

# CITY OF STILLWATER ARCHITECTURE- HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

**Address:** 907 W. Willard

**Inventory No:** WA-SWC-944

**Historic Name:** Kern

**Current Owner:** Roettger

**County:** Washington

**City/Township:** Stillwater

**GEO CODE:** 33.30.20.21.0027

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

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

**U.T.M.:** 15 514380 4988320

**Architect/Contractor:**

**Style:** Queen Anne

**Date Built:** 1891

**Photo Number(s):** 013387

**Frame(s)** 16

**Survey Name:** Holcombe's Additions HPPA

**Form prepared by:** Donald Empson, Empson Archives

**Date Surveyed:** February-May, 1999

## **Physical Description:**

Small Queen house with a turret and newer windows.

**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 / Hip

**Structural System:** Wood

**Windows:** Modern

**Foundation:** Limestone

**Wall Treatment:** Aluminum siding

**Alterations:**

**Legal Description:** Holcombe's Addition

**Block 4      Lot 4**

**Historic Information:** Thkla M. Kern, and her husband, Frederick purchased Lots 3 & 4 in August of 1891 for \$500 Two months later, local carpenter, William Beiging applied for a permit to build a \$1,500 1-1/2 story house 26 feet by 30 feet with a 12 x 14 foot cellar 7 feet deep. Perhaps to pay for the house, the Kerns took out a mortgage in December from the St. Croix Savings & Loan for \$1,300 at 6%. The monthly payment was \$6.50. In January of 1892, they hired another contractor to build them a \$150 stable. This house (but not the stable) remains at 907 W. Willard. Kern was the proprietor of Kern & Co. Boots & Shoes.

**Sources:** 31 Deeds 539; City of Stillwater Building Permit Application 620; X Mtgs 128.

**Open to the public:**       Yes       No       Limited