

Site Inventory Form

State Historical Society of Iowa

(November 2005)

State Inventory No. 92-00601

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 Leonard Smouse Building

other names/site number Klein Klothing Kompany, Downtown Survey Map # DT- 156

2. Location

street & number 101 – 103 W. Washington Street

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) 18 Lot(s) Lot 1 – E 36' 10"

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

Enter number of:

— buildings
 — sites
 — structures
 — objects
 — Total

If Eligible Property, enter number of:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	—
—	—
—	—
—	—
<u>1</u>	—

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)

02E03 dry goods - men's clothing

11D03 physician or dentist office

02E08 barber

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

02A Business 02E Specialty business

01B02 Domestic / apartment building

02E08 barber

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

09F05 Commercial: Brick Front

05D: Queen Anne

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation

walls (visible material)

roof

other

04C Limestone

03 Brick

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 101 – 103 W. Washington Street
City Washington

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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
02: Architecture

Significant Dates

Construction date 1891 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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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.

Leonard Smouse Block - 101-103 W. Washington - State #92-00601 - Map #101 ~ 1 contributing building (A and C) - 1891 - Queen Anne

Historic information:

- 9-1891 - Isaac Klein moved clothing store to Leonard Smouse's new block (101) - operate store under his name until 1901; 3 stores facing S. Iowa - barber in 209 and offices in 211 and 213 in 1897
- 1901-c.1962 - Klein Clothing Company (101 W. Wash); 1900s-10s - doctors on 2nd story; 101 - Western Auto (1964), then Jarvis Appliance (1966-1974)
- 1915-c.1952 - Drs. Sartor & Sartor - chiropractors (husband and wife) (101 - 2nd story); dentist in 103 1/2; 1950s - Dr. Rolland Taylor - chiropractor (101 1/2)
- 209 S. Iowa - barber shop from 1890s-2000s (McCulley, Rickey's, Meyers, Tschantz)
- 211 S. Iowa - office, then tailor, then Milady's Beautie Shop (1926 through at least 1935), Evoready Plumbing & Heating (1941), Beye Shoe Repair (1954)
- 213 S. Iowa - office (1897), plumbing (1902), news stand (1909), doctors' office (1917), Western Union Telegraph (1926 until at least 1956), Washington Chamber of Commerce (1952)
- 2012 - Curves (101 W. Wash), Tschantz Barber (209 S. Iowa), Sunshine Medical Supply (211 S. Iowa), Kennedy Insurance (213 S. Iowa)

Architectural information:

- Height: 2 story
- Walls: brick
- Storefront: brick bulkhead with large aluminum windows
- Windows: 1/1 aluminum
- Architectural details: oriel window on north and east, corner tower, metal cornice, stone band
- Architect/Builder: William & Keiser (contractor)
- Modifications: Historic: -; Non-historic: 1968 - storefront remodel

7. Narrative Description

This is a two story brick building sited on the southwest corner of the intersection of W. Washington and S. Iowa Ave on the south side of the public square in Washington. The Queen Anne building was built by Leonard Smouse in 1891. The building is defined by the corner turret on the northeast corner of the building and oriel windows on the north and west sides. The main storefront faces Washington to the north, with three additional storefront spaces along S. Iowa Ave on the east side. The roofline of the rear section with the three small storefronts is approximately three feet lower than the main roof. The foundation is limestone, with a band of limestone between the first and second stories at the level of the second story window sills. The remainder of the building is red brick. There are two surface patterns to the brick, smooth and rough. The rough textured brick forms horizontal banding along the tops of the

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second story windows. The metal cornice extends across the north and along the east sides of the building, and it has egg and dart detail.

The main storefront faces Washington to the north. It has a central entry door of glass and aluminum. The entry has been recessed slightly into the building to provide a sloping access from the sidewalk to the door with two large aluminum framed windows. These windows are installed at a slight angle and the concrete apron in front of the windows has the same slope as the entry area. Two additional windows are on the storefront flush with the north side. The window on the northeast corner continues around to the east facing facade. There is a door at the far right end of the facade that provides access to the second story. Above the storefront, the transom area has been covered with corrugated metal; the business sign is mounted on the metal. The corner turret on the second story has three newer double-hung windows with plywood inserted above the windows to fill the opening. There is decorative detail above these windows, and then there is another set of three windows whose tops are level with the cornice. Those windows appear to be original. They are smaller, composed of a larger bottom section and a smaller transom top section. The turret is clad with pressed metal on the bottom and just below the window sills, between the two rows of windows, and vertically between the smaller, upper windows. There is also a band of decorative pressed metal above the upper windows, and the roof is also metal, and topped with a metal finial. To the west of the turret there are two double-hung windows, and then an oriel window. The double-hung windows are smaller than the original windows, set within the segmental arch opening. The segmental arch lintels for these windows includes a soldier course of the rough brick set between rowlock courses. The oriel window is composed of a narrow double-hung window on each side of the projection, and two double-hung windows with a fixed transom above them facing the street to the north. The oriel window has a gable roof, and the surface of the oriel window is clad in decorative pressed metal which matches the designs on the turret.

The secondary facade faces Iowa Avenue to the east. The front two-thirds of the building is the side of the main store facing Washington. There are three high small segmental arch windows on the first story, with a rear entry to the store at the south end of this section. It has an original wood door with beveled glass and a ornate latch set. A second entry to the south of this door provides access to the second story, and it has a metal door. The rear third of the building has the three small storefronts. Each storefront has a central entry door of glass and aluminum flanked by a large single-light fixed storefront window on either side. The second story has the band of stone, rough brick, and cornice as previously noted. An oriel window is located about halfway back, towards the rear of the front section. The detail of the oriel window matches the one on the north side of the building. There are four double-hung segmental arch windows between the oriel window and the corner tower, with the center two spaced more closely together. Two similar windows are located to the left (south) of the oriel window. The south one has been infilled with brick, and the other one is above the door which enters the rear of the main storefront. The building roofline then steps down for the rear section. On the second story of this section, there are four evenly spaced double-hung segmental arch windows. The decorative details of the side of the building continues on this rear section.

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8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Leonard Smouse Block appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the Washington Downtown Historic District.

The 1869 Bird's Eye View drawing and the 1885 Sanborn map both show a different building on this site. The property was purchased by Leonard and Winfield Smouse in 1889, and in December of 1890, Winfield Smouse sold his share to his brother Leonard. The 1892 Sanborn map shows the existing building. An ad in the Washington Democrat from September 1891 claims that Issac Klein's clothing store will move to the new building as soon as it is ready, and the following month an ad in the same paper proclaims that Klein has moved into Smouse's new building and is open for business (October 7, 1891). Building notes for 1891 state that William & Keiser built L. Smouse's block (*Washington Press*, December 23, 1891, 3). The January 6, 1893 issue of the *Washington Gazette* notes that Isaac Klein opened his business on the east side in 1886 after buying Simon & Sons' stock and goods upon D. Simon's death. He moved to commodious quarters about year ago in Leonard Smouse's new block, which has large and bright show rooms.

The 1892 Sanborn map shows the main store as a double-width yet single store. Three smaller stores are located at the rear with S. Iowa Ave addresses. The main store front was occupied by Klein Klothng Kompany from 1891 until 1961 (newspaper ads from *Washington Press* and *Washington Evening Journal*). Isaac Klein ran the store under his name through the 1890s. The 1897 Sanborn map shows clothing and dry goods here. On January 30, 1901, the Klein Klothng Kompany was incorporated by Isaac Klein, J.M. Bratton, and Henry Heinsfurter. The latter retired, and Bratten's interest was bought on March 1, 1915 by W.C. Hedges and Joe Falk. They then took over active management of the store, continuing in 1926 (*Evening Journal*, April 3, 1926, 45). City directories and newspaper ads continue to list Klein Klothng Kompany at 101 W. Washington through the first half of the 20th century. They primarily carried men's clothing. They moved in the early 1960s, continuing in business in 1976. The 1964 City Directory shows Western Auto at this address. Jarvis Appliance relocated in 1966 to 101 W. Washington (moved from 201-205 S. Marion). They closed in 1974 when Harold Jarvis retired (*Souvenir History of Washington, Iowa* 1989: 8). It was Burt's Appliance in 1980, Melissa's Closet in 1988, Custom Impressions in 2008, and is currently occupied by a Curves franchise.

