

Site Inventory Form

State Historical Society of Iowa

(November 2005)

State Inventory No. 92-00552

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 Mason Transfer and Storage Company

other names/site number Downtown Survey Map # DT-035

2. Location

street & number 112 North Marion Ave.

city or town Washington

vicinity, county Washington

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

(If Urban) Subdivision Original Plat Block(s) 8 Lot(s) S 22.5' of Lot 4 and 5

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)

Number of Resources within Property

building(s)

district

site

structure

object

If Non-Eligible Property

Enter number of:

_____ buildings

_____ sites

_____ structures

_____ objects

_____ Total

If Eligible Property, enter number of:

Contributing

Noncontributing

_____ 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)

02 Feed store 02 Plumbing & Heating

02 Electrician

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

09 Other

foundation _____

walls (visible material) 15 B Vinyl

roof 05F Metal - Steel

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 112 North Marion Ave
City Washington

Site Number 92-00552
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)

Significant Dates

Construction date 1899 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>Mason Transfer and Storage Company</u>	<u>Washington</u>
Name of Property	County
<u>112 N. Marion</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.

Mason Transfer and Storage Company - 112 N. Marion Avenue - State #92-00552 - Map #10 ~ 1 non-contributing building (clad) - c.1899, 2000s - gable front

Historic information:

2-1899 - bought by E.G. Mason, 1899-1920s - Mason Transfer and Storage Company operated here (also another site)

1931 - veterinarian

1936-1990s - Carson Plumbing & Heating (opened here in new location in 1936)

2012 - Franzen Electric

Architectural information:

Height: 2 story

Walls: frame - vinyl

Storefront: remodeled

Windows: replaced

Architectural details: -

Architect/Builder: -

Modifications: Historic: -; Non-historic: 2008 - clad in vinyl siding, new windows

7. Narrative Description

This two-story frame building faces North Marion Avenue to the west. In 2008 the entire structure was remodeled. Vinyl double-hung windows replaced the originals, and the entire structure was clad with vinyl siding. A metal standing-seam roof replaced an earlier roof.

8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Mason Transfer and Storage Company is counted as non-contributing in the Washington Downtown Historic District. The building has been clad in vinyl siding, and the windows have been replaced, leaving only the overall gable-roof form as any evidence of its historic character.

The site was vacant according to the 1885 Sanborn Map, and an earlier one-story building was here on the 1897 map, a paint shop. E.E. Everson transferred his interest in the south half of Lots 3 and 4 to Norman Everson on April 28, 1897. On February 15, 1899, Norman Everson et al then transferred the south half of the lots to E.G. Mason. Elmer G. Mason operated a transfer and storage business, along with a machine shop, with property also located in "The Heights" (Burrell 1909, Vol. 1: 425). This two-

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story building was then constructed by the 1902 map, with flour and feed on the first story and a "carriage repository" on the second story. Horse stalls were located to the west, associated with the stalls to the north and livery on the north half at the corner. It was a carriage repository on the 1909 map, with the stalls on the south part and a livery still present on the north portion of the lots as well. The livery was owned separately by the Sanford family. Mason Transfer & Storage Co. is listed at 112-114-116 in the 1910 city directory. Mason Transfer & Storage advertised in the April 26, 1913 edition of the *Evening Journal* (page 2). By 1917, this building is depicted as storage for the Mason Transfer and Storage Company who operated on the south portion of the lots and had a wagon shed in the former stables area.

The property was sold at a sheriff's sale on March 17, 1927 to Commercial Savings Bank. They sold it to Leo Shelangoskle on June 8, 1929. He was in the well boring business. He sold it on October 15, 1931 to Frank Messer. His occupation is unknown. This building then was noted as a veterinary office on the 1931 map, still with a long canopy across the north side, perhaps orienting the building to the north. The property then transferred from Messer to Commercial Savings Bank again on November 10, 1933. The trustee for the bank then sold it to Elva Carson on January 15, 1936.

In 1936, Carson Plumbing and Heating moved into this building. The 1941 directory lists Carson Plumbing and Heating here. The 1943 Sanborn map shows plumbing as the use, and the canopy along the north is gone. Carson Plumbing and Heating continued to operate here at least into the 1990s. They later moved to the larger building at 107-109 W. 2nd Street.

25th anniversary edition, *Evening Journal*, April 3, 1926, page 27 – Ream & Carson – 10 years of plumbing in Washington – J.E. Ream and W.T. Carson – specialize in steam heating – new Y.M.C.A. and First UP Church

Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration – July 1936 - page 35 – Carson Plumbing & Heating Co – new location on N. Marion Ave – across from Journal Building – 21 years in business

Evening Journal – Centennial Celebration – August 1939 - page 91 – Carson Plumbing and Heating – Tom Carson

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, page 128 – plumbing and heating companies – Carson's Plumbing and Heating – N. Marion – just off square – W.T. (Bill) Carson – since 1916 – across from post office

May 18, 1965 – contracts awarded for new jail – general to H. Eugene Smith of Mt. Pleasant for \$57,111, mechanical to Carson Plumbing and Heating for \$19,979, electrical to Robert Miler for \$3,365, and jail equipment to Southern Steel of San Antonio, TX for \$22,233 – total of \$102,688 ("Contracts for new jail total \$102,688," *Washington Evening Journal*, May 18, 1965, 2)

Bicentennial Edition, *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, page 93 – Carson Plumbing and Heating – 112 N. Marion – photo – clad in aluminum siding

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The building was remodeled in 2008. In 2009 it briefly housed an antique and second-hand clothing business. In 2011 Franzen Electric moved into the space, and converted the second floor into an apartment.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Deed Records, Transfer Books, Auditor's Office, Washington County Courthouse, Washington, Iowa.

