



Hoffman & Lamb Buildings  
Name of Property

Dickinson County, Kansas  
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**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**  
(Check as many boxes as apply.)

**Category of Property**  
(Check only **one** box.)

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	private
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Local
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - State
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Federal

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	building(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	district
<input type="checkbox"/>	site
<input type="checkbox"/>	structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	object

<u>Contributing</u>	<u>Noncontributing</u>	
2		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Total</b>

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

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions.)

COMMERCE/Specialty Store  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions.)

Vacant/Not in Use  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions.)

Italianate  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Commercial Style  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions.)

foundation: Stone  
\_\_\_\_\_  
walls: Stone  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Brick  
\_\_\_\_\_  
roof: Unknown due to inaccessibility  
\_\_\_\_\_  
other: Metal  
\_\_\_\_\_

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## Narrative Description

### Summary

The Hoffman & Lamb Buildings are located at 102 & 104 S. Factory Street in Enterprise, Dickinson County, Kansas (2010 pop. 855). The two buildings were constructed in 1878 and are representative examples of early commercial structures in this small central Kansas town. The north building (102 S. Factory) is a two-story stone and brick Italianate building; the south building (104 S. Factory) is a single-story brick one part commercial block constructed in the simpler Commercial Style. The two buildings share a common party wall and were once part of a row of commercial buildings within the 100 block of S Factory St, the main business district for the town of Enterprise, Kansas.

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### Elaboration

#### Setting

The Hoffman & Lamb Buildings are on the southeast corner of First and Factory streets, prominently situated at the west end of lots 2 and 4 in Block 4 (*Figure 1*). The buildings are flanked on the west by South Factory Street, on the north by First Street, on the east by an alley, and to the south by lots 6 and 8. This now-grassy lot once housed the two-story Buhner Opera House (1886). Across Factory Street to the west is the Dickinson County Bank at the southwest corner of Factory and First. At the northwest corner is a park, and a vacant lot that also once held a building is at the northeast corner, due north of the nominated site. The sidewalks in front of these buildings along Factory and First streets are brick. A modern wooden deck is attached to the north side of the building at the main level.

#### Exterior

##### Lamb Building – 102 S. Factory St.

This two-story Italianate stone building measures 61 feet long (east-west) and 22 feet wide (north-south). The rectangular building has a full basement and contains approximately 2460 square feet in the first and second levels combined. Excepting the exterior doors themselves, this building retains a majority of its historic materials, including its four-over-four wooden windows with curved headers corresponding with the masonry openings.

The **west (main) elevation** (*Photo 1*) has dressed stone at the first level and brick on the second level. This façade is capped with a painted metal cornice supported by four metal brackets. Below the metal cornice but in line with these brackets, the brick is laid in a triangular pattern. The three-bay façade contains a centered main entrance at ground level between two four-pane fixed windows. Each evenly spaced bay at this level is separated from each other by stone quoining and contains a segmented stone arch lintel with keystone. The main entrance contains a recessed single (modern) door flanked by two single-pane sidelights. The door system has a transom window. The second level has three four-over-four double-hung windows centered over each of the windows and the door of the first level. These window openings have decorative elliptical-arch stone lintels with keystones and stone sills. Stone quoins continue up the corners of this elevation to the cornice. Centered above the second story windows and below the cornice are the numbers 1878 – the year the structure was built. These numbers may not be original to the construction of the building.

The **south elevation** is a common wall shared with the south structure and is constructed of stone laid in a random rubble style. There are no windows in the elevation above the roof of the adjoining building.

The **east elevation** (*Photo 2*) is stone with an attachment housing the staircase to the second level as well as a room on the first level. A stair appears at this location on the earliest available Sanborn map from 1905 (*Figure 2*). An addition of similar shape and configuration as that seen today appears on the 1912 Sanborn map as being clad in iron but open-air (*Figure 3*). The 1928 Sanborn shows a covered stair at this point, indicating the current structure may date to circa 1920; this is also supported by the historic exterior door at this location (*Figure 4*).

