

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. _____

QUAD _____

SERIES _____

NEG. No. _____

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IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S):

2. COUNTY: Steuben

TOWN/CITY: Corning

VILLAGE:

3. STREET LOCATION: 117 West Fifth Street

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

5. PRESENT OWNER: Molly Jackson

ADDRESS: 117 West 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 [] b. stone [] c. brick [] d. board & batten []
e. cobblestone [] f. shingles [] g. stucco [] other: asbestos siding

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:

14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known [X] 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 [X]
h. other:

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

See Continuation Sheet

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:
(Including interior features if known):

See Continuation Sheet

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1888

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

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21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:

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11C. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

This is a much altered Italianate-style house. The east side porch is not original; there have been several rear additions probably post 1948 (the Sanborn maps available don't show them) and numerous window changes, particularly on the front (south) facade. The front entry stoop is not original and the house is sided in asbestos shingles, which is also an alteration.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This house is located on the north side of West Fifth Street. The residence is one of a row of nineteenth- and early twentieth-century homes, but this structure is one of the oldest on the block. This house is located closer to the street than any of its neighbors. The east-to-west spacing between homes on this block is inconsistent.

The terrain slopes down slightly from south (main entrance) to north (rear) which is noticeable because of the increase in the number of steps on the second porch on the east facade as compared with the first one.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

Although it has been greatly modified, this residence is an example of the Italiannete Style. Among the remaining features of the style which can be seen in the architecture of home are the wide overhanging eaves, the box-like massing of the building, and the low-pitched hipped roof. Most of the windows are one-over-one double-hung sash. The main entrance is located on the front (south) facade; a gabled hood covers the entry stoop. A three-part picture window has been installed to the east of the main entrance. The east facade is partially obscured by a full-width porch, which is designed in the Bungalow or Craftsman Style with enclosed balustrades (or railings) and short classically-derived columns spaced at intervals. A side entrance is accessible via this porch. A one-story wing is attached to the north (rear) facade. A porch, similar to that found on the east facade of the main block of the house, covers the east facade of this section.

The residence is sided in asbestos, and the hipped roof is done in asphalt shingles. The foundation is constructed of stone. A brick chimney is centered atop the roof.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house is located on lot 14, block 90 as shown on the 1855 Brewer and Canfield map of Corning. According to Auwaerter, in the development of the Southside Neighborhood in Corning, "as late as 1911, there was much open land along Fifth Street and above". The house is constructed on the site where Charles Aull and his family lived as shown in the 1893 map of Corning by Heermans. The lots on both sides of the house —lots No. 13 and 15—were also owned by the Aull family whose children inherited from Katherine Aull and built up their own houses later. The main entrance could have been located on the east side where a porch is located. Mary Aull married to Leo Krebs and they inherited the house and lived there for almost forty years (1921-1959). Then, the house was sold to John Kester who owned it until 1986.

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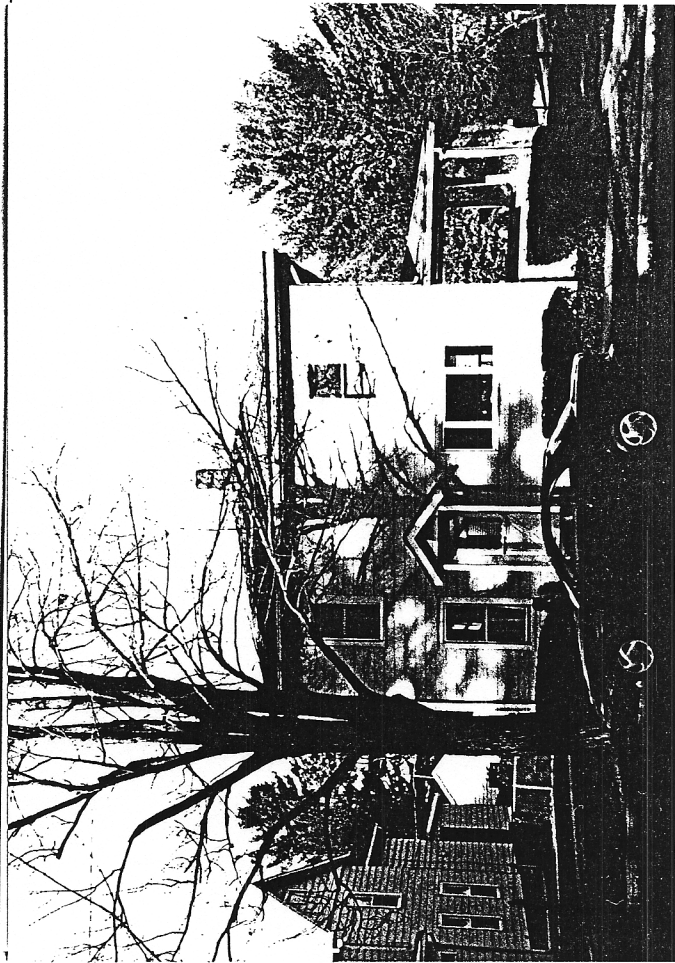
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East Facade

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ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS:

West facade



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