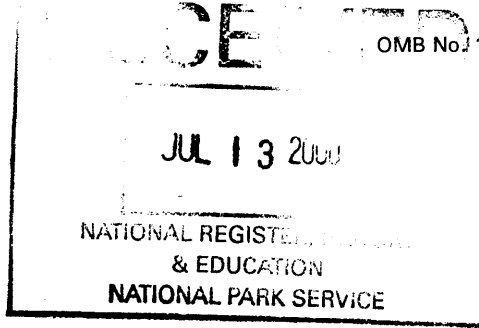
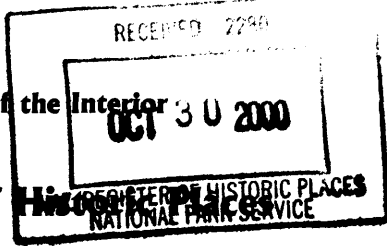


United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service



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National Register of Historic Places  
Registration 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 an 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 Veneman's Bungalow Court Historic District

other names/site number Droukas Court

2. Location

street & number 1101-1115 Droukas Court, 1228, 1232 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street [N/A] not for publication

city or town Des Moines [N/A] vicinity

state Iowa code IA county Polk code 153 zip code 50316

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this [ ] 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 [ ] meets [ ] does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant [ ] nationally [ ] statewide [ ] locally. ( [ ] see continuation sheet for additional comments).

Patricia Ollerking 7-10-00  
Signature of certifying official/Title 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 certifying official/Title Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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:)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Sandra McClelland

11/24/00

**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 the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
11	0	buildings
1		sites
		structures
		objects
12	0	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)  
Des Moines Residential Growth And Development, 1900-1942; The Bungalow and Square House

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**  
0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)  
Domestic/Single Dwelling

**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)  
Domestic/Single Dwelling

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)  
Late 19<sup>th</sup> & Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century American Movements/bungalow

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)  
foundation brick  
walls metal/aluminum  
synthetics/vinyl  
roof asphalt  
other

**Narrative Description**

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

**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 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)

Community Planning and Development

Architecture

**Period of Significance**

1924-26

**Significant Dates**

1924-26

**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

Veneman, Vernon and Eva

**Primary location of additional data:**

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

Name of repository:

City of Des Moines

Veneman's Bungalow Court Historic District  
Name of Property

Polk County, Iowa  
County and State

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than one acre

### UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1 [115] [4141921610] [416101514210]  
Zone Easting Northing

2 [115] [4141921610] [4161015141610]  
Zone Easting Northing

3 [115] [41419161410] [4161015141310]

4 [115] [41419161410] [4161015141210]

[ ] 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

name/title James E. Jacobsen

organization History Pays! Historic Preservation Consulting Firm date June 20, 2000

street & number 4411 Ingersoll Avenue telephone 515-274-325

city or town Des Moines state IA zip code 50312

### Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the complete form:

### Continuation Sheets

#### Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

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

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

### Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name George and Bertha Archer

street & number 695 NW 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue telephone 515-280-8804

city or town Saylor Township, Polk County state Iowa zip code 50313

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## 7. Narrative Description:

### Summary Statement:

This is the latest of three bungalow courts which were constructed in Des Moines during the period of popularity of the bungalow. Lincoln Court "half bungalow" was built in 1915 and consisted of 11 bungalows of varying design arranged on the west side of a long entry drive with cul-de-sac turn-about. Goddard Court (1916) arranged ten bungalows around a cul-de-sac central drive. Veneman's court dates to 1924-26 and reflected a completely different layout. The central road access was transformed into greenspace and walkways. Auto access was relegated to the perimeters of the court with alleyways set behind the two ranks of bungalows and an array of garage units were aligned along the west (rear) end of the court. This design both recognized the importance of the automobile yet it de-emphasized the automobile's role by shunting it out of sight. The original "California bungalow court" idea consisted of a cul-de-sac circular drive that was surrounded by usually detached bungalows. The high-density concept was developed in response to the high cost and limited supply of level land in the Southern California urban centers.

Lincoln Court is located south of Grand Avenue at 31<sup>st</sup> Street, on the west side of the Des Moines River. Goddard court is also located just north of University Avenue, a major arterial route, and is two miles west of Veneman's Court. It too is west of the river. Lincoln Court has lost its historical appearance due to the encroachment of non-residential land uses and many of its bungalows have been demolished.

