

Arterial Scrapbook No. 6



FIRST TO GO - First structure to be demolished in arterial clearance was this 1905 residence of Edward L. Schmidt, one-time president of Perkins Foundry and later head of a company bearing his own name, prior to retirement also served two terms in the Assembly from 1894. He built well as was evident when the wreckers began to pull out woodwork, the like of which is not to be found today. Most recent owners

were John and Anna Sargalis who acquired the property in 1950, and from 1924 to 1940 it was occupied by William D. Hayes. The vacant lot recalls the time when it was owned by William Reid who gave the lot to Amsterdam Methodists. The local congregation erected an edifice with previously used materials and the church was in use at the West Main and Wall corner until 1945. Next use: As part of New York State Route 5. (Photo by Donlon)