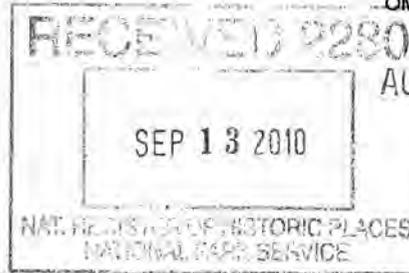


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**National Register of Historic Places
Nomination Form**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Reeves, Isaac and Agnes (Bell), House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 209 S. Main Street not for publication N/A

city or town Salem vicinity N/A

state Iowa code IA county Henry code 087 zip code 52649

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property x meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide x locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Barbara A. Mitchell / DSHPO September 7, 2010
Signature of certifying official Date

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
 - See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register
 - See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain): _____

Eric Edson K. Beall _____
 Signature of Keeper Date of Action 10.28.10

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(do not include previously listed resources in count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>3</u>	<u> </u>	buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	sites
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	objects
<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

N/A

N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC / single dwelling

DOMESTIC / secondary structure

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC / single dwelling

DOMESTIC / secondary structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE VICTORIAN / Italianate

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone

walls Brick

roof Asphalt

other Wood

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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7. Narrative Description

The Isaac and Agnes Reeves House is located on Main Street in Salem in Henry County (Figure 1) (see Images section for all figures, starting on page 15). The property sits in Block 17 of the Original Town plat on the west side of S. Main Street (County Road W55) at the northwest corner of Main Street and Jackson Street. The Isaac and Agnes Reeves House is significant for their association with Isaac C. Reeves and for the 1883 brick Italianate architecture of the house. A frame barn and brick outhouse sit on the rear half of the property (Figure 2). Both buildings appear to have also been constructed by the Reeves family, and they are counted as contributing to the property. A large brick cistern also appears to have been constructed at time of construction immediately at the rear of the house (now under the floor of the rear addition), and it is counted as a contributing structure. A later gazebo north of the house is counted as non-contributing. The two-story, three-bay, brick house was constructed with pressed bricks from the Reichelt Brothers brick and tile works near Fort Madison, as stamped on a brick on the front of the house. The house sits on a stone foundation, and the hip roof has asphalt shingles. Two large brick chimneys are found above the roof.

The primary façade of the house faces Main Street to the east. The front brick portion of the house is L-plan in layout, with the south portion of the façade extending toward the street. The front porch is located in the corner of the L-plan, and it was reconstructed using some original components in 1988. A wood pilaster remained in place, and an original square wood column was found behind the house supporting the roof of the outhouse. The columns have open quarter arch details on either side of the top. The tall double-door entry is located on the left (south) of the recessed portion of the first story. The entry retains its original decorative wood doors, which are set back in the opening. A historic doorbell also remains on the door. Paired, tall, narrow, one-over-one-light double-hung wood windows with brick segmental arch lintels and a stone sill are located to the north of the entry. Similar paired windows are found above this set on the second story and on both stories of the projected portion of the façade. The segmental arch lintels have keystones and shoulders, and they are slightly projected from the face of the wall. A single-door entry with similar brick segmental arch lintel is located above the main front entry. It also retains its original wood door. A one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with similar segmental arch lintel is found on each story of the north side of the projected portion of the façade as well. A brick between the front entry and the parlor windows bears the stamp of "Reichelt Bros," a brick company near Fort Madison (Figure 15). A brick on the east side of the house on the small north wall has handwritten etching of "Mrs. Katharina Reichelt" (Figure 16). The eave of the low-pitched hip roof is supported by simple triangular brackets. Three large square dentils are found between each bracket. The frieze has a recessed brick panel between each bracket as well.

The secondary façade faces Jackson Street to the south. The first story of the brick portion of the house has a side porch with a roof line that extends over the bay window and across to create the porch for the side entry. The porch has square wood columns and dentils are found under the eave. The side entry has a segmental brick arch lintel, and it retains its original wood door. The bay window is constructed of brick, and it has three sides with a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with segmental arch lintel on each side. A similar one-over-one-light double-hung wood window is located to the left (west) of the porch and entry on the brick portion of the house. A pair of narrow one-over-one-light double-hung wood windows with brick segmental arch lintels and a stone sill are located above the bay window. A single one-over-one-light double-hung wood window

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with segmental arch lintel is found on the west half of the second story. The segmental arch lintels of these second story windows have keystones and shoulders similar to the windows on the primary façade. The brackets, dentils, and frieze detail extend around to this elevation as well. A cellar door and stairs are located to the west of the side porch, and a coal chute is found at the base of the bay window.

The north elevation of the brick portion of the house has two windows on the first story and a window above the west window on the second story. The windows have one-over-one-light double-hung wood sashes, brick segmental arch lintels, and stone sills. The brackets, dentils, and frieze detail extend around to this elevation as well.

The west (rear) elevation of the brick portion of the house is visible above and on either side of the original rear frame section of the house. A very narrow one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with segmental arch lintel is found on the first story on either side of the rear frame section. A more typical narrow window is found on either side of the gable peak of the rear section on the second story. They also have one-over-one-light double-hung wood sashes, brick segmental arch lintels, and stone sills. The brackets, dentils, and frieze detail extend around to this elevation as well.

The frame one-and-one-half-story gable-roof rear section spans nearly the width of the brick portion of the house on the west side. This section sits on a stone foundation, has been clad in vinyl siding, and has a metal roof. The west side has a clipped gable and gable returns. A wood deck was constructed on the north side in 1989. The door and double-hung window on the north side were previously replaced, and they have been recently replaced again. The west side retains original two-over-two-light double-hung wood windows on the second story under the clipped gable. The original exterior of the first story is visible from within the garage addition. It has a rear entry with two-light transom leading into the kitchen on the north half. A very narrow one-over-one-light double-hung wood window is located immediately south of the entry, and two two-over-two-light double-hung wood windows are spaced on the south half. The rear entry retains its historic wood trim, including slight pediment lintel with shoulders. The outline of this trim is visible on the windows. This style of trim is found intact on the side entry and window on the original exterior of the south side of the rear section. The porch across this side has been enclosed and clad in vinyl siding, so the original exterior is within this enclosed porch. It has a single-door entry and multi-light vinyl window. The original openings are visible from within this porch. The side entry retains its historic wood door and two-light transom window. The window on the south side of the rear section also has two-over-two-light double-hung wood sashes.

A double-car garage was added on the west side of the rear frame section in the 1970s. It has been converted into living space in the last decade, and it is clad in vinyl siding. The garage door on the south side was removed and replaced with French doors flanked by multi-light windows. A small vinyl window is found on the west side. The north side has a single-door entry and vinyl window. This rear addition is located above the large brick cistern that sat immediately behind the house. Steps to the basement have been added within this space, extending over the top of the cistern. The cistern is visible by removing a tread on the stairs. The cistern is roughly eight feet in diameter. The cistern is tabulated as a contributing structure on the property. The rear portion of the basement under the rear section of the house has been recently finished, and the remainder of the basement under the brick portion of the house is unfinished.

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The first story of the brick portion of the house is divided into three primary rooms with a central hall (Figure 3). The ceilings on this story are nearly 11 feet in height. The recessed double-door entry leads into this hall (1A), and stairs lead up to the second story. The stairs retain their historic wood newel post, balustrade, and paneling. The parlor to the north (1B) retains its original etched black stone mantel and black floor tiles. The wood trim of the windows and doors is stained in a light and darker tone. A new wood floor is found in this room. An opening has been added in the west wall to incorporate a connected bathroom (1C) to this room. This small room was used as a pantry off of the kitchen. The south parlor (1D) also retains an etched black stone mantel that spans the northwest corner of the room, and it is a different design than the north parlor mantel. The room has the bay window on the south wall and large pocket doors on the west wall. The wood trim on the windows and doors was grained originally, and new graining was applied in the 1980s by Tony Kramer. The door hardware throughout the first story is decorative. The west room (1E) on the south side is the smallest of the first story rooms. The large double doors lead to this space from the south parlor, and a door enters the room from the rear of the main hall as well. The graining was also reapplied in this room in the 1980s. A closet is located in the northeast corner of the room, with a built-in wood cabinet on the west side of the closet. A shallow cabinet is also built into the south wall inside the closet. The stairs to the basement under the main stairs have been removed, and this area is now a closet. The main bathroom (1F) is accessed from the small hall under the stairs. It was likely partitioned off the north parlor with the pantry (1C) in the middle of the 20th century when indoor plumbing was added.

The original rear frame section has two rooms on the first story – the kitchen and dining room. The kitchen (1G) is located on the north half of the rear section. It has recently been remodeled with new cabinets, countertops, and wood floor. The wood trim of the windows and doors have been painted brown. The room retains the original stained wainscoting on the east and north walls, as well as part of the west wall. This unique paneling has vertical half-round elements with flat spaces between them. The dining room (1H) is found on the south half of the rear section. The west end of the hall leads into the dining room. The shared wall between the dining room and kitchen has a cabinet that originally had doors on both sides and a pass-through space. The wainscoting with rounded reed elements found in the kitchen is also found on all the walls of the dining room. The door and window trim is finished with a light and dark tone, similar to the north parlor. The dining room retains its historic wood floor.