The **north elevation** (*Photo 2*) is constructed of coursed, undressed stone and has a stepped parapet. The ground level contains two entrances with modern doors. The east entrance is within a historic masonry opening, evidenced by its arched lintel; the center entrance was added at an unknown date. Five four-over-four double-hung windows are evenly spaced across the second level. Each window is crowned with elliptical-arch stone lintels with keystone and stone sills. A metal escape ladder (date unknown) is attached to this elevation between the western two windows, and a non-historic wooden deck runs between the rear stair entrance and the west door.

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Hoffman Building – 104 S. Factory St.

The south single-story building is a One-Part Commercial Block designed in the simple Commercial Style. Measuring 61 feet deep (east-west) and 31 feet wide (north-south), this rectangular building contains approximately 1860 square feet. This building also retains a majority of its historic exterior materials; although, portions have been covered on the main façade.

The brick **west (main) elevation** (*Photo 1*) is symmetrical and retains its historic storefront configuration. The (modern) entrance door is recessed, centered and flanked by a narrow one-over-one sidelight on each side; the transoms of this bay are covered. There are wood-framed four-light glass display windows to the north and south of the recessed entrance door. The top two panes are missing their glass and are covered, but the muntins are extant on the interior. These windows sit atop a wooden bulkhead. Separating these window from the entrance bay are fluted cast iron columns with Corinthian capitals that support the brick upper façade. The parapet is built-up brick, and centered within this area are the numbers 1878, which may not be original to the building's construction. Historic images of this building show a decorative cornice until circa 1912 (*Figures 5 through 7*) when a historic image shows a simpler treatment at the parapet. A single metal rail is all that remains of the former cornice, but evidence exists of where it attached to the building. The south corner of this elevation is stone.

The **south elevation** (*Photo 1*) was part of the north wall of the 1886 Buhner Opera House (*Figures 5 & 6*). It contains no masonry openings. The wall is constructed of coursed ashlar stone for a few courses above the ground level and uncoursed ashlar above to the roughly-stepped parapet. The wall is capped with a cementitious coating. Evidence of floor and ceiling joists from the Buhner Opera House exists on this wall; these pockets have been filled with cement. Portions of this wall's stone show signs of severe deterioration.

The **east elevation** (*Photo 3*) is severely damaged due to masonry failure. The wall has been stabilized with the intent to reconstruct it using the salvaged stone from the collapse. A full drive-in basement was formerly accessed from the east alley.<sup>1</sup>

## Interior

Lamb Building – 102 S. Factory St.

This building is divided functionally into two elements: first-floor commercial space and upstairs open space that once functioned as a Masonic hall. There is also a full, unfinished basement with dirt floor. Both the main and upper levels are approximately 1300 square feet each and are sparsely finished with wood floors (currently covered with non-historic materials) and lath-and-plaster walls.

Historically, the main level (*Photo 4*) was completely open; no evidence exists in the historic wooden ceiling to indicate the location of previous walls. As the historic wood floor is currently covered, evidence of former walls and built-ins may be found during future restoration. At the west end of the south wall is a non-original masonry opening into the south building added at an unknown date. The ceiling height on this level is 12 feet. A non-historic wall (approximately nine feet high) separates the east third of the space from the rest of the main level. A door in the south portion of this wall leads into a small bathroom, and another door in the bathroom's east wall leads into the east third of the main level. This area has a drop ceiling. A historic doorway (*Photo 5*) at the south end of the east wall was historically an exterior door. The masonry opening is splayed to the interior and contains its historic four-light transom above a non-historic door. The doorway leads into a one-story back room added at an unknown date. The floors are wide wood plank, and the south, east, and north walls have faux wood panels in places or not covered; the west wall is stone and is partially covered by the wooden exterior stair to the upper level (*Photo 6*); this wall is the east exterior wall of the building. An exterior (non-historic) door is in the east wall of this space. Entrance into the basement is through a door in the floor of this space that covers a wooden stair.

The upper level is only accessible through the covered exterior stair on the building's east side (*Photos 2 & 6*). There is no evidence of a stair ever being within the building footprint. This level housed a number of fraternal organizations, and it retains the configuration and most historic materials from that function. Two ante rooms are located at the east end of the

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<sup>1</sup> This drive-in feature may not be original to the building. Available documentation to-date can neither confirm nor deny this, but oral history suggests the door was extant during the period of significance.

