

Site Inventory Form

State Historical Society of Iowa

(November 2005)

State Inventory No. 92-00532

New Supplemental

Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 92-00349

Relationship: Contributing Noncontributing

Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries

National Register Status:(any that apply) Listed De-listed NHL DOE

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number _____

Non-Extant (enter year) _____

1. Name of Property

historic name Commercial Building

other names/site number Downtown Survey Map # DT- 127

2. Location

street & number 106 East Main

city or town Washington

vicinity, county Washingt

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name _____ Township No. _____ Range No. _____ Section _____ Quarter of Quarter _____

(If Urban) Subdivision _____ Original Plat _____ Block(s) 9 Lot(s) West 22' (1/3) of Lot 6

3. State/Federal Agency Certification [Skip this Section]

4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]

5. Classification

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

If Non-Eligible Property

If Eligible Property, enter number of:

Enter number of:

Contributing

Noncontributing

— buildings

— sites

— structures

— objects

— Total

1

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1

— buildings

— sites

— structures

— objects

— Total

Name of related project report or multiple property study (Enter "N/A" if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).

Title

Historical Architectural Data Base Number

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

02E12 - Commerce - meat market

02B04 Insurance Office

02E - Commerce - specialty stores

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

09F05: Commercial / brick front

foundation _____

walls (visible material) 03 Brick

roof 08B Rolled Asphalt

other _____

Narrative Description (SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" representing your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria)

- Yes No More Research Recommended
- Yes No More Research Recommended
- Yes No More Research Recommended
- Yes No More Research Recommended

- A Property is associated with significant events.
- B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
- C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
- D Property yields significant information in archeology or history.

County Washington Address 106 East Main
City Washington

Site Number 92-00532
District Number 92-00349

Criteria Considerations

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B Removed from its original location.
- C A birthplace or grave.
- D A cemetery.
- E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F A commemorative property.
- G Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

05: Commerce

Significant Dates

Construction date 1910 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation _____

Significant Person

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

Architect/Builder

Architect _____

Builder _____

Narrative Statement of Significance SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography See continuation sheet for citations of the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form

10. Geographic Data

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	_____	_____	2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	4	_____	_____

See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION (Submit the following items with the completed form)

FOR ALL PROPERTIES

- Map:** showing the property's location in a town/city or township.
- Site plan:** showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
- Photographs:** representative black and white photos. If the photos are taken as part of a survey for which the Society is to be curator of the negatives or color slides, a photo/catalog sheet needs to be included with the negatives/slides and the following needs to be provided below on this particular inventory site:

Roll/slide sheet #	_____	Frame/slot #	_____	Date Taken	_____
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- See continuation sheet or attached *photo & slide catalog sheet* for list of photo roll or slide entries.
- Photos/illustrations without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL

- Farmstead & District:** (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
- Barn:**
 - A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
 - A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
 - A sketch floor plan of the interior space arrangements along with the barn's exterior dimensions in feet.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line

Concur with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility: Yes No More Research Recommended
 This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: _____

Evaluated by (name/title): _____ Date: _____

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<u>Commercial Building</u>	<u>Washington</u>
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This form was prepared as part of a research/survey/nomination project in 2011-2012 funded by a HRDP grant from the State Historical Society of Iowa for the nomination of the Washington Downtown Historic District. The project was primarily structured to develop the nomination for the downtown, with additional research on each building documented on an Iowa Site Inventory form. The information below is taken from the table in the August 2012 draft of the nomination, with additional information documented on the property and photographs in the following sections.

Commercial building - 106 E. Main St - State #92-00532 - Map #22 ~ 1 contributing building (A) - c.1910 (1880s?) early 20th century commercial

Historic information:

1885 - 2-story building here used for storing flour

c.1894-c.1910 - Evening Journal newspaper here, tailor on 2nd story; 4-1910 - property bought by S.B. and R.P. Dewey - rebuilt/remodeled

c.1912-1917 - Dankwardt & Kurtz meat market (moved here from 102 N. Iowa?), 1917-1920s - Dankwardt Meat Market

1935 - Slossers Rebuilt Singer Shop, 1941 - McAvoy Beauty Salon, c.1947-c.1953 - Humm Gas and Appliance, c.1954-c.1957 - Mulac's Home Furnishings

1964 - M&M Distributing, 1975 - Swanson Real Estate

1980s-2000s - Northwest Mutual Insurance

2012 - Northwest Mutual Insurance

Architectural information:

Height: 2 story

Walls: brick

Storefront: remodeled - entries at left

Windows: 1/1 windows - replaced

Architectural details: oriel window

Architect/Builder: -

Modifications: Historic: stucco applied to building; Non-historic: stucco removed and brick repaired

7. Narrative Description

This is a two-story brick building with a simple brick facade. The first floor has been altered to include a large storefront aluminum window and angled entry door, with a second story entry to the left of the storefront entry. The second story has a double-hung window and a three-sided angled oriel window. The oriel window appears to have been added around 1910, during a period of similar remodeling of other buildings in downtown Washington. The windows have been replaced with modern metal framed ones. The windows are located in a setback brick panel, creating pilasters on either side with a frieze across the top.

