

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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| UNIQUE SITE NO. <u>5444</u> | |
| QUAD _____ | |
| SERIES _____ | |
| NEG. NO. _____ | |

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 31, 1984
P. O. BOX 590

YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205-0590 TELEPHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- STREET LOCATION: 25 Robie St.
- OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- PRESENT OWNER: Teresa Plicato ADDRESS: 25 Robie
- USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

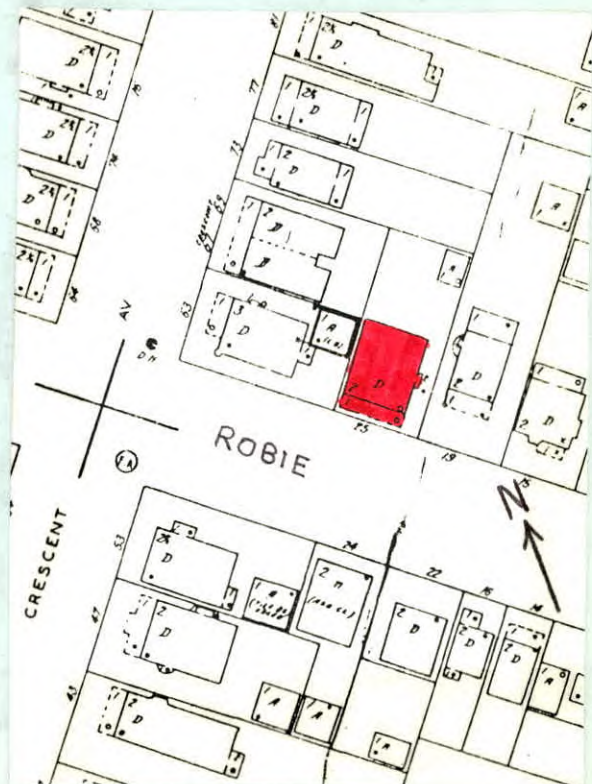
DESCRIPTION

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

12. PHOTO: 30-22a



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: shrubs in front yard
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 BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Building is situated on a standard sized lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. House is located three blocks from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and southeast of the Zoo.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

Two and a half story American Four Square. Hip roof with slate tiles and clay tile cresting caps. Extending flared eave with exaggerated curved and bowed brackets. Full-width low-hipped roof porch. Rough cut, regular course stone base. Paneled tapered square Doric supports. Paneled and stick rail. Bowed entrance bay. Glass paneled door with leaded glass sidelights. Leaded glass square window flanks entrance. First

- SIGNIFICANCE
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1915 floor tri-part window.

ARCHITECT: Single-hung with leaded glass top light. Shingled second floor. Two semi-hexagonal bays on second

BUILDER: floor. Center 4/1 window with 3/1 side windows. Bays flank rectangular single light window. Hip roof

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: dormers with brackets under eave. Paired 3/1 windows.
A good example of an American Four Square with Colonial Revival and Spanish styling. Robie Street extends from Parkside to Main Street. Located in the center of the first section of the Parkside subdivision to be developed, on lands owned by Jacob Davis, Robie Street was deeded to the city in December 1887. Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside" show a street angling from Humboldt to Parkside Avenue; however when Robie Street was laid out, it paralleled Humboldt Avenue. The street nevertheless still followed Olmsted's plan to have short cross streets in the subdivision, giving residents easy access to main thoroughfares and the park.

21. SOURCES: City Building Permit Records
City Tax Assessor Field Sheets
Olmsted's Sketch Map of Buffalo, 1876
The Papers of Frederick Law Olmsted, Vol. III, by
22. THEME: Charles E. Beveridge & David Schuyler, eds. (1983).

American Four Square/ Colonial Revival and Spanish Styling