The second story of the building was occupied by offices, first by Dr. J.C. Boice, a specialist in children's diseases, and Dr. J.V. Martin. Both ads noted that they were located in "Smouse's new block". Dr. W.A. Anderson, a homeopathic physician, is listed in the the 1910 City Directory along with Snow's College of Dressmaking, both at 101 ½ W. Washington. In 1915, Drs. Sartor and Sartor, a husband and wife team of chiropractors, moved to Washington and opened an office at 101 1/2 W. Washington (*Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration*, July 1936, page 27). They are listed in a 1918 newspaper ad and continue to be listed in telephone directories and ads at this address until 1952. Son-in-law Dr. Rolland E. Taylor, joined the practice in August 1950, and he bought

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the business around 1953 (*Washington Evening Journal*, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953 page 86). The 1956 city directory lists Dr. Rolland Taylor, chiropractor, there. An early 1900s photograph shows a dentist sign in the west window (103 1/2) of the second story. In 1941, Dr. W.B. Crooks also has a dentist office on the second floor.

The smaller store fronts in the rear portion of the building along S. Iowa Ave have three separate addresses. With the opera house fire in November 1892 across the street, Mrs. McCall temporarily moved her millinery business to Leonard Smouse's new block, south of Klein's store (*Washington Gazette*, January 6, 1893). The 1897 Sanborn map shows a barber at 209 and offices at 211 and 213. The 1902 Sanborn map shows a barber at 209, office at 211, and plumbing at 213. The 1909 Sanborn continues to show a barber at 209 and office at 211, with news stand moved into 213. Later occupants are as follows: at 209 were McCulley Barber Shop (1910), Rickey's Barber Shop (1932 through at least 1941), Meyers Barber Shop (1954), Tschantz Barber Shop (1980 to present). At 211 were a tailor (1917), Milady's Beautie Shop (1926 through at least 1935), Evoready Plumbing & Heating (1941), Beye Shoe Repair (1954), Mutual Insurance (1980) and Sunshine Medical Supply (2012). At 213 were a doctors' office (1917), Western Union Telegraph (1926 until at least 1956), Washington Chamber of Commerce (1952), and Kennedy Insurance (2001 to the present).