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8. Narrative Statement of Significance

This commercial building appears to contribute historically to the Washington Downtown Historic District.

Norman Everson is listed as the original owner of lots 6 and 7 in block 9. The 1885 Sanborn map shows a house on lot 7 to the east, and a small two-story building in this location on the west 1/3 of Lot 6. It is noted as storing flour. This use may have been related to one of the buildings on N. Iowa. The 1892 map shows the two-story building as vacant, and the house on lot 7. The 1897 Sanborn map then shows the house on Lot 7, and the two story building used for printing on the first story and a tailor on the second story. The two lots transferred from Norman S. Everson to E.E. Everson on April 18, 1898. The property then transferred to the Morrison family. The 1902 map shows printing on the first story and tailor on the second story. Printing is the only use on the 1909 Sanborn map, and 104 E. Main is used as the address. The 1910 city directory lists *The Evening Journal* newspaper, published by Orville Elder, at 104 E. Main. A May 1, 1900 ad lists tailor H. Knecht as above the *Journal* office. The *Washington Evening Journal* was named as such by William Fitzwilliams and Nate Black on February 15, 1894, who bought *The Hustler* from William McCauseland who had started it on February 15, 1893. By 1912, they appear to have two doors east to 110 E. Main. It would later grow to the largest and longest running newspaper in Washington, with a building constructed for the newspaper at 111 N. Marion in 1930 (extant, see #92-00551). For more history, see *Washington Evening Journal*, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953:

- page 1 – “The Journal’s Story” – February 15, 1893 – *Daily Hustler* – name changed in 1894 – five newspapers being published in Washington in 1905 – *Gazette* - daily and weekly, *Democrat*, *Press*, and *Evening Journal* – G. Logan Payne sold to Orville Elder in late 1890s – bought *Gazette* in 1906 – hired R.E. Shannon in 1906 – became partner on August 15, 1913 – Elder & Shannon – incorporated in 1930 as Elder, Shannon & Company – Orville died in 1940 – firm now carried on by next generation – Dave Elder and Bill Shannon – steady growth over years – staff of 30 now
- page 1 – history of newspapers in Washington
- page 2 – photo of site of *Journal* building at 111 N. Marion before built – newspaper was on E. Main St where Willis Motor Co was in 1953
- page 2 – more on Orville Elder and history of newspaper

On April 4, 1910, the west 2/3 of Lot 6 transferred from Emeline Morrison to D.W. Harvey and R.S. Warfel, who sold only the west 22' on May 2, 1910 to S.B. and R.P. Dewey. An April 1913 photograph of the adjacent bank under construction shows this two-story building with bay window, as well as the new two-story commercial building on the east 2/3 of Lot 6. The newspaper appears to have moved to the new building at 106-108 (now 108-110) E. Main by 1912, with a note about the undertaker just to the east (at 112, now 114, on the 1917 map). The 1917 Sanborn map is the first to include detail on the front oriel window, and "meat" is indicated as the use of the building. The building continues to be listed at 104 E. Main, with the remainder of Lot 6 and all of Lot 7 now developed with commercial

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buildings. This building may have been rebuilt in 1910 after the Deweys bought the property, or just remodeled with the addition of the bay window. The 1926 city directory then listed Dankwardt Meat Market at 106 E. Main. The Dankwardt & Kurtz meat market was in the earlier building at 102 N. Iowa in 1910, prior to the demolition for the bank building in 1912. Thus, they may have moved here, with the partners later splitting into two meat markets. Kurtz Market was established on S. Iowa in 1917, moving here from east of the Bailey Building.

The 1935 city directory shows Slossers Rebuilt Singer Shop, and it became McAvoy Beauty Salon by the 1941 phone directory. A.C. Dewey and wife et al sold the building (west 1/3 Lot 6) to Harry B. and Marguerite Sowden on December 4, 1945. They sold it to E.G. and Wilma Hamm on March 28, 1947. Later tenants have included: Humm Gas & Appliance (1952 phone directory), Mulac's Home Furnishings (1955 ad and 1956 phone directory), M & M Distributing (1964 phone book), Swanson Real Estate (1975 phone directory). A 1971 photograph shows stucco cladding the building.

Northwest Mutual Insurance was located here by 1981, and they continue to operate here.