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upper level (*Photo 7*). The north room is the larger of these two spaces and is encountered immediately upon entering the upper level from the east. An early 20<sup>th</sup> century light fixture is centered in the ceiling of this room. To the immediate south of the entrance is a small closet. A doorway in the west end of the south wall leads into a small square room. A bench seat with hinged lid is tucked into the east wall of this south ante room. Access into the remaining open area of this level is through a doorway in the north ante room's west wall and through a wide opening in the south ante room's west wall (*Photo 8*). Wainscoting (30 inches high) runs the perimeter of this level with lath and plaster on the upper walls and ceiling (*Photos 7 through 9*). Evidence of former platforms, presumably used for Lodge meetings, are found on the east, north, and west walls. The window trim is very plain with no embellishments of any kind. The wooden floors are covered with non-historic carpet.

#### Hoffman Building – 104 S. Factory

This building has a completely open commercial space (*Photo 10*). The rectangular space is approximately 1860 square feet with approximately 12-foot ceilings. Finishes include a wooden floor (under non-historic covering), wooden ceiling, and lath and plaster walls. Besides wooden trim and paneling around the storefronts (*Photo 11*), there is no historic ornamentation on the interior of this building. A single pedestrian doorway (non-historic) in the west end of the north leads into the main level of 102 S Factory; the wooden threshold creates a small step down (*Photo 11*). The basement has nine-foot ceilings and is accessed only through an opening in the east wall.

When the east wall collapsed, part of the floor in the east end of the building failed. The building is currently being stabilized for future restoration.

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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 grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

**Areas of Significance**

Architecture

Exploration/Settlement

Commerce

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**Period of Significance**

1878-1947

**Significant Dates**

1878

1887

**Significant Person**

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

Unknown

**Period of Significance (justification)**

The period of significance for the Hoffman & Lamb Buildings begins in 1878 when two of Enterprise's original settlers, Christian Hoffman and G.R. Lamb, constructed the first two masonry structures along Factory Street. Hoffman's association with the buildings ended in 1884, Lamb's ended in 1887 when the buildings were sold to different owners. These are the oldest commercial buildings in the town of Enterprise, and they continued to support commercial functions throughout most of their existence. However, the period of significance ends in 1947 when, upon the death of then-owner B.A. Flack, the buildings were given to the local Masonic Lodge. At that time, 104 S Factory was no longer used for commercial space.

**Criteria Considerations (justification)**

N/A

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## Narrative Statement of Significance

### Summary

Constructed in 1878, the Hoffman & Lamb Buildings are associated with two of the town's earliest settlers, G.R. Lamb & Christian Hoffman. The two buildings served the commercial needs of the small community of Enterprise from their construction until 1947 when the south building was used as a social hall. As Enterprise's oldest commercial buildings, the Hoffman & Lamb Buildings are also two of the remaining resources from the town's productive early years. In particular the Lamb Building's Italianate architecture is a remnant of what the rest of South Factory Street looked like in the late 1800s, being the most intact building on the block. Together these two buildings are nominated to the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for their local significance in the areas of Exploration/Settlement and Commerce and under Criterion C for their architecture.

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### Elaboration

#### The Founding of Enterprise

The Hoffman & Lamb Buildings are located in one of Dickinson County's smallest incorporated towns, Enterprise. Named for New York Senator Daniel S. Dickinson, the county was organized in 1857 by the Kansas territorial legislature.<sup>2</sup> According to historian William Cutler, "there was not over a half dozen families in the county" at the time of its organization. Among the first settlers were T.F. Hersey (1856) and C.W. Staats (1857). After organization, the population increased with settlers staking claims along the Smoky Hill River and other county waterways. Among the settlers arriving in 1858 were J.F. Staats, William Lamb, and William's son, Green (G.R.). Territorial Governor James Denver appointed William Lamb as one of three original county commissioners. In the fall of 1860 the county held its first election. While William was not reelected at this time, J.F. Staats became county assessor, and G.R. Lamb became county surveyor. By the time Kansas became a state in January 1861, the county population had reached close to 400 people.<sup>3</sup>

