# 69 East Washington Street



North side of street

The original section of this house was built about 1858 in the Greek Revival style.

Like most of Clarkston's earliest buildings with an architectural style, this house, built circa 1858 for/by O. C. Bettis, was originally a Midwestern adaptation of the Greek Revival style. The footprint of the house seen of the 1872 map of the Village is consistent with the one & 1/2 story with a single story wing typical of the style. While the house has seen additions and alterations, the original broken pediment of the entablature, under the gently pitched gable roof of the story and 1/2 street facing section, is still visible. Asbestos shingle siding covers the original wood clapboard. The attached garage, rear porch and family room and a chimney of the west facade are additions. The front door (or in some instances, front doors) of small houses, built in the Village in the same period, opened directly into the room. Part of the front porch of this house has been enclosed to provide an anteroom or foyer.

Official Property Description

- Lot 9 of Block 21 of Nelson W. Clark's Original Plat of the Village in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20 in Independence Township.
- Lot 6 of the Assessor's Plat.

Significant Property History

- 1832 Butler Holcomb, the Northeast 1/4, the Southeast 1/4, the east 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 and the east 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section.
- 1835 Butler Holcomb to Jeremiah Clark III, the south part of the west 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section.
- 1839 Jeremiah Clark III to Nelson W. Clark, one equal undivided 1/2 of the south part of the east 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20.
- 1842 Nelson W. Clark's Original Plat of the Village.
- 1844 Nelson W. Clark, Block 21 of Section 20, assessed value $10.
- 1848 Nelson W. Clark, the east 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4, assessed value $214.
- 1858 O. C. Bettis, west by Davis, east by N.W. Clark, assessed value $150.
- 1859 O. C. Bettis, assessed value $240.
- 1862 As above.
- 1865 C. S. Curle, assessed value 4350.
- 1870 as above.
- 1872 Map of the Village has a building footprint on this site, owner Mrs. Olds.
- 1889 M. J. Olds, assessed value $400.
- 1891 as above.
- 1904 Mary Olds.
- 1914 John Curl, east by E. C. Vliet, assessed value $600.
- 1923 John Curle.
- 1935 John Curle, assessed value $600.
- 1939 as above.
- 1940 W. L. Mirgeler, Lot 9 Block.
- 1941 W. L. Mirgeler, Lot 6, assessed value $100.
- 1948 Richard Watson.
- 1950 Fred Groven.
- 1953 Dean Smith.

Architecture Style
Greek Revival Style