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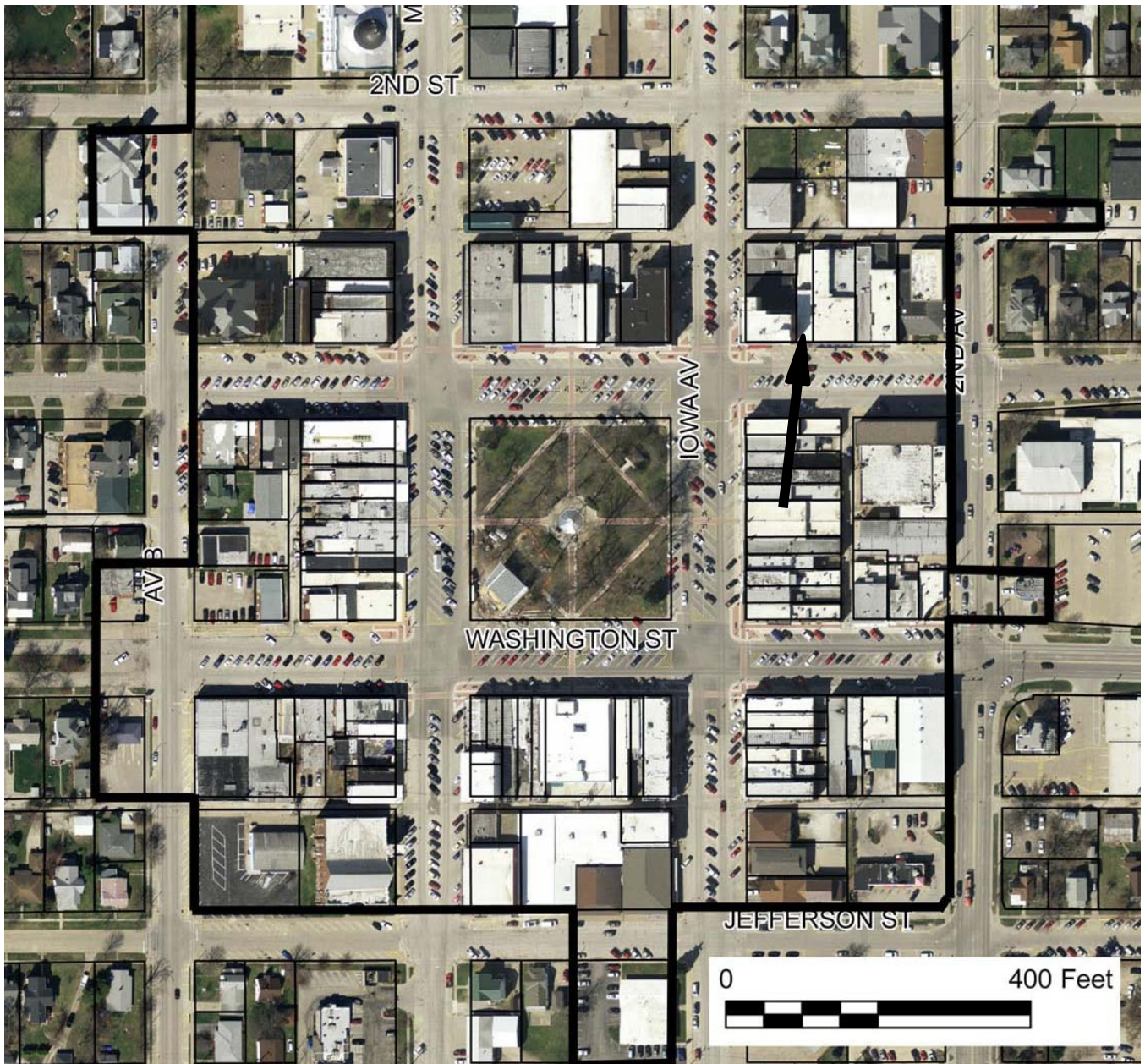
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Location map



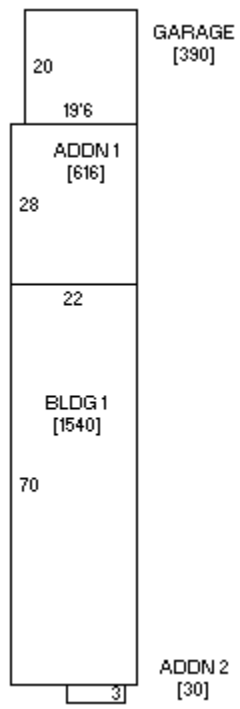
2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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Building plan (from assessor's website)



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Historic images



Photograph of building in 1930s (Patterson collection).

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Building in 1971 (Wagner 1971).

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Digital photographs



Photograph 92-00521-001 - South elevation, looking northeast (McCarley, September 20, 2011)