The second story of the brick portion of the house is divided into four bedrooms with a central hall (Figure 4). The stairs are open at the top, wrapping around the end of the hall. The four bedrooms retain historic wood doors with two-light transoms off of the hallway. The ceilings on the second story are over 10 feet in height. Wood floors are found throughout the story. The reapplied two-tone wood trim for the windows and doors is found in the bedrooms on the east (2B, 2D). The southwest bedroom (2C) appears to retain the original duo-tone graining. The northwest bedroom (2E) continues to have a two tone coloring, but it has been painted. The duo-tone design is carried over onto the doors in the bedrooms. The closet doors on the second story retain original thumb latches. The door hardware is decorative throughout the main portion of the second story. The rear room (2F) in the rear frame section is lower than the remainder of the second story, accessed by a lower landing on the stairs as they wrap around to their final ascent. This room also has wide wood floor boards, but

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the trim throughout this room is painted. A bathroom (2G) was added in the northeast corner of this space. The rear stairs descend along the west wall to the kitchen below.

Two outbuildings to the west of the house also contribute to the property (Figure 2). A two-seat brick outhouse sits about 30 feet to the west of the northwest corner of the house. It measures 6'1" wide by 5'4" deep. The door faces the house to the east. A small opening (1'4") with louvers is found on the north and south sides. This is the only known brick outhouse in or around Salem. The frame barn sits about 70 feet to the west of the outhouse. It measures 17'10" wide by 24'2" deep. The barn sits on a modern poured concrete foundation. The walls are clad in wide wood boards, and the roof is clad in asphalt shingles. A wide sliding door is found on the gable side facing Jackson Street to the south. A pedestrian door and two wide sliding doors are located on the east side facing the house. Two small windows are found on the west side. The opening in the gable on the south side has non-historic windows installed while on the north side it is covered with shutters. A large gazebo to the north of the house is counted as a non-contributing structure.

The integrity of the Isaac and Agnes Reeves House is excellent. The property retains its integrity of location and setting, sitting one block south of the square in Salem on the west side of Main Street. The integrity of design, workmanship, and materials is excellent. The overall design of the original house is intact, including many original features that are characteristic of the Italianate architecture of the house. These features include the narrow segmental arch double-hung wood windows, brackets under the eaves, low hip roof, interior trim, interior staircase, and wood doors. The reconstructed porch reflects the original design. The one-story rear addition does not detract from the overall design of the Italianate house. Likewise, the design, workmanship, and materials of the outbuildings are also intact. Overall, the house conveys the feeling of the late 19th century house, and it retains its association with this period in Salem.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or a 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.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Commerce

Period of Significance

1883-1892

Significant Dates

1883

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Reeves, Isaac C.

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

unknown

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

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8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Isaac and Agnes Reeves House is locally significant for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion B for its association with businessman Isaac C. Reeves and under Criterion C for the brick Italianate architecture of the house. The period of significance extends from the completion of the house in 1883 by Isaac and Agnes Reeves to their sale of the property in 1892. The significant date is the construction of the house in 1883.

Isaac C. Reeves was a prominent leader in Salem in the last quarter of the 19th century. As an owner-operator of his own business, he was among a handful of similar businessmen in this small community that sustained around two dozen businesses in this period. In this small town, the business owners were prominent residents and typically involved in other community activities. Salem supported two drug stores at any given time in the second half of the 19th century. Isaac Reeves' drug store appears to have been the largest and most successful, and it was the only one operating continuously in the period from 1865 to 1891. His obituary notes that he also owned a hotel in Salem and flour mills at Salem and Donnellson during this period. His success in business led to his stature in the community at the time of the construction of this house in 1883. His choice for a brick Italianate house reflects his prominence in the community and the success of his business ventures. After the devastating fire in 1886, Isaac Reeves was a leader in the rebuilding efforts for the business district in Salem. He was noted as the first to clear his lot and the first to begin new construction to quickly resume his business. His new brick commercial building (non-extant) was then among the first buildings completed in 1886. His decision to rebuild quickly was noted to have prompted other businessmen to rebuild and return to business in Salem. Isaac Reeves was also active in the Masonic Lodge in Salem, and he was the oldest member at the time of his death in 1915.

The Isaac and Agnes Reeves House is also significant for its architecture, reflected in the Italianate style and brick construction. The typical home in Salem in this period was a modest frame house. A handful of brick homes were constructed in the early years of the community in the 1840s and 1850s. As Isaac Reeves considered building, he chose brick as his material. It is the only known extant home in Salem or the surrounding township built with brick in the post-war 19th century. The brick was made in nearby Fort Madison by the Reichelt Brothers, with a stamped brick visible on the house. This house is also one of a handful of extant Italianate houses in Salem and the surrounding township. Italianate houses were built in rural Henry County from the late 1850s into the early 1890s. Typical features include tall arch windows with elaborate hoods, two-over-two-light double-hung windows, wide eaves with large brackets, low pitch roofs, and porches with brackets. The Isaac and Agnes Reeves House exhibits strong characteristics of this style, including the narrow segmental arch windows, brackets under the eaves, low-pitched hip roof, and porch. The interior retains the original staircase, wood trim, wood floors, doors, and overall design. The handful of other Italianate houses in and around Salem are generally frame with a cubical form and hip roof, and replacement siding has resulted in the removal of characteristic features of the style. The site includes an extant brick outhouse, frame barn, and brick cistern. These dependencies would have been typical for a house at this time, and few if any examples remain of these resources in Salem dating to this period.

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History of the property associated with Isaac and Agnes Reeves

Isaac and Agnes Reeves lived in Salem for a number of years prior to constructing this brick house in 1882-83, and he was a prominent business man in Salem by this time. Isaac Reeves was born in Pennsylvania on May 23, 1835. He moved to Salem with his parents, James and Lydia Reeves, in 1859. In 1863, Isaac married Agnes Susanna Bell in Salem. She lived in Cedar Township, Lee County, with her parents, David S. and Sarah Bell, and she attended school in West Point ("Mrs. Agnes F. Reeves," *Salem News*, June 4, 1931, 1). Isaac C. Reeves opened his drug store in Salem around 1865 ("The Salem Fire," *Mount Pleasant Free Press*, June 10, 1886, 3). His drug store is listed among the businesses in Salem from 1868 through the 1880s. It is noted as on the west side of the square in 1871 and 1883 (SHBC 1996: 30-31, 33). Isaac Reeves ran one of two (sometimes three) drug stores in town, and he appears to have been the only one in business for the entire period from 1865 to 1891 in Salem. The 1870 census of Salem lists Isaac C. Reeves as a retail druggist at age 35, with \$3,000 in real estate and \$1,000 in personal property. His household includes Agnes (age 27) and three children: Fannie (age 6), Jennie (age 4), and Frank (age 1).

Salem was described in 1879 as a successful town known as an educational center in Henry County and the surrounding area. The principal business portion of town was located around a beautiful public square, and the mercantile and other business interests were in a prosperous condition. The population was estimated at around 800. The town included nine general stores, two drug stores, two hotels, three shoe stores, two harness shops, two tin and hardware stores, one cabinet and furniture establishment, two wagon shops, three blacksmiths, and one livery (*History of Henry County, Iowa* 1879: 536). The directory in the 1879 history lists Isaac C. Reeves as a druggist in Salem, and father John M. Reeves as a retired farmer (*History of Henry County, Iowa* 1879: 602). Isaac ran one of the two drug stores in town, and he was among the roughly two dozen men in Salem to own their own business at this time, as outlined in the history. The 1880 census lists Isaac's growing family. The household now includes I.C. Reeves (druggist, age 45), Agnes (age 37), Fannie (age 15), J. Maud (age 13), David (age 11), Harry (age 9), and Herbert (age 7).

At the time of the construction of this house in 1882-83, Isaac Reeves was a successful local businessman with a growing family requiring additional space. The south halves of Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8 in Block 17 were bought by Agnes S. Reeves on October 30, 1877 for \$500 (Figure 5) (see Images section for all figures, starting on page 15). She then bought the north halves of the same lots on May 21, 1883 for \$600 to create a large parcel with roughly 140 feet along Main Street that was nearly 300 feet deep. The *Mt. Pleasant Journal* noted on June 1, 1882: "I.C. Reeves is preparing plans for a new dwelling house which he expects to build this season." On July 13, 1882, the newspaper confirmed the plans: "I.C. Reeves of Salem will build a brick residence this season." Construction was under way in October: "John Rukgaber, of Mt. Pleasant, is furnishing the cut stone for I. C. Reeves' new brick dwelling, the front of which, by the way, is to be of pressed brick, which has a surface as smooth as glass" ("Salem Scratches," *Mt. Pleasant Journal*, October 12, 1882, 5). The *Mt. Pleasant Journal* reported on March 8, 1883 that "The beautiful residence of Mr. I. C. Reeves is rapidly approaching completion." Finally, on May 10, 1883, the newspaper noted that "I. C. Reeves now occupies his new and handsome house." A postcard image of the house shows the appearance shortly after completion (Figures 6, 7). Trees were planted on the lot, and an iron fence stretched along the front of the property.