### Physical Description:

Two ranks of bungalows are closely set behind two larger "gateway" bungalows that face onto E. 12th Street. Each rank of houses shares its own design, those to the north having combination porch and main roofs with offset front porches, those on the south having separate centered porch roofs.

The southern rank of bungalows, save for the easternmost one at 1228 East 12th, predates those to the north. The original east-west drive connecting to East 12th Street to the east probably ran in front of these houses. The brick foundations are composed of a purple hard-fired brick. The newer houses have foundations of brown rug brick.

The site while flat, descends toward the west and the house foundations rise accordingly to keep the houses all on the same level. The westernmost houses have a raised foundation of four to five feet in height. The bungalow court consists of a rectangular area, defined by two east-west running sidewalks. A north-south running walk links these between the last two houses in each rank. A raised concrete retaining wall terminates the end of the grassed area, and a row of bushes further defines the west end of the court.

Rear driveways run behind and around the perimeter of the court. These exit onto East 12th Street north of 1232 and south of 1228 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street. Originally, long garage sheds were located west of this driveway, opposite the end of the court. Concrete supports for power poles remain between the rear wall line of the southern rank of houses. Today, power reached the houses via a row of poles that follow the centerline of the courtyard. The brick two story apartment flat (1236-38 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street, 1913), located on the north front of the property has always been associated with this court and is included in the larger parcel which is and always has been under a single ownership. It is however excluded from this district because it pre-dates the court development and is unrelated architecturally to it.

The district consists of 11 bungalows and the court plat itself is also counted as a contributing property for the purposes of the district nomination.

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## Property Types:

Section F of the multiple property document defines the bungalow and square house property types and the same subtype categories are employed in this district nomination. The same document defines the district property type. This district meets the criteria of that property type because it is residential in its makeup, it is comprised of detached single family houses and the square house and bungalow types, and in this case it comprises a large part of the same residential plat.

The district's historical significance is based upon the collective and strongly concentrated assemblage of bungalow cottages and square houses. The descriptive analysis of particular cottage and house subtypes is intended to describe this collective grouping. The particular mix of subtypes is illustrative of the early range of cottage and house type plans which typified pre-World War I residential construction in Des Moines. The district examples elaborate upon the multiple property documentation form's general typology but do not individually support the district significance.



1228 (left) and 1232 (right) East 12<sup>th</sup> Street, view to southeast, Court Entrance  
(photo by James Jacobsen, December 7, 1999)

The house at 1232 East 12th serves as the office and point of entry to the court, as evidenced by the unique open south-facing second story walkout balcony and dormer. Rows of windows nearly cover the southern face of this house. Its brickwork matches the later bungalows although it is known that this house was the oldest on the lot. This residence pre-dates 1917 and the Veneman ownership. It is not a bungalow given the high profile of the gable front and the presence of an attic window. It is best classified as a gable front vernacular cottage type. However, the south side of the plan definitely is bungalow and Craftsman Style (see photo below).



South side detail, 1232 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street, view to northwest  
(photo by James Jacobsen, December 7, 1999)

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The detailing on 1232 East 12<sup>th</sup> is bungalow in its design. The upper level porch appears to have functioned as an observatory point, from which all of the apartment units could be properly supervised. The main floor contains 1,064 square feet. The attic contains 585 square feet. There is a 12'x16' rear wing and a 6'x12' southwest corner enclosed porch.

Bungalow Subtype II-C (side gable roof with partial width front porch, offset on frontage): South of the court entrance is 1228 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street. This bungalow has a jerkinhead roof treatment. Built in 1924, its plan measures 32'x23'. This house was the first one built by the Veneman family. There is a three-quarter basement. The front porch measures 10'x7' (see photo above).



Coal chute, 1101 Droukas Court, view south  
(photo by James Jacobsen, December 7, 1999)

Bungalow Subtype I-E (gable front with separate gable roof porch): The nine other bungalows, all constructed in 1924-26, have identical plan dimensions (22'x32', 704 square feet). One of the nine, 1115 Droukas Court, the easternmost of the southern rank of bungalows, has a jerkinhead front roof treatment in lieu of a gable front. The two westernmost southern bungalows substitute a shed roof for the gable form on their porches. The two gable front porches also have varied roof pitches. The southern bungalows have a smaller centered front porch (7'x8', 56 square feet) while the northern ones have a broader gable front porch (16'x7', 112 square feet).

