

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: 60 East Fourth St.
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [x]
5. PRESENT OWNER: Syed Zaki and Ishrat Mustaf ADDRESS: 60 East Fourth St.
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[x] 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 [] 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. 1900

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:

The porch on the front facade of the house is the most significant alteration. This occurs in the left bay. A concrete foundation was poured and the porch that existed was enclosed to form a room. As a result new windows have been installed here.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the south side of Fourth Street, this residence occupies a row of late nineteenth residential structures. These provide an overview of styles that were popular during that time.. All of the homes vary in their setback from the street. Due to the size of this house it occupies a large percent of the lot. A garage is located in the southwest corner of the lot.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This 2 1/2 story structure is designed in the Queen Anne Style of architecture. McAlester may refer to it as being an example of the "Free Classic". It is characterized by many examples of the Queen Anne Style. Its massing can generally be described as cross-gable. However, the extraordinary configuration of elements draws away from such a simple definition. This house is almost assuredly architect designed.

The front facade of the home is dominated by the porch. Ionic columns resting on limestone pilasters support a cornice. This cornice continues around the entire first story. Though the first-story enclosed portion of the porch is rather simplistic in ornamentation above it is an enclosed elaborately sided porch that protrudes from an asymmetrical front-gable. This siding is typical of Queen Anne combining coursed square and pointed shingles. In addition there is a fabulous band window comprised of six windows. Each window is glazed with twelve lights. Notable in the apex of the front-gable is a recessed window. Three small colonetes are fixed in the space.

The east facade has some notable features. What is most prominent is the asymmetrical front-gable that is covered by coursed wood shingles. A small 2 / 2 double hung sash window on the second-story is of interest. It is accentuated by a decorative pediment. On the third story, a recessed band of windows are further emphasized by four colonetes that are located in the space.

The west facade has a window extraordinary character. its wood casind is archedwith swags cut into it. Three circulat windows top three rectangluar diamond-glazed stained-glass windows.

The house is covered by a combination of wood shingles and clapboard siding. The clapboard exists predominantly on the first-story while the shingle the secon and third. A massive red brick chimney is located on the east side of the house. The house is constructed on a siltston foundation.

At the time of the survey the garage was currently under repair and re-construction. It is a rather large structure that may also be used as a shop. Currently it is sided with clapboard. It currently has no roof though framing can be seen to support a gable.

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20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This house is constructed on the northern half of Lot #2 of Block 52, as laid out in the 1855 Brewer and Canfield map of Corning. This property was originally included with Lot #1 as a double plot. A family named the Robinson's had a house constructed there that was destroyed post 1893 .

Mr. Robert F. Cummings obtained the vacant land in February of 1894. He is first listed as living at this address thereafter. Mr. Cummings was the Vice President of Union Lumber Company, which may explain the excessive use of ornament and windows in the house.

The garage that exists on this plot of land is apparently the original garage from the Robinson estate.

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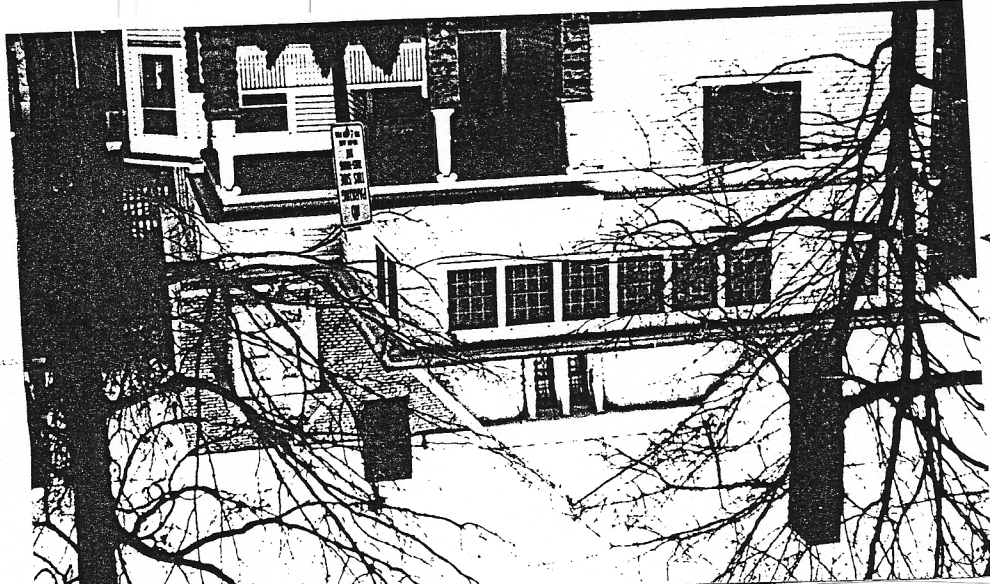
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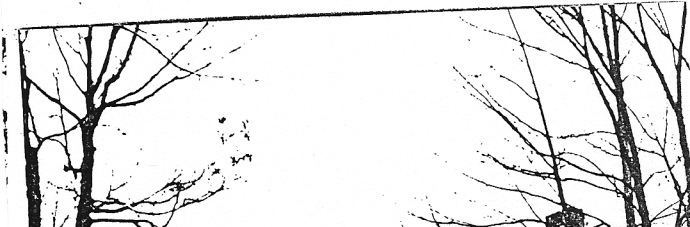
West Facade

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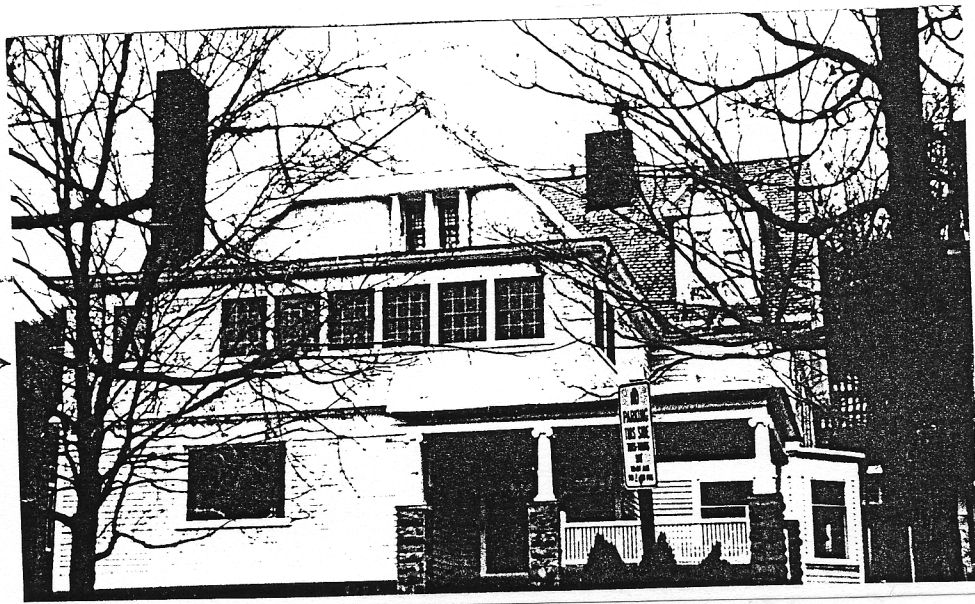
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