubs during the late 19th century. She was a trained musician with a degree from Mt. Union College at Alliance, Ohio, and served as an officer in many of the organizations of which she was a member. George and Mary Ikirt remained in this house until their deaths in the late 1920s, although their children, all well-respected educators, continued to live in it until 1974 when the present owners acquired it.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Letter, David Kelly to David Brook, May 19, 1978

Barth, Harold B., History of Columbiana County, Ohio, 2 vols., Topeka: Historical Publishing Co., 1926.

# 10. Geographical Data

UTM NOT VERIFIED

Acreage of nominated property less than one

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Quadrangle name East Liverpool South

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UMT References

A 

1	17	5	3	15	3	18	10	4	4	9	6	5	2	0
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H 

Zone	Easting				Northing									

**Verbal boundary description and justification** The nominated property is bounded on the north by the sidewalk on Sixth Street; on the east by the sidewalk of Jackson Street; on the south by a line parallel to and 44' from Sixth Street; and on the west by a line parallel to and 120' from Jackson Street. This area consists of the platted city lot of the property.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

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# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title David A. Simmons

organization Ohio Historic Preservation Office

date 11/30/79

street & number I 71 & 17th Avenue

telephone 614-466-1500

city or town Columbus

state Ohio 43211

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

*David L. Brook*

title

SHPO

date 4/3/80

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

*W. Ray June*  
for Keeper of the National Register

date

5/29/80

Attest:

*William H. Brabman*  
Chief of Registration

date

5.20.80

Property

*Skirt House*

State

*Oh - Columbiana*

Working Number

*4-15-80 1130*

**TECHNICAL**

Photos 9

Maps 1

**CONTROL**

**HISTORIAN**

*1880 structure with design elements of Queen Anne, Eastlake, 2nd Empire - forming a distinctive, eclectic residence. Constructed by prominent family - physician, musician, etc.*

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

*accept  
Bralham  
5.20.80*

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

**OTHER**

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

*accept  
Bralham  
5.20.80*

**BRANCH CHIEF**

**KEEPER**

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

Entered MAY 29 1980

Federal Register Entry 2.3.81

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_



Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana Co.  
County, Ohio  
Photographer: David Simmons, 3/79  
Negative: Ohio Historic Preservation Office

#1/9 view of house and carriage house from  
the north

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Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana  
County, Ohio

Photographer: David A. Simmons, 3/79

Negative: Ohio Historic Preservation Office

#2<sup>19</sup> view of house from northeast

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Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana  
County, Ohio  
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Negative: Ohio Historic Preservation Office

#3/9 view of house from east

MAY 29 1980

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Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana  
County, Ohio  
Photographer: David Kelly, 4/79  
Negative: 3242 St. Clair Ave. East Liverpool

#4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>9</sub> view of stair newel post

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Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana  
County, Ohio

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Negative: 3242 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool

#5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>9</sub> view of door on north side

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Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana  
County, Ohio

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Negative: 3242 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool

#6<sup>9</sup> view of anteroom and door on north side

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Ikirt House, East Liverpool, Columbiana  
County, Ohio  
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Negative: 3242 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool

#7/<sup>9</sup> view of parlor fireplace mantel

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County, Ohio

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Negative: 3242 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool

#8~~7~~ view of dining room

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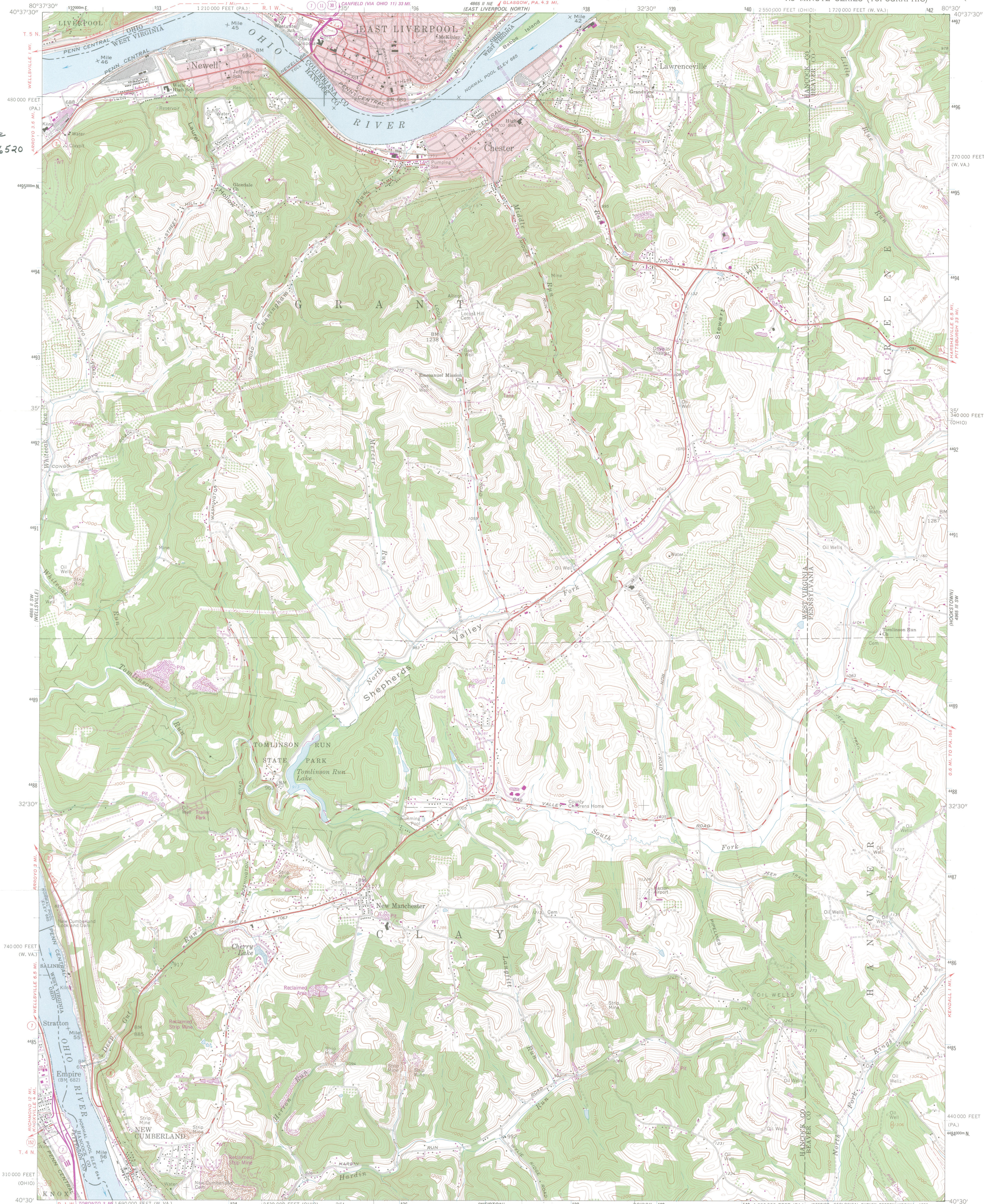
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County, Ohio  
Photographer: David Kelly, 4/79  
Negative: 3242 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool

#9/view of hallway washroom  
/9

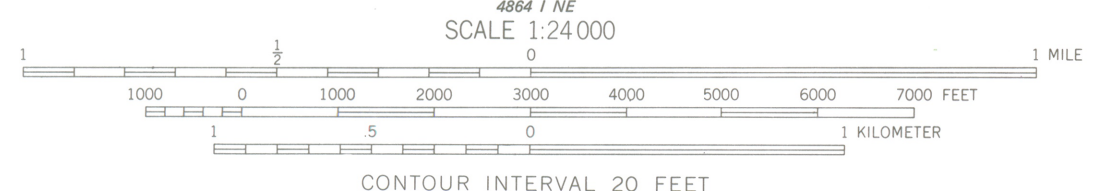
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I kirt House  
UTM Reference  
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Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey  
Control by USGS and USC&GS  
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs  
taken 1956. Field checked 1960  
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grids based on West Virginia, north zone, Pennsylvania,  
south zone, and Ohio, north zone, coordinate systems.  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 17, shown in blue  
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where  
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked  
The state boundary as shown represents the approximate position of the low  
water line as determined from U. S. Corps of Engineers Ohio River charts,  
surveyed 1913, and supplementary information  
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown  
Ohio portion lies within the Old Seven Ranges  
Land lines based on the Ohio River Base



