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#### SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS 1 NAME HISTORIC Bevington, C.D. House and Stone Barn LOCATION STREET & NUMBER 805 S. 2nd Ave. NOT FOR PUBLICATION CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Winterset VICINITY OF STATE CODE COUNTY CODE Iowa Madison CLASSIFICATION **CATEGORY OWNERSHIP STATUS PRESENT USE** \_DISTRICT \_\_PUBLIC X\_OCCUPIED \_\_\_AGRICULTURE \_\_MUSEUM \_XBUILDING(S) X PRIVATE \_UNOCCUPIED \_\_COMMERCIAL \_\_PARK \_\_STRUCTURE \_вотн \_WORK IN PROGRESS \_\_EDUCATIONAL XPRIVATE RESIDENCE \_\_SITE **PUBLIC ACQUISITION ACCESSIBLE** \_\_ENTERTAINMENT \_\_RELIGIOUS X\_YES: RESTRICTED ...OBJECT \_\_IN PROCESS \_\_GOVERNMENT \_\_SCIENTIFIC $\stackrel{-}{\underline{\times}}$ Yes: Unrestricted \_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED \_\_INDUSTRIAL \_\_TRANSPORTATION \_\_MILITARY Xотневf barn used for storage OWNER OF PROPERTY House: Mrs. June Kaser; Barn: Madison Co. Historical Society STREET & NUMBER 805 S. 2nd Ave. 515 W. Fremont CITY, TOWN STATE **VICINITY OF** Winterset Towa LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Madison County Courthouse - Recorder's Office STREET & NUMBER City Square CITY, TOWN STATE Winterset REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS TITLE DATE \_\_FEDERAL \_\_STATE \_\_COUNTY \_\_LOCAL DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS



\_EXCELLENT

XGOOD (house)

XFAIR (barn)

#### CONDITION

\_\_DETERIORATED

\_\_UNEXPOSED

### **CHECK ONE**

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\_XUNALTERED (barn)
\_XALTERED (house)

\_XORIGINAL SITE

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

House: This steeply-gabled, 2-1/2 story red brick house, built in 1856, is in the vernacular Gothic style. A slightly different shade of brick on the attic story and the sharp contrast between Gothic windows at the attic level and the Greek Revival window form of the first and second stories, suggest that the attic level may have been a later addition. However, the informality of the plan is in keeping with the overall Gothic character of the structure.

Two porches appear to be later, turn-of-the-century additions. The front entrance porch on the northeast is supported by stone pillars. A west entrance porch was added in later years, when a south addition to the house was built, which has wooden columns on brick pedestals. The foundation is native limestone quarried in the area. The original wood shingle roof has been covered with green asphalt shingles. Eaves are embellished with Gothic bargeboards. Windows on the front, east and west sides are flanked by strips of red glass, upstairs and down. General appearance, basically, is the same as when built.

There are nine rooms in the interior, all with the high ceilings characteristic of the period. There is an entrance hall on the north with an open stairway to the second floor. Windows inside have wood panels below. All woodwork is native walnut, floors native oak, all taken from the property which in early days was a large farm with much timber.

The house has been altered only slightly, in order to conform with modern living standards.

Barn: The 43' x 46' barn is constructed of coursed rubble limestone, with the blocks at the corners being of a larger size than those used in the bulk of the building. The supporting beams and other structural wood are of native walnut. Three doorways are on the south side at ground level, and there are two smaller window openings and door to the hay loft whose lintel is located close beneath the eaves of the hipped, wood-shingled roof. The window and door frames, of native wood, are now in need of repair. An original leanto extends the length of the north side, and is covered in vertical board siding.

Two horse stalls and an area with stanchions fill the lower part of the barn; a hay loft is above.

A retaining wall has been placed along the south and west sides to support the foundation. Cracks appear between stones in many places, but walls seem to be near plumb. Restoration plans include the replacement of missing stone, window and door frames. Native lumber from a dismantled building on the premises will be used where possible.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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SPECIFIC DATES

1856

BUILDER/ARCHITEGE C.D. Bevington

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Bevington House and Barn were built in 1856 by C.D. Bevington. He first passed through the Winterset area in 1849, on the way to the California gold fields. He was impressed by the area, and, following a successful accumulation of wealth, returned in 1853 to buy land in Winterset. He was a non-practicing pharmacist who chose to work as a real estate agent and farmer.

The barn, presently owned by the Madison County Historical Society, is noteworthy for the competent use of native materials in its construction. The house is at present privately owned, but is expected to be donated to the Historical Society for use as a period museum.

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interviews with Mrs. June Kaser, present owner of the Bevington House, whose information wame from the daughter of C.D. Bevington.

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