

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM
DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
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: 71¹/₂ East Second Street
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public[] b. private [x]
5. PRESENT OWNER: Harold & Rose Cutler ADDRESS: 67 East Second Street
6. USE: Original: Residence Present: Rental Residences
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes[x]
Interior accessible: Yes[] No[x] Explain Private apartments

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL a. clapboard[x] b. stone[] c. brick[] d. board & batten
e. cobblestone[] f. shingles[] 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[] b. good[] c. fair[x] d. deteriorated[]
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site[] b. moved[x] when? ca. 1908 - 1913
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[x]
 f. other: neighborhood disapproval
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: See Continuation Sheet
 j. other: None
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[x]
 h. other:

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)
 Originally situated on the southern half of Lot 12, Block 49,
 facing south onto East Second Street, this house was moved between 1908
 - 1913 to the rear of the same lot. It now faces north onto the alley
 which bisects Block 49 east to west. It is the only residential
 building on this block sited towards the alley. 71¹/₂ East Second Street
 is one of two Greek Revival-style houses to retain its architectural
 integrity in Block 49.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:
 (Including interior features if known): See Continuation Sheet

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1850 - 1860

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

Corning City Directories, 1872 - 1910
 Sanborn Maps, 1888 - 1930 (updated to 1948)
 "Frank White's House." Photographs, ca. 1907. File 38-A (7).
 Corning-Painted Post Historical Society, Corning, New York.
 "Towards Identifying and Setting Priority Among Significant
 Structures of Corning and Painted Post." Compiled by the Corning-
 Painted Post Historical Society, 1976. Page 36.
 Steuben County Deed Book 159, page 554.
 Steuben County Deed Book 301, page 261.

22. THEME:

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11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS: In the mid-1890s, an Italianate-style bay window and parapet front were added to the front of the one-story, shed-roofed left wing. Between 1903 - 1908, several small, one-story rear additions appeared, one on the back of each older section. A number of architecturally incompatible alterations have been made to the house. These include filled-in window and door openings, an early twentieth century shed dormer on the side gable of the main house, historically inaccurate windows, and metal attic vents in the gable ends.

15i. LANDSCAPE FEATURES: This house occupies the north half of Lot 12, Block 49. A concrete retaining wall runs behind the house.

18. NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE: This house is a one-and-a-half-story gable-front Greek Revival-style house with numerous additions. The central, one-and-a-half-story section includes a raised, full-height entrance portico with square wooden pillars and full entablature. The skirt of the porch consists of plywood boards. Near the center of this section is a small brick chimney flue parged in cementitious material.

To the right of the central section is a one-story, gabled addition with an integral front porch. The end bay of this porch is enclosed. Attached to the rear of this section is a smaller one-story gabled addition with an interior end brick chimney flue parged in cementitious material.

