

Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00422 New Supplemental

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

Non-extant Year: _____

Read the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions carefully, to ensure accuracy and completeness before completing this form. The instructions are available on our website: <http://www.iowahistory.org/historic-preservation/statewide-inventory-and-collections/iowa-site-inventory-form.html>

• Property Name

A) Historic name Horace W. and Constance Russel House

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-015

• Location

A) Street address: 411 W. Jefferson Street

B) City or town: Washington (Vicinity) County Washington

C) Legal Description:

Rural: Township Name: _____ Township No.: _____ Range No.: _____ Section: _____ Quarter: _____ of Quarter: _____

Urban: Subdivision: Addition to Washington Block(s): 5 Lot(s): B (N pt. of W pt. Lot 2)

• Classification

A) Property category: *Check only one*

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

B) Number of Resources (within property)

If eligible property, enter number of:		If non-eligible property, enter number of:	
Contributing	Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>	Buildings	—	Buildings
—	Sites	—	Sites
—	Structures	—	Structures
—	Objects	—	Objects
<u>1</u>	Total	—	Total

C) For properties listed in the National Register:

National Register status: Listed De-listed NHL NPS DOE

D) For properties within a historic district:

- Property contributes to a National Register or local certified historic district.
- Property contributes to a potential historic district, based on professional historic/architectural survey and evaluation.
- Property *does not* contribute to the historic district in which it is located.

Historic district name: West side residential historic district Historic district site inventory number: 92-00350

Name of related project report or multiple property study, if applicable:

MPD Title

Historical Architectural Data Base #

Architectural and Historical Survey of the "west side" residential neighborhood in Washington 92-013

• **Function or Use** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Historic functions

B) Current functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

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• **Description** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Architectural Classification

B) Materials

07E01: Bungalow

Foundation (visible exterior): 10A: Concrete block

walls (visible exterior): 02B: Wood / shingle

Roof: 08A: Asphalt shingles

Other: _____

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

• **Statement of Significance**

A) Applicable National Register Criteria: *Mark your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria*

- Criterion A: Property is associated with significant events. Yes No More research recommended
- Criterion B: Property is associated with the lives of significant persons. Yes No More Research Recommended
- Criterion C: Property has distinctive architectural characteristics. Yes No More Research Recommended
- Criterion D: Property yields significant information in archeology/history. Yes No More Research Recommended

B) Special criteria considerations: *Mark any special considerations; leave blank if none*

- 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

C) Areas of Significance

Enter categories from instructions

Community planning and development

D) Period(s) of significance

E) Significant dates

Construction date

1923 *check if circa or estimated date*

Other dates, including renovations

F) Significant person

Complete if Criterion B is marked above

G) Cultural affiliation

Complete if Criterion D is marked above

H) Architect/Builder

Architect

Builder/contractor

I) Narrative statement of significance **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

• **Bibliography** *See continuation sheet for the list of research sources used in preparing this form*

• **Geographic Data** *Optional UTM references* *See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments*

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

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

• **Form Preparation**

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City or Town: Washington State: Iowa Zip code: 52353

• **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** *Submit the following items with the completed form*

A) For all properties, attach the following, as specified in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions:

1. **Map** of property's location within the community.
2. **Glossy color 4x6 photos labeled** on back with property/building name, address, date taken, view shown, and unique photo number.
3. **Photo key showing each photo number on a map and/or floor plan, using arrows next to each photo number to indicate the location and directional view of each photograph.**
4. **Site plan** of buildings/structures on site, identifying boundaries, public roads, and building/structure footprints.

B) For State Historic Tax Credit Part 1 Applications, historic districts and farmsteads, and barns:

See lists of special requirements and attachments in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions.

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

The SHPO has reviewed the Site Inventory and concurs 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: _____

SHPO authorized signature: _____ Date: _____

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Narrative Description

This is a one-and-one-half-story frame Craftsman bungalow built around 1923 on the south side of W. Jefferson Street. The house sits on a rusticated concrete block foundation, and it is clad with wood shingles. The gable-front roof is covered with asphalt shingles. There are typical Craftsman style square wood brackets at the peak of the gables and at the lower ends of the roof, with scroll cut verge boards. The windows and doors are wood with aluminum storm /screens. There is a full front porch, a square bay window and a shed roof dormer on the east side of the house, and an enclosed rear porch.

The façade, the north elevation, has a full front porch. A set of concrete steps with metal railings leads up to a wood porch floor. The porch has solid railings, which are clad with wood shingles to the ground level, and the support columns at each corner of the porch are also clad with wood shingles. The railing stair steps up at the columns at the corners of the porch, and there are wood flower boxes attached just below the railing on the east and west ends of the porch. The entry has a historic wood door with a four pane window in the upper part and a wood storm door with eight small panes. On each side of the entry, there is a wide six-over-one-light double-hung wood window. There is a five-over-one-light double-hung wood window in the gable above the porch.

The east elevation has a six-over-one-light double-hung wood window on the front/north/right half. A square bay window is then located on the left/south/rear half. The bay window has four four-over-one-light double-hung wood windows. On the roof above, there is a shed-roof dormer with three three-over-one-light double-hung wood windows. The sides of the dormer are clad with wood shingles. To the left of the bay window, there is another six-over-one-light double-hung wood window. There are two basement windows below the bay window.

The west elevation has a five-over-one-light double-hung wood window on the left/front/north and a five-over-one-light double-hung wood window in the center. The rear/right/south section has a pair of five-over-one-light double-hung wood windows, and below them are two basement windows.

