

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: Coming VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 87 East First Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Donald B. Creath or Don Croth,
EDC Management Company
ADDRESS: ~~800 East Jeffrey Street, app. 102, Boca Raton, Florida, 33487~~ or 101 Columbia Street, Coming
Present: Residential
90 EDC Management Co.
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 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 [X] g. stucco [] other:
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints [X]
b. wood frame with light members []
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):
- 12. PHOTO:
- 13. MAP:

14. THREATS TO BUILDING:

a. none known b. zoning c. roads
d. developers e. deterioration
f. other:

15. RELATED OUT BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:

a. bam b. carriage house c. garage
d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
g. shop h. gardens
i. land 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:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

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: prior to 1880, from Sanborn maps (check 1857 Sanborn map)

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

- c.1. Between 1898 and 1903 a one-story porch attached to the north end of the west facade was removed.
- c.2. Enlarged from one-and a half to two-and-a-half stories on the west end of the south facade between 1903 and 1908. Also, removal of porch attached to west end of the north facade (built after 1903).
- c.3. According to Sanborn map the building was damaged by fire in 1921
- c.4. Between 1927 and 1929 subdivision into 5 units.
- c.5. Enlarged from two to two-and-a-half-stories on the east end of the south facade after 1930. Also, removal of a one-story addition and porch on the north end of the "L" floor plan. Other additions: one-story, gabled structure attached to the east end of the north facade, exterior staircase and balcony, bay window on south facade raised from one to two stories.
- c.6. Full-height portico removed from the main (south) facade, date unknown (after 1948). It was composed of colossal classical columns supporting a Greek Revival pediment.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the north side of East First Street, this house is one of three impressive large nineteenth century homes and it is one of the exhibiting Greek Revival style features, one of the earliest styles present in the area. Its set back is similar to that of most of the houses on the block, but this residence is unique in its large west to east spacing on the west side of the building which belongs to the lot on number 77, and which contrasts with the narrow spacing to the east.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

A modified Greek Revival-style structure, this multi-unit, two-and-a-half stories building, has corner pilasters and a wide-band cornice beneath a low, hipped roof. The siding is clapboard and the main (south) entrance is recessed in an elaborate, decorative surround under a bracketed lintel. Free standing Ionic columns between Doric pilasters complete the doorway surround. The door has sidelights and a toplight. To the west of the main entrance is a two-story projecting bay, the first-story of which features Italianate-style detailing and long, narrow two-over-two windows. A hipped dormer is centered on the roof and it has a trio of windows with three-over-one sash. The building rests on a stone foundation. The west facade has a one-and-a-half story addition to the north (rear of the site) with gabled roof. There is also a second story bay window on the north facade. The north facade (to the rear of the site) is complicated by projecting additions of varying

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (continued):

heights, exterior stairways and shed dormers. The carriage house to the rear of the site is one-and-a-half-stories in height and has a box-like floor plan and a gambrel roof with centered cross-gambrels on a north-south axis. A centered cupola on the ridge completes the design of the roof. It has clapboard siding and composite roof shingles. The north facade of the carriage house has four wide carriage entrances. The south facade has four paneled doors with nine panes of fixed glazing.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Originally a part of Lot #15 on Block #48, this parcel was first acquired by Mrs. B.W. Payne at an unknown date prior to 1887. Mrs. B.W. Payne was also the owner of lots number 14 and 16 of this same block. In 1887 Sarah R. Payne the former owner sold Sarah K. Payne and Helen A. Payne the three lots. At an unknown date prior to 1899 the house was occupied by Charles L. Schonleber and his wife Ella M. Schonleber. She remained in the house after the death of her husband in 1916. In 1927 or 1929 the house was divided into 5 units and subsequently occupied by different tenants. The last three owners of the property were: William Hamel, Darrell C. Hamel (as executrix of William Hamel, owner from 1988 and until 1990) and Donald B. Creath, who is the current owner.

21. SOURCES:

Corning City Directories; Tax Assessment Files City Hall of Corning; Bath County Deeds; Historical Society of Corning; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of Corning, 1888, 1893, 1898, 1903, 1908, 1913, 1921, 1930; Maps of Corning 1857 and 1893.



87 East First

142 Well Courtbuilding

same 24

87 E. 1st St.

Outbuilding