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Though the newspaper articles do not note the source of the brick or the mason involved in the construction, a brick on the wall with the front entry bears the stamp of "Reichelt Bros." Likewise, a brick on the wall perpendicular to the front entry is place upside down with handwritten etching of "Mrs. Katharina Riechelt." Thus, the brick appears to have been obtained from the pressed brick and tile works of the Reichelt Brothers near Fort Madison. John Reichelt emigrated from Germany to Fort Madison in 1856 and started the brick works. His sons continued the business after his death in 1876. They invented the Reichelt Rotary Press to fabricate pressed bricks (Prescott 1940: 3; Sloat 1987: 56). Julius Reichelt married Katharina Wiesing in 1882. He was the sole owner of the Reichelt Pressed Brick and Tile Works by 1906. At the time, the company produced 10,000 brick and 5,000 feet of tile annually using Reichelt's Rotary pressed brick machines, which had been patented and sold across the country (*Fort Madison Illustrated* 1907: 40). The use of these brick would have required transporting them about 30 miles from Fort Madison in Lee County. The choice for pressed brick further reflects the decision of Isaac Reeves to construct a substantial, modern house that reflected his standing in the community.

The Reeves family lived in this house through the remainder of the 1880s, and Isaac continued to occupy a significant role in the business and local history of Salem. The 1885 Iowa census lists the family in their new house on W. Main Street (now Main Street). The household includes Isaac C. Reeves (age 49, druggist), wife Agnes S. (age 41), and children Fannie B., age 19, music teacher; Jennie M, age 18; David E., age 16; Harry J., age 14; and Herbert, age 12. The drug store of Isaac Reeves was among the buildings on the west side of the square that burned on June 2, 1886. His loss was estimated at \$5,000. He had been in business for 21 years in Salem, and he only saved a small remnant of stock. He became a leader in the efforts to rebuild Salem and restore the business district. He was the first to clear his site and planned a new brick building that would be 70 feet by 20 feet ("The Salem Fire," *Mount Pleasant Free Press*, June 10, 1886, 3). The *Mt. Pleasant Journal* noted on June 17 that I.C. Reeves was the first to start rebuilding in order to return to business as soon as possible. By July 15, the *Mount Pleasant Free Press* reported that he had made "a very perceptible beginning" on his building ("Salem Items," *Mount Pleasant Free Press*, July 15, 1886, 3). This building is not extant.

Isaac and Agnes Reeves moved to Keokuk in 1891, and they sold this house. The reason for the move is unknown. Isaac opened a drug store in Keokuk upon his arrival. He retired from the business in 1914 as he began to have health issues, after working in the business for almost 50 years. Over the years, he had also owned flour mills at Salem and Donnellson, as well as a hotel in Salem. He died at his residence at 112 N. Second Street in Keokuk on August 20, 1915, and he was buried with his parents in Salem. He was survived by their five children: Mrs. W.W. Fisher of Omaha, Mrs. Frank Price of Mt. Pleasant, David E. Reeves of Keokuk, Harry J. Reeves of Keokuk, and Bert Reeves of Omaha ("Isaac C. Reeves Died Here Today," *Keokuk Daily Gate City*, August 20, 1915). The funeral had a large attendance at the Congregational Church, and the Masons conducted rites at the cemetery, as he was the oldest Mason in the Salem lodge ("Reeves Funeral Held at Salem," *Keokuk Daily Gate City*, August 23, 1915). Agnes F. Reeves died on May 28, 1931 at her daughter's home in Mt. Pleasant, and she was also buried in Salem ("Mrs. Agnes F. Reeves," *Salem News*, June 4, 1931).

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History associated with the Clawson and Masden families

The Reeves family sold this property (Lots 5-8, Block 17) to Moses F. Clawson in 1892 for \$4,000 (Figure 8). The 1880 census lists M.F. Clawson as a 58-year-old farmer in Jackson Township, and this move into Salem occurred as he retired from farming and fought health issues. Moses only lived here briefly before dying from cancer on December 24, 1893. He was noted as a pioneer and highly respected citizen, whose farm buildings three miles southeast of Salem stood as a monument of his life's work ("Obituary," *Salem Weekly News*, January 12, 1893, 1; *Salem Weekly News*, January 5, 1893, 1). Amelia (Groosebeck) Clawson continued to live in this house until her death in 1911. The 1910 census lists Amelia Clawson (age 78, widow) on W. Main Street in Salem. The household includes her niece Sarah A. Frost (age 59) and Sarah's husband Frederick Frost (age 65) and daughter Alice (age 17). Amelia Clawson suffered a stroke in December 1910, and she died in the following April. She was one of "Salem's oldest and best known women" and an active member of the Congregational Church ("Amelia Clauson Dies at Salem," *Mt. Pleasant Weekly News*, April 12, 1911).

This property (Lots 6, 7, 8, Block 17) was sold to sisters Emma (Emily), Mary, and M. Belle Masden for \$3,700 in March 1912. The sisters were three of the four daughters and two sons of James Masden living at the time of his death on February 6, 1891. The Jackson Township farmer spent a few years in the 1850s mining for gold in California with his family ("Masden," *Salem News*, February 12, 1891). Their sister Sarah married Alfred Poulter and lived on a farm west of Salem. Businesses in Salem in 1896 included the millinery store of Mary and Emma Masden, as well as another run by Carrie Saint. They lived with their mother per the 1900 census. The sisters operated in the one-story brick building at 113 S. Main Street from 1901 to 1924 (SHBC 1996: 34, 48). It appears that they previously lived at 301 E. Jackson (owned from 1898 to 1912), and the 1910 census lists Emily (age 54, milliner) and Mary (age 48, milliner) there. Despite local history that indicates that Mary and M. Belle operated a millinery business at the time, the 1915 Iowa census does not list an occupation for any of the three sisters living in this house. The census includes Emma (age 60), Mary (age 52), and M. Belle (age 38). Each of the sisters had attended four years of college, and they were members of the Congregational Church. Their one-third interest in the house was valued at \$1,000. The 1917 map of Salem shows the unchanged boundaries of this property and surrounding town (Figure 9). Emily (Emma) died in Salem in October 1917. She was an enthusiastic and successful teacher for a number of years in rural schools of county. After retiring due to health problems, she was a home-keeper for brother Ed and sisters Mary and Belle. She was a lover of good books and active member of the Congregational Church ("Obituary," *Salem News*, October 4, 1917).

Mary and Belle continued to live in this house through the 1920s, and they were joined by brother Edward. A photograph appears to have been taken of the three siblings in front of the house around 1920 (Figure 10). The house appears virtually unchanged from the earlier photograph, and the trees had grown significantly. The 1920 census lists Edward Masden (age 63, widower, farmer) as the head of a household including Mary (age 57, no occupation), and Belle (age 43, retired milliner). All interest in the property transferred from Mary to M. Belle Masden on April 20, 1921. The 1925 census then lists M. Belle Masden (age 52) as the owner of the property, valued at \$4,000. The household includes Ed M. (age 70) and sister Mary (age 62). On April 29, 1926, Belle transferred half of the interest in the property back to Mary. On October 15, 1925, Edward Masden died, having lived in Salem nearly his entire life. His sisters Mary and Belle, brother Will, and nieces Florence and Versa Poulter survived him ("Edward M. Masden," *Salem Weekly News*, October 22, 1925, 1). Mary and M. Belle

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Masden continued to live in this house until their deaths on July 12, 1929. Mary retired as a milliner in 1927 to care for Belle, who was in failing health (SHBC 1996: 172; "Bell Masden – Mary Masden," clipping, believed to be *Salem News*, July 18, 1929, Lewelling House collection). Mary found her sister Belle dead in bed on the morning of July 12, 1929. Mary was then found dead on the couch later in the evening. The sisters were born on the family farm two miles southeast of Salem. Mary died at age 67, and Belle died at age 57. Mary had worked as a milliner since she moved into Salem until she retired in 1927 to care for her sister. They were members of the Friends church ("Bell Masden – Mary Masden," clipping, believed to be *Salem News*, July 18, 1929).

Later history of the property

On September 17, 1935, William C. Savage bought the property from the estates of Mary and Belle Masden (Henry County Deed Book 175: 370-71). He was a large property owner with a farm west of Salem. He was associated with the Farmers Savings Bank, serving as president and largest stockholder at the time that it closed in 1933 ("Our Only Bank Closed," *Salem Weekly News*, August 31, 1933, 1). The 1930 census lists William C. Savage as a 59-year-old farmer living with wife Olive (age 56) and three children. He used this house as a rental property. A number of people lived here in the 1930s and 1940s. Notably, Dr. O.E. Holmes lived and practiced out of the house in the late 1930s (SHBC 1996: 70).

William C. Savage sold the property to Robert Earl (Shorty) Mogel on March 17, 1947. Shorty was 59 years old when he purchased the property. He appears to have been retired from farming when he moved into this house. He never married, and he died on July 17, 1958. He was survived by six sisters ("Robert E. Mogel Taken By Death," *Mt. Pleasant News*, July 18, 1958, 1; HCBC 1982: 334).

Justin and Maud Collatt bought the house from the estate of R.E. Mogel on October 15, 1959. Justin entered the hardware business of his father, John Collatt, in the 1920s. He married Maud, his second wife, in 1951. Justin was 61 and Maud was 57 when they purchased this house. They are also listed as running a restaurant in the same building as the hardware store at 115 S. Main from 1963 to 1964 (SHBC 1996: 47). Justin K. Collatt died on November 23, 1968 at age 70. His obituary notes that he was employed for many years at the Mental Health Institute ("Justin K. Collatt," *Salem News*, November 28, 1968). Maud later died in Illinois in 1981.

Maude Collatt sold the property to John F. and SunOk Kramer on August 21, 1970. The property remains in the Kramer family today. John sold the property to his brother Tony in 1978. Tony completed a number of projects on the property for maintenance and improvement. He sold the property to his parents Maurice and Rosalene (Rosie) Kramer in January 1988. They also completed several projects on the house, including the reconstruction of the front porch (Figures 11-14). Rosie continues to live here and own the property. Her son Charles and wife Teresa have been contract holders on the property since 2004. They also live in the house. They plan to continue to retain the house in the family and use it as a residence.

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UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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organization SPARK Consulting date August 2, 2010

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

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A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs: Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

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Property Owner

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10. Geographical Data

Verbal boundary description

The boundary for the property is lots 6, 7, and 8 in block 17 of the original town of Salem, the current parcel associated with the house. The property measures 141 feet by 223 feet and includes roughly .72 acres. The boundary is depicted on Figure 2 (page 16).

Boundary justification

The boundary for the property includes the land currently associated with the Isaac and Agnes Reeves House and the majority of the land historically associated with the house, with the exception of lot 5 at the west end that was sold separately in the early 1900s.

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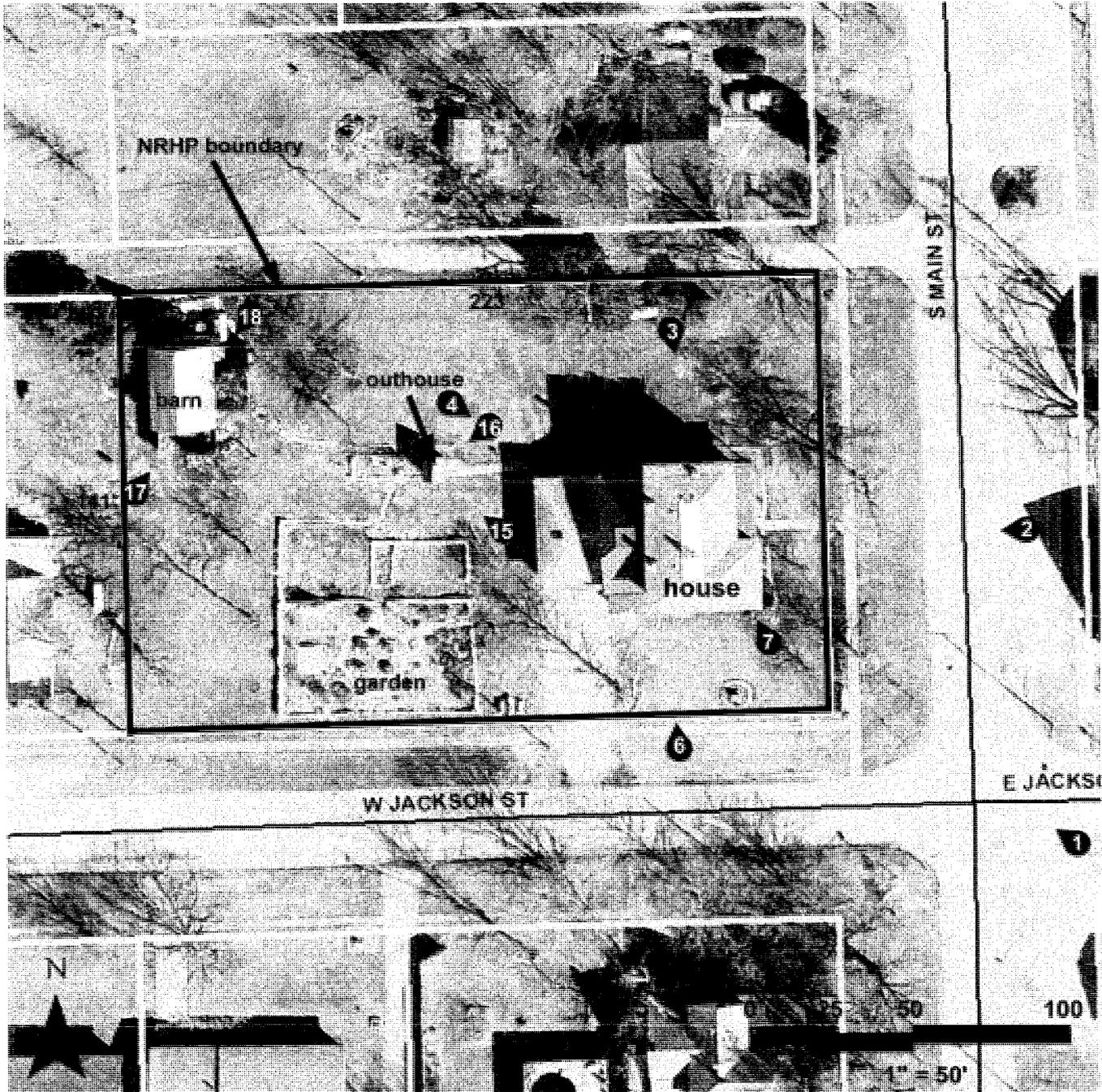
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1. Setting of the Reeves property, camera looking northwest.
2. East elevation of house, camera looking west.
3. North elevation of house, camera looking south.
4. West elevation and rear sections of house, camera looking southeast.
5. West elevation of original rear section of house, camera looking northeast.
6. South elevation of house, camera looking north.
7. Detail of bracket, window hood, and frieze on southeast corner of house, camera looking northwest.
8. Entry hall (1A), camera looking east.
9. Parlor (1B), camera looking northeast.
10. Parlor (1D), camera looking south.
11. Dining room (1H), camera looking northeast.
12. Second story hall (2A), camera looking east.
13. Bedroom (2B), camera looking southeast.
14. Cistern under basement stairs (1J), camera looking west.
15. Outbuildings behind house, camera looking northwest.
16. Outhouse, camera looking southwest.
17. Barn, camera looking northeast.
18. Barn, camera looking southwest.

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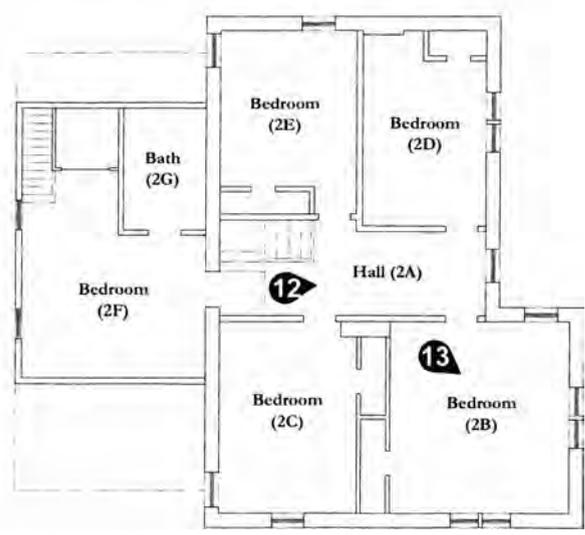
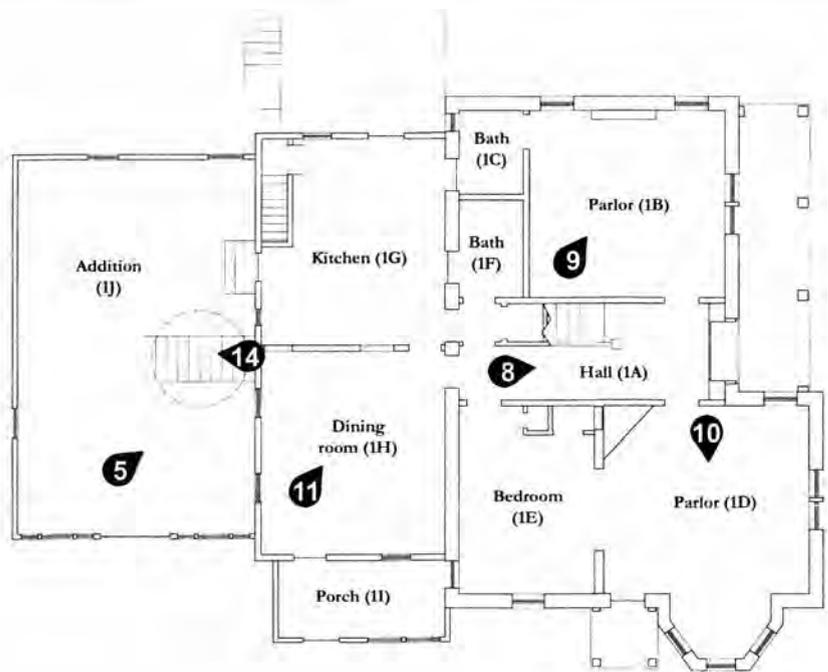


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Photograph key - interior
Isaac and Agnes Reeves House
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Photograph key - interior

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Location map (Figure 1)



(2008 aerial photograph courtesy of Planning Department, Henry County, Iowa)