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Washington Evening Journal
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Sanborn Map Company. "Washington, Iowa," Sanborn fire insurance maps. Pelham, NY: Sanborn Map Company, 1885, 1892, 1897, 1902, 1909, 1917, 1931, 1943.

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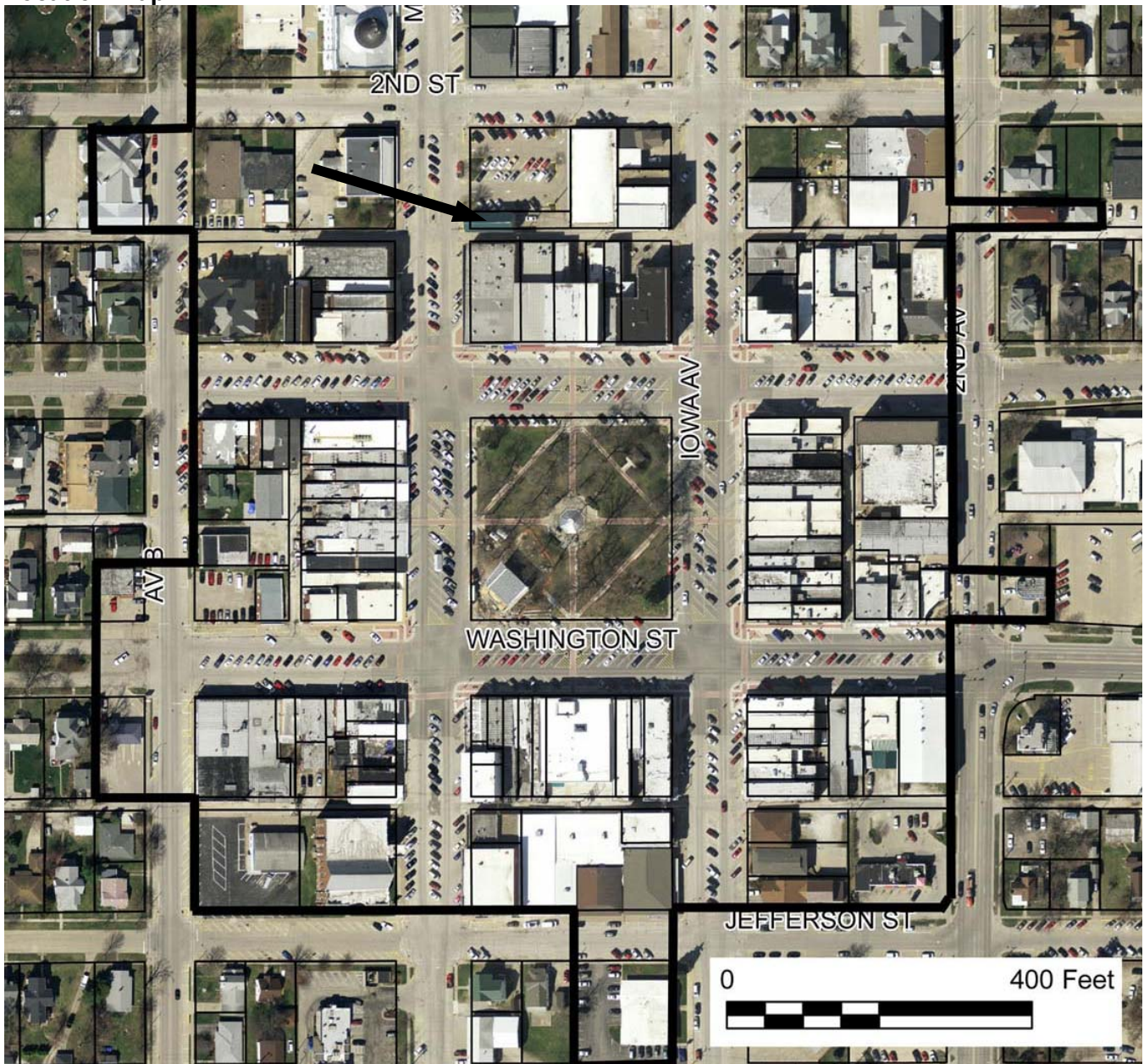
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Location map



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

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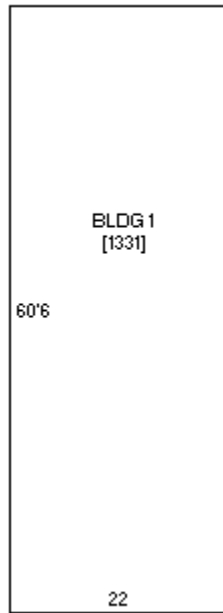
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Building plan (from assessor's website)



Assessor photo - prior to 2008 remodel

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Historic images

none identified

Digital photographs



Photograph 92-00552-001 - West and south elevations, looking northeast (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00552-002 - North and west elevations, looking southeast (McCarley, September 20, 2011)