Site Inventory Form

State Inventory No.  92-00563  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-021

2. Location

street & number ___ 115 S. Marion Avenue

city or town ___ Washington                      □ vicinity, county ___ Washington

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

(If Urban) Subdivision ___ Original Plat ___ Block(s) ___ Lot(s) ___

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) If Non-Eligible Property If Eligible Property, enter number of:
☐ district Enter number of: Contributing Noncontributing
☐ site buildings 1 buildings
☐ structure sites 1 sites
☐ object structures 1 structures
☐ objects 1 objects
☐ Total 1 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)

02E03 Commerce / specialty store / millinery/notions 02G02 Commerce / restaurant

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02E06 Jewelry 11D01 Pharmacy (drug store)

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

09F05 Commerce: brick front foundation 04 Stone

05B Italianate walls (visible material) 03 Brick

roof

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 A Property is associated with significant events.
☐ Yes ☑ No □ More Research Recommended B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
☐ Yes □ No □ More Research Recommended C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
☐ Yes ☑ No □ More Research Recommended D Property yields significant information in archeology or history.
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 commemoratory property.
☐ G Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

02: Architecture

05: Commerce

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)

Significant Dates

Construction date

1883

☑ 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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city or town  Washington  state  Iowa  zip code  52353

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

FOR ALL PROPERTIES

1. Map: showing the property’s location in a town/city or township.
2. Site plan: showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
3. 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.

For photographs without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL

1. Farmstead & District: (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
2. Barn:
   - a. A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
   - b. A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
   - c. 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:
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 - 115 S. Marion Avenue - State #92-00563 - Map #61 ~ 1 contributing building (A and C) - 1883 - Italianate

Historic information:
- 1883 - fire on west side of square - rebuilt by Hugh Smith (bank officer)
- 1890s-1917 - Lewis Millinery (1910 - Miss M.C. Lewis)
- 1917-1920s - Clark & Enslin (millinery/notions/dry goods); c.1930-c.1936 - Mayo Bakery, Dale & Dorothy’s restaurant
- c.1936-c.1946 - Stephen Jewelry, Paul R. Horak - insurance, Wittrig Harness
- 1947-1986 - Osincup Drug Store (Herbert Osincup, Walgreens) - expanded into 113 as well around 1960
- 1989 - Iowa Computer Solutions
- 2012 - Taste of China

Architectural information:
- Height: 2 story
- Walls: brick
- Storefront: remodeled - center aluminum door and large windows
- Windows: 2/2 wood windows
- Architectural details: cornice with brackets, window hoods
- Architect/Builder: -
- Modifications: Historic: -; Non-historic: storefront remodel

7. Narrative Description

This is a two-story brick commercial building. The brick has been painted a creamy yellow. The entrance is slightly offset from the center, with a recessed door between large plate glass windows. Portions of the storefront around the windows are covered with grooved metal paneling in a dark violet and black. Over the windows is a plastic sign that says, “Taste of China.” There are three one-over-one, double-hung windows on the second story, which have segmental arch stone hoods with keystones, shoulders, and geometric shapes. There is a metal Italianate cornice with widely spaced large brackets and small droplet details between them.
8. Narrative Statement of Significance

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

Property records from an undated entry prior to 1866 show Hugh Smith as the owner. From the 1868 Bird's Eye View drawing, there appears to be a frame building on this site at that time. On February 25, 1883, fire struck the west side of the square, burning the south half of the block from First National Bank at the south corner to Stewart Drug Store (Burrell 1909, Vol. 1: 424; Fisher 1978: 121). These buildings were then rebuilt as brick buildings in 1883. Hugh Smith was one of the officers of the bank, and this property passed back and forth, finally transferring to Andrew G. Smith on September 30, 1893 (center third of Lot 5). He transferred it to Fred Smith in 1895, who immediately transferred it to Anna J. Smith. She continued to own it until 1912 when it was sold to George H. Paul.

Businesses were not positively identified for much of this period, though it appears it was Lewis Millinery for several of these years. The 1885 Sanborn map lists a grocery at this site. On the 1897 Sanborn map, it is a millinery shop. The 1910 city directory lists Miss M.C. Lewis Millinery at 115 S. Marion. Sanborn maps for 1902 and 1909 also show a millinery shop here, and in 1917, the map shows notions. Mrs. E.M. Lewis opened a millinery store in Washington around 1855, and this store was likely an offshoot of that earlier store. Clark & Enslin bought the millinery stock of Lewis and established their business here on on October 24, 1917. By 1926, they offered dry goods, ready-to-wear clothing, and millinery (Evening Journal, April 3, 1926, page 42 (J)). The 1926 telephone directory has Clark & Enslin, a dry goods and millinery store, at this location.

The 1931 Sanborn map shows a bake shop with an oven in the rear of the building. Ads from the Washington Journal in the 1930s indicate the these businesses: Mayo's Pastry Shop & Bakery (1931) and Dale & Dorothy's restaurant and Mayo Bakery (1935). The use changed with Stephen Jewelry and Paul R. Horak Insurance here in 1937. Stephen Jewelry and Horak Insurance continue until at least 1941 (city directory), and are joined by Wittrig Harness. At this time, the address is listed as 115A and 115B. The 1943 Sanborn map has a dotted line subdividing the 115 building into two narrow, skinny store fronts.

In 1989, Iowa Computer Solutions was located here, in the double 113-115 S. Marion storefront. The current occupant is Taste of China restaurant, which also occupies the double storefront of 113-115.

9. Major Bibliographical References


Newspaper advertisements, various years/dates, on microfilm at Washington Public Library:
  *Washington Evening Journal
  *Washington Gazette
  *Washington Press

Patterson, Mary. Collection of historic images of Washington. Washington, IA.


Location map

2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary
Commercial Building: 115 S. Marion Avenue

Address: 115 S. Marion Avenue, Washington

City: Washington

Building plan (from assessor’s website)

(later combined)
Commercial Building: Washington
Name of Property: 115 S. Marion Avenue
Address: 115 S. Marion Avenue
County: Washington
City: Washington

Historic images

West side of square around 1910 (after 1908 remodel of buildings to north of 113) (Patterson collection)
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West side of square in 1930s (Patterson collection)
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Building in 1971 (Wagner 1971)
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**Digital photographs**

Photograph 92-00563-001 - East elevation, looking west (McCarley, September 20, 2011)