

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. _____
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 264 Chestnut Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Florence Healy ADDRESS: 264 Chestnut Street
- 6. USE: Original: single-family residence Present: single-family residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road Yes No
Interior accessible: Yes No Explain: Private Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board & batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other:
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal
e. other (explain)
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when?
c. list major alterations and dates (if known):

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12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:

14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning[] c. roads[]
d. developers[] e. deterioration[]
f. other:
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
a. barn[] b. carriage house[] c. garage
d. privy[] e. shed[] f. greenhouse[]
g. shop[] h. gardens[]
i. landscape features:
j. other:
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING: (Check more than one if necessary)
a. open land[] b. woodland[]
c. scattered buildings[]
d. densely built-up[] e. commercial[]
f. industrial[] g. residential
h. other:
17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:
18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:
(Including interior features if known):

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SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1890
ARCHITECT:
BUILDER:
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
21. SOURCES:
22. THEME:

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11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

It appears that an attic was added to the rear wing of the house ca. 1915, creating a one-and-a-half-story wing with a two-slope roof. Enclosed porches were added on the front (west) and the northeast corner of the house; the dates are unknown. An old chimney was replaced in 1981.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the east side of Chestnut Street between Fifth and Sixth streets, this residence is one of a row of nineteenth-century homes. The styles, setback, sizes, and spacing of these buildings are inconsistent.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

American Vernacular Design would designate this two-story structure as a gabled-ell cottage. Identifying features include two stories, a simple T plan with the projecting stem towards the street and the cross-piece behind, and intersecting gables. The rear (east) facade consists of a one-and-a-half-story wing with a two-slope roof. There are single-story enclosed porches situated in the northeast and northwest corners of the building. The house has a brick ridge chimney located in the projecting stem.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house is constructed on the southern half of Lot #9 of Block 73, as laid out in the 1855 Brewer and Canfield map of Corning. Kate Felker purchased the property in 1888 for \$200. It appears that there was no house on the property at that time and that Kate had one built shortly after acquiring the property. In 1903 Kate Felker appointed her sister Anna Felker, the current owner's grandmother, executor of her estate. Anna's husband, Jeremiah Healy, was an conductor for the New York Central Railroad.

21. SOURCES:

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