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Location: 106 Clinton Street, Johnstown, Cambria County, Pa.

Description: The exuberant three-story, three-bay brick building has a central bay window with a pediment on the second story. The flat roof has a pediment detail. There are shoe and boot ornamentation over the central window on the third floor. The first floor has been remodeled, but the original door with an oculus window inside a semi-circular window on the door remains. The building is vacant.

History: In 1895 Louis Wehn, who had earlier been a partner in the dry goods store Walters & Wehn Company, built the building to house his shoe store. The upper two stories were apartments. Laborers, waitresses, and clerks lived here over the years.

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