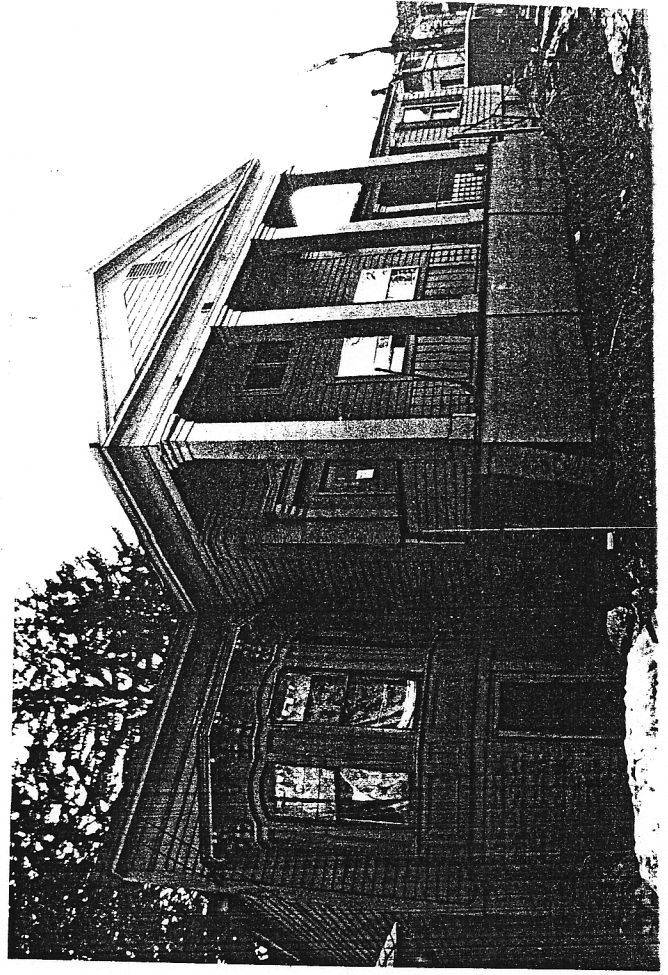
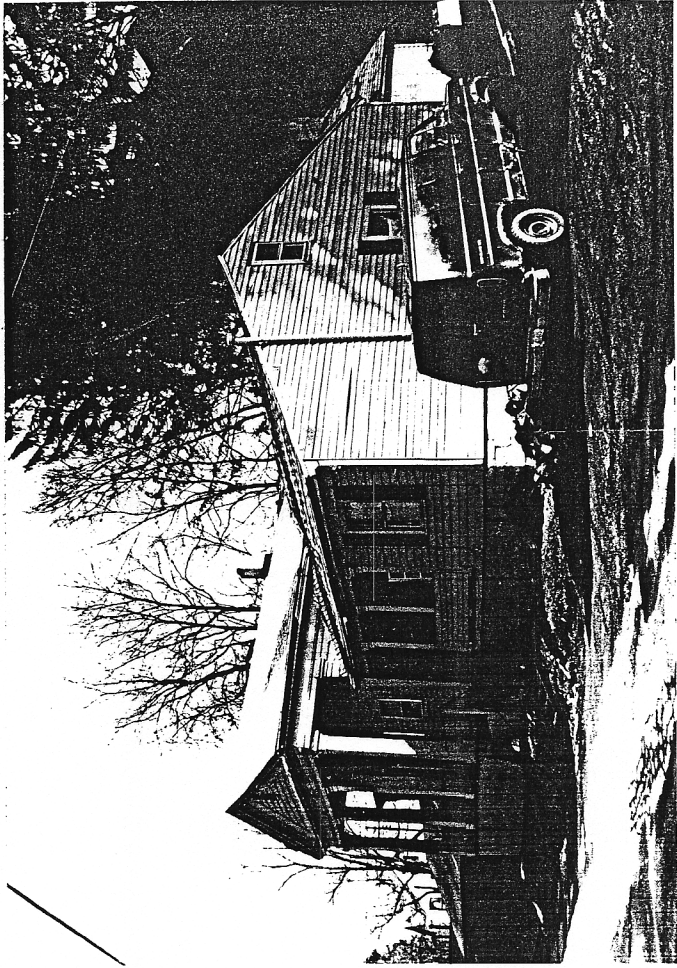
On the left side of the central section is a one-story, shed roof addition. It has a false parapet front embellished with an Italianate-style bay window. The rear third of this addition was itself added, but it has a gable roof. A brick chimney flue parged in cementitious material protrudes from the interior end of the rear gable end.

A stone foundation elevates the older (central and right) sections of the house. The left wing rests on a foundation of molded, composite stone. The windows are diverse in size and type, most having been replaced in the twentieth-century. The roofing material for all roofs is asphalt shingle.

