

Site # 111

For Office Use

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### BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

Michigan History Division  
Michigan Department of State  
Lansing, Michigan 48918

#### IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Building name Casper Warden Home
- 2. County Oakland ~~Town/City~~ Village Clarkston
- 3. Street Location 26 Buffalo Street
- 4. Ownership: a. Public  b. Private
- 5. Present Owner Frank Merkel Address 26 Buffalo Street
- 6. Use: Original Residence Present Residence
- 7. Accessibility to Public: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain private residence

#### DESCRIPTION

- 8. Building Material: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  h. other \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Structural Material: a. wood frame with interlocking joints  b. wood frame with light members (balloon frame)   
c. masonry load-bearing walls  d. iron frame  e. steel frame with curtain walls   
f. reinforced concrete  g. other \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Condition: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated
- 11. Integrity: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
Notes on alterations and additions, with dates and architect.

- 12. Related Outbuildings and Property: a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage  d. privy  e. shed   
f. shop  g. greenhouse  h. landscape features  i. other \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Surroundings of the Building: a. open land  b. woodland  c. scattered outbuildings  d. densely built-up   
e. commercial  f. industrial  g. residential  h. other \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Photo
- 15. Map

16. Interrelationship of Building and Surroundings Newer home among much older homes; property backs up to commercial district of the Village.

17. Other Notable Features of Building and Site Stone work done by Casper Warden, stone mason of the area.

18. Threats to Building

- a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads  d. developers  e. deterioration   
f. other \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE** (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

19. Architectural Significance

Date of Construction c 1919 Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Builders, suppliers, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Notes on original plan and specifications:

20. Historical Significance: This piece of property is listed as part of the Hotel property, then as being vacant until 1919 when tax records show Casper Warden as taxpayer. It is known that Mr. Warden was a stone mason of the area.

21. Sources (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date):

Tax Assessment Books of Independence Township, Village Hall  
Verbal, Mrs. Doris Hursfall

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