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(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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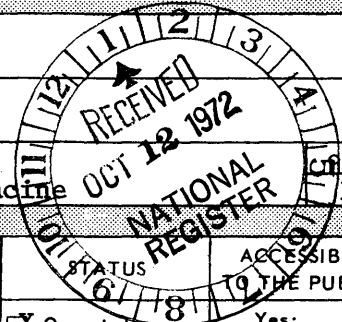
STATE:	Wisconsin	
COUNTY:	Racine	
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1. NAME

COMMON:	(Kuehneman, William F., House)	Congressmen to be notified:
AND/OR HISTORIC:	Cooley (Eli R.) House	Sen. Wm. Proxmire
		Sen. Gaylord A. Nelson
		Rep. Les Aspin, 1st Cong. Dist.

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:		
1135 South Main Street		
CITY OR TOWN:		
Racine		
STATE	CODE	COUNTY:
Wisconsin	55	Racine
		STATE CODE
		101



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress		

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:		
Mrs. William F. Kuehneman		
STREET AND NUMBER:		
1135 South Main Street		
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Racine	Wisconsin	55

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:		
Racine County Court House		
STREET AND NUMBER:		
730 Wisconsin Avenue		
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	CODE
Racine	Wisconsin	55

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:		
Historic American Buildings Survey		
DATE OF SURVEY:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local	
1960		
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:		
Library of Congress		
STREET AND NUMBER:		
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
Washington	District of Columbia	11

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

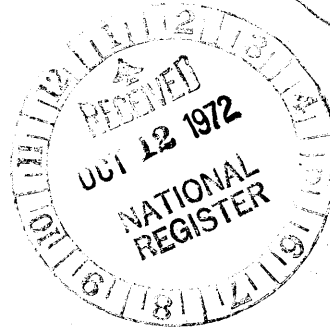
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Kuehneman residence stands on the east side of Main Street, just south of Racine's central business district, in a neighborhood notable for the variety and beauty of its 19th and early 20th century homes. It is a Greek Revival temple-style house, wood-framed and clapboard-sided, painted white. Measuring 54 feet by 55 feet, the home consists of a two-story central block, with a full height, pedimented portico of Doric columns, and symmetrically disposed one and one-half story wings.

The principal entry is on the west, in the central block, and opens into a narrow stairhall extending along the north side of this section from front to rear. To the north, occupying the entire north wing, is the spacious and elegant drawing room, having a handsome white marble fireplace, elaborate plaster cornice, and ornamental wood door and window frames. To the south, on the first floor, are sitting rooms, dining room, and kitchen. On the second story of main block and south wing are bedrooms. Most walls and ceilings are finished in white; furnishings and carpeting are brightly colored.

During the 1940's the Kuehнемans purchased the house--then in deplorable condition--and restored it with great care and tact, making few structural changes. By this date the south wing had already been altered to some extent; and the Kuehнемans added a sun porch at the rear (east end). Since 1960, when the house was documented for the Historic American Buildings Survey, the only changes have been in the interior decor. And, as indicated, the present condition of exterior and interior is excellent.



They may extend the sun porch a further.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1851-53

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Simple, refined, beautifully proportioned and detailed, the Kuehneman house is Wisconsin's finest remaining Greek Revival residence. Built in the early 1850's for Eli R. Cooley, third Mayor of Racine and later the home of Judge Charles E. Dyer, the house was restored by the present owner and her late husband during the 1940's and has since been impeccably maintained.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Historic American Buildings Survey, Wisconsin Architecture, Washington, 1965, 24, 69.
 Newcomb, Rexford, Architecture of the Old Northwest Territory, Chicago, 1950, 130.
 Perrin, Richard W. E., The Architecture of Wisconsin, Madison, 1967, 64-65.
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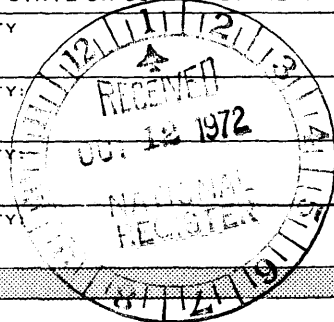
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **0.15**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Mary Ellen Wietczykowski, Chairman

ORGANIZATION: **Milwaukee Landmarks Commission** DATE: **20 August 1972**

STREET AND NUMBER:
210 West Michigan Street

CITY OR TOWN: **Milwaukee** STATE: **Wisconsin** CODE: **55**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name James Morton Smith
James Morton Smith

Title Director, State Historical Society of Wisconsin

Date OCT 16 1972

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 4/11/73

ATTEST:
Wm J. [Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register

Date 4.3.73

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KUEHNEMAN, WILLIAM F., HOUSE

6. Wisconsin Inventory of Historic Buildings and Sites (State)

1971

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

816 State Street

Madison

Wisconsin

Code: 55

11. Donald N. Anderson, Asst. Director, Historic Sites & Markers Division

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

22 August 1972

816 State Street

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