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Site plan (Figure 2)



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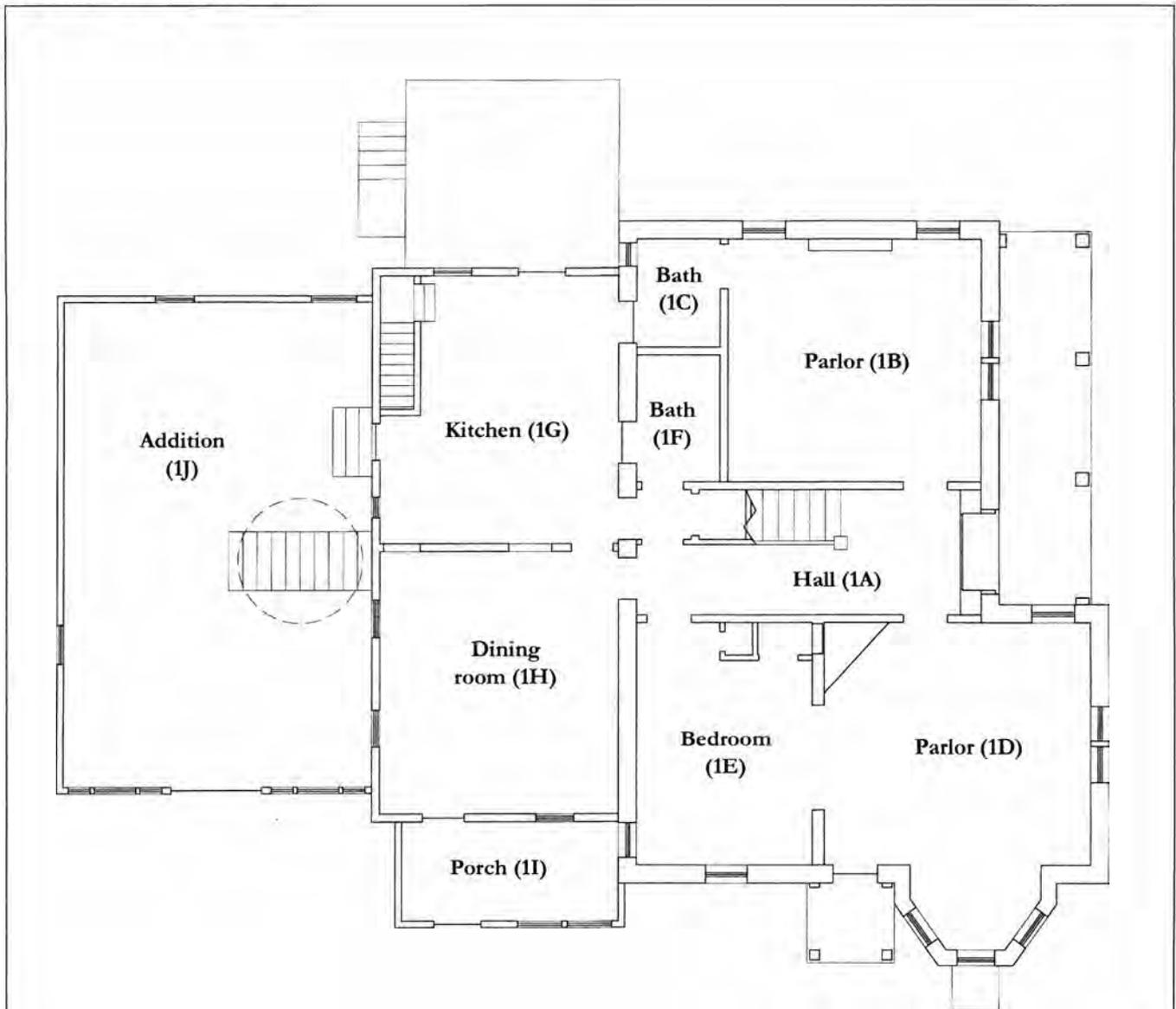
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First story plan (Figure 3)



First story
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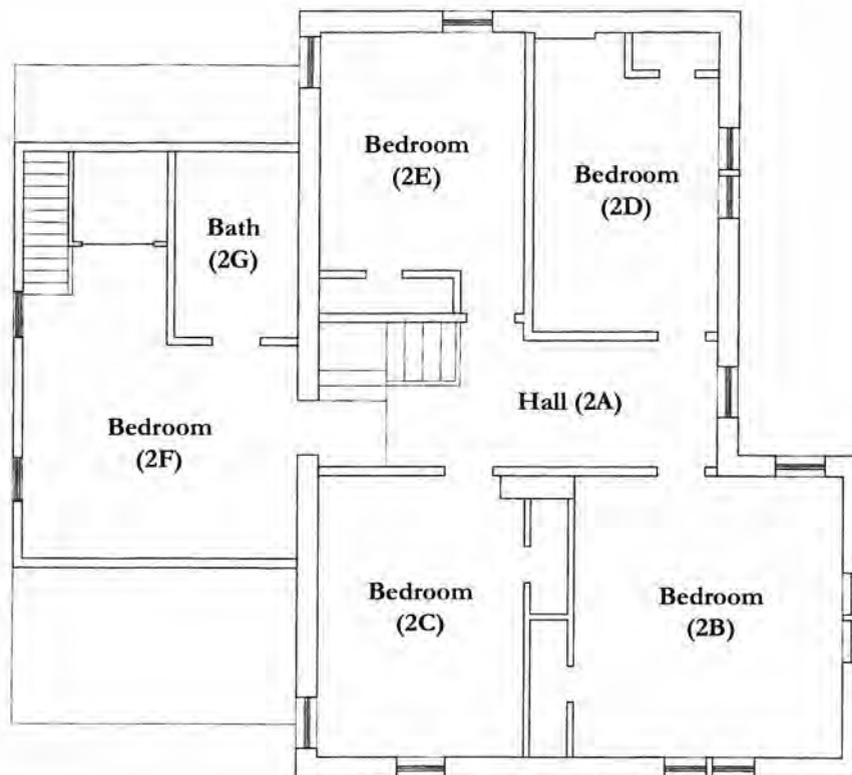


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Second story plan (Figure 4)



Second story
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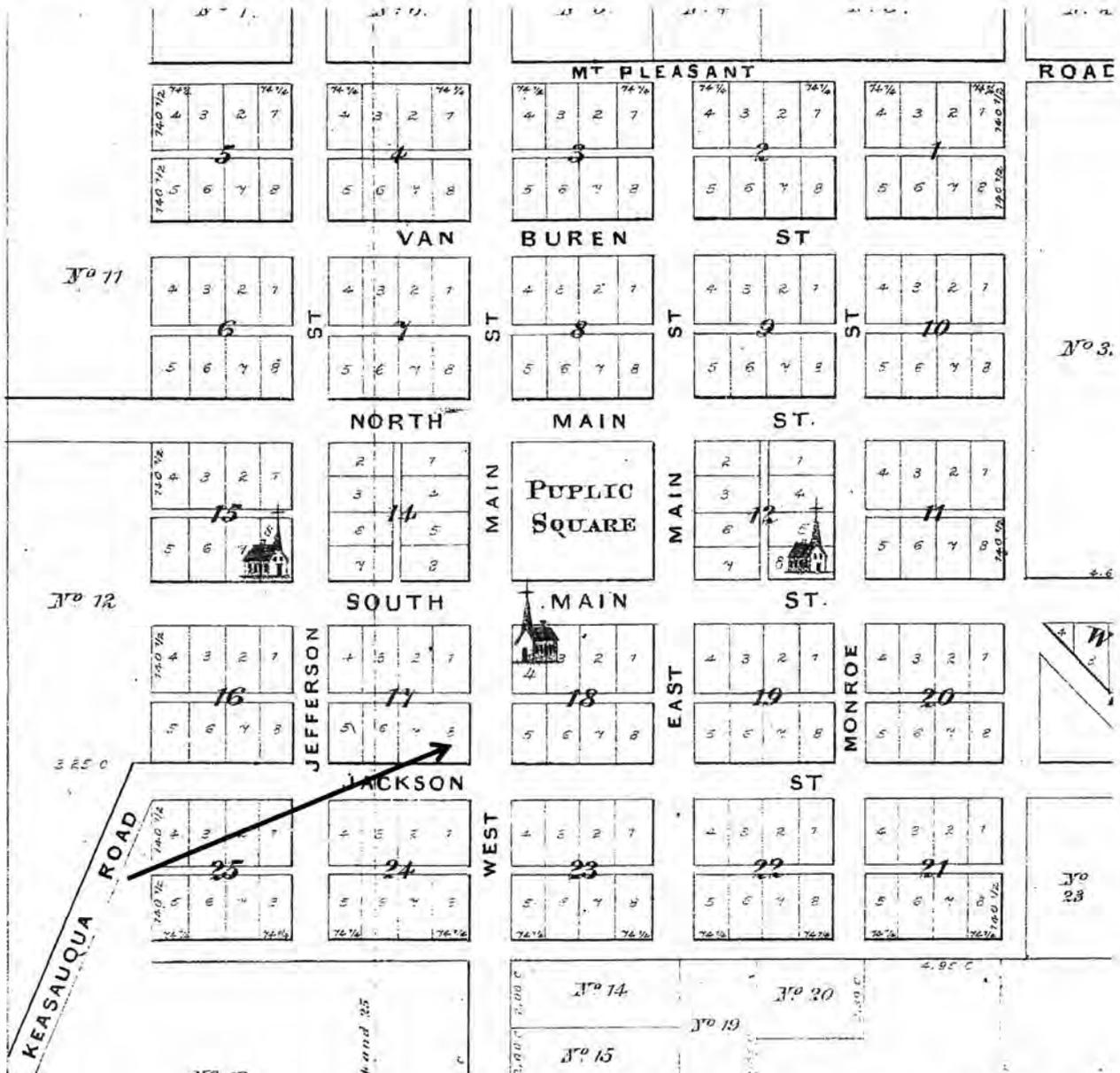


Figure 5. Salem in 1870, with property location indicated (Thompson and Everts 1870: 25).

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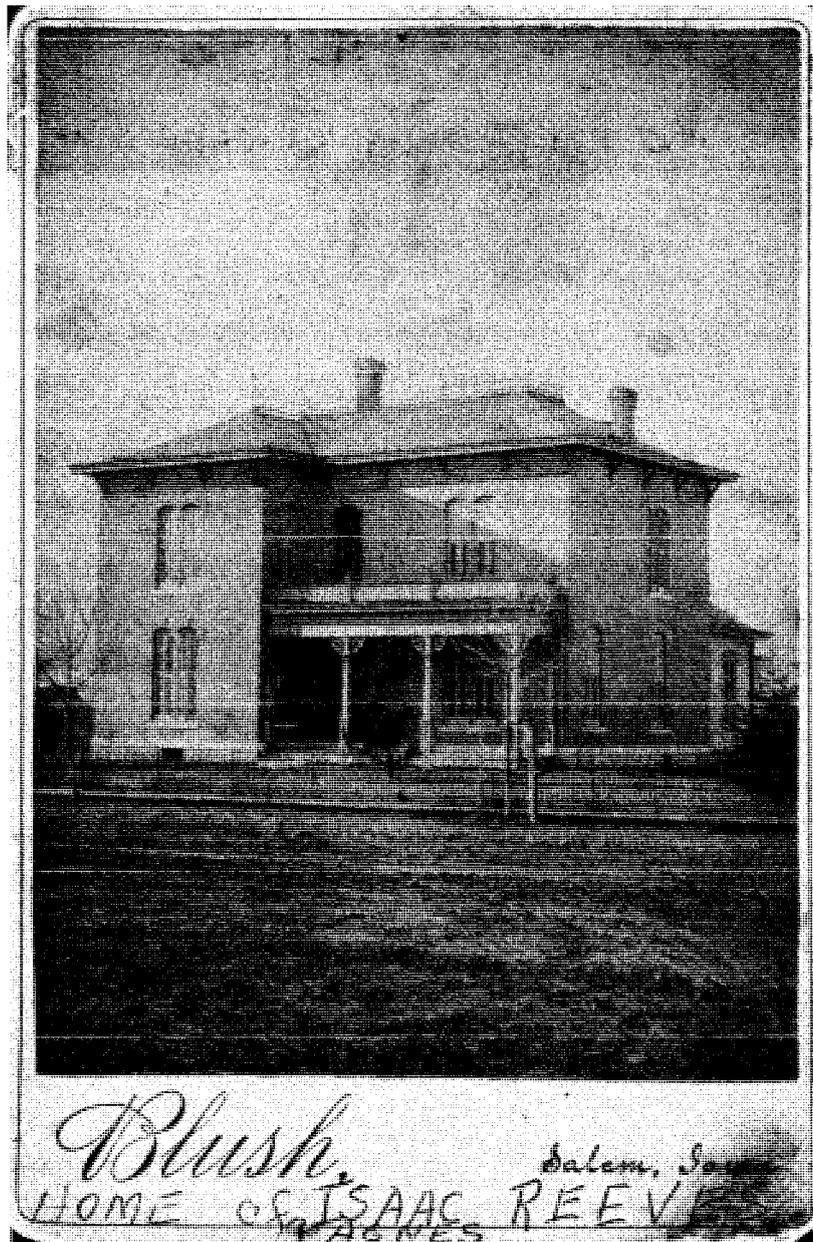


Figure 6. Postcard of the home of Isaac and Agnes Reeves, c.1880s (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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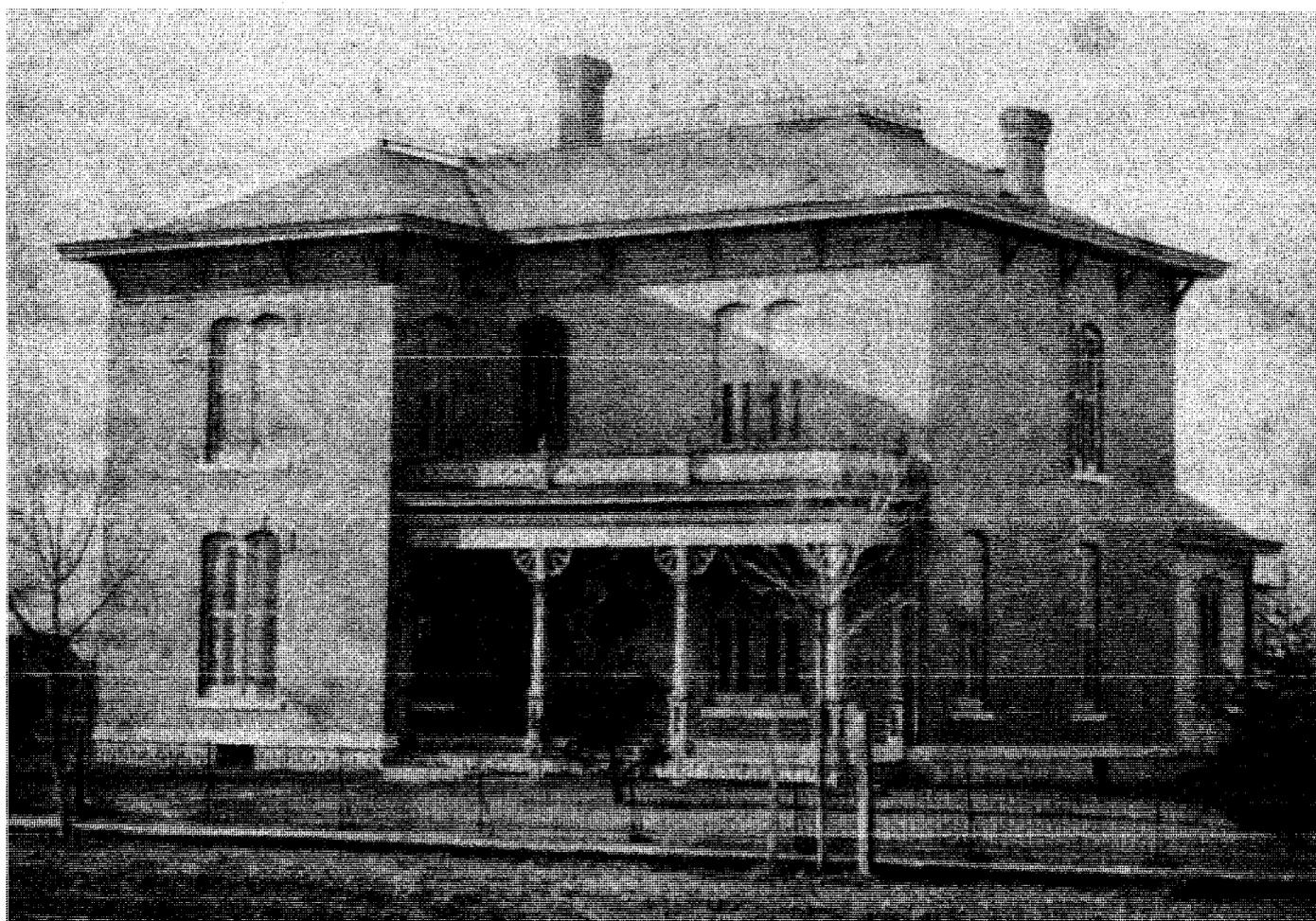
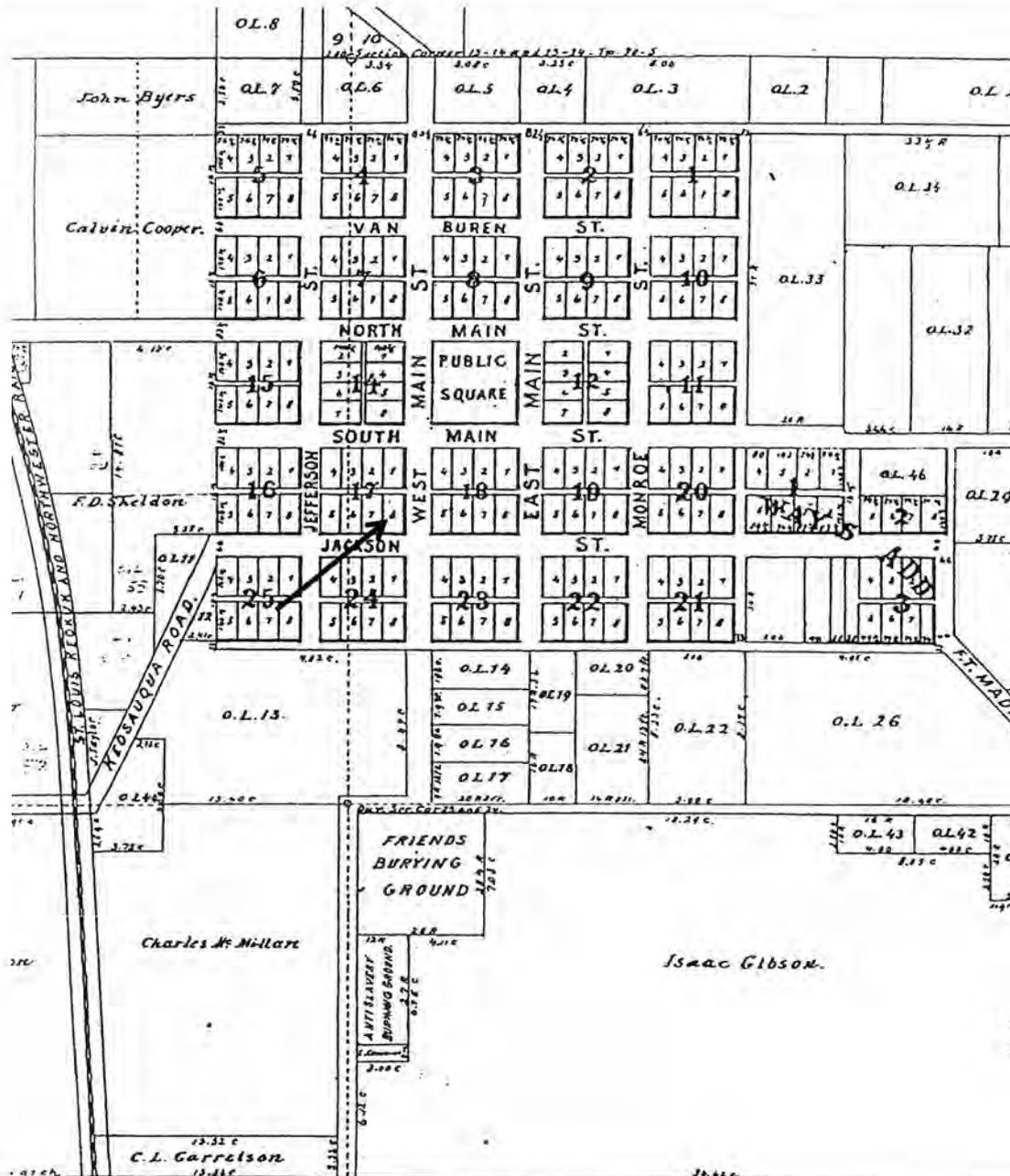