All of the bungalows had coal chutes in their rear walls. Only two of these have not been removed and bricked in (1232 East 12<sup>th</sup> and 1101 Droukas Court). The northern or even numbered bungalows had identical plans as noted. Each house has a broader centered front porch that is nearly as wide as the house. Three square brick piers, three bricks per row, support these. Each house has a centered rear door and stoop and the rear stairway intrudes into the basement headroom to reach the ground level behind the house. Each window pattern is identical. On the facade, a larger picture window and a regular double-hung window flank the centered entrance. On the west wall, two full-size double hung windows flank a shorter one, likely the bathroom window. On the east side wall, a full length window is placed toward the front, a doubled short set, and single short set of windows follow as one moved north. Two full-length windows flank the rear door.



1107 Doukas Court, south bungalow row example, view southwest  
(photo by James Jacobsen, December 7, 1999)

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1112 Droukas Court, north bungalow row example, view northwest  
(photo by James Jacobsen, December 7, 1999)

The southern rank of bungalows also has the centered front porches, but these are shallower and narrower than their northern counterparts. Two corner square (two bricks per row) piers support them. The overall dimensions of these houses match those on the north, being basically a stubby rectangle. The same window pattern, reversed, is found in these houses as well. All of the houses have the same basement window pattern, with two basement windows on each side wall, centered and toward the rear, one side window and the brick coal chute flanking the rear entrance (the chute being to the east on the both ranks of houses). The southern bungalows have the same rear stoops and back doors. All of the houses in the court have been vinyl sided. The second story porch on 1232 East 12th evidences a carboard ceiling, the only observed original material. Foundations are, as noted, of brick.

### Integrity Considerations:

All of the court buildings have been resided with aluminum siding and the garages originally associated with the court have been demolished. Neither of these changes has compromised the integrity of the court. The siding has obscured exposed rafter ends but there is no indication that the bungalows originally had brackets or other Craftsman style detailing. The court, its grounds and the arrangement of the bungalows survive and it is the court assemblage, which is of primary consideration in this nomination. The garages while original to the plan were most likely simply functional shed roof sheds with no stylistic pretensions. Their survival was unlikely. Their original role can still be interpreted by the open parking area on the west end of the court as well as the parallel rear alley approaches to the parking area.



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Property List:

Address:	Site #77-00001	Construction Date	Property Type	Contributing/Non-contributing	Comments:
	77-00001			Contributing	
<b>Droukas Court</b>					
1101	02	9/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to Ringland Veneman, \$3,300.
1103	03	9/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	as above
1104	04	3/26/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to V. V. Veneman, \$2,500
1106	05	3/26/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	as above
1107	06	9/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to Ringland Veneman
1108	07	3/1926	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to V. V. Veneman
1111	08	9/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to Ringland Veneman, 704 square feet
1112	09	3/1926	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to V. V. Veneman
1115	10	9/1924	Bungalow, I-E	yes	Building permit issued to Ringland Veneman
<b>East 12th</b>					
1228	11	9/1924	Bungalow, II-C	yes	Building permit addressed as #1117 This house is of a wider plan with wing, and has a jerkinhead roof, 743 square feet.
1232	12	pre-'17	Cottage	yes	J. B. Veneman improved 11/20 \$100., the windows in this house are Craftsman 3/1 pattern. This house has the only fireplace/chimney, centered on the south side.

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## 8. Significance Statement:

Veneman's Bungalow Court Historic District is one of three distinctly different Des Moines examples of the "California bungalow court" to be found in Des Moines and its construction during 1924-26 illustrates the continued popularity of the bungalow cottage form and the vernacular expressions of that type. The property is significant under Criterion C as the best and only Des Moines example of a post-World War I municipal bungalow court and under Criterion A for its representation of the long-term popularity of the bungalow type. The court is an example of higher-density rental housing development and it reflects alternative efforts to meet housing demand during the prolonged post-war slowdown in house construction. Two of the three bungalow courts are being nominated at this time. The third, Lincoln Court (1916) has completely lost its integrity due to incremental demolition resultant from commercial/institutional encroachment. Goddard's Court (1916) is the third court example and is also included in this multiple property nomination.

The historical context "Transportation's Role in Fostering and Directing Residential Expansion, 1900-1942" applies to this court district because it was successful as a rental complex because of its proximity to streetcar service and the availability of the private automobile. Unlike Goddard Court, which pre-dated the ascendancy of the automobile, Veneman's Court was designed to embrace the auto and nearby off-site parking garages were provided to the tenants. The number of garage stalls argues that most of the tenants had automobiles.

The historical context "The Role of House Design, Construction and Marketing in Fostering and Influencing Des Moines Residential Construction and Expansion, 1900-1942" has application to this district because of the role played by the Veneman family in designing and building a unique bungalow court in Des Moines. It is the only such court model of its type in the city and its use of the bungalow form attests to the persistence of bungalow popularity into the mid-1920's in the city.

This nomination meets the registration requirements of Section F of the accompanying multiple property documentation form (refer to pages 173-76) because the property type is a bungalow court as is defined by that document. The bungalow court is treated in the multiple property document that accompanies this nomination. The court form is important in community planning development because it is thought to have served as the model for the motel/tourist camp complex which became popular following World War I. The high-density development model offered by the court concept is a measure of the broad-based popularity of the bungalow type and its flexible design use in the emergence of new urban housing forms. The court, in the form of the motel, reflects the long-term architectural contribution made by the bungalow.

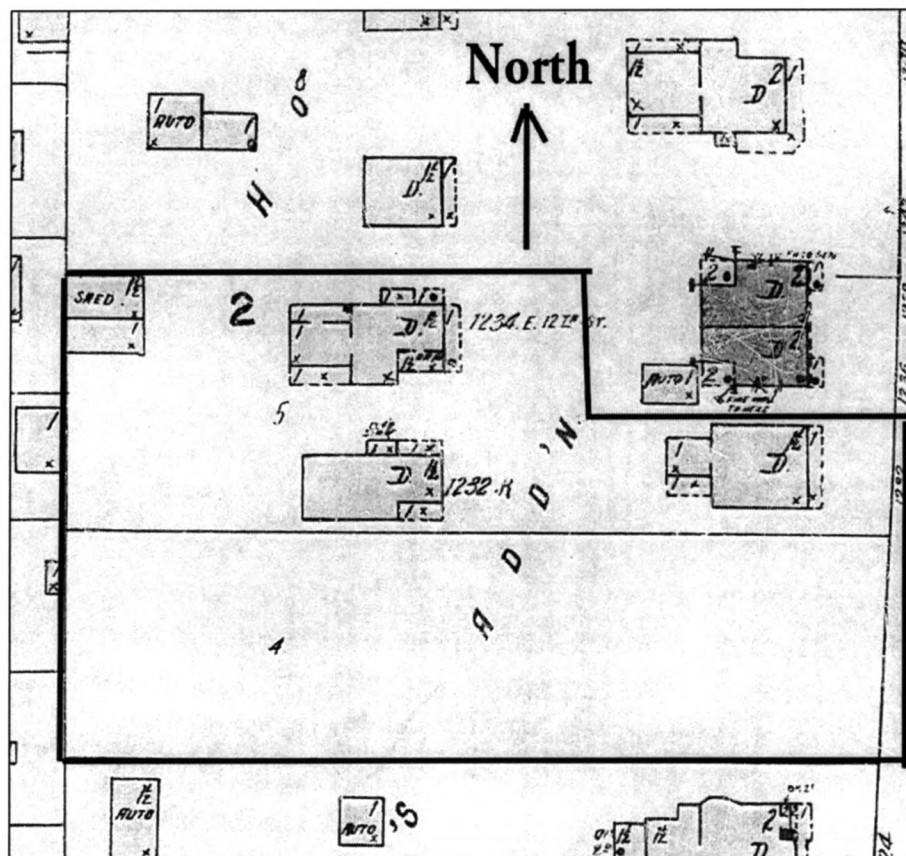
Veneman's Bungalow Court Historic District is significant under Criterion C because it represents the continued popularity of the bungalow type during the post World War I years. The bungalow court was a variant form of the single-family model. While the bungalow court first appeared in the years prior to the First World War, Veneman's is a very belated (1924-26) example of this higher density type of residential development. The court is significant under Criterion A because it represents a successful single ownership, multiple development that played a role in the growth and development of the city. The court form was a nationally popular community court concept that sought to meet a growing housing rental market in a city that was largely devoted to single family housing.