The rear of the house, the south elevation, has an enclosed porch on the right/east two-thirds of the house. The porch has a hip roof, plywood siding below the aluminum storm / screen windows, and wood lattice below the floor of the porch. There are two aluminum storm / screen windows on the west elevation of the porch, and four more windows of this type on the south elevation. On the east elevation of the porch, there is one aluminum storm / screen window to the left of an aluminum storm / screen door. Concrete steps with a metal railing lead down to the yard. To the left of the porch, there is a ground level entry with a wood door and an aluminum storm / screen door. The wood door has a window in the upper part of the door. On the second story, there is a centrally located five-over-one-light double-hung wood window. The gable at this end of the house has square wood braces at the peak and lower edges of the roof, and has decorative scroll cuts at the ends of the verge boards.

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Narrative Statement of Significance

The Horace W. and Constance Russel House appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the potential "west side" residential historic district in Washington. The bungalow was built in the 1920s during the period of development of the neighborhood that included this smaller home type. The bungalow retains excellent historic integrity, contributing to the architectural fabric of the neighborhood.

The house may be individually eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C for architecture. The bungalow is an excellent example of the Craftsman bungalow style and retains historic wood shingle siding, recessed porch with arch opening, and historic wood windows. Further evaluation of the interior integrity and comparison with other bungalows in town would solidify this determination.

History / research summary of property

This parcel was originally owned as part of the Lot 1-2 tract associated with the brick Italianate house at the corner. It was owned by Hugh Smith from 1875 until his death in 1891. Lot 2 was then the subject of a dispute involving Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Block 5 in the Addition to Washington. On September 20, 1893, referees J.T. Anderson, Wm. A. Cook, and Frank Stewart awarded Lot 1, 2, and 3 to Belle J. Smith. Lot 4 was awarded to the opposing side of the dispute (Sarah J. Wilson). The older brick house sat primarily on Lot 1, facing Avenue C to the east. Belle Smith sold Lots 1 and 2 to Lafayette Coop and wife on October 9, 1900, and Coop then sold the property to Peter Courter on May 27, 1902. Courter sold Lots 1 and 2 to Edward E. Durst on October 9, 1909. On February 15, 1911, Durst sold the south 56 feet of Lots 1 and 2 to R.G. Jones, reducing the size of the property by almost half. On March 6, 1916, Durst sold the remaining property to J.F. Kurtz, which included the house on the north part of Lot 1 and north part of Lot 2 to the west. On August 2, 1923, Kurtz sold the west 40 feet of the north 76 feet of Lot 2 to Constance Russel, again splitting the original parcel that had included Lots 1-2. Then, in January 1925, the county auditor issued a new plat of Block 5, splitting old Lots 1 and 2 into parcels A, B, and C. This house then ended up on parcel A, with B to the west and C to the south.

This bungalow was then likely built in 1923 or 1924. The 1925 Iowa census lists Horace W. Russel, age 66, as living on W. Jefferson with wife Constance, age 55. Their house was valued at \$5,500. The 1926 telephone directory has a listing for H.W. Russel at 411 W. Jefferson Street. The 1930 census lists Constance E. Russel, head of the household and owner of a property valued at \$4,000. She is 65 years old and a widow. The 1932 telephone directory lists Mrs H.W. Russel living here. An earlier county directory published in 1917 describes the Russel family, living elsewhere, as Horace W., the Rock Island station agent, and his wife Constance E., and a son Henry H, USA (enlisted in the US Army).

The property transferred by quit claim deed from Beatrice Olds and husband to Henry R. Bovee on May 8, 1935. The 1935 city directory lists Forrest M. Jennings, a district engineer for Iowa Southern Utilities, and his wife Lucille living at 411 W. Jefferson.

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On June 29, 1938, J.E. Bove, Guardian, provided a guardian deed to R.M. And Mildred Whitehead. The 1938 telephone directory lists R.M. Whitehead living at this address. The 1940 census lists the family as Ray Whitehead, owner of a property worth \$3,500, teller in a bank, age 28, his wife Mildred, age 26, and their children Jane, age 6 and Douglas, age 3.

Whitehead sold the property to Elizabeth Peiffer on February 24, 1941. She is listed in the 1941 city directory as Mrs. Elizabeth Peiffer, widow of Paul, property owner and a housekeeper. She is listed in telephone directories through 1953 at this address.

Emil Peiffer, executor for Elizabeth Peiffer, transferred the property to Beatrice Wagner on September 23, 1953. Mrs. John Wagner is listed in the 1954 telephone directory at 411 W. Jefferson. She continues to be listed in directories through the 1964 city directory, where she is identified as the widow of John Wagner.

Irene Elizabeth Stout, executor for B. Wagner, sold the property to Marion and Ruby Thompson on September 9, 1965. Marion Thompson appears in the 1967 city directory, listed as retired, with his wife Ruby, who is an assistant bookkeeper at Sitler Supply. They are listed again in 1969 with the same information, and in 1972, they are both retired.

The Marion Thompson estate transferred the property to Ruby Thompson on May 20, 1975. Ruby Thompson is living at this address in the 1976 city directory.

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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)

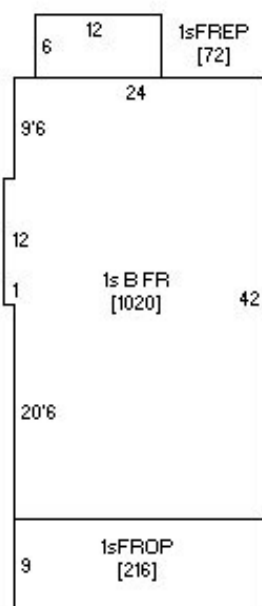


Photo from assessor's website



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