

Record No. 53-33

INVENTORY FORM FOR NOMINATED PROPERTIES

Name of Property: Roberts House
Address: 302 Front Street
City: Barneveld

Owner: Clinton & Hazel Roberts Date: 1986
Owner's address: same
County: Iowa (049)

160 NRHP Certification

(a) _____ (b) _____
(c) _____ (d) _____

165 NRHP Certification Date

(a) _____ (b) _____
(c) _____ (d) _____

170 Thematic or Multiple Resource Nomination Name

Multiple Resources of Barneveld

180 NRHP List Name Roberts House

200 Level of Significance Local

190 District Classification

210 Applicable Criteria Architecture (C)

215 Criteria Considerations

*220 Area of Significance

Architecture

230 Period of Significance 1920

60 Verbal Boundary Description Located in T6N, R5E, Section 3. Beginning approximately 50 feet NW of the junction of the NW curbline of Oak Drive and an extension of the SW curbline of Garfield Ave., thence proceed east approx. 100 ft., thence north approx. 100 ft., thence west approx. 100 ft., thence south approx. 100 ft. to the point of beginning. (See Figure 1, attached).

70 USGS Quad Map Barneveld

80 UTM Coordinates (Format: 99/999999/9999999)

16/263980/4766640

85 Listed Acreage 1 acre

340 Review Board Date 7/18/86

Nomination contains ONE Contributing Building.

*use code tables for response

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LOCATION

* 10 County Iowa

20 City or Village Barneveld

30 Civil Town -

35 Unincorp. Community -

40 Location 302 Front Street
 Town-Range-Section (Format: 9999W-99)

50 -

55 Quarter Sections (Format: NW-NW) -

60 Verbal Boundary Description -

60 see cover sheet / map 1

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PROGRAM REVIEW

250 Tax No. - Compliance No. -

* 270 A or D Grant -

275 Covenant/Easement Dates -

* 320 Ownership Private

* 330 Lead Agency -

335 Local Agency -

SURVEY

90 Photo Codes 53-33

100 Survey Map Barneveld Intensive Survey Map

110 Map Code 53-33

120 Reconnaissance Surveyor Crawford

130 Reconnaissance Survey Date 1986

* 140 Intensive Survey Name Barneveld Intensive Survey

150 Intensive Surveyor Crawford

152 Surveyor Affiliation -

155 Intensive Survey FY 1986

* 235 Survey Eval. Eligible

* 237 Survey District Classification -

* 240 Survey Level of Significance Local

* 243 Survey Evaluation Criteria (C) Architecture

245 Proposed District N/A

280 NHL Date -

290 HABS No. - 300 HAER No. -

* 305 Local Designation (date) -

320 Local District -

315 Associated Archeological Site(s) -

315 -

dry mount
 photograph
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* use code tables for response

Number 302

Street Front Street

Street

ARCHITECTURE

450 Construction Date [source] 1920

460 Date(s) of Alterations/Additions [source] _____

460 _____ - _____

480 Builder [source] John Lewis

* 490 Designer Type (a) _____ - _____

490 (b) _____ (c) _____

500 Designer Name [source] (a) _____ - _____

500 (b) _____ (c) _____

* 510 Style or Form Vernalucar One-story cube,

510 Bungalow

520 Building, Structure, Object or Site Type

520 Residence

* 530 Wall Material wood clapboard

* 532 Trim Material wood

* 535 Foundation Material concrete

* 537 Roof Material asphalt shingles

* 540 Interior Visited yes

* 550 Structural System [source] _____ - _____

* 560 Plan Configuration square

* 570 Number of Stories 1½

* 580 Roof Shape hip wth gables

590 Additional Description Craftsman style

590 detailing and feature inside & out.

590 _____

590 _____

* 620 Condition Excellant

* 650 Related Buildings _____

650 _____

650 _____

HISTORY

430 Current Name Roberts House

435 Current Function residence

440 Historic Names [source] _____ - _____

440 _____ Roberts House _____

440 _____

660 Assoc. Individuals [source] (a) _____ - _____

660 (b) _____

665 Dates Assoc. [source] (a) _____ - _____

665 (c) _____

670 Assoc. Events [source] (a) _____ - _____

670 _____

670 (b) _____

670 _____

675 Dates of Events [source] (a) _____ - _____

675 (b) _____

680 Historic Functions [source] (a) Residence

680 (b) _____

685 Dates of Functions [source] (a) _____ - _____

685 (b) _____

* 687 Cultural Affiliation _____

688 Cultural Subgroup _____

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DESCRIPTION

This compact, bilaterally symmetrical clapboard house appears to have been derived from a simple one-story cube, with its roof ingeniously designed to expand the attic into liveable space. Basically hipped, the roof has inset gable dormers front and back, and gabled dormers on the sides, providing space for three bedrooms. The double hung windows of the main story are all approximately the same height, and are set in a band. The compact massing, modest size, and full-width front porch are reminiscent of the bungalow style. The centrally placed front door of the house has an oval window surrounded by scrolled carvings. The house has retained all of its original interior woodwork, including round columns flanking the wide archways separating the dining room, living room, and rear parlor, and an open staircase with a craftsman-like balustrade.

ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SIGNIFICANCE

The Roberts house is one of three farmhouses within the village of Barneveld. The Arneson farm at the western end of Jenniton Road was completely destroyed by the tornado and has been rebuilt with modern buildings. The Murphy farmhouse at 319 N. Grove Street has been altered on the street side. The Roberts house, with its 19 acres of rolling farmland, set at the northern edge of the village, evokes a feeling of the era when a dairy farm within the village limits was not considered offensive. Although the dairy barn has been replaced by a modern shed, the integrity of setting still projects an image of pre-tornado Barneveld. Virtually unchanged since its construction, this is undoubtedly the most intact 1920s house remaining in Barneveld. It was designed and built by John Lewis, a local builder who had a reputation for excellent craftsmanship.

690 BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCES

- (A) Clinton & Hazel Roberts, owners:
personal interview.

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Roberts house was constructed in 1920 by John Lewis. It is one of two similar houses in the area built by Lewis. A farmer named Mr. Stebnitz liked this house so much that he had Lewis build him a nearly identical house on his farm near Barneveld. (A)

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

ROBERTS HOUSE
BARNEVELD, IOWA COUNTY, WI

