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BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. _____
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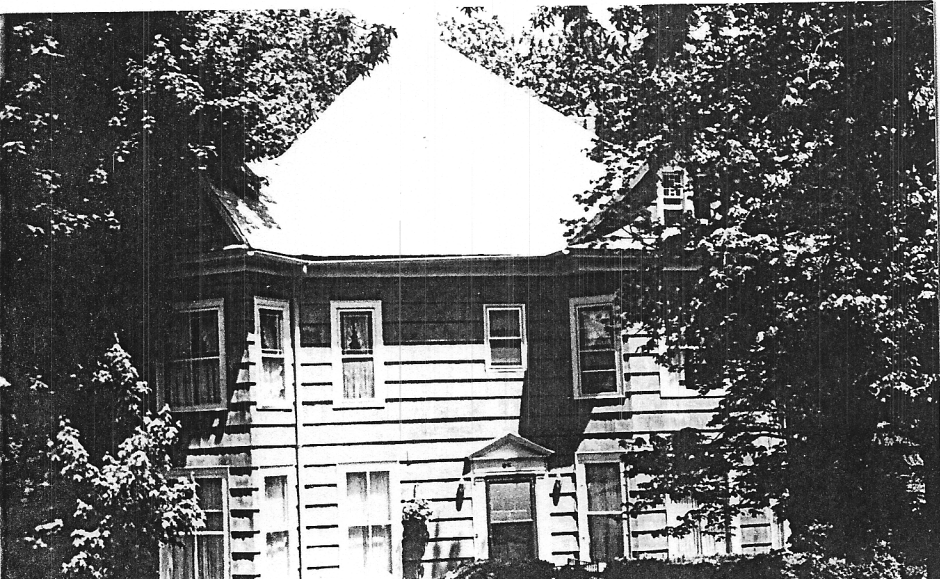
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IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 65 East Third Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: First Methodist Church ADDRESS: 144 Cedar Street, Corning, NY
- 6. USE: Original: Single family residence 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 [] 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 OUT BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:

- a. barn
- b. carriage house
- c. garage
- d. privy
- e. shed
- f. greenhouse
- g. shop
- h. gardens
- i. landscaps 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)

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: c 2. 1889-1892

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

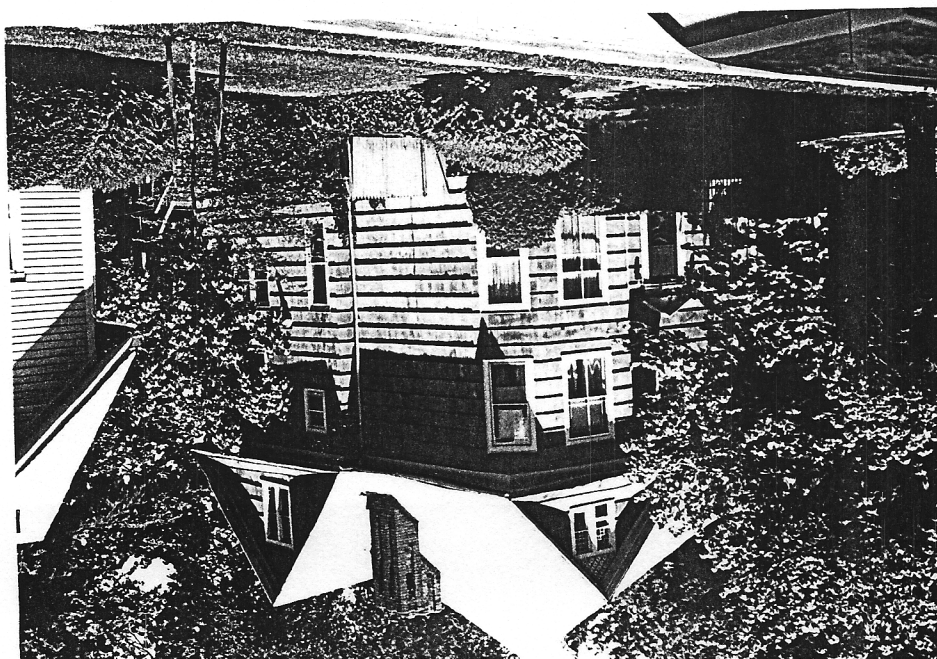
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

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21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:



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11c MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

This ca. 1888-92 house has not had any major alterations. Changes made to the structure include the post-1950 removal of the front porch and possibly the recladding of the structure with wide wood shingles.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The house at 65 East Third Street is slightly lower than street level and is set on a lot that drops off sharply to the rear of the house, exposing part of the basement story. The lot is modestly landscaped. The house has a small front yard since the structure has a setback somewhat deeper than its neighbors. Both the size and style of the house complement the neighborhood's other historic homes.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This Single Style home retains the continuous surface of wall cladding which distinguishes the style. Most of the building's foundation remains exposed and consists of irregularly coursed, roughly finished stone- only the front facade area has been perged. The building's pyramidal ripped roof and cross gables are accented by two decorative paneled chimneys on the eastern side of the house. There are cross gable sections placed on the eastern side facade, the main southern facade, and a pent cross gable set on the southwest corner of the house. This cross gable has a decorative wooden fanlight vent in the gable end.

The house's most decorative feature is the use of Queen Anne colored sash in the other gable ends and in most of the second floor windows. These windows are notably irregular in their colored light arrangements. The pair of double-hung sash in the gable end on the southern facade has a cross-like colored light pattern in their upper sash with a triangular panel of bullseye motif wood trim set above them. The pair of double-hung sash in the gable end centered on the eastern facade have small colored lights trimming both sash sections. Windows on the second story level of the house, both one-over-one and two-over-two

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18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES. (continued):

double-hung sash, have upper sash only trimmed with red side and yellow corner lights.

The front entrance to the house has a poured concrete stoop faced in stone on the sides. The doorway is a flat, classically inspired opening with a triangular pediment and pilasters flanking a paneled door with lights. There is also a screened porch on supports at the rear of the house.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house was constructed for William W. Adams after he was granted the house lot by his father in 1869. The entire family had moved to Corning from Otsego, New York in 1850. His parents Walter and Cephronia Adams owned the neighboring corner house at 53 East Third Street, and with the transfer of this adjoining lot to their son retained use of a barn at the rear of this lot. William Adams may have lived at 53 East Third with his parents even after his marriage to Frances E. De Wolf in 1870. Born in 1843, William Adams began working at age 19 for the Fall Brook Railway Company in Corning, advancing to the position of general storekeeper and chief accountant. He was also a vice-president of the Hood Furnace Company in Corning and a director of the Corning Loan Association. Adams was elected as the third mayor of the city of Corning in 1894, and lived in the house at 65 East Third Street from the time of its construction until his death in 1931.

By the terms of his will, both his own home and the house which had been his parents' passed to Sarah Dowling in 1932. She used both houses as income properties. The Corning Realty Corporation, later absorbed by the Corning Glass Works, obtained the property in 1942. Thomas Waaland, the treasurer of Corning Glass Works, purchased the house at 65 East Third Street in 1947, and lived there until the late 1960s. He transferred the house to the ownership of the First Methodist Church of Corning in 1966, and it has served as the residence of that church's minister since that time.

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21. SOURCES: