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LANDMARK REPORT

OF BOWLING GREEN & WARREN COUNTY

VOL.13, NO.2

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: LANDMARK'S HOLIDAY EVENTS

Christmas Open House & First Night Festivities

Mark your calendars for the Landmark Christmas Open House to be held on Sunday, December 12 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the home of Jonathan Ray at 633 East Main. Known locally for many years as the Mary Underwood Crump House, the unique Queen Anne style house was built about 1890 and is interesting for its variety of textures.

Especially noteworthy are the shingles and double corner gable. The Classic Revival porch is a later addition.

This year Landmark will sponsor three historic photographic exhibits in downtown locations on the evening of December 31 as part of the First Night celebration. While the photographs will certainly offer a glimpse into our past, they will also provide topics for many nostalgic conversations. Be sure to watch for further information regarding the location of the exhibits.

In addition to the photographic exhibits, Landmark will also sponsor an

scavenger hunt for children in the 4th, 5th, and sixth grades at the First Night celebration. During a walk around Fountain Square Park, guides Jonathan Jeffrey and Laura Harper Lee will provide descriptions and sketches or photographs of distinctive architectural features found around the Square, and the children will be asked to identify the building where they are located.



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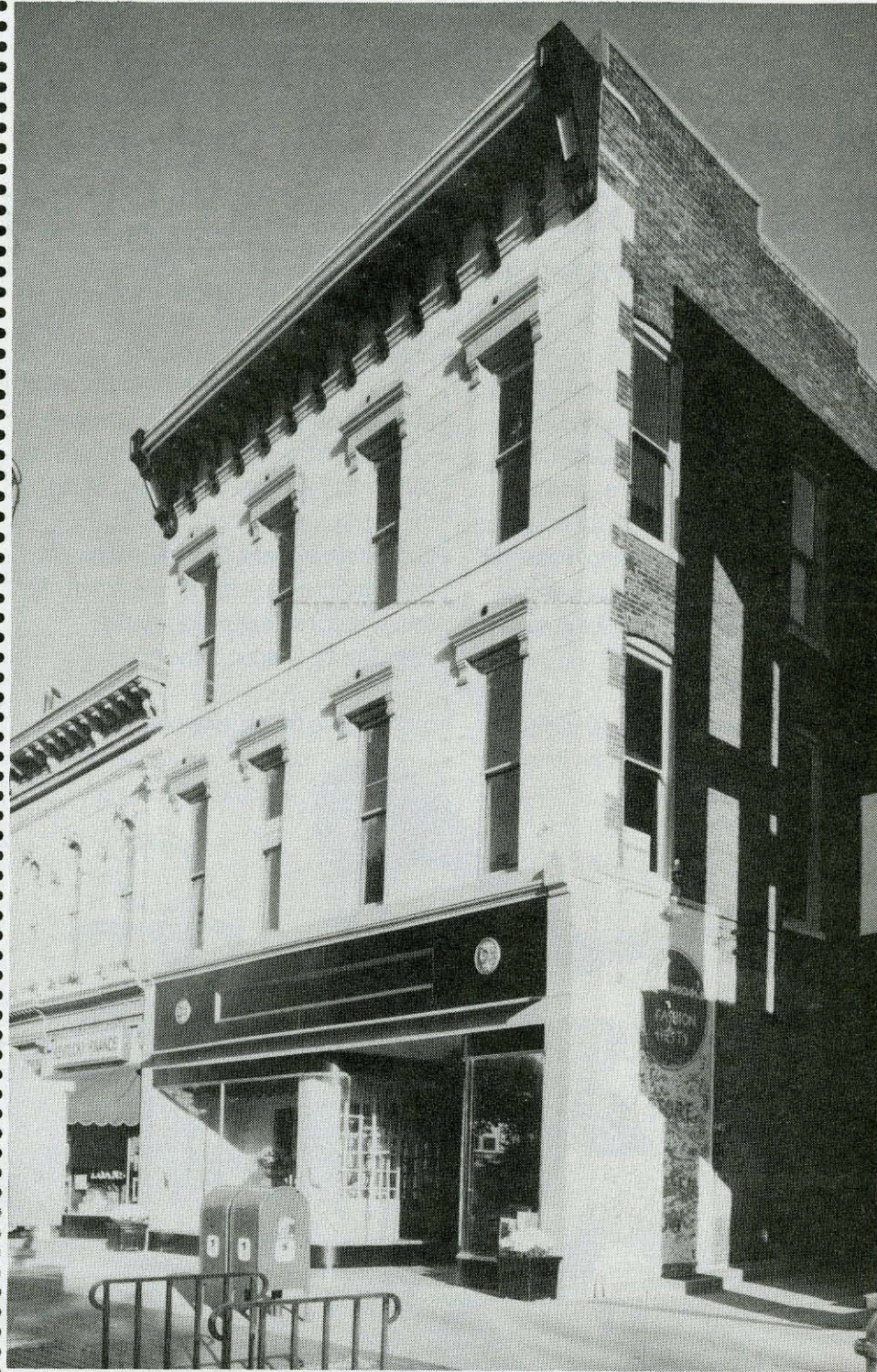
Landmark Helps Provide Housing for Architect's Drawings

by Jonathan Jeffrey

The Landmark Association recently donated the funds to purchase a five-drawer map case to house the approximately 1,500 architectural drawings of former Bowling Green architect, James Maurice Ingram. The drawings were donated to WKU's Kentucky Building in 1982 by Ingram's family. Preliminary sorting and a rough listing of the Warren County structures was done at that time. Because funds were not available for archival storage, the drawings have remained rolled up like tubes, just as Ingram left them. Landmark's gift which is being matched by the Kentucky Building will allow many of the Bowling Green drawings to be properly stored for posterity.

Besides donating funds for the case, the Landmark Board with the assistance of the Kentucky Building staff will sponsor several "ironing days." Because most of the drawings have been rolled up for years, they must be flattened. Ironers will be given instructions on proper techniques, and most people will enjoy "smoothing out" this wrinkle in history.

James Maurice Ingram was born in Paducah in 1905. After graduating from Notre Dame in 1928, he spent one year in Florida prior to setting up a practice in Bowling Green. Although the Depression was a difficult time for architects, Ingram managed to survive with some private commissions and work for the Works Progress Administration (WPA) and the Public Works Administration (PWA). The WPA used his designs of a public school building as a model through-



THE NORMAN'S BUILDING / PHOTOGRAPHY BY D.F. NOYES STUDIOS

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out Kentucky. Many of his public buildings are influenced by the Art Deco and Art Moderne movements. Some of these include Norman's storefront, the Honey Krust Bakery, the Richardsville Elementary School, the North Warren County High School Gym and the old Warren County jail.

He favored the Colonial Revival style in residences. Perhaps his best known home design in the area is the Lampkin residence (now the WKU president's home). For the Covington Woods area Ingram designed many homes which used natural stone for the exterior walls. The talented architect also designed the interiors for the Kentucky Building, making it the appropriate repository for his drawings. This collection will provide a rich resource for architectural historians interested in the styles of the mid-twentieth century and will provide instructional material for history, drafting and interior design classes at Western.



HISTORIC DINING

440 Main is both the address and name of downtown Bowling Green's newest restaurant. Built in 1871 for John Getty, the limestone-faced Getty Building at 440 East Main Street is distinguished by round-arched windows, pilaster strips and beltcourses. The building has housed the Nahm Brothers Dry Goods, and more recently the Western Auto Store.

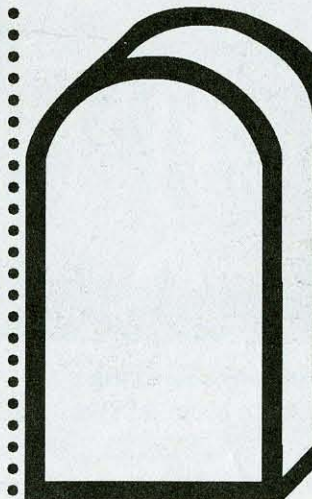


RENOVATION

The Henry H. Denhardt Armory (corner of 10th and Chestnut) is also under renovation. The building was designed by Louisville architect, Brinton B. Davis. The Beaux Arts facade is faced with Bowling Green limestone. A number of businesses have been located in this building over the years, and it was the home of the Bowling Green Public Library in the late 1940s. The building burned and was partially destroyed in 1948, but the front portion was retained when the structure was rebuilt. The Armory, sight of many impressive dances and social occasions was named for Denhardt, a Bowling Green native who served as the Commonwealth's lieutenant governor and adjutant general.

October 'Mourning'

The Landmark Association held its regular membership meeting on Saturday, October 30 in conjunction with Riverview at Hobson Grove. At 9:00 a.m. Sue Lynn McGuire gave a presentation entitled "Mourning in the Morning" in which she described Victorian mourning customs. Following the lecture, those in attendance went from Riverview to Fairview Cemetery for an informational tour led by Sherryl Reed, Sam Terry, and Jonathan Jeffrey.



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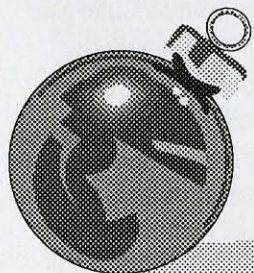
Annual Dinner, June 17, 1993

A record number of Landmark members and their guests enjoyed a memorable evening at Ironwood Farm for the annual dinner on June 17. Dining in a horse barn has never been more appealing! Special guest Philip Morris of Southern Living magazine was impressed by the turnout of people interested in preservation of their heritage.

Owner and race horse breeder David Garvin provided an interesting program which focused on the restoration project of his family home and his newly established business. A special treat was the appearance of one of David's prize horses. The Landmark Building Award was presented to David and Charlotte Garvin for the Ironwood restoration. The worthy recipient of this year's Heritage Award was long time board member and past president Russell Morgan.

A combination of good food, good company and a beautiful setting made this year's dinner one of the most successful ever.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM
THE LANDMARK ASSOCIATION



THE MCINTIRE BUILDING

The law firm of Campbell, Kerrick, and Grise recently moved into their newly renovated offices at 1029 State which adjoined their previously renovated offices at 1025 State. Locally identified as the McIntire Building, this was the location of a hardware store from about 1914 until the late 1950s.



EAST MAIN HISTORIC DISTRICT

The classic late Victorian house at 553 East Main has recently been renovated to accommodate the law offices of Rudloff, Golden, and Evans. Built around 1904, it is one of the finest structures in the East Main Street Historic District.

HISTORIC PROPERTIES ADVERTISING

The Landmark Association Newsletter is accepting advertisements of historic properties for sale. Properties must be at least 50 years old and should include a photo of the property along with a description. Price of an ad is \$35.

906 STATE STREET:

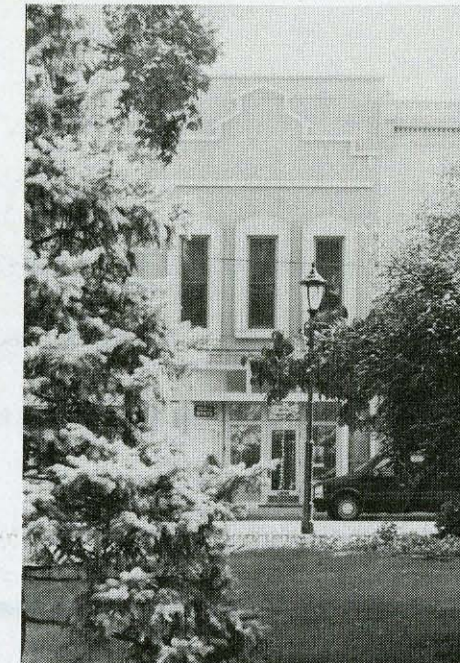
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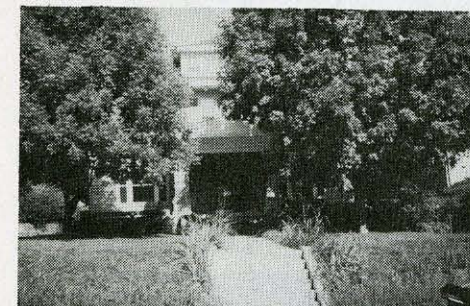


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THE BOOK CORNER Christmas Gift Ideas

Cooper Smith, our publications chairman, is happy to announce that National City Bank has generously donated the balance of their inventory of the reprint of Irene Sumpter's book, *An Album of Early Warren County Landmarks*, to the Landmark Association. We now have these books for sale along with our *Architecture of Warren County, Kentucky, 1790-1940*, and *A Stroll Around Fountain Square*. These books would make great Christmas gifts for your friends or employees. Call Cooper at 781-1320 or you can leave a message for him at the Landmark office.

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- LANDMARK CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSESUNDAY, DECEMBER 12 2PM-4:30PM, AT THE HOME OF JONATHAN RAY, 633 EAST MAIN STREET
FIRST NIGHT FESTIVITIESFRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 DOWNTOWN BOWLING GREEN

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