

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: 83 West Fifth Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [x]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Ray G. and Jean K. Krebs ADDRESS: 83 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[] b. good[x] 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 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: See Continuation Sheet
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:

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. 1891

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 (if known):

A one-story porch was added to the rear (north) of the house ca. 1906. This porch was enclosed and a garage excavated below it (set into the slope) some time after 1948. Asbestos siding has replaced the original cladding.

15i. Landscape features:

A couple of large trees are positioned along the property line between this lot and its neighbor to the east. No trees hinder the view from the street. The level of the lot slopes gently downhill from south to north.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the north side of West Fifth Street, this residence is an example of a "hipped cottage with veranda" as described by Gottfried and Jennings in their book, American Vernacular Architecture (p.197). It is the only example in this block which has maintained a high level of ornament on the porch. In east-to-west spacing this house is closer to 89 West Fifth Street than to 75 West Fifth Street. Its setback is consistent with its neighbors. This house is among the oldest structures on the block.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This two-story structure is a "hipped cottage with veranda" as described by Gottfried and Jennings in their book, American Vernacular Architecture. Characteristics of this type of house which are present in this example include a hipped roof and an open rail veranda. This porch wraps around the east and the south facades. Italianate-style features include the brackets on the porch, tall narrow windows, and the wide overhanging eaves. A small ell is formed on the east side where the two hipped-roof cubes which form the house come together. One of the two front doors is located in this reentrant angle.

This residence is sided with asbestos siding in short lengths. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The windows of the front (south) facade include a cottage window on the first floor and two storm replacements (one-over-ones) on the second floor. The porch is heavily ornamented and features brackets, turned posts, and a porch skirt with intricate cutwork. The east facade features a Queen Anne sash window recessed beneath the porch roof, a one-story bay, and a stucco chimney. At the rear (north) of the building is the addition with large picture window and an attached, gabled garage. A pedestrian door to the garage is located on the northeast corner of that structure. A band of windows that wrap around the northeast corner of the house at the second story level. The west side of the house features a five-sided bay with casement windows and a pyramidally-shaped roof.

The foundation of this house is irregularly coursed sandstone that has been parged. The rear additions including the attached garage have a concrete block foundation coursed with alternating yellow and pink blocks.

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20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house was constructed on the southern half of Lot #11 of Block #74, as surveyed and laid out in the 1855 Brewer and Canfield map of Corning. Lawrence Doyle purchased the property in 1876 for \$250.00 from John Heermans, Trustee of Joseph Fellows. This transaction is recorded in Steuben County deed book #157, page 41. Mrs. Fannie Bell purchased the property from Mr. Doyle in 1888 and sold it to John Snyder in 1896. Mr. Snyder, a glass cutter, lived in the home until 1946 when he sold it to Mr. J. Allen Bassage.

21. SOURCES:

Corning City Directories, Boyd's 1872-73, 1874-75, Hanford 1893-1920.

Gottfried, Herbert and Jan Jennings. American Vernacular Design. Ames, Iowa: Iowa State University Press, 1988.

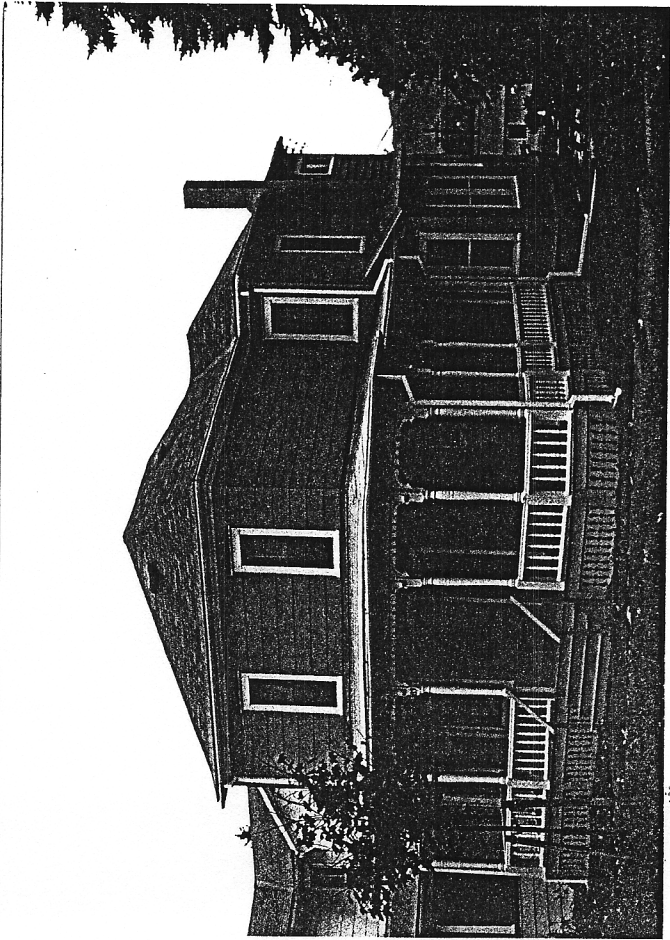
Map of Corning. Buffalo: H. Brewer and C.A. Canfield, 1855.