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route

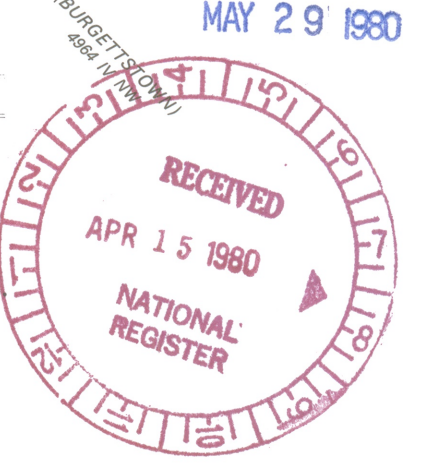


EAST LIVERPOOL SOUTH, OHIO-W. VA.-PA.  
N4030-W8030/7.5

1960  
PHOTOREVISED 1971 AND 1978  
AMS 4865 II SE--SERIES V852

Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with  
State of Ohio agencies from aerial photographs taken  
1971 and 1976. Map edited 1978  
This information not field checked

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



APR 15 1980



*Hancock County*  
*Federal Savings and Loan Association*

P. O. BOX 245  
*Chester, West Virginia 26034*  
304/387-1620 OR 527-2000

January 18, 1980

Mr. David A. Simmons  
Ohio Historic Preservation Office  
Ohio Historical Center  
I-71 & 17th Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Mr. Simmons:

It gives this lending institution great pride and pleasure to learn that the Ikirt House, 202 Sixth Street, East Liverpool, Ohio has been considered by your department to be listed in the National Register of Historical Places.

When Mr. Kelley first approached this association about financial help to purchase this property it looked fruitless. The more my Board thought of it the more we liked the idea of Mr. Kelley's to rehabilitate the structure into a beautiful show place. Too many of these type structures go the way of the wrecking crew for parking lots.

Mr. Kelley is to be complimented on his resourcefulness and far-sightedness to see what could be done with this home and also your office for the consideration you are giving the Ikirt House. We wholeheartedly approve of your nomination.

Very truly yours,

Harold R. Ossman  
President

HRO/gc

JAN 25 1980

APR 15 1980

# ROBERT F. BEATTY ARCHITECT



517 BROADWAY • 403 POTTERS SAVINGS & LOAN BUILDING • EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO  
TELEPHONE: 386-4256 43920

21 January 1980

Mr. David L. Brook  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
Ohio Historic Preservation Office  
Ohio Historical Center  
I-71 and 17th Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Mr. Brook:

As an architect practicing architecture in Columbiana County, Ohio for the past forty-five years, it is my pleasure to nominate the Ikirt House, 200 Sixth Street, East Liverpool, Ohio to the National Register of Historic Places.

This house for years has been one of the best constructed houses in East Liverpool and is typical of its period. For your information, this house was constructed by Dr. Ikirt who served two terms in the Congress of the United States from the 18th District, Ohio and at one time President Garfield spent a night in this house as the guest of Congressman Ikirt.

If you desire a copy of the plans for this building, kindly contact Mr. Bruce A. Kelly, 3242 St. Clair Avenue, East Liverpool, Ohio 43920.

Anything you can do to preserve this site and make it an historical building would be appreciated.

Respectfully,

  
ROBERT F. BEATTY  
Registered Architect, A.I.A.

RFB:ek

cc: Mr. David A. Simmons, Historian & Manager, National Register Program  
Mr. Bruce A. Kelly



City Of  
EAST LIVERPOOL

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

OHIO, U.S.A.

43920

PAUL H. ZEHNDER  
Clerk of Council  
1323 Fairmont Street  
Telephone 385-9469

13 FEBRUARY 1980

OHIO HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD  
COLUMBUS, OHIO



DEAR SIRs:

THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION IS A TRUE COPY OF LEGISLATION PASSED BY EAST LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL AT IT'S REGULAR MEETING HELD 4 FEBRUARY 1980.

ALL VOTING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT. PRESIDENT PRO-TEM HOMER MERCER PRESIDED FOR THIS MEETING.

THE VOTE TO PASS THIS RESOLUTION WAS UNANIMOUS--SEVEN TO ZERO IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS ACTION, PLEASE CONTACT ME AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.

