The deepest lock of the chain between Akron and Cleveland on the Ohio and Erie Canal, Deep Lock, also known as Lock 28, was completed in 1827. On July 4th of that year the first boat arrived in Cleveland from Akron; for the next two decades the canal played a major role in the transportation network of the area. The Akron - Cleveland line included 42 locks along its 36 mile length. The lock is built of stone. The channel is 90 feet long, 15 feet wide, and 16 feet deep. Portions of the sandstone walls were faced with concrete in 1907-8, ostensibly to make the canal serviceable for pleasure boating, but shortly thereafter the canal was completely abandoned.

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