

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

REFNUM 89001451

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

NR: 10-5-89

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Corbusier, John William Creswell, House other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 226 College Street city, town Hudson state Ohio code OH county Summit code 153 zip code 44236

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: [x] private, [] public-local, [] public-State, [] public-Federal. Category of Property: [x] building(s), [] district, [] site, [] structure, [] object. Number of Resources within Property: Contributing 1, Noncontributing 1 buildings, 1 sites, 1 structures, 1 objects, Total 1.

Name of related multiple property listing: Architectural and Historic Properties of Hudson, Ohio Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this [x] nomination [] request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property [x] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. [] See continuation sheet. Signature of certifying official: W. Ray Niece, Date: 8/16/89, State or Federal agency and bureau: SHPO

In my opinion, the property [] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. [] See continuation sheet. Signature of commenting or other official: Date: State or Federal agency and bureau:

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is: [] entered in the National Register. [] determined eligible for the National Register. [] determined not eligible for the National Register. [] removed from the National Register. [] other, (explain:). Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)
 DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)
 DOMESTIC/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
 (enter categories from instructions)

Tudor Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls brick

stucco

roof slate

other wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

226 College Street is a two-and-a-half story Tudor Revival style house designed by John William Creswell Corbusier in 1917. The house is sited well back on a large lot at the corner of College and High Streets, adjacent to Western Reserve Academy. It was the third of a trio of houses built at the north end of College Street, which includes an Italianate Villa and the Pierce House built in 1855. The house features a steeply pitched hip roof with a twin-gabled dormer and decorative finials. A prominent gable pierces the facade and caps the recessed porch entryway. The second story extends slightly over the first story with wooden braces underneath the overhang. The second story is stucco with decorative half-timbering. The first story is common bond brick construction with limestone trim around the windows and entry. The entrance is recessed under a stone arch and its double doors each have an arched light with elaborate tracery. Windows on the first floor are large eighteen light casements with stone surrounds and drip mouldings; the windows on the second floor are slightly small twelve light casements. A 1987 rear addition, a 9' x 21' two story bay with casement windows is carefully matched to the original house.

The interior plan is open, with a large entry hall and stairwell with curved polished oak stair rail. The floors are made of oak, and the trim is oak and walnut.

A circa 1950 wood frame garage is sited at the far southwest corner of the property and is non-contributing. The original lot extended 155 feet farther west and was subdivided in the late 1970s.

The building retains integrity of design and setting. The property type is F/I, Domestic, Commercial, Civic and Institutional Architecture, 1907/1925, relating to Historic Context Statement 4, Historic Restoration; the Ellsworth Years, of the Multiple Property Documentation.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1917

Significant Dates

1917

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

John William Creswell Corbusier

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The house at 226 College Street is significant under Criterion C in that it was designed and constructed by John William Creswell Corbusier, a nationally known architect, and was the first Tudor Revival house in Hudson. The house was the personal residence of Corbusier. It has retained integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association.

Corbusier was born in Rochester, New York in 1878. He studied architecture in New York and at L'Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris. He married Katherine Lyman in 1905 and moved to Cleveland the same year where he began his practice of architecture. His firm Corbusier, Lenski, and Foster was responsible for the design and building of the Church of the Covenant, 11205 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio (1911) (in association with the national firm of Cram, Goodhue and Ferguson), the Church of the Saviour, 2537 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio (1928) and the grand French Provincial Villa of Salmon P. Halle on Park Road in Shaker Heights, Ohio. He became an authority on church building, having designed over thirty churches throughout the United States before his death in 1928.

He came to Hudson in 1913. He had done previous work in Hudson for James W. Ellsworth in the building of the house at 53 Aurora Street, a brick Neo-Classical residence, which James W. Ellsworth presented to the Congregational Church for use as a parsonage, and in the renovation of the Straight and Son Cheese Storehouse, adapted for use as a club house. His move to Hudson coincided with the date of one of his major projects for Ellsworth, the design and construction of Seymour Hall of Western Reserve Academy in 1913. In 1917, he designed Oviatt Street School, still in use as an elementary school, and in 1922, the Neo-Classical Revival Ellsworth Hall of Western Reserve Academy. He built the house at 226 College Street in 1917, and lived in it until his death in 1928.

