Site Inventory Form  
State Historical Society of Iowa  
(November 2005)

State Inventory No.  92-00570  
☑ New  ☐ Supplemental
☐ Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.)
☐ 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)  2011

1. Name of Property

historic name  Commercial Building

other names/site number  Downtown Survey Map # DT- 028

2. Location

street & number  211 S. Marion Avenue

city or town  Washington

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name  Township No.  Range No.  Section  Quarter of 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
☐ site
☐ structure
☐ object

If Non-Eligible Property

Enter number of:  buildings  sites  structures  objects  Total

If Eligible Property, enter number of:  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)

02E11-Commerce/grocery  70 – Vacant DEMO

7. Description

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

09F05: Commercial / brick front  foundation

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

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Significant Dates

Construction date

1868

(check if circa or estimated date)

Other dates, including renovation


Significant Person

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

Significant Person

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

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2

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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

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. Photos/illustrations 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. This building was demolished during the course of the project.

### 7. Narrative Description

The building was demolished in 2011 following a partial collapse caused by the collapse of a neighboring building (207-209) during remodeling in 2008. It appears that perhaps this building, despite later facade details, was built with 207-209 (see 92-00568). It was a two-story brick building with a remodeled store front of aluminum with faux brick, similar yet different from 209 to the north (right). The primary entry was on the right side, but slightly recessed, and the aluminum and glass display windows slanted back into the building slightly to permit a sloped concrete entry. To the immediate right of the primary entry was a secondary entry to the second story, which had a transom above it. Sanborn maps shows this entry centered on 209-211, though the 209 section retains a facade more similar to 207. There were three double-hung windows on the second story, and a fourth double-hung window above the second story entry. The windows had two rows of rowlock brick with a projected top course in a segmental arch format. The windows had limestone sills. There was a fancy brick cornice at the top of the facade, very different from the 207-209 facades to the north.

### 8. Narrative Statement of Significance

Since the building has been demolished, it is not eligible for the NRHP.

The building appears on the 1869 Bird's Eye View drawing. Architectural features of the building suggest construction in the 1860s or late 1850s, with perhaps a later facade update. The building may have originally been three storefronts wide, including 207-209 S. Marion, which retained different facade details at time of demolition (see 92-00568).

The 1885 map lists the occupant as grocery. An 1895 ad notes that Haight Feed Store is one door north of Haight Grocery, which is one door north of the UP church. That would put the grocery moved from 211 to 213 and the feed store at 211. By the 1897 map, it notes as vacant, with a grocery to the south at 213. On the 1902 and 1909 maps, it is again a grocery store. The 1910 city directory lists Forgey and Maple Grocery at this address. Vacant once more on the 1917 map, it is occupied again by 1931. The 1935 city directory has Berkhoff Barber Shop here. It is occupied by an unknown store on the 1943 Sanborn map. The telephone directory of 1958 lists Schumacher's Discount Store here, and the 1964 city directory has Stones Floor Covering at this address.
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.


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**Location map**

*2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary*
Commercial Building  Washington
Name of Property  County
211 S. Marion Ave.  Washington
Address  City

Building plan (from assessor's website)

assessor photo - c.2008?
Commercial Building | Washington
---|---
Name of Property | County
211 S. Marion Ave. | Washington
Address | City

Historic images

![Image of a parade in the 200 block of S. Marion around 1911](image)

200 block of S. Marion around 1911 (Patterson collection)
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Building in 1971 (Wagner 1971)
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Digital photographs

Photograph 92-00570-001 - East elevation, looking west (September 20, 2011)
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Photograph 92-00570-002 - East elevations of 211-209-207, looking west (September 20, 2011)