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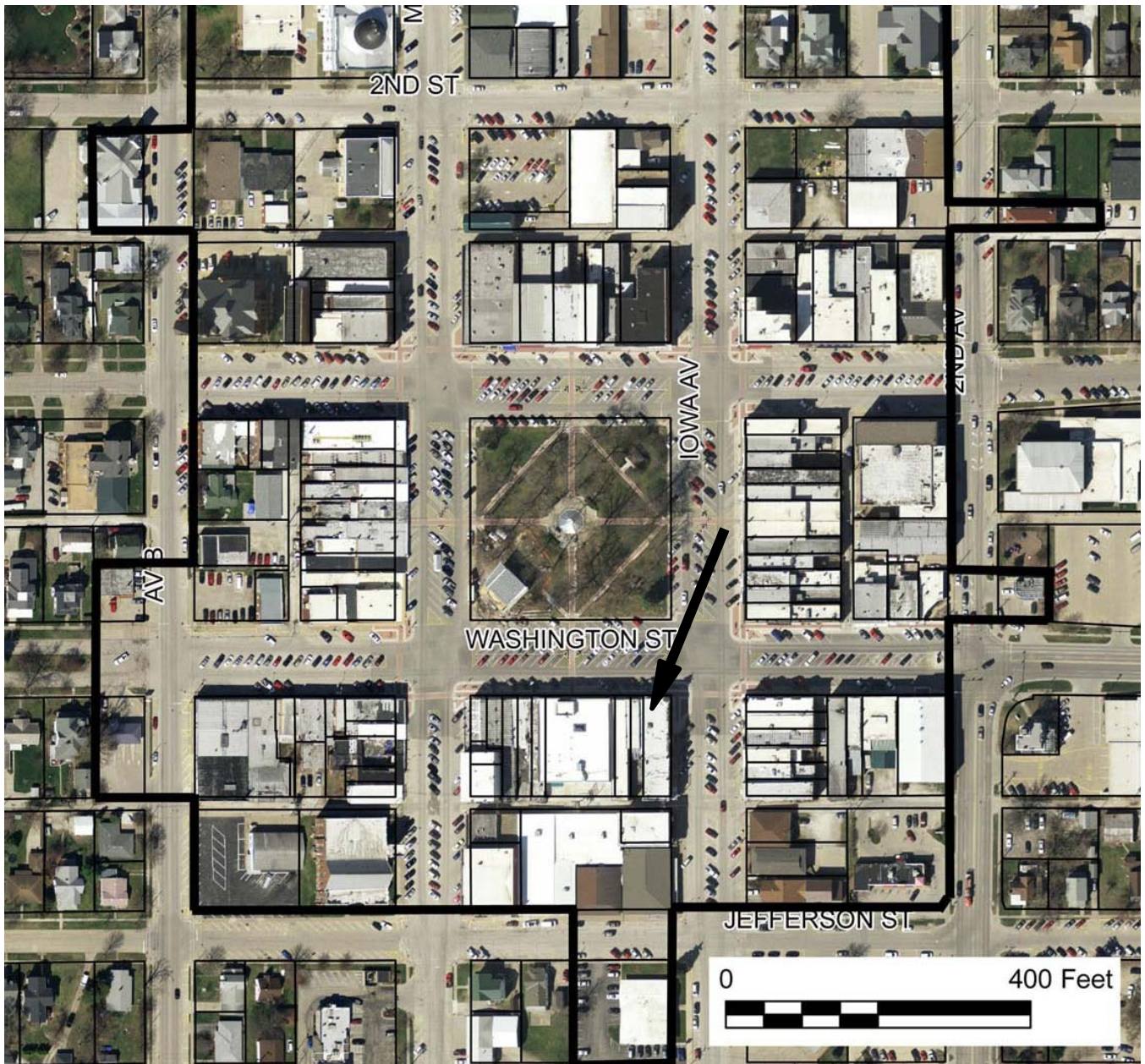
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Location map



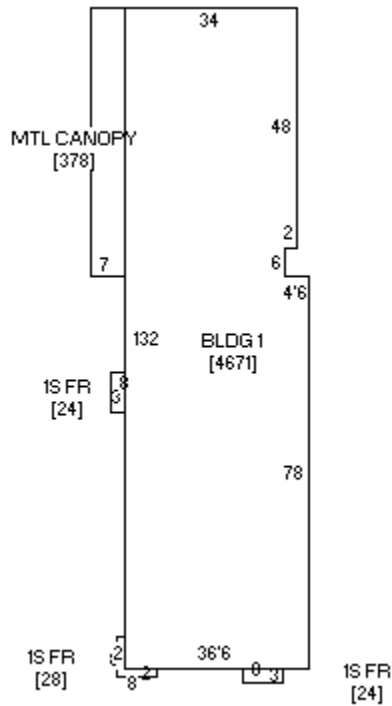
2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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Building plan (from assessor's website)



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Historic images



153 S. side of Square, Washington, Ia.

International Stereograph Co., Decatur, Ill.

