

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO.	<u>029-40 5565 D07</u>
QUAD	_____
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NEG. NO.	_____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: April 23, 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: 291 Summit Ave
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Thomas Finnan ADDRESS: 291 Summit
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

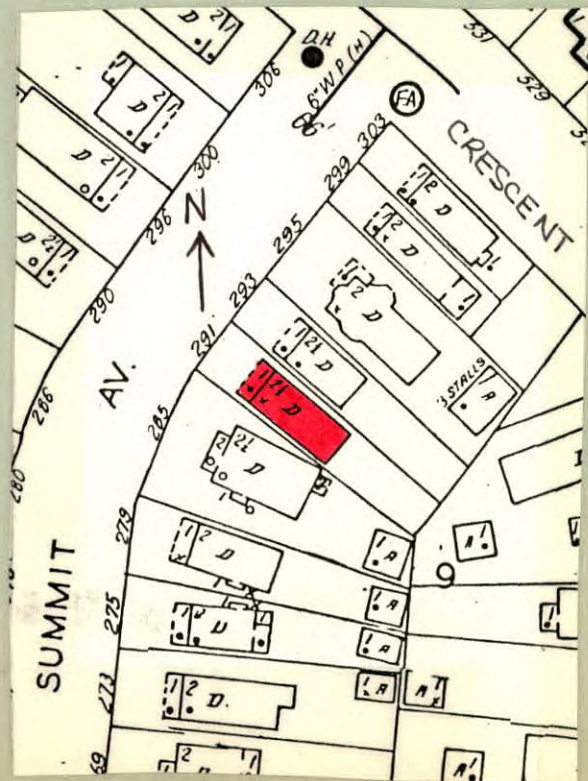
DESCRIPTION

- 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: 26-32a



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: tree and 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 two blocks from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and northeast of the Zoo.

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

Two and a half story frame residence with hip roof. Full-width flat-topped hip roof porch. Square tapered paneled supports. Curved span between supports. Paneled rail. Glass and wood paneled door flanked on one side by square leaded window. Tri-part single light first floor window. Second floor glass and wood paneled door. 1/1 sidelights. Tri-part

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1915 1/1 windows. Pedimented gabled dormer with tapered sides. Pair 1/1 windows.
ARCHITECT: _____
BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

An American Four Square form typical of residences built in 1910's. Summit Avenue is a truncated north-south street, located between Woodward and Crescent Avenues and extending from West Oakwood Place to the northern section of Crescent Avenue. A similar street, ending south of Jewett Avenue, appears in Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside." Summit Avenue was deeded to the city in 1889, except for the small section between Amherst and Crescent which was deeded in 1892. This street follows Olmsted's rule that it "not lead with special directness toward the town."

21. SOURCES: City Building Permit Records
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: American Four Square