SINCERELY YOURS,

PAUL H. ZEHNDER, CLERK,

EAST LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE NOMINATION OF THE IKIRT HOUSE, 202 W. SIXTH STREET, EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO, BY THE OHIO HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR PLACEMENT UPON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES OF THE HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

WHEREAS, the Ikirt House, 202 W. Sixth Street, has been recently nominated to the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board as qualified for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places of the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, United States Department of the Interior, and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to go on record as supporting the placement of said site upon the United States Department of Interior's National Register as a private building within our City worthy of preservation as a national historic and cultural resource,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the East Liverpool City Council hereby endorses the nomination of the Ikirt House, 202 W. Sixth Street, East Liverpool, Ohio, by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board, Columbus, Ohio, for placement upon the National Register of Historic Places of the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, United States Department of the Interior.

X SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Council certify a copy of this Resolution to the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Columbus, Ohio.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1980.

Harold J. Meier  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAVID BUZZARD  
LAW DIRECTOR

ATTEST:

Paul H. Zbucke  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

Approved by the Mayor this 7<sup>th</sup> day of Feb, 1980.

John H. Payne  
MAYOR

Sponsored by: Planning Committee.

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Feb. 15, 1980  
3242 St. Clair Ave.  
East Liverpool, Ohio 43920

Ohio Historic Preservation Office  
Ohio Historical Center  
I-71 and 17th Ave.  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Att: David L. Brook  
State Historic Preservation Officer

Re: Ikirt House  
200 W. Sixth  
E. Liverpool, O.

Dear Sir;

We were delighted to receive the letter from Mr. David Simmons informing us that the Ikirt House was being given National Register nomination consideration by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board.

This home has been a landmark in East Liverpool for the past one hundred years or so. It was never out of the Ikirt family until now. The Ikirts were a well-educated, gracious, rather eccentric part of the city's social, civic, and professional life for many years. Both Mr. Kelly and I were taught in high school by Dr. Ikirt's daughters, Miss Rubiena and Miss Olive. The former was an English literature teacher and the latter taught American history. This was in the late thirties and early forties, and at that time both were nearing retirement age. They spoke many times of the Washington D.C. years when their father was a Congressman from the 18th Congressional District. They often referred to their mother's family also, as Mrs. Ikirt had been a Holmes of the Oliver Wendell Holmes connection. During these years many famous and notable people were entertained in the Ikirt House's 15' x 35' third floor ballroom.

Miss Olive had made history live for us as young teen-agers, and so it was when the "For Sale" sign went on the house we couldn't think of it being used as a restaurant, chopped into apartments, or torn down for a parking lot. Then too, our son David was in architectural school at Carnegie-Mellon University at the time and he realized much more than we this aspect of the house. In fact, it was through his efforts in dealing with a niece of the Ikirts, that we were able to acquire the home. He also talked personally with the bankers, outlining his plans and dreams for the property. This in turn was influential in the financing of this old, but valuable, part of our area's heritage.

The house itself has never been remodeled. The

first floor woodwork is walnut, planed from trees found on the Ikirt farm property near Beaver Creek back in the 1870's. All the original brass gas light fixtures were found in the basement, badly corroded, but salvageable. Even the etched glass globesthickly covered with dust were found on the cellar shelves. Although the heirs had disposed of all furnishings before the house was placed on the market, a few things such as a French doll, an antique pistol, school diplomas, books, old newspapers, and letters ( as per enclosed samples ) have been found. There are still parts of the many rooms and closets yet to be explored.

Since acquiring the property our sons still at home, David who was mentioned earlier, and Philip who teaches school, have spent many hours removing wallpaper, sanding floors, and hauling away debris. However, with a restoration project of this size, the listing in the National Register would be an invaluable assist.

We would very much like a copy of the nomination, and are hopeful of a favorable review of the same.

Sincerely thanking you for this consideration, we are

Very truly yours,

The Kelly Family

*Alma Grace Kelly*  
*David*  
*Philip*

FEB 20 1980

DAVID B. KELLY  
3242 ST. CLAIR AVE.  
EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO 43920

APR 15 1980

Feb. 17, 1980

Dear Sir;

Along with my parents, I was very pleased to learn that our property was being considered for the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Especially gratifying to me is the potential recognition of this home and the Carnegie Library in view of the demolition of so very much of the historic fabric of this town or the equally misguided "improvements" that depersonalized many old structures. There have been some notable exceptions, such as two very visible restorations of Victorian office structures a block away from the house.