South side of the square in the 1910s (Patterson collection - Ray)

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South side of the square in the 1910s (Patterson collection)

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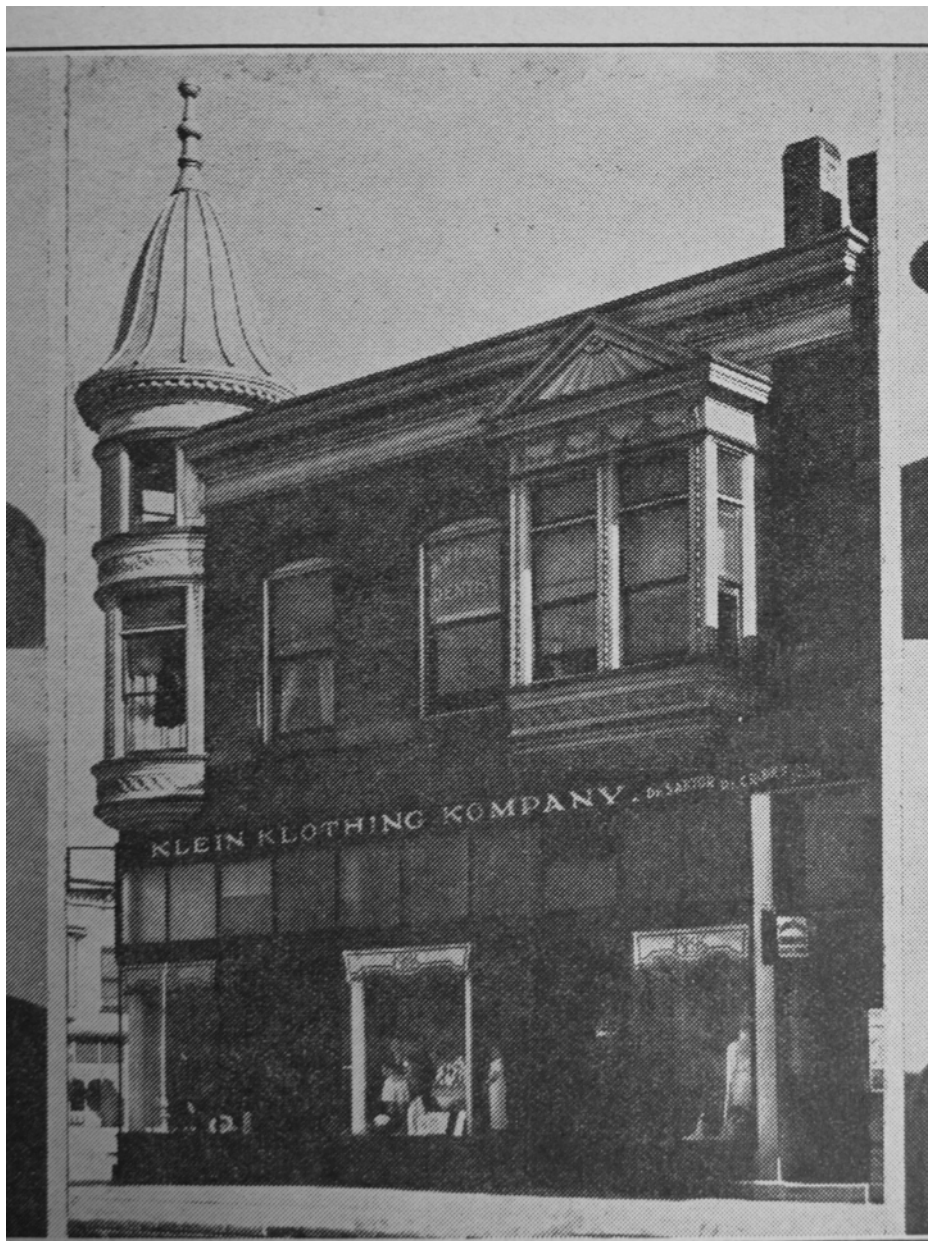
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Evening Journal, July 1936 centennial edition, p107

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The Klein Clothing Kompany hasn't been absent from the Washington square that long, but the style of goods in this window are long gone. The five separate windows are put to good use by the manager, as one

can see the many products he has for sale. Note the three embroidered 'Ks' on the awning fronts. This photo was taken sometime in the late 1930s.

Storefront in late 1930s (Patterson collection)

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Building in 1971 (Wagner 1971)

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Digital photographs



Photograph 92-00601-001 - East and north sides, looking southwest (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00601-002 - North side, looking south (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00601-003 - East side, looking west (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00601-004 - Detail of turret and cornice, looking west (McCarley, September 20, 2011)