Map of Corning. Corning: Harry C. Heermans, City Engineer, 1893.

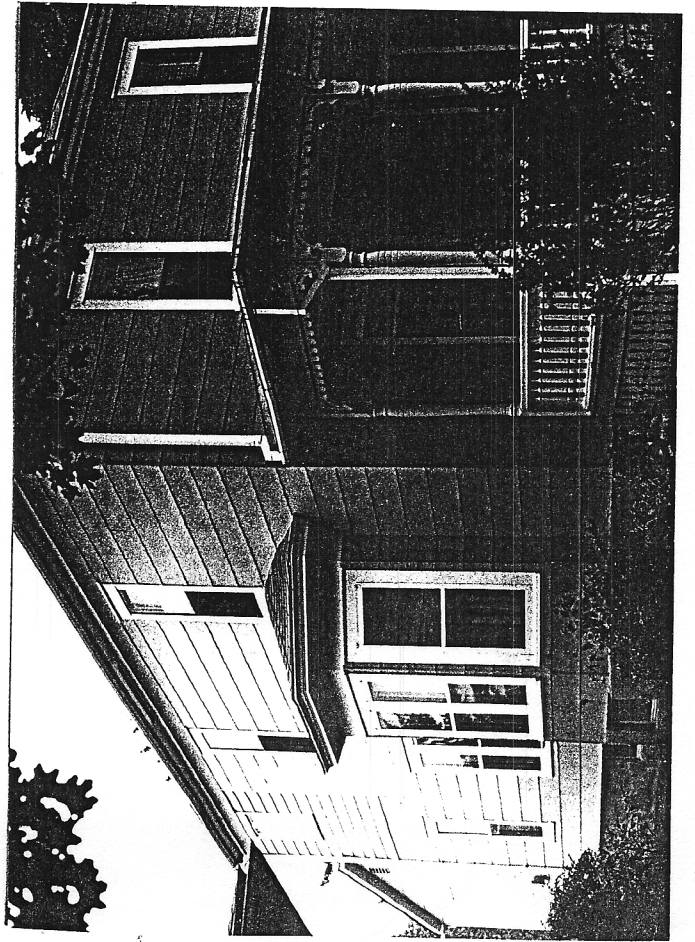
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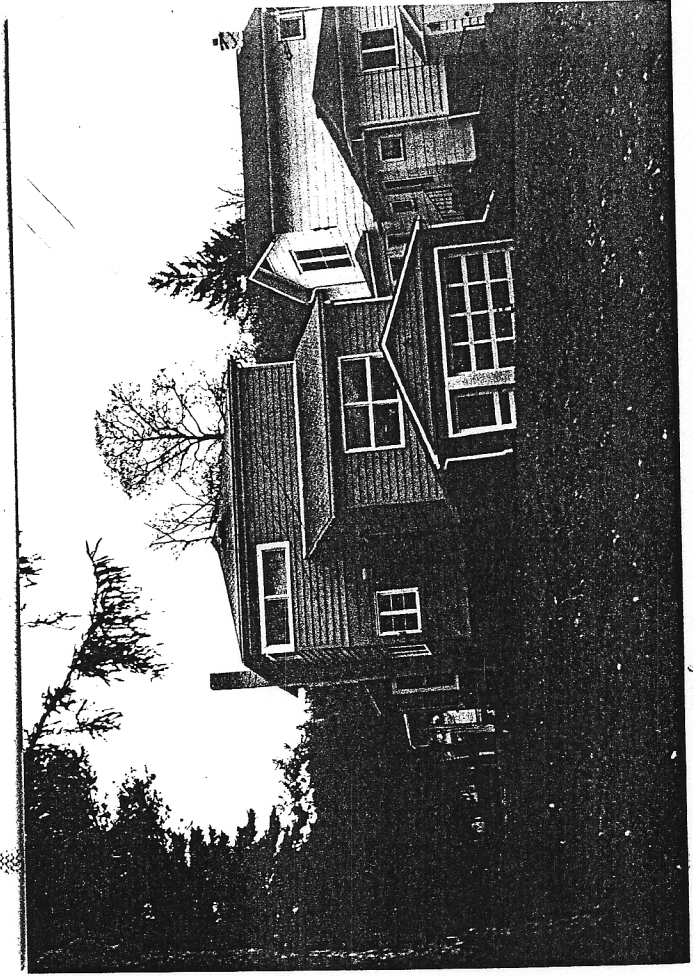
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