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II  TORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
for Buildings and Structures

IDENTIFICATION
1. BUILDING NAME: Common: _____________________________________________
   Green Street
   Historic: Tenement Housing
   TOWN/CITY: Middletown VILLAGE: ____________________________ COUNTY: Middlesex

3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 19 Green Place
   PUBLIC [PRIVATE
   OWNER(S): Salonia and Augerl families
   USE: Present: Apartments Historic: Multi-family housing
   ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes [no
   Interior accessible: yes, explain ____________________________ no

DESCRIPTION
8. STYLE OF BUILDING: Late 19th century tenement DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1890-1904
8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):
   X clapboard porch and stair- asbestos siding
   X wood shingle ways north asphalt siding
   board & batten face stucco
   aluminum siding concrete: type:__________________________
   other:

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
   X wood frame: post and beam X balloon
   X load bearing masonry: first structural iron or steel
   floor and foundation
   other:

9. ROOF: type:
   X gable [flat mansard monitor sawtooth
   gambrel shed hip round other
   material:
   wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
   asphalt shingle built up tile other

1. NUMBER OF STORIES: 3½ APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 33' x 102'

12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent [good fair deteriorated
   Exterior: excellent [good fair [deteriorated

3. INTEGRITY: Location: X on original site moved, when:
   Alterations: no X yes, explain: porch added north end; entrance stairways enclosed

4. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
   barn shed garage X other landscape features or buildings: brick
   carriage house shop garden house on south

5. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
   open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
   commercial industrial rural X high building density

6. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: This building is sited at the edge of a residential area with a railroad right of way, Acheson Drive and the Connecticut River to the east. On the west a similar building was razed in 1976, leaving an open space between this structure and a remaining tenement building, #25-27 Green Street. A two family brick house is at the south end of the property.
17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: Builder:

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: This building is one of two similar tenement houses constructed by Norman C. Stiles, founder of the Stiles & Parker Press Co., between 1891 and 1904. The area at the foot of Green Street was developed in the last half of the nineteenth century, primarily by the Middlesex Quarry Co. which had earlier constructed a similar building on this property to house workers (1860's, destroyed 1976). The introduction of this type of housing reflected the mid-nineteenth century role of the Ferry-Green Street area as an anchor for the Irish population of Middletown. At the turn of the century the ethnic makeup of the area changed as Italian immigrants arrived. It is likely 19 Green Place and 25-27 Green Street were built to meet the demand for inexpensive housing created by an increasing immigrant population. This building's architectural interest lies in its purposeful configuration. As an example of inexpensive tenement housing it lacks those details which belong to high style examples of Victorian architecture.

PHOTOGRAPH

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19. SOURCES: Middletown Land Records; Middletown Probate Court Records; 1882-3 City Directory; History of Middlesex County (J.H. Beers, 1884); Middletown Tribune; Souvenir Edition, (Middletown: 1896); Jesse Alsop, "Magill House", Old Houses of Connecticut Series (FERA 1935); 1915 Aeroview Map

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known X highways vandalism developers other:

renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: The City of Middletown and State Department of Transportation planned extension of deKoven Drive from the foot of Rapallo Avenue to Cherry Street calls for demolition of this structure (1979-80).