

CITY OF STILLWATER ARCHITECTURE- HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

Address: 1121 N. Fourth Street

Inventory No: WA-SWC-1137

Historic Name: Seymour, Sabin & Co.

County: Washington

Current Owner: Angela Anna-Marie Anderson

City/Township: Stillwater

GEO CODE: 21-030-20-43-0006

Township: T30N **Range:** R20W, **Section 28 (SW 1/4)**

U.S.G.S. Quad Map: Stillwater, Minn-Wisc., 1967, photorevised 1993

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Architect/Contractor:

Style: Side gable

Date Built: 1878

Photo Number(s): 013890

Frame(s) 10

Survey Name: South 1/2 Carli & Schulenburg's Addition HPPA

Form prepared by: Donald Empson, Empson Archives

Date Surveyed: February-June, 2001

Physical Description: A stylish side gable (broadside) with a center door, front bay, and small addition on the rear.

Significance: This house is ____ is not__X_ preliminarily eligible to the National Register of Historic Places.

Statewide Historic Contexts: St. Croix Triangle Lumbering, 1843 -1914.

Local Historic Context: Development of Residential Neighborhoods in Stillwater, 1850s-1940s.

National Register Eligible (prelim.): ____ Yes __X__No

Date listed on the National Register:

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Present Use: Residential, single family

Zoning District: RB-2 family residential

Integrity:

☒ Excellent

☐ Good

☐ Fair

☐ Poor

Condition:

☐ Excellent

☒ Good

☐ Fair

☐ Poor

Stories: 2

Roof style or shape: Pitched

Structural System: Wood

Windows: 2 over 2

Foundation: Limestone

Wall Treatment: Wood lap siding

Alterations:

Legal Description: Carli & Schulenburg's Addition

Block 12 Lot N 75' Lot 6

Historic Information: In 1878, Seymour, Sabin & Co, who had purchased the whole block four years earlier, built an elegant house with a central hallway and front bay at 1121 N. Fourth Street, on the corner of W. Stillwater and N. Fourth Streets. Why exactly they built such a fancy \$1,300 house is uncertain, but in the mid 1880's, it served as one of three hospitals in Stillwater. (The City Hospital, now Lakeview Hospital, was one; the second was a homeopathic hospital located in downtown Stillwater.) After the hospital ceased to exist, the building passed into the hands of the Minnesota Commercial Company, a corporation formed specifically to sell the real estate left from the Seymour, Sabin & Co. In 1901, the Minnesota Commercial Company paid Frank Linner & Co., a local contractor, \$425 to build a small addition; rebuild the chimneys; and make general repairs. The Corporation held the house until 1907 when it was finally sold to a private party. From 1886 to 1907, it must be assumed that it was either rental property or vacant.

Sources: The present owner has in her basement a piece of siding removed from the front of the house, on which the shadow of a sign reading "The Minnesota Hospital" may be seen; Tax Assessors Records, 1878, SAM 7, Roll 7. City of Stillwater Building Permit # 1045.

Open to the public: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Limit