

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: 120 East Second Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Wayne H. & Kathryn C. Keck ADDRESS: 120 East Second Street
- 6. USE: Original: Residence Present: 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 and batten []
e. cobblestone [] f. shingles [] g. stucco [] other:
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints []
(if known) b. wood frame with light members [X]
c. masonry load bearing walls []
d. metal (explain)
e. other
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent [] b. good [] c. fair [X] 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 OUT BUILDINGS 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
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district):

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

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SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca.1859

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

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21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:

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11.c. INTEGRITY-List major alterations and dates (if known):

According to the Sanborn Fire Insurance Map of 1893, the structure is a rectangular mass, with the shorter ends as the north and south facades. A bay is present on the west wall, and there is a wraparound porch on the north and west sides. All areas of the dwelling are cited as two-stories. By 1903, a small porch has been added to the southeast corner of the building. The structure exists today in this same form, except for an enclosed stairway on the south facade which was added later.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the south side of East Second Street, this residence is in an area filled with homes of similar size, setback and styles. All houses along the south side of the street are one-and-a-half or two stories, and have an approximate 15' setback, but varying amounts of side yard in the lot. The styles present along the street include the Italianate, Greek Revival, Queen Anne and Federal.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

The earliest representation of this structure is the bird's-eye View of Corning map of 1882. The structure is difficult to discern from this drawing, but it is a two-story building. The structure contains numerous features that are typical of the Italianate (McAlester A Field Guide to American Houses) style, such as the three-bay fenestration, wraparound porch with elaborate decoration, hipped roof with overhanging eaves, and a bay. It also does not seem to have been altered since 1893 and, thus, is an excellent example of the Italianate style.

120 East Second Street is a two-story, rectangular dwelling, with a two-story bay on the west facade. The pyramidal and hipped roofs are covered in asphalt siding and pierced by two chimneys. The foundation is parged stone and the exterior walls are covered in clapboards. However, the bay is plastered. The house is slightly raised from the ground and probably has a basement.

The main facade, on the north, has a distinct three-bay fenestration, and the windows throughout the structure are two-light, awning type. The windows have simple surrounds which show only a hint of a cornice at the top sill. The main door, which faces Second Street, is a double door with lights. The surround of the door is detailed in a classical manner, with two consoles and an entablature. Another glazed door is located on the west

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

side, where the bay juts from the wall.

The wraparound porch on the north and west sides is the most decorative element of the structure. The porch roof is supported by six square piers, and is accentuated by brackets and dentils beneath the eaves. Dentils are also present beneath the eaves of the main roof. There is also a plainly-decorated banister and stairs which lead to the porch from the sidewalk.

A dwelling was also located on the south portion of the lot from before 1903 to 1975, when it was demolished

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The importance of this structure within the Southside neighborhood of Corning is that it has been minimally altered since it was constructed in 1859. Almost all decorative and structural features are intact and it is a "text-book example" of the Italianate style.

Israel Marland purchased lot #5 of block 41, on which 120 East Second street is located, from Erastus and Harriet Corning in 1859 and proceeded to build this Italianate style home when it was at the height of popularity. The lot was then passed to other members of the Marland family, including Israel's widow, Alice A. Marland, and Alice J. Lawrence, a niece, through 1957. Harry M. Brooke received the lot from the will of Alice A. Marland, who died in 1977, and soon thereafter sold it to Mirl H. and Tina M. Smyers. In 1979 it was again sold, this time to the present owners, Wayne H. and Kathryn C. Keck.

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