Veneman's Court was a family project and as such merited no local newspaper coverage despite its being the first single parcel interior court plan in the city, one of three documented court examples, the others being Goddard Court and Lincoln Place. As of 1920 (see Sanborn Map excerpt below) a second row of six houses was setback west of East 12th Street and a drive, centered between Lots 4 and 5 provided access to this rear rank of houses. The two southernmost of this row of houses stood on Lot 5, while Lot 4, adjacent to the immediate south, was devoid of any buildings. The present day brick duplex and the bungalow located at 1232 E. 12th fronted that street on the front or east end off Lot 5 John B. Veneman acquired Lot 5 in two parcels in February 1909 from John H. Cash and W. R. Mathews. The odd numbered bungalows, forming the southern rank of houses in the district, were all constructed following the September 23, 1924 issuance of building permits to Ringland Veneman. The even-numbered houses, forming the northern rank of bungalows, were built subsequent to the March 19, 1926 issuance of building permits to V. V. Veneman. The more varied porch treatments on the southern rank of bungalows hints that there was an initial interest in visual variety that waned by the time the northern rank was begun.

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1920 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map  
(Black line denotes district boundary, north arrow added)

Vernon V. and Eva Veneman had purchased Lot 5 from J. B. Veneman in April and August of 1926, preparatory to enlarging the court. Lot 4 similarly went to them in June 1943, being received from Louise Veneman, the widow of J. B. Veneman. She became the owner of Lot 4 in December 1935, receiving it from the District Court. C. W. Whitaker purchased both lots in late October 1948, selling in turn to D. Droukas on May 2, 1954. The court was renamed at that time and retains the name "Droukas Court" today.

The current owners state that the Veneman's built the largest house first, and then constructed the houses one or two at a time. The houses on the south row have attic access holes in the porch ceilings. Those on the north row have drop attic stairs and ice box places. The property has had just four owners. Dan and Georgia Droukas sold to Gene Andrews and Jess Comley who soon after sold it to George and Bertha Archer 25 years ago.

John B. Veneman occupied the house at 1232 East 12th with his wife Louise 1919 through 1931. He is listed as an insurance agent by occupation. Louise is listed at other addresses after that time, including 1245 E. 12th, just across the street, in 1935 and 1945. Vernon Veneman, employed in real estate, appears as household head at 1232 E. 12th beginning in 1922, moving to 1108 Veneman Court effective with the 1928 City Directory, being last listed there in 1940. The court continued under the name "Veneman" until 1954.

Four properties and an unidentified #1230 East 12th are referenced in the city directories through 1927. The #1230 house is dropped from the listing the next year, at which time the court first appears, a rather belated listing given the building permit dates. The two E. 12th addresses were briefly numbered as part of the court in 1929, after which they reverted to their