By 1917 Tudor Revival was an extremely popular building style in the suburbs, but was unknown in the smaller exurban villages such as Hudson, Ohio. The J.W.C. Corbusier house was the first Tudor Revival building in Hudson and is still one of the very few in town today. Although the Corbusier House is unlike the other more classical buildings he designed, Corbusier designed it in the same spirit as found in all his revival style architecture. The Chateausque Salmon Halle building, the Georgian Revival Seymour Hall

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Multiple Property Documentation Form
Van Tassel, David D. and John Grabowski. The Encyclopedia of Cleveland History. 1987.

- Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A
- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
 - previously listed in the National Register
 - previously determined eligible by the National Register
 - designated a National Historic Landmark
 - recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
 - recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository:

Hudson Heritage Association

10. Geographical Data

Acres of property app. 2175 acres

UTM References

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal Boundary Description

In the village of Hudson, County of Summit, situated at the northwest corner of the intersection of High Street and College Street, the property running north on College Street 250' and west on High Street 481.29'.

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Boundary Justification

Boundary is the extent of the lot on which the dwelling house is situated and historically associated with the property.

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11. Form Prepared By

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and the Neo-Classical Ellsworth Hall, like the Tudor Revival Corbusier House, were all new interpretations of old European styles of architecture. The Corbusier House is an excellent example of Tudor Revival style architecture, featuring a steeply pitched hip roof with sharp cross-gable and paired dormer windows; second story decorative half-timbering on stuccoed walls; large, multi-light windows; and a recessed entry way. It relates to Property Type FII, Domestic, Commercial and Civic Architecture, 1907/1925, and relates to Historic Context 4, Historic Restoration: the Ellsworth Years, of the Multiple Property Documentation.

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Corbusier, J.W.C., House, 226 College Street
Historic and Architectural Properties of Hudson, Ohio (MPD)
Date of Photographs: 1988
Location of Negatives: Hudson Heritage Association
Photographer: Lois Newkirk

1. East elevation, facade
2. Roof detail, looking north
3. Rear, looking east
4. Northwest elevation
5. Looking southwest
6. Rear view, looking northeast
7. Rear addition
8. Front entry, facing east
9. Window detail, east facade

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 89001451

Date Listed: 10/5/89

John William C. Corbusier House
Property Name

Summit
County

OH
State

Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

(for) Patrick Andrews
Signature of the Keeper

10/5/89
Date of Action

Amended Items in Nomination:

The nomination form lists 2175 acres as being nominated; this is an obvious typographical error. The property is nominated just for Criterion C, yet the period of significance is not confined to the building's date of construction (1917). Barb Powers with the Ohio SHPO says that the correct acreage figure is 2.75 acres and agrees that the period of significance should be 1917.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

Ohio Historic Preservation Office

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HISTORICAL
SOCIETY
SINCE 1885

November 27, 1989

Thomas Good
226 College Street
Hudson, Ohio 44236

Dear Mr. Good:

Re: John William Creswell Corbusier House, 226 College Street,
Hudson, Summit County, Ohio

This is to inform you that the John William Creswell Corbusier House nomination has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (NR listed 10/05/89).

The nomination was made in connection with a state plan to identify and document prehistoric and historic places in Ohio which qualify for National Register status under provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended. All nominations are approved by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board.

Enclosed is information explaining the purposes and goals of the National Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

W. Ray Luce
State Historic Preservation Officer

WRL/BAP:dh
Enclosure

x.c. Jeff Brown, Regional Coordinator
Joseph Lawler
NEFCO
Lois Newkirk, National Register Consultant
Eric Johannesen, Western Reserve Historical Society
Barbara Burk, Hudson Heritage Association
State Representative Thomas W. Watkins
State Senator Roy L. Ray

Ohio Historic Preservation Office

National Register of Historic Places File Checklist

The following materials are contained in this file of the National Register form for:

Name: Corbusier, John William Creswell, House

County: Summit

MPD Cover Form: Historic & Architectural Properties of Hudson MPD

County Filed In: Summit

Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form

Ohio Historic Inventory form

Photograph(s)

Photograph(s) (copies)

USGS map(s)

USGS map(s) (copies)

Sketch map(s)/figure(s)/exhibit(s)

Correspondence

Other _____