Figure 7. Enlarged and cropped image from postcard, c.1880s (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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Figure 8. 1895 atlas of Salem, with property indicated (Brooks & Whiting 1895: 11).

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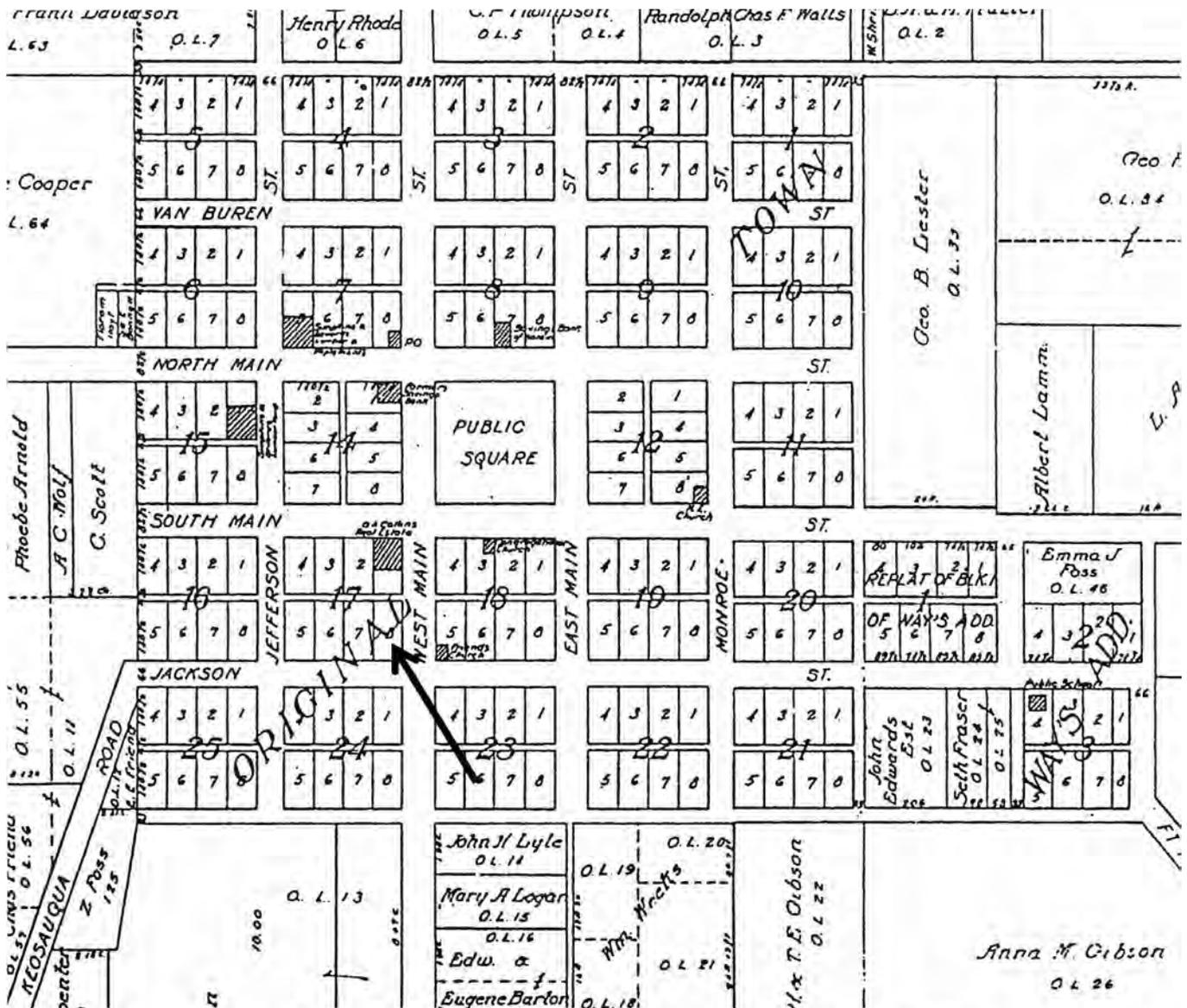


Figure 9. Map of Salem in 1917, with property indicated (Ogle 1917: 29).

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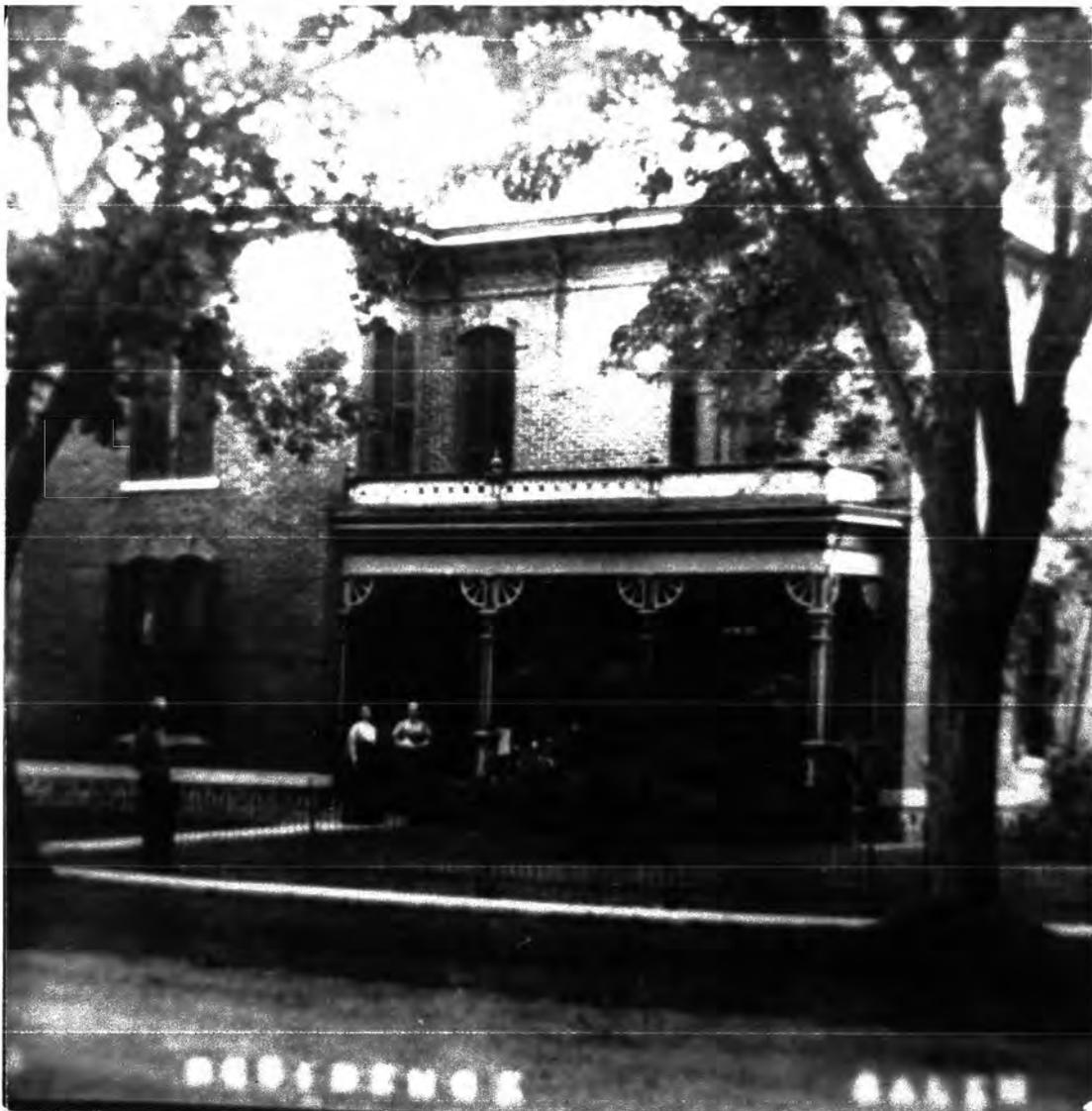


