

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: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 263 Wall Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [x]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Virginia O'Hara ADDRESS: 263 Wall Street, Corning, NY
- 6. USE: Original: single-family residence Present: single-family 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 & 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 [] explain:
- 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 OUTBUILDINGS 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:
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:

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: 1921

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

11c. INTEGRITY: Major alterations and dates.

The rear (west) portion of the residence appears to be an addition. It is clad in vinyl siding.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:

Located on the west side of Wall Street, facing east, this residence is one in a group of late nineteenth and early twentieth century homes which are similar in scale. Each of the residences on the west side of wall Street maintains a similar setback from the road but, due to property subdivisions and subsequent construction, the spacing between and behind the residences is somewhat inconsistent. The front (east) setback is terraced.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This 1921 Craftsman Bungalow-style house is typical of the genre. The house has a side-gabled roof with exposed roof rafters extending beyond the wall surface. The full-width front (east) porch has a shed roof supported by battered piers inset from the northeast and southeast corners of the porch. The railing for the porch is enclosed and clad in shingles. Over the central staircase leading to the porch is pediment with a triangular knee brace under its peak. On the north facade of the first story, east of center, is a small rectangular bay protruding to the north covered by a shed roof with exposed rafters. On the rear (west) facade is a large, full width one-story addition with a shed roof.

On the front (east) facade is a gabled dormer protruding from the second story. The dormer has a tripartite window facing east and is clad in shingles. The roof of the dormer has exposed rafters under the eaves and three triangular knee braces on the gable end. The foundation for both the house and the addition is concrete.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

George A. Dasney, a physical chemist for Corning Glass Works, had this bungalow built for he and his wife, Harriet L., on land purchased in 1920 from the prominent Corning lawyer Warren J. Cheney. In 1930, the Dasney's sold the residence to Corning Glass Works which held the property until 1939. John J. and Ima L. Reilly purchased the house from CGW in 1939. The house came into the possession of its current owner, Virginia O'Hara, in 1956 when she and her now-deceased husband, Joseph E., purchased it from the Reilly's.

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