

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: 95 West Fourth St.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Helen Ordway ADDRESS: See Continuation Sheet
- 6. USE: Original: Single-family residence Present: Multi-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[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 Cont. 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 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. 1865

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

Corning, New York

5. PRESENT OWNER'S ADDRESS:

9245 Eagle Oak Rd.
Bakersville, CA

11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

Major alterations to this structure include the ninety-degree rotation of the structure on the site, so the front facade faces West Fourth Street; this occurred ca. 1900. The porch on the northeast side of the house was enclosed, ca 1921. The house was converted into multi-units sometime after 1930, the exact date is unknown. Picture windows were added on both the first and second stories of the house, these dates are also unknown.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This house is situated on the corner of West Fourth and Chestnut streets, with its front facade facing south onto West Fourth Street. It is one in a series of nineteenth-and early twentieth-century homes, similar in scale and setback, but irregular in east-to-west spacing.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This two-story house is designed in the Italianate Style of architecture. In their book, A Field Guide to American Houses, the McAlesters refer to this as an "asymmetrical" example of the style, an "L-shaped" Italian villa. The structure features a front facing gable and an east L-shaped extension with a moderately pitched roof. The windows are also typical of this style of architecture; however many other details associated with this style are not evident.

This residence is covered with wood shingles. The gable front has two-over-two double hung sash windows on both stories, and a large chimney on its west facade. The eastern wing has the same windows and vocabulary as the gable front. The house has been converted to a two-family residence so there are two main entrances. The original entrance is located off of a small porch set in the re-entrant angle. The porch has a hipped roof supported by simple square posts. The second entrance is located on the front (north) facade of the eastern ell of the house.

A shed located in the north-west corner of the lot, made of ply wood. The partially-raised foundation of the house is made of poured concrete. This house sits on a partially-raised foundation, made of a rough-cut bedstone.

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Corning, New York

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house is constructed on the southern half of Lot #9 of Block 75 in the Southside neighborhood of Corning. This house, built ca. 1865 by Joseph Fellows, was one of the first to be constructed in this area. In 1868, Fellows sold the property to John Heermans, who then sold it again in 1876 to Philip Deegan, a local sashmaker at Corning Glass for \$250. Deegan divided the lot into two parts, selling the northern part of the land to Tobias and Anna Purcell in 1891. Upon the death of Philip Deegan in 1895, the house went to his heir, Joseph Deegan (of 83 West Fourth Street), who then sold the property to Tobias and Anna Purcell. It was while the Purcells owned this property that the structure was rotated on the lot. In 1921, after their parents' death, the Purcell's children again divided the lot into two parts; this property was purchased by Justin Purcell, a grandson of Tobias and Anna Purcell. In 1943 the property was sold to Frank H. Kaliba, a local tailor, and his wife, Mary.

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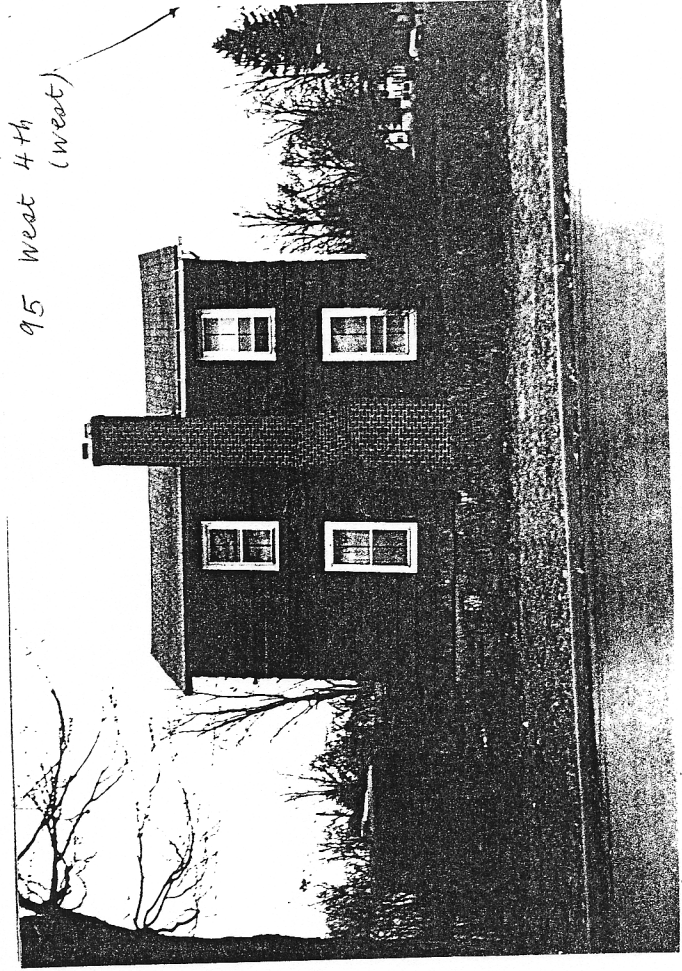
Tax Records. Steuben County Public Records, Archives, Bath, NY

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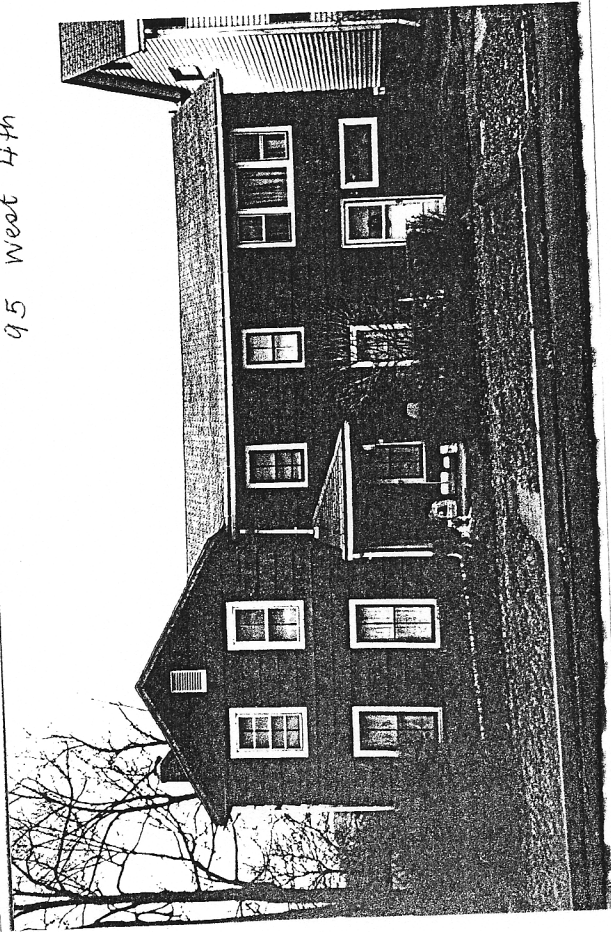
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ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS:



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