BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S):

TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE: 2. COUNTY: Steuben

3. STREET LOCATION: 86-88 East Third Street

4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]5. PRESENT OWNER: Gary and Susan Tuller

ADDRESS: 86-88 East Third Street

OUAD

SERIES

NEG. NO.

Present: Residence 6. USE: Original: Residence

Exterior visible from public road: Yes [X] No [] 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Interior accessible: Yes [] No [X] Explain: Private residence

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

UNIQUE SITE NO.

DESCRIPTION

a. clapboard [] b. stone [] c. brick [] d. board & batten [] 8. BUILDING MATERIAL:

e. cobblestone [] f. shingles [X] g. stucco [] other:

a. wood frame with interlocking joints [] 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:

b. wood frame with light members [X] c. masonry load bearing walls []

d. metal (explain)

e. other

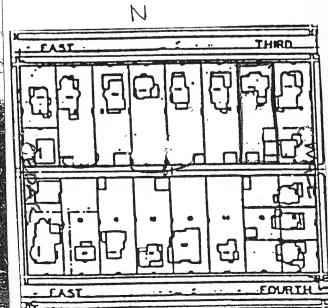
a. excellent [] b. good [X] c. fair [] d. deteriorated [] 10. CONDITION:

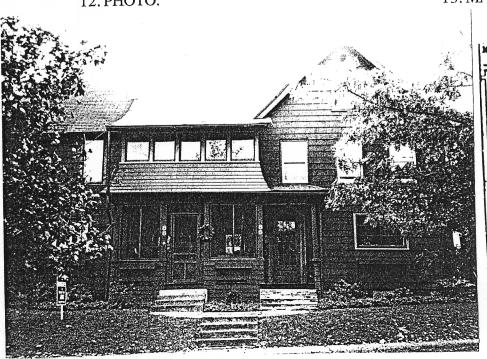
a. original site [X] b. moved [] if so, when? 11. INTEGRITY:

c. list major alterations and dates (if known): See Continuation Sheet

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:





14. THREATS TO BUILDING:

a. none known [X] b. zoning [] c. roads [] d. developers [] e. deterioration []

f. other:

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:

a. barn [] b. carriage house [] c. garage [X] d. privy [] e. shed [X] f. greenhouse []

g. shop [] h. gardens []

i. landscape features j. other: (Previously used as a shed)

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 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):

See Continuation Sheet

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: Built prior to 1872

ARCHITECT: Not Known

BUILDER: Not Known

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:

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11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

According to the 1903 Sanborn map, between 1888-1903 a previously existing front porch located on the eastern portion of the north facade was decreased, and became recessed in a small wing projecting north.

The house remained unaltered until 1921, when an additional front (north) one-story, enclosed porch was constructed in front of the recessed porch. In addition, at some point a second story was constructed on top of a majority of the front porch, extending the roof in a slope. The second story addition is dominated by sash, with its lower shingled portion sloping to meet the eave of the porch.

Between 1930-48, the house was largely altered and several additions were constructed on the rear (south). The previously existing eastern wing projecting south from the house, was extended to further to the south, and a porch constructed on its south facade. In addition, a projecting wing was constructed on the western portion of the south facade which also boasted a shed roofed porch. On the east facade of the residence, a narrow addition was constructed on the northern portion, extending the house to the east.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The residence is located on the south side of East Third Street on block fifty-one, lot seven, and is situated near the corner of Wall Street. The north side of the block is generally dominated by Italianate houses, and are situated in approximately the same place on their lots.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Although unconfirmed through property deed, it appears that the original owners of 86-88 East Third Street were Levi Williams and his wife Kate. According to the Corning City Directory, Levi Williams is recorded as residing at this address from 1872-1909. The house was rented to an assembler, Charles H. Colburn who resided there through 1918 until it was rented to Harry C. Lawrence, a foreman. On April 27, 1920, William's wife Kate sold the house to Charles B. and Lida Howell, and on March 5, 1921, Mr. Howell sold a parcel of land on the southeastern corner of his lot to Cyrus S. Hood who constructed a garage at 209 Wall Street. The house remained in the Howell family until June 23, 1925 when it was sold to Arthur A. Hall. By December 8, 1927, the house was repossessed from Arthur's wife Edna K. Hall, and the First National Bank and Trust Company and the Corning Co-Operative Savings and Loan sold it to the George F. Ellison Corporation. From 1923-5 the house was rented, and by 1927 it was vacant. The house was altered to a duplex in 1929, and on January 20, 1930, it was sold to Aaron F. Williams. George F. Ellison was retired and resided at #88 East Third Street in 1931. For twelve years the duplex continued to be rented, even after it was sold to Raymond V. Odell on August 27, 1942. Just three years later the duplex was sold to Adrian F. Smith. Smith rented out the entire property until 1950, when he is recorded as residing at #88 East Third Street. The duplex remained in Smith's possession until January 13, 1977 when he sold it to the current owners, Gary and Susan Tuller who reside in #86.

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20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE, Continued:

In 1907 Levi Williams was a machinist with Preston and Heermans, a large foundry and machine shop in Corning established in 1867 by George Preston and George Heermans. The foundry manufactured engines and mill machines, and was significant to Corning's industrial prosperity. In addition, Williams and his four family members were long-time Corning residents who were recorded in the first Corning census in 1848.

86-88 East Third Street is also significant as a rental property which provided housing for Corning residents employed with local industries such as Corning Glass Works in a variety of positions ranging from Time-study Analysis to Sales Engineer.

21. SOURCES:

Corning City Directories; Steuben County Deeds; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of Corning, 1888, 1903, 1908, 1913, 1921, 1930 and 1948; McAlester's <u>A Field Guide to American Houses</u>, Corning and Vicinity