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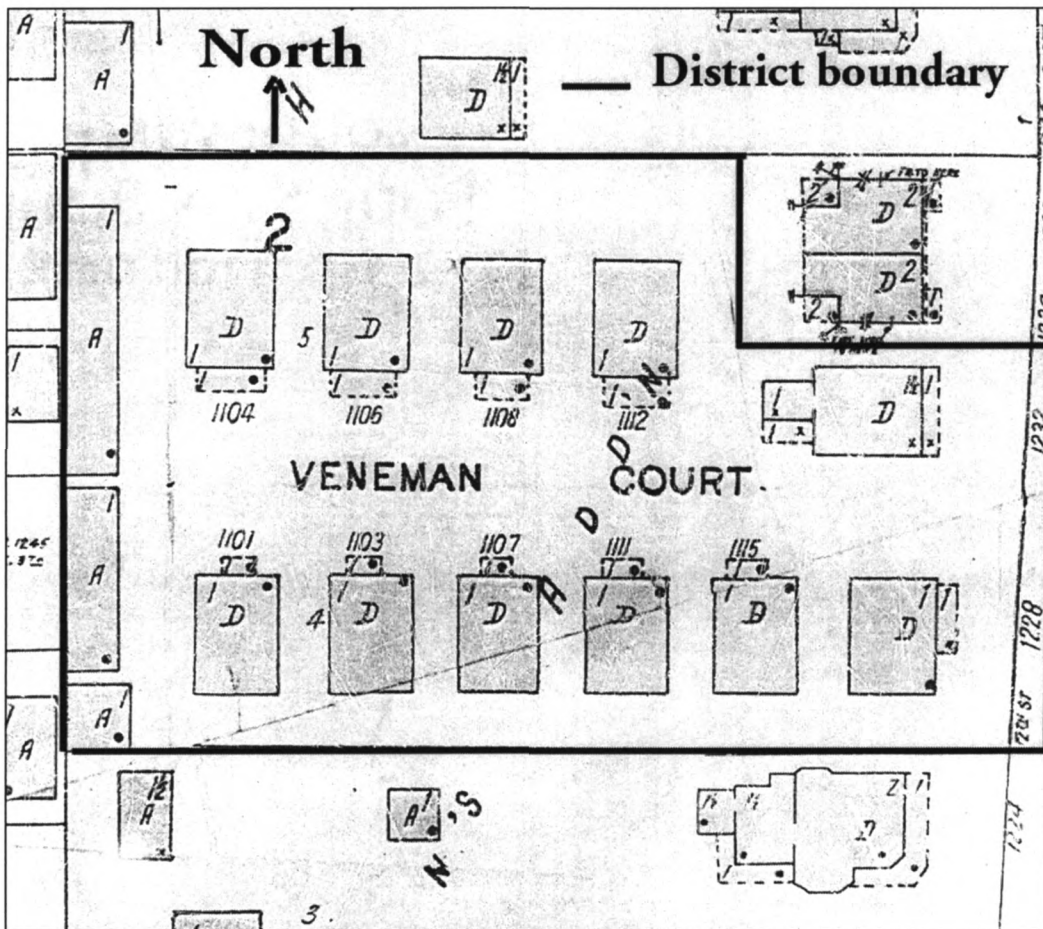
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present-day addresses. The original court residents, presumably renters, included a machinist, teacher, salesmen (2), postal clerk, and a realtor (Vernon Veneman).

Vernon Veneman lived at 1517 Linden until his death in 1957 (DMR, August 5, 1957). Louise Veneman died in 1960, residing at 2928 Cottage Grove.

One of the single stall garages burned in 1970 and the larger (15-stalls) garage were torn down later. The concrete bases for clotheslines are to be found along the court's alleyways.

Over time the renters were mostly families and older couples. The tenants are increasingly low rent housing qualified in the last 3-4 years. Before that time there were numerous very long term tenants such as Mr. Tiel (27 years), Mr. George Marshall (43 years).



1920/1943 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map  
(dark line denotes district boundary, directional arrow added)

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## 9. Major Bibliographic References:

General sources are cited in the multiple property document, Section I.

1920, 1920/43 Fire Insurance Maps

1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1931-35, 1940, 1945, 1955 Des Moines City Directories.

Des Moines *Register*, August 5, 1957.

Transfer Book, District 11, Polk County Recorder's Office and Deed Book V.3.A

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1920, 1920/43

Polk County Assessors Data, Internet Website <http://www.assess.co.polk.ia.us> (all house photographs not otherwise credited were downloaded from this source, scanned and reproduced for this nomination)

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### 10. Geographical Data

#### Boundary Description:

Lots 4 and 5, Overman's Addition, excluding the north 60' of the east 75' of Lot 5 containing 1236-38 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### Boundary Justification:

