

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

UNIQUE SITE NO.

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NEG. NO.

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IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 205 Walnut Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Ed & Mary Drouard ADDRESS: 205 Walnut
- 6. USE: Original: Single-Family Residence Present: Single-Family Residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Yes  No  Explain: Private Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick   
d. board & batten  e. cobblestone   
f. shingles  g. stucco  other: Vinyl Siding
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
b. wood frame with light members   
c. masonry load bearing walls   
d. metal (explain)  
e. other
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when?  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): See Cont. 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 BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:  
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. 1905

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:

Major alterations to this structure includes the addition of vinyl siding, which was installed in 1979. There have been no other major alterations to the structure.

#### 17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the west side of Walnut Street facing east, this house is one in a series of nineteenth- and early twentieth-century homes. This residence, built in the early twentieth-century is smaller in scale and consistent in north-to-south spacing, but has a greater setback than the rest of the homes on the block. Its style, being Dutch Colonial Revival also makes the home unique in its neighborhood.

#### 18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This two-story structure is designed in the Dutch Colonial Revival Style of architecture and exhibits many features typically associated with this style, such as a gambrel roof and flared overhanging eaves.

This house is finished with vinyl siding, and has the narrow gable end facing the street. The front gable intersects with a hipped roof dormer in the rear of the home; the roof is covered with slate tiles. The front gable has a slightly flared roof, with overhanging eaves and has a single large window, centered on the second story of the gable. On the primary facade of the house, there is a bay window on the first story and the main entrance, which is recessed and located under a one-story porch.

The house is set on a partially raised basement which made of a rough cut bedstone.

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20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house is built on the south half of Lot #8 of Block 75 as laid out in 1855 by the Brewer and Canfield Map of Corning. This property was originally owned by the Christ Church of Corning, which had its rectory in the northern half of this lot. In 1903, this half of the lot was sold to Amory Houghton, of Corning Glass, for \$3500, who built the home on the lot at this time. Houghton rented the house to Mrs. Alice Whitmore, the widow of a Corning glass employee, who worked as a dressmaker. In 1905, Alice Whitmore purchased the property from Houghton for \$800, and continued to live in the home until 1944 when she sold it to Bruce and Jeanne Grant who resided there until 1953, when they sold it to the Drouard family, who still occupy the home.

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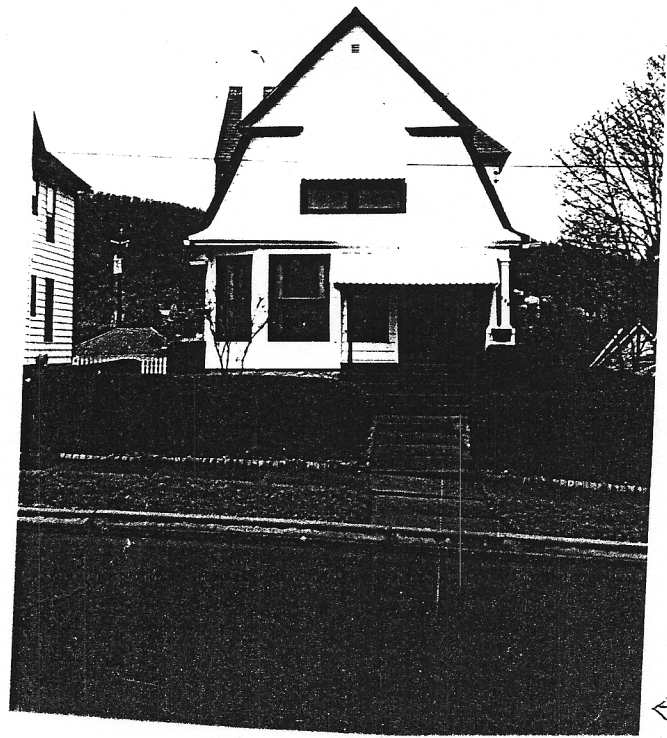
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