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**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM** 

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#### **IDENTIFICATION**

BUILDING NAME(S):

2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:

3. STREET LOCATION: 62 East Fifth Street

4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]

5. PRESENT OWNER: Mary C. Smith ADDRESS: 62 E. Fifth Street

6. USE: Original: single-family residence Present: single-family residence

7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road Yes[X] No []

Interior accessible: Yes [] No [X] Explain: Private Residence

#### DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard[X] 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[X]

c. masonry load bearing walls[]

d. metal (explain)

e. other

10. CONDITION: a. excellent[X] b. good[] c. fair[] d. deteriorated[]

11. INTEGRITY: a. original site[X] b. moved[] if so, when?

c. list major alterations and dates (if known): See Continuation Sheet

12. PHOTO: 13. MAP:

a. none known[X] b. zoning[] c. roads[] THREATS TO BUILDING: 14. d. developers[] e. deterioration[] f. other: RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY: 15. a. barn[] b. carriage house[] c. garage[X] d. privy[] e. shed[] f. greenhouse[] g. shop[] h. gardens[] i. landscape features: See Continuation Sheet i. other: SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (Check more than one if necessary) 16. a. open land[] b. woodland[] c. scattered buildings[] d. densely built-up[] e. commercial[] f. industrial[] g. residential[X] h. other: INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS: 17. See Continuation Sheet OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE: 18. (Including interior features if known): See Continuation Sheet **SIGNIFICANCE** DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1927 19. ARCHITECT: BUILDER: HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: 20. See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

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### 11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

No major alterations have been made to the exterior of this dwelling. A garage was added to the southwestern corner of the lot ca. 1935.

# 17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The setback and east-to-west spacings between this house and its neighbors are inconsistent; this home is setback slightly deeper than its eastern neighbor and shallower than its western neighbor. The side yard between this house and its eastern neighbor, a larger residence, is larger than its western side yard. This side of East Fifth Street is at a higher elevation than the northern side.

# 18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This house is an example of a Gambrel or Dutch Colonial, a sub-type of Colonial Revival style, according to A Field Guide to American Houses. (McAlester) Distinguishing characteristics include a steeply pitched gambrel roof containing a nearly full second story and a continuous dormer across the front of the house over a Federal Revival-style doorway. This main entrance is centered on the northern facade of the house, and features a pedimented roof with elliptical vault sheltering a single door with sidelights, each with four lights. These sidelights are typical of those found in this neighborhood. The pediment is supported by console brackets which also serve as the capitals to fluted Doric pilasters which flank the door opening. There is a stoop in front of the entrance, featuring two steps that are veneered with brick.

The symmetrical facade features this central doorway, flanked on the first story by picture windows. The picture windows are made of three double-hung sashes in a one-over-one arrangement. On the second floor there is also a three-part configuration, featuring a one-over-one double-hung sash over the doorway flanked by paired windows, each of which are double-hung six-over-six-light sashes. The windows on the other facades of the house feature this same arrangement, depending on their placement in the first or second stories. In addition, there is a pair of quarter-round windows in each gable end of the house. These gable ends, the east and west facades, feature two bays of the same three-part windows on the first floor and one of the windows found paired on the north facade flanking a casement window. The quarter-round windows are centered over either of the flanking windows.

The eave of the gambrel roof flares out over the top of the first story on all four facades. The roof of the house is covered with asphalt shingles. There is one brick chimney on the east gable end. The garage that is found on the property features the same materials of the residence but with a gabled roof.

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### 20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house was constructed on Lot 3 of Block 53, as laid out by the 1855 map of Corning by Brewer and Canfield. Originally part of the Amory Houghton Estate, the land was sold by the executors of his will to Jerome and Margaret Maltby in June of 1927. Maltby, who had grown up in this area, built the house with his wife. The Maltby family name has been established in Corning, with C. R. Maltby and Bro., a grocery store established in 1867. It is not known what Jerome's

relationship was to this family, however it is known that in 1920 he was a student who lived at 228 Cedar Street.

A citizen of Corning also known as Jerome Maltby had served as a vestryman at Christ Church (Episcopal) at the corner of Walnut and Erie in the late 1890s. This man had married Mary Beers on May 26, 1870 in Christ Church, Corning. This Jerome Maltby, possibly the father of the Jerome of 62 East Fifth Street, was the head of a wholesale grocery house and died on November 10, 1914. A known son of his was Andrew Beers Maltby. No documentation has been found to find the exact relationship of the later Jerome Maltby to this family

Architectually, the house is very similar to the Cambridge model, from Montgomery Ward's 1927 catalog, from the same year that this house is believed to be built. The catalog model has also been compared to and found very much like the Architect's Small House Service bureau standard Dutch Colonial house.

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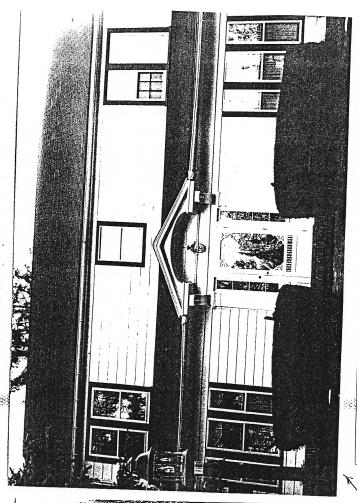
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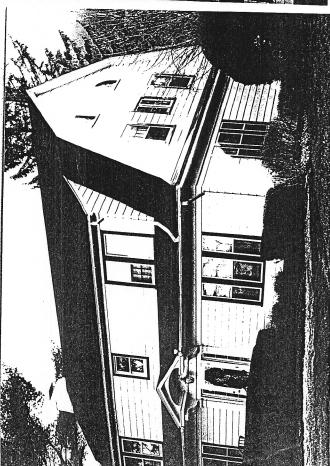
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ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS:

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