

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 5502
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YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 3, 1984

P. O. BOX-590

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

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 21 Russell Ave
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: James Seguin ADDRESS: 21 Russell
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

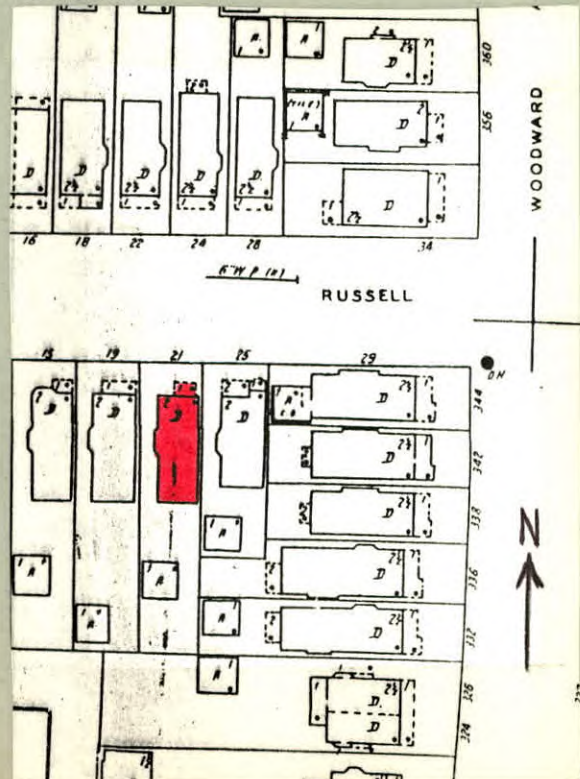
DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. 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 _____
- 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): _____

12. PHOTO: 38-1a



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 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 one block from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and east of the Zoo.

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

Two and a half story residence with Prairie School and Tudor influence. Front facing gable roof. Bargeboard with flared ends. Triangular knee brackets. Partial width porch. Flat roof with eave overhang. Rough cut, regular course stone base. Square Doric supports. Stick balustrade. Clapboard first floor. Six light, 2 wood paneled door. 4 light wood paneled sidelights. First floor tri-part window; 10/1 center and 4/1 sides. Shed roof window head.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1914
 ARCHITECT: pilasters. Shingled second floor. Three part window; single hung with 10 light top light center, 4 light top light side windows. Left bay has large rectangular window. Single hung with 6 light top light. Brackets
 BUILDER: First floor ends have paneled gable with decorative half timbering. Paired double hung 9/1 light windows.
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 A typical Prairie Style residence with Tudor styling in gable. Russell Avenue extends from Parkside Avenue to Greenfield Street. It was laid out in a map of 1886, paralleling the northern border of the lands of Washington Russell, after whom the street was named. However it was early 1889 before Russell Avenue was deeded to the city. While this particular street does not appear in Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside," Olmsted felt cross streets would allow easy access to major thoroughfares and to the park, and he did include similar cross streets such as Jewett Avenue in his early plans.

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 Charles E. Beveridge & David Schuyler, eds. (1983).
22. THEME: Prairie School