Figure 10. Snapshot of the house, c.1920 (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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Figure 11. Outhouse and barn in 1988, with original porch column used as roof support for outhouse (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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Figure 12. Reconstruction of front porch in 1988 (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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Figure 13. House in 1989 after porch reconstruction (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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Figure 14. North elevation of rear kitchen/dining section in 1989 (Rosalene Kramer collection, Salem).

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Figure 15. Marked brick on the east side of the Reeves House (McCarley 2010).

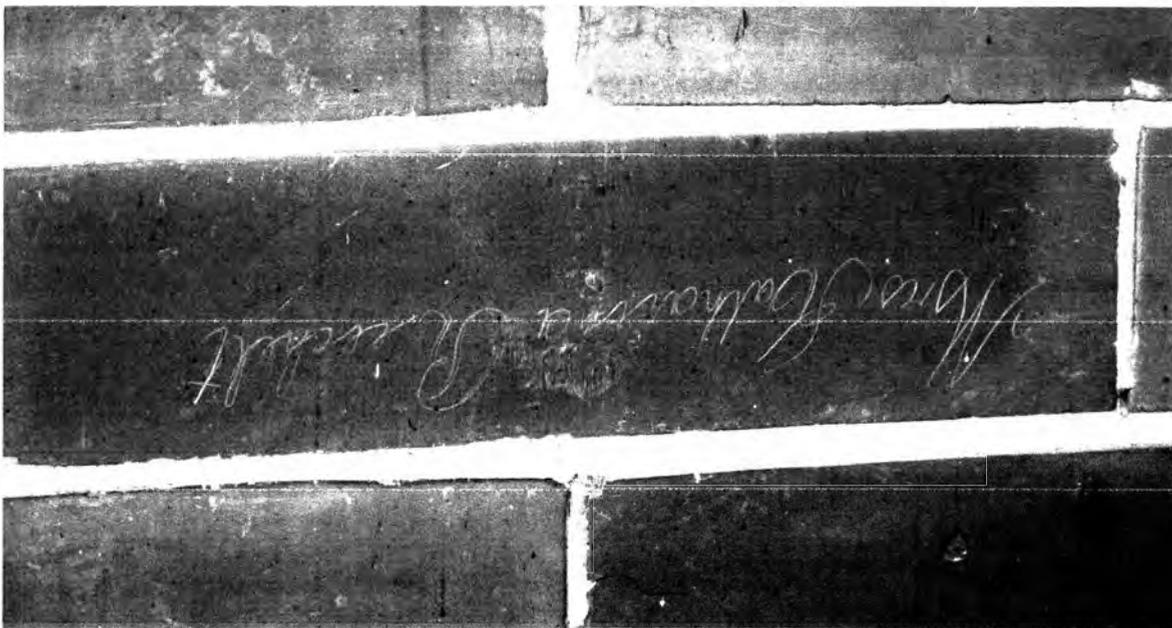


Figure 16. Marked brick on the north wall of porch on east side of the Reeves House (McCarley 2010).

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

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STATE & COUNTY: IOWA, Henry

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Reeves House and Outbuildings, Salem, Henry County, Iowa. Photo 5



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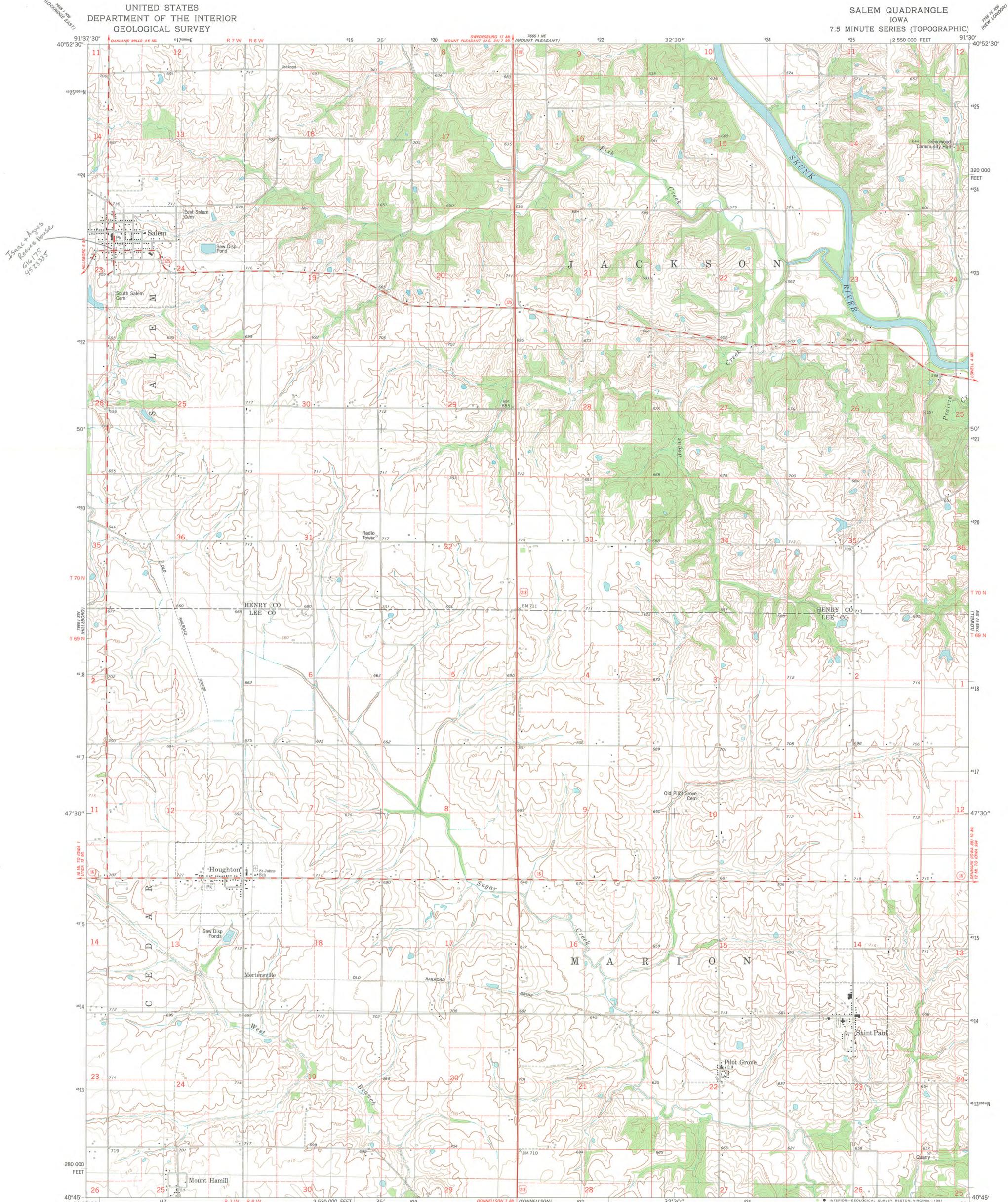
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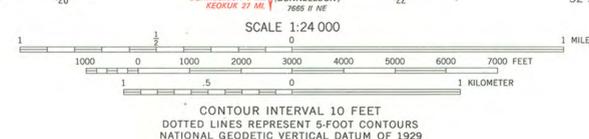


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September 8, 2010

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Dear Ms. Shull:

The following National Register nomination(s) are enclosed for your review and listed if acceptable.

Collins-Bond House, 402 S. Main Street, Salem, Henry County, Iowa
Wilson, Paton and Hannah, House, 1360 280th Street, Salem, Henry County, Iowa
Reeves, Isaac and Agnes (Bell), House, 209 S. Main Street, Salem, Henry County, Iowa

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth Foster Hill".

Elizabeth Foster Hill
Tax Incentive Programs Manager/
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