

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. _____

SERIES _____

NEG. NO. _____

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IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Coming VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 60 East Second Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [x]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Ray Schaller ADDRESS: 60 East Second Street
- 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 []
b. wood frame with light members [x]
c. masonry load bearing walls []
d. metal (explain)
e. other
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent [x] 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
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 BUILDING 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):

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SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1870

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:

This ca. 1870 house began as a smaller two-story structure, and had a wide one-story addition by 1888. The new owner began at that time a series of renovations. A full-width front porch was added ca. 1890. The rear one-story addition was expanded past the southeast corner of the house ca. 1895, and a full second story was constructed above this by 1903. It is likely that most of the decorative Queen Anne stylistic features were added during this period. The only recent change recorded at the local permits office is the installation of new roofing in 1978.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The ^{lot on which the} house at 60 East Second Street ^{is situated} has a lot which is sloped at the rear, ^(south?) level near the house, and steeply pitched from the front porch to the street. There is a set of concrete steps leading from the yard to the sidewalk, and another set of steps going from the sidewalk to the street. The yard is not extensively landscaped, but there are some trees on the lot. ^{what about interrelationship?}

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This Queen Anne [⊖] style house is clad in clapboard and has hexagonal shingles in its gable ends. The foundation is irregularly coursed rock-faced rubblestone. The house has a gable-on-hip roof with a pair of cross-gables across the central block and a front gable. The shingled gable-ends are pent and have decorative windows. The front ^(north?) gable has a pair of double-hung ^{Queen Anne} fifteen-over-one colored sash, and the western cross-gable has colored lights as well. The gable-end of the gable-on-hip roof has a small arched window. There is also a two-story cutaway bay on the eastern ^{facade} side of the house at the juncture between the gable-front section of the house ^{and} with the main block. The corresponding area on the western ^{facade} side of the house has a plain square corner with a secondary entrance at the first floor level and a window above. This window, as well as those on the rest of the house, is a double-hung one-over-one sash.

the gable has colored lights?

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18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES... (continued):

The full-width front porch is L-shaped, ^{has almost an} with the area near the paired entry doors being the deepest portion. ^{as it steps back to the recessed} The Queen Anne style doors have colored lights on the upper portion and a bullseye motif on the paneled portion above an intact mechanical doorbell. The turned wooden porch supports are trimmed with flat brackets ^{incised} with an arrow motif, ^{-like decorations} and there is also a horizontal cutwork trim-piece ^{frieze} running the length of the porch below the roofline. A modest pediment set in front of the entry has a stylized fan design. The porch balustrade is an unusual combination of cutwork and cross-pieces which reinforces the flattened-out nature of the house's other decorative features. There is also a second-story porch ^{main} above the entry ^{The porch} which has simple square balusters and a single Queen Anne ^{secondary} style door for an entry.

under the hipped roof

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The property on which this house was constructed was sold in 1867 for \$550 by Erastus and Harriet Corning. The buyers were Rodney E. and Ella W. Harris, listed on a subsequent deed as residents of Cohoctin, New York. The original portion of the house was constructed by the Harris family ca. 1868-72. The property, including the new house, was sold ^{for} \$2000 in 1873 to John Yerger. Yerger is listed in the earliest directories as having a house on East Second Street with his occupation described simply as engineer. The next owners of the property were Henry A. and Ellen J. Horning, who owned the house from 1882 until 1888, just after Henry Horning's death.

John W. Williams purchased the house in 1888 for \$1400, and carried out a number of alterations. John Williams was one of the proprietors of the Williams & Irving Meat Market in Corning. His widow, Sarah A. Williams, is listed in directories as living in the house until 1933, when Holland B. Williams first appears as the primary resident. He purchased the house from the heirs of Sarah Williams in 1946. The Williams family would occupy the house during the entire ^{between} period ^{to} from 1888 to 1976. Holland B. Williams was a Corning city judge and attorney with offices in the Corning Trust Company Building, later known as the Lincoln-Rochester Trust Company Building, until the 1960s. The current owner of the 60

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20. HISTORICAL... (continued):

East Second Street house is Ray Schaller. The house has experienced no significant changes or additions since the early 1900s, and is notable as an example of the stylish homes created in the Southside neighborhood by renovations of earlier structures. *through the*

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