

1 City, Village or Town: Sturgeon Bay	County: Door	Surveyor: PHA/Krivysek	Date: 18 Feb. 82	Street N. Third
Street Address: 10 North Third Avenue		Legal Description: Assessor's Map Sly 25 ¹ of Wly 100 ¹ Lot 7 Blk. 14	Acreage:	

Current Name & Use: Parsons, Parsons and Coisman Office (CPA'S)	Current Owner: Wesley B. Parsons et al
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Film Roll No. DR-16		Current Owner's Address: 10 North Third Avenue	Number 10
Negative No. 25		Special Features Not Visible In Photographs: Recently Rehabilitated	
Facade Orient. W		Interior visited? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	

2 Original Name & Use: Merchant's Exchange Bank (2 Cedar Street)	Source A/B	Previous Owners	Dates	Uses	Source	Town Range Section
Dates of Construction /Alteration 1908	Source B/C					
Architectural or Builder: George Spear	Source D					

3 Architectural Significance

Represents work of a master
 Possesses high artistic values
 Represents a type, period, or method of construction
 Is a visual landmark in the area
 Other: _____ None

4 Historical Significance

Assoc. with lives of significant persons
 Assoc. with significant historical events
 Assoc. with development of a locality
 Other: _____
 None

Architectural Statement:
 This former bank building anchors the corner of an intact commercial blockface within the District. A typical "Bank Type" of the turn of the century, the late Classical Revival detailing in stone and terra cotta at the cornice and the carved limestone of the primary entry surround are of architectural interest. This two-story, brick (pressed) building has been extensively and symesthetically rehabilitated by the present owners. It is the least altered of this style of building within the District and is one of only two similarly detailed buildings (108 S. Madison) in Sturgeon Bay.

Historical Statement: 2 Cedar Street-1911(B)
 The Merchants Exchange Bank acquired the property above noted but constructed no building on the vacant lot until 1906. In 1806 a small, probably temporary structure was installed (valued at \$100). In 1908 a \$10,900 building was completed, raising the total property value to \$12,000. George Spear helped organize and build the Merchants Exchange Bank in 1881. He became a bank partner in 1886 and in 1906-1908 helped construct the building. Separ had originally been involved with boat building and sawmill operations. The bank failed (OVER)

5 Sources of Information (Reference to Above)

A In stonework on the facade
B Sanborn-Perris Maps of Sturgeon Bay 1904-1911
C Tax rolls - City of Sturgeon Bay
D Kahlert, Early Door County Buildings P 83-84
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6 Representation in Previous Surveys

HABS NAER WIHP NRHP landmark
 other: _____

7 Condition

excellent good fair poor ruins

8 District: Third Avenue/Downtown

pivotal contributing non-contributing

initials: _____ date: 18 Feb. 82

9 Opinion of National Register Eligibility

eligible not eligible unknown
 national state local initials: _____

Map Name
Sturgeon Bay-District
Map Code 16-25
3rd Ave/Downtown



Historical Statement Continued:

during the Great Depression of the 1930's. William A. Lawrence also played an important role in the affairs of the Merchants Exchange Bank.