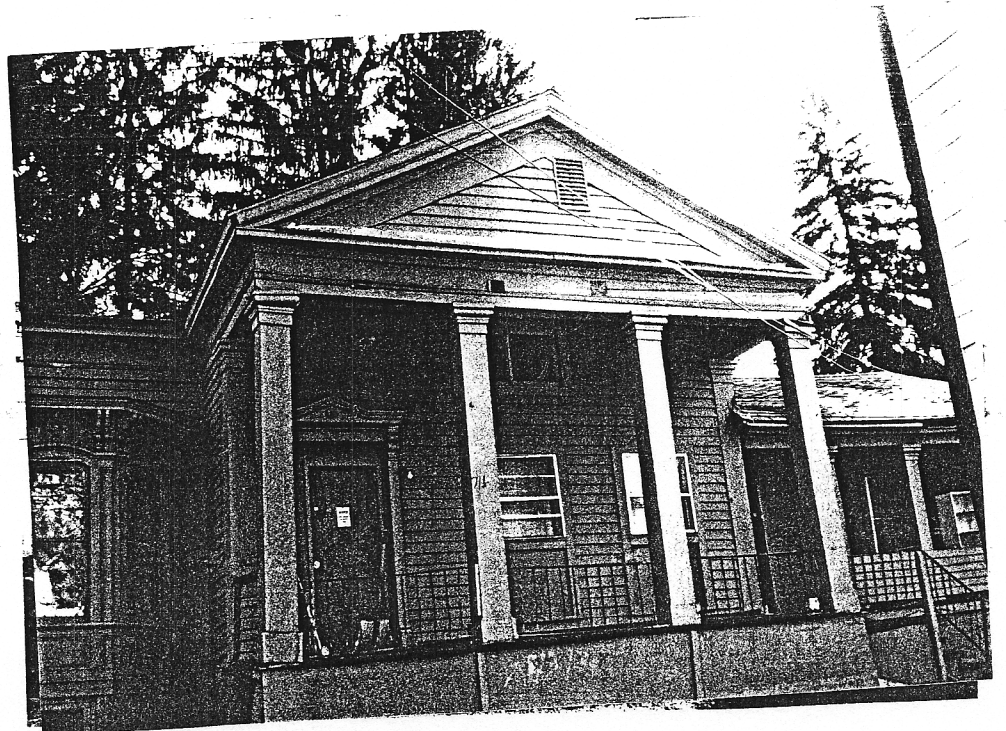
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: Although early deed research for this property is difficult to decipher, the earliest owners of the house appear to have been Charles and Ann Barry. In 1877, Mrs. Barry sold the house to Valentine and Augusta Rimmel. Valentine Rimmel was a professional barber and who, with his relations, operated F. Rimmel and Co., Barbers, in downtown Corning. The Rimmels lived at 71 East Second Street until 1909. Shortly thereafter, the house was moved to the rear of the lot, and has since been used as rental housing.