Also in 1861, the question arose over which of four towns should be county seat. Newport, having been established in 1857, was the county seat at the time. Along with Newport, Union City had served as one of the county's two polling places during the first election, so it became a contestant in the race. The third town for consideration was Smoky Hill. The winner of the election, however, was the brand-new town of Abilene. As Cutler noted in 1883:

C.H. Thompson, who, in the spring of 1860, had moved into the county from Leavenworth, and located on a tract of land east of the farm of T.F. Hersey, conceived the idea of laying out a town, which idea he immediately carried out by having a portion of his land surveyed and laid off into town lots. The naming of this town in prospective was given to Mrs. Hersey, who named it Abilene. After the town was laid out and named, a few rude log cabins were speedily constructed, and Abilene entered the lists as a contestant for the county seat.<sup>4</sup>

Neither Newport nor Union City survived as towns in Dickinson County, and Smoky Hill became what is today the unincorporated town of Detroit, two miles north of Enterprise.

The beginnings of the town of Enterprise date to 1868 when Swiss settler Christian Hoffman "erected and operated the first flour mill in the county" on the Smoky Hill River two miles south of Detroit and six miles east of Abilene.<sup>5</sup> In her 1957 history of the town, long-time Enterprise resident Ellen Peterson notes, "Our town, as we know it today, is largely the result of Christian Hoffman's efforts."<sup>6</sup> Hoffman acquired several acres of land around his mill and encouraged additional families to settle in the area. In 1872 the county surveyor platted the new town of Enterprise on land owned by Hoffman.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Senator Dickinson supported the creation of Kansas Territory, which occurred in 1854 (Kansas Historical Society, "Dickinson County, Kansas," *Kansapedia* [online database] available from <http://www.kshs.org/kansapedia/dickinson-county-kansas/15276> (accessed 10/17/2016).

<sup>3</sup> William Cutler, "Dickinson County, Part 2," *History of the State of Kansas* (Chicago: A.T. Andreas, 1883): n.p. [online transcription] available from Kansas Collection Books [http://www.kancoll.org/books/cutler/dickinson/dickinson-co-p2.html#EARLY\\_HISTORY](http://www.kancoll.org/books/cutler/dickinson/dickinson-co-p2.html#EARLY_HISTORY) (accessed 10/17/2016). Citation covers paragraph.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid.

<sup>5</sup> "A First Citizen Gone," *Abilene Daily Chronicle* (February 28, 1921): 3.

<sup>6</sup> Ellen Welander Peterson, *A Kansan's Enterprise* (Enterprise, KS: Enterprise Baptist Church, 1957), 18.

<sup>7</sup> William Cutler, "Enterprise," *History of the State of Kansas* (Chicago: A.T. Andreas, 1883): n.p. [online transcription] available from Kansas Collection Books <http://www.kancoll.org/books/cutler/dickinson/dickinson-co-p9.html#ENTERPRISE> (accessed 10/17/2016); *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory* (Topeka: Kansas Directory Company, 1887), 278.

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The following January “a town company was organized, of which V.P. Wilson was president; John Johntz, vice-president; C[hristian] Hoffman, treasurer, and T.C. Henry, secretary.”<sup>8</sup>

Enterprise began to grow soon after its founding. Hoffman’s mills gave “vitality to the town as they [drew] trade from a large stretch of country.”<sup>9</sup> Likely in order to take advantage of the mills’ success, Enterprise’s commercial core developed just south of the river at 1<sup>st</sup> and Factory streets (*Figures 2, 3, and 8*). John Latto is credited as the first merchant to erect a building in the town after its establishment.<sup>10</sup> Latto’s store was likely wood-framed because the first masonry buildings constructed in Enterprise were at the southeast corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and Factory in 1878. Two years later similar commercial buildings were constructed on the west side of Factory Street.<sup>11</sup> The majority of these buildings formed a cohesive block of Italianate and late Victorian commercial buildings with pressