#### **Iowa Site Inventory Form** State Inventory Number: <u>92-00781</u> ⊠ New ☐ Supplemental **State Historic Preservation Office** 9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number: ■ Non-extant Year: \_\_\_\_\_ (July 2014) Read the lowa 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/historicpreservation/statewide-inventory-and-collections/iowa-site-inventory-form.html **Property Name** A) Historic name: Nicholas and Mary Smith House B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-121 Location A) Street address: 602 W. Main 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: Western Addition Block(s): 4 Lot(s): E 50 ' of Lot 8 Classification B) Number of resources (within property): A) Property category: Check only one □ Building(s) If eligible property, enter number of: | If non-eligible property, ☐ District Contributing Noncontributing enter number of: ☐ Site Buildings 2 **Buildings** ☐ Structure Sites Sites ☐ Object Structures Structures Objects Objects 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 E) 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 Function or Use Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions A) Historic functions **B)** Current functions 01A01: Domestic / residence 01A01: Domestic / residence **Description** Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions A) Architectural classification B) Materials 09H05: T-Plan \_\_\_\_\_\_ Foundation (visible exterior): 04C; Limestone Walls (visible exterior): 15B: Vinyl siding Roof: 08A: Asphalt shingles

C) Narrative description \( \text{SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS}, \( \text{WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED} \)

Other:

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#### **Narrative Description**

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This is a two-story, T-plan house at the northwest corner W. Main Street and Avenue E. The walls of the house are clad in vinyl siding. The core of the building sits on a limestone block foundation while several additions, constructed in 1989 and 1999 according to the Washington County assessor, sit on poured concrete foundations. The cross gabled roof is covered in asphalt shingles. All windows are modern replacements and have aluminum storms/screens. A garage sits behind the house.

The façade (south elevation) is divided into two sections, the gable-front west section and the south side of the gable-side wing. A porch spanned both sections historically, and it was replaced by the front addition with inset entry porch in 1999. The entry has a modern door with a window and the porch has two poured concrete steps. The first story of the addition has two sets of three one-over-one-light double-hung windows which are located on the either side of the entry. The left/west section of the original house is just visible on the second story, and it has paired one-over-one-light double-hung windows on the left and a single one-over-one-light double-hung window on the right. The right/east section has a rectangular single-light window. The front gable has a plastic octagonal vent.

The east elevation consists of three sections, the side of the 1999 front addition, the side of the gable-roof wing of the two-story house (stone foundation), and the side of the 1989 rear addition. The left/south/front section has a set of three one-over-one-light double-hung window on the addition. The side of the two-story house has two one-over-one-light double-hung windows. The right/north section has a set of two tall single-light windows on the right. A small horizontal basement window is located near the center in the stone foundation. The second story of the main house has two one-over-one-light double-hung windows. The gable has a plastic octagonal vent.

The west elevation is divided into two sections, the side of the two-story house and the side of the 1989 rear addition. The right/front two-story section has two one-over-one-light double-hung windows on each story, with basement windows under each set in the stone foundation. The left (rear) section is covered in wood paneling and has no fenestration.

The north/rear elevation of the original house is covered by later additions on the first story. The left (east) section has a bay window. The right section extends further north and has two single-light windows with the window on the right being slightly lower than the window on the left. The second story has a single one-over-one-light double-hung window.

A frame garage constructed in 1984 per the assessor is situated on the northeastern corner of the property. The garage is clad in vertical wood and has a gable-front roof covered in asphalt shingles. It is the size of a double-car garage, but it only has a single-car door on the east side.

#### **Narrative Statement of Significance**

The Nicholas and Mary Smith House does not appear to contribute to the potential residential historic district on the west side of Washington. The overall T-plan form of the house likely dates to construction efforts around 1882, but the exterior alterations and additions to the home in the 1980s and 1990s have obscured the historic appearance of the property. The vinyl siding and replacement

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windows have significantly changed the appearance of the property, as has the front addition. Thus, the house does not retain sufficient integrity to be classified as a contributing building in the historic district. It is likewise not eligible for listing individually.

