

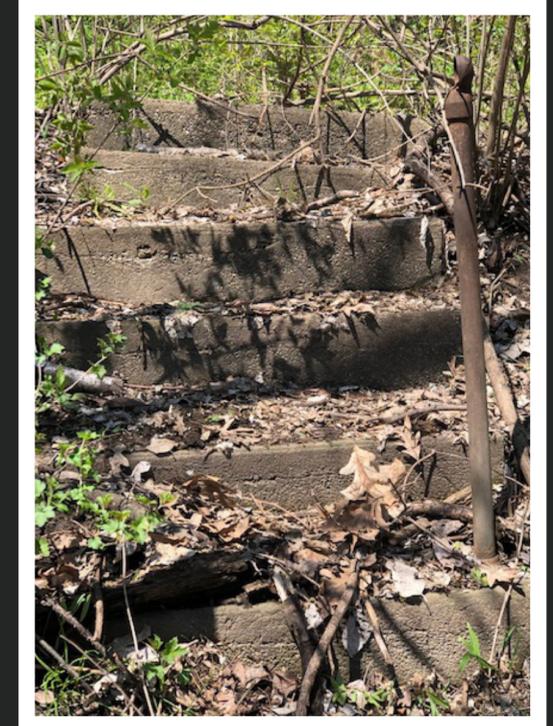
#6. Foreman's Cottage and Garage

No specific description of the Foreman's Cottage has been identified, but descriptions of the other cottages suggest the building was a 1 ½ story, wood-frame bungalow, with seven rooms, clapboard siding, a gable roof with shingles, and a one-third basement. This bungalow was razed between 1936-1940. In 1941, a garage assigned to the Director's Cottage was built on top of the demolished cottage. Harry C. Minch served as the first Foreman at the station from the 1910s to the late 1920s. In 1928, Leslie Bennet was named Foreman, and he remained in that capacity until promoted to Station Director in 1933. That year, mussel propagation terminated in Fairport and the station focused its research efforts on freshwater gamefish propagation and related activities.

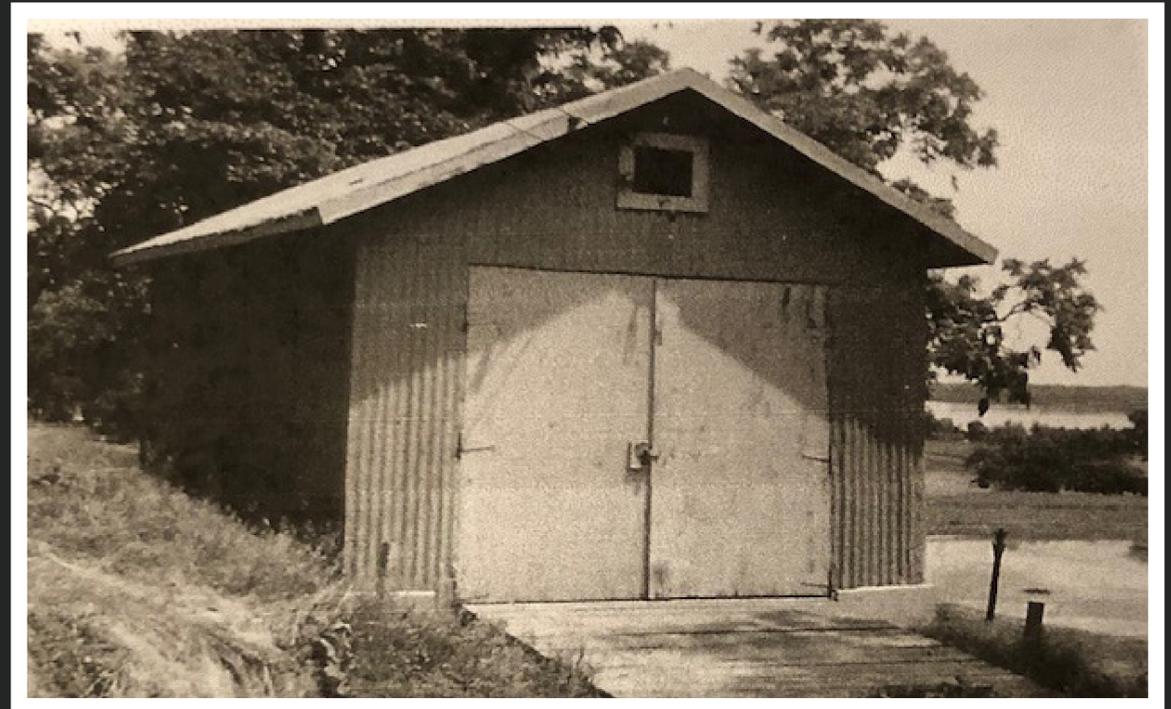
Archaeological surveys documented several features, including a concrete sidewalk and steps leading from the Lower Road to the Cottage. Domestic vegetation (lilies) also suggested former human activity in this area. Other features identified include a concrete slab and foundation wall line several feet north of the steps. When mussel propagation terminated in 1932-1933, only two cottages were occupied, the Foreman's Cottage and the Superintendent's Cottage. Both were reported to be in a bad state of repair. Artifacts recovered in the vicinity of this cottage are consistent with the period of occupation (1912-1935). Several possible wall lines and/or pipelines were identified during a ground-penetrating radar survey in the location of the former cottage.



Overview of the Foreman's Cottage in 2020, facing northeast.



View of steps from the Lower Road to the Foreman's Cottage in 2020, facing north.



Overview of garage assigned to Director's Cottage in 1941, facing east. Garage built on top of cottage after it was razed in 1935.



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