It is, for this reason, that the nomination is especially welcome. It draws attention to the viability of using old structures in either new ways or continuation of use in traditional patterns. The status of Landmark only would enhance the experience of "visiting the Library" with its neo-classical detailing and ceremonial quality of its spaces. Likewise, I hope to use the Ikirt house as something more than a home but certainly less than a museum. After complete restoration, it is our desire to live there as well as maintain a small private design studio, perhaps in the Carriage House, on the premises. However, there has always been a quality of "landmark" about the house, perhaps due to its downtown location and the notability of its residents, that has prompted much interest. This interest could be channeled into various forms, ie. tours, meeting place for selected small groups, etc. This would only continue the traditions of the house. The Ikirt family, as I discover new information, devoted much time to public service and activities. Mrs. Ikirt was a charter member of many women's clubs and to allow the same clubs to meet in the house on a selective basis is the type of historic carry-over to enrich the present that I would like to foster with this preservation.

The Dale Thompson home here, which is on the Register, is interesting especially when viewed in relationship to our property. Designed about 5 to 10 years apart, there is quite a stylistic difference and to have both examples present is an interesting contrast. (As well as the contrast of the life styles of the original owners- the Thompsons were entrepreneurs and wealthy, while the Ikirts were professionals and service oriented. They were Democrats in a very conservative management area, and were outside the mainstream of the pottery owner/worker concerns.) The Thompson house, for only a slight time of seniority, is very much influenced by the "Italianate" villa of Victorian interpretation. Isolated on its yard, it stands as an object to be embellished and to convey its owners' position in the community. Its campanile-inspired tower is attenuated and becomes a major element of the composition. This detail becomes especially interesting when compared to the Ikirt home's detailing. (Again, the time element of construction shows the

DAVID B. KELLY  
3242 ST. CLAIR AVE.  
EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO 43920

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rapidity of stylistic change in the second half of the 19th Century.) The Ikirt home has a campanile of sorts but it is shortened and pushed into the mass of the house itself, and thus loses the strength of being an independent element. This house reflects a more urban conception of living and planning. True, the house is isolated, but the detailing is not exactly that of the "villa" mentioned before. Details here seemingly reflect the fashions of the Second Empire and the urbanized life style of the transforming Paris. (Indeed, the corner facing the streets is highly developed while the sides are unremarkable- this could be a corner element for a row-house design as far as placement of design elements is concerned.) Mansarding, decorative insets of varied scale bricks, the sweep upward to rise above the sidewalks all reflect a different set of design priorities to the same problem- to house a relatively prominent person in a fitting manner. Thus, it is in the stylistic differences to the Thompson house, that the house assumes a local significance. There is probably no other example of the Second Empire that is answering the same design problems of the Thompson house within the area. And certainly none have been left in such an original condition. There are smaller examples but these were built for a differing set of needs and intentions.

Apart from the stylistic considerations, the house can not be divorced from the occupants. Most towns of relatively small size can boast of people who are in the true sense "town characters" due to prominence, achievement, or whatever. This family, by sheer public service and involvement, be it professional service, or editorializing, or accomplishment has certainly been a part of the fabric of this town and this, I feel, adds credence to the nomination in equal weight to the stylistic considerations.

In closing, I wish to commend the Ohio Historical Society for the part it played in the realization of the Ceramic Museum here. We visited this weekend and were impressed by the sleekly professional quality of the film and display techniques. It is certainly a marvelous asset to this community and very commendable.

We await the nomination decision with great interest.

Respectfully,

David Kelly

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE OHIO

Date Entered MAY 29 1980

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mumma, Jacob H. W., House	Dayton Montgomery County
Stanton Farm	Springboro Warren County
Levering Hall	Mount Gilead Morrow County
Huntington, Franz, House	Columbus Franklin County
Ikirt House	East Liverpool Columbiana County
Wilson's Mills Settlement District	Gates Mills Cuyahoga County
Oakwood	Newark Licking County
Black, Philip J., House	Loudonville Ashland County

Also Notified

Honorable Howard M. Metzenbaum

Honorable John H. Glenn, Jr.  
Honorable Tony P. Hall  
Honorable William H. Harsha  
Honorable Samuel L. Devine  
Honorable Douglas Applegate  
Honorable Charles A. Vanik  
Honorable John M. Ashbrook

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Mr. David Brook  
The Ohio Historical Society  
Interstate 71 at 17th Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

NR Byers/bjr 6/9/80

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.