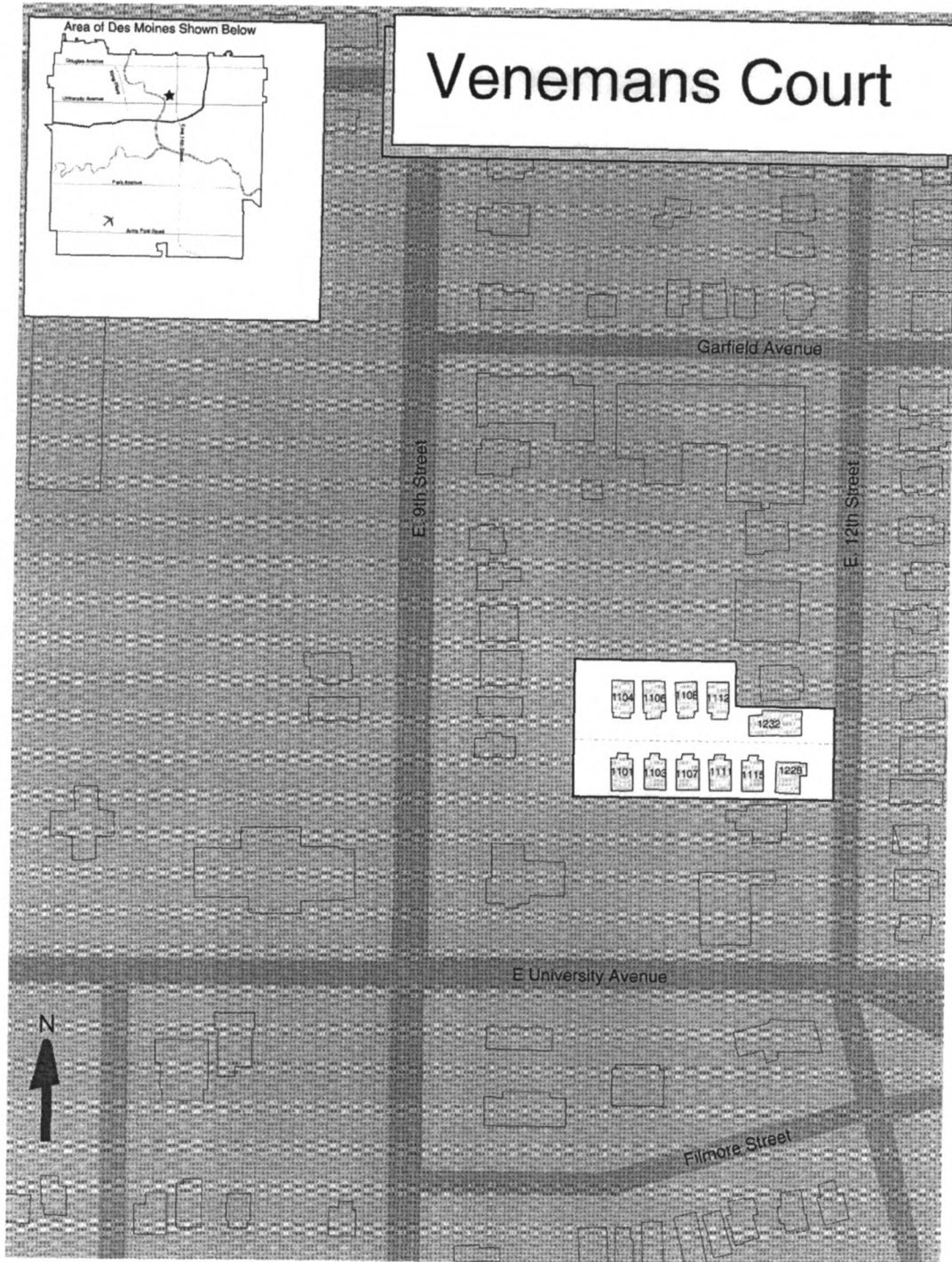
The district includes all of the bungalows built by the Veneman family as well as 1232 East 12<sup>th</sup>, which they remodeled in bungalow form. A two-story brick duplex, located immediately north at 1236-38 E. 12th Street, is excluded from this district despite the fact that it functioned historically as a part of the property and remains so today.

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District Map:



District Map

Produced by the Des Moines Community Development Department, 2000  
The white area denotes the district boundary

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Photo Identification List:

The following information applies to all of the photographs included with this nomination.

Photographer, James E. Jacobsen

Photo Date: December 7, 1999

Location of Negatives: City of Des Moines, Community Development Department, 601 East First Street, Des Moines 50309

Film Type: TMAX ASA400

Photo Number:	Direction of View:	Description
1	southwest	East court entrance, sign, 1228 (left) and 1232 East 12 <sup>th</sup> Street
2	west	same, view west into court
3	northwest	side detail, 1232 East 12 <sup>th</sup> Street and north side of court
4	west	court entrance and interior
5	southeast	south rank of bungalows from west end
6	northeast	same, alley view of bungalows
7	northeast	north rank of bungalows from west end
8	east	same, alley view, 1236-38 East 12 <sup>th</sup> Street visible at alley end (excluded)