### History / research summary of property

This house sits on the east 50' of Lot 8 in Western Addition, though the 48 feet to the west (west 16' of Lot 8 and east ½ of Lot 7) were originally part of this corner property. William Latta, carpenter, owned Lot 8 in the 1860s, and he sold it to W. Pelton on November 9, 1867. W. Pelton also acquired the east half of Lot 7 on the same date from Elijah Walsworth, creating the larger parcel at the corner. A house was then likely built here in 1867 or 1868. A north-south oriented house is visible in the 1869 birds-eye view, and a similar footprint is depicted here on the 1874 atlas.

L.S. Daugherty and wife sold the property (Lot 8 and east ½ of Lot 7) to J.S. Jacobs then on March 24, 1870. John S. (31) and Malinda S. (25) Jacobs are listed in the 1870 US Census along with their two young children Nettie (2) and Clarence (11 months). John is listed as a produce dealer. John and Malinda sold the property to Noah and Caroline Jacobs on December 12, 1875. Noah (34) and Caroline (34) are listed in the 1880 Census with two young children Lydia (3) and William (2). No occupation was given for Noah in the census.

Noah and Caroline sold the property to Nicholas and Mary Smith on April 17, 1882. Nicholas (61) was listed as living on W. Main Street in the 1885 lowa census, and he was a carpenter born in Pennsylvania. His household included wife Mary (69) and children Ellen (34), Jennie (29, dress maker), Maggie (27, teacher), and Clara (20, teacher). The 1894 plat map of Washington shows a different footprint, with an extension to the east to create a T-plan house. This may indicate the earlier house was rebuilt in this period, or the older house was enlarged. In either case, construction likely occurred in 1882 after Nicholas Smith acquired the property, creating the overall form of the current house. The 1894 city directory lists N. Smith at 600 W. Main. Nicholas (77) and his daughters Ellen (49), Jane (45), and Maggie (43) are listed here in the 1900 census. Maggie was a teacher, and Ellen and Jane were dressmakers. Ellen was listed as a nurse in the 1903 city directory, Maggie as a teacher, and Jane as a dressmaker. The family lived at 600 W. Main. The 1902 Sanborn map shows a wrap-around front porch on the south sides of the house, and one-story rear section. Only Ellen was listed here in the 1910-11 city directory. James B. and Nancy Huffman are listed at 600 W. Main in the 1910-11 directory as well. He was a cutter for Sol Rich Co. The 1910 Census lists James (29, laborer for tailor) and Nancy (27) Huffman at 600 W. Main with son James (3).

The property was sold several times in quick succession starting with Margaret Smith et. al. transferring their interest to Ellen and Jennie Smith on August 31, 1911. They sold the property to George H Paul on August 31, 1912. He then sold the property to W. J. Southwell on January 27 1913, who quickly sold the property to Helen B. Kelley on February 25, 1913.

John and Helen Kelly lived at 602 W. Main Street from 1913 until their deaths in 1967 and 1977. The 1917 county directory lists Jack M. Kelley as running a popcorn and peanut stand. The 1920 census lists John M. Kelly (44) with wife Helen (37) and children Genevieve (15), Joseph (13), Winifred (10), Jerome (8) and a lodger Mary Connell (52, milliner). He was noted as proprietor of a popcorn and

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peanut wagon. In 1924, they sold off the west half of the property (W 16' of Lot 8 and E ½ of Lot 7) and a bungalow was built there. The 1926 telephone directory lists J.M. Kelley at 602 W. Main. The 1930 census lists John M. (52) with wife Helen B. (47) and son Jerome (18). John was noted as a confectioner with a confectionary stand. The house is valued at \$3,000. The county centennial celebration for the Evening Journal in July 1936 (page 93) notes that J.M. Kelly has had a popcorn stand for 25 years in the business district, located across from National Bank (E. Main and Iowa). The city centennial celebration for the Evening Journal in August 1939 (page 19) likewise notes that J.M. Kelly had a popcorn stand for 28 years in Washington, a permanent business located south across from National Bank. Both included a photograph of the stand (see end). The 1940 census lists John M. (62, salesman in confectionary) at 602 W. Main with wife Helen B. (57). Leonard (23, salesman) and Winnifred McDonald are listed as renting at 602 ½ W. Main. The 1941 city directory lists J.M. Kelley at 602 W. Main with wife Helen. He is owner of Kelly Confectionary, 103 E. Main. City directories through the 1950s and into the 1960s continue to list John and Helen Kelly at 602 W. Main. John M. Kelly died on March 2, 1967 at age 92. His obituary notes that he was widely known for his popcorn stand on the northeast corner of the square for many years. He married Helen Nick on October 27, 1902, and they had lived in Washington since 1910. He was survived by sons Joe and Jerome and daughters Genevieve Leger and Winnifred Kelly. He was a member of St. James Catholic Church. Hellen and her son Winnefred (an anesthetist and registered nurse) continued to live at the house into the 1970s. Helen died on October 13, 1977.

Her heirs then sold the property to Rolla Hesseltine on June 13, 1978. Hesseltines sold the property on contract to Jon and Jean Gloyer in 1983, with deed transferred in 1986. They constructed a new rear addition in 1989, and they built the front addition and completion other exterior improvements in 1999. They continue to own the property.

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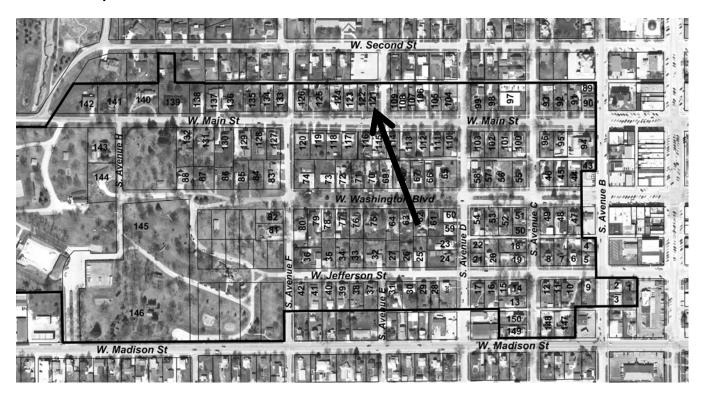
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## **Location map**



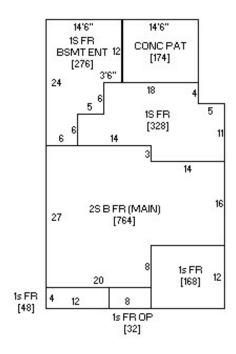
2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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## **Building plan (from assessor's website)**



## Photo from assessor's website

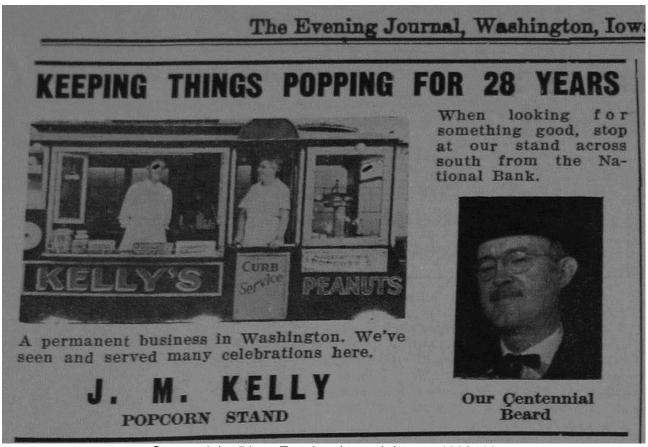


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### **Historic images**



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## **Digital photographs**



Photograph 92-00781-001 - House, looking northwest (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00781-002 - House, looking northeast (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00781-003 - House, looking southeast (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00781-004 - Garage, looking southwest (December 2014)