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(Cambria Steel Company House IV)
Westmont Neighborhood
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Location: 238 Greene Street, Westmont, Johnstown, Cambria County, Pa.

Description: Perched on top of a small hill, the house is partially concealed by the landscaping which is contemporary to the house. The first floor has a rusticated stone exterior; the second is covered with wood shingles. The house is a two-and-a-half-story single-family house with an entrance porch supported by box columns resting on a high stone base. A side-gable roof expands the width of the house with a one-story sun porch addition under the south gable. Another addition to the back of the house has a shed roof. On the interior, fine maple woodwork. The living room has a stone fireplace inside an inglenook. The small, stone garage is fitted with an apartment.

History: John C. Ogden was General Manager of the Cambria Steel Company between 1916 and 1919. On October 31, 1919, Cambria Steel Company sold the house to Ogden for \$7400. He and his wife, Ada Emily, resided at the house until 1923 when they sold the property to Johnstown Realty Company.

Sources:

Deed Vol. 311, p. 623; Vol. 364, p. 283; Vol. 379, p. 347; Vol. 389, p. 469; Vol. 743, p. 332; Vol. 955, p. 642; Vol. 1002, p. 811; and Vol. 1177, p. 379. Cambria County Registry of Deeds, Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg, Pa.

Westmont Borough Tax assessment records for 1916-1919. Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg, Pa.

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This report was prepared by Cheryl Powell in August 1988 under the direction of Alison K. Hoagland, HABS historian, and Kim E. Wallace, the supervisory historian of the project. Powell's and other project historians' work was published as The Character of a Steel Mill City: Four Historic Neighborhoods of Johnstown, Pennsylvania (Washington, D.C.: HABS/HAER, National Park Service, 1989), edited by Kim E. Wallace. Illustrations in the publication include large format photographs taken by HAER photographer Jet Lowe and 35 mm photographs taken by the project historians.