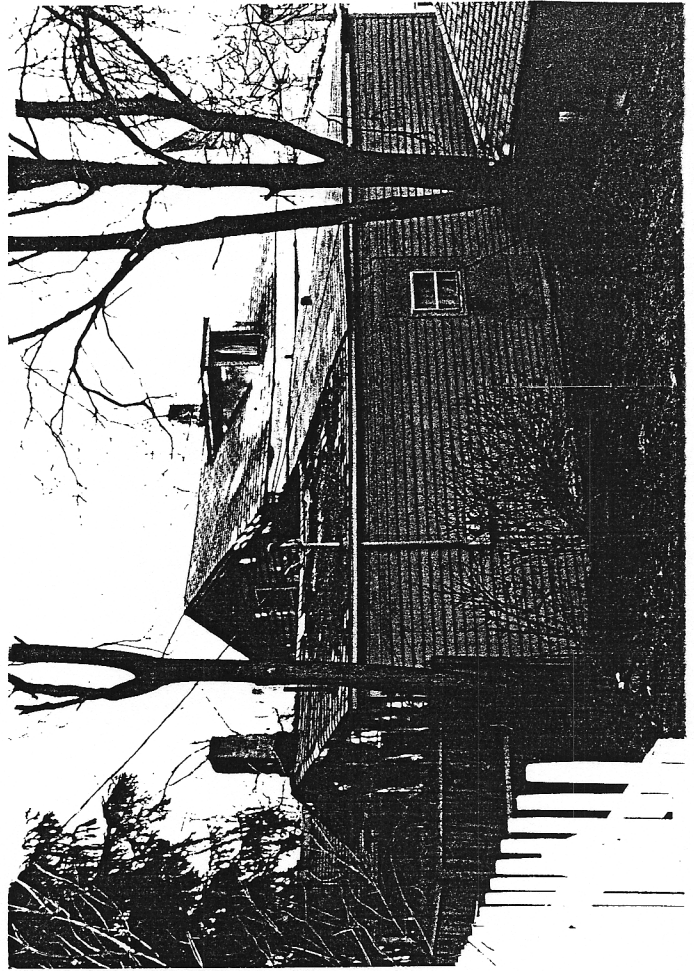
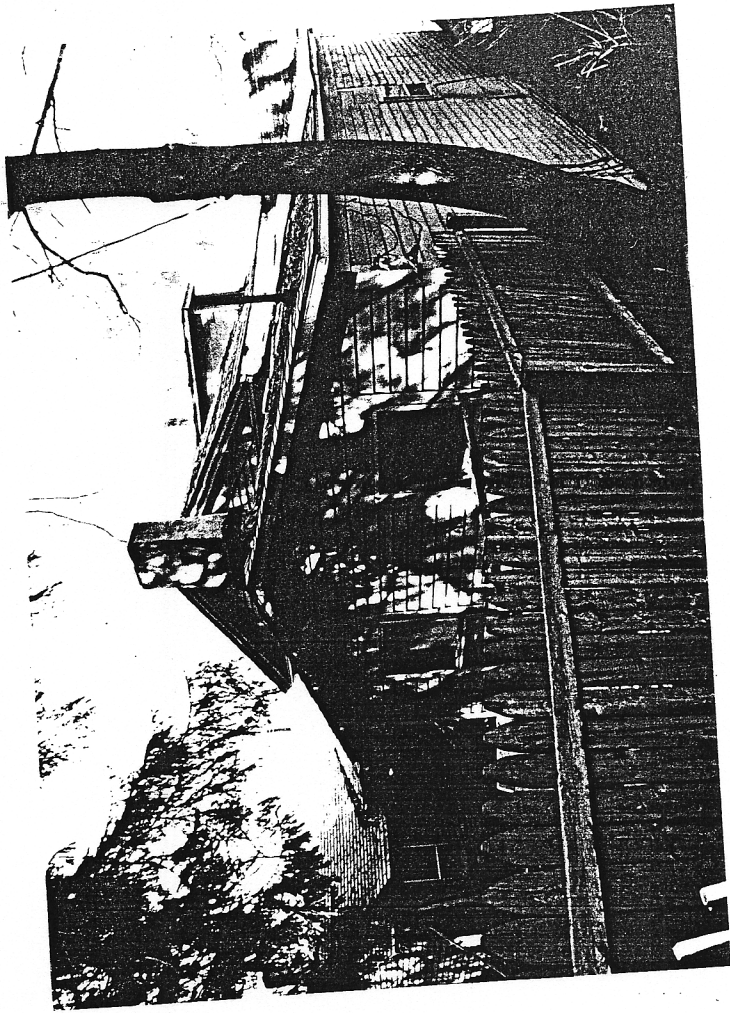
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Despite neglect and several unsympathetic additions, this Greek Revival-style residence retains its architectural integrity. This is the only one-and-a-half-story Greek Revival-style residence on Block 49. Based on architectural and deed evidence, 71¹/₂ East Second Street is probably one of the oldest extant houses in Corning.



71 1/2 East Second





71 1/2 E. 2nd

