

COMPARING & CONTRASTING COPSHAHOLM & A WORKER'S HOME

The West Washington Street neighborhood was typically Polish in its ethnic character. The Polish in this neighborhood typically worked for either the Oliver Plow Works or Studebaker manufacturing (as well as a host of other companies). This list will compare and contrast Copshaholm with a **typical** Polish worker's home.

COPSHAHOLM

- Made from stone
- Hand-carved woodwork
- Oak and mahogany woodwork
- Some stained glass windows
- Tile roof
- 14 fireplaces
- 9 bathrooms
- Large great hall
- Large walk-in ice box
- Library
- Music room
- Servants' quarters
- Carriage House
- Nursery
- 38 rooms
- Newest technology for the time

THE OLIVER FAMILY

- Very wealthy
- Had servants
- Had gardeners
- Rode to work
- Owned a factory
- Protestant
- Republican
- Children went to public school and had private tutors

WORKER'S HOME

- Made from wood
- Plain woodwork
- Pine woodwork
- Cheaper glass windows
- Shingle roof
- No fireplace
- 1 bathroom
- No main hall
- Smaller ice box
- No library
- No music room
- No servants quarters
- No carriage house
- No nursery
- 3-7 rooms maximum
- Basic technology

THE POLISH FAMILY

- Earned \$600-\$800/year
- No servants
- Did their own gardening
- Walked to work
- Worked in the factory
- Catholic
- Democrat
- Children attended Catholic schools and had no private tutors

Both families built family home in the West Washington neighborhood and worked in the neighborhood. Both had gardens. Both families were active in local churches. What other similarities or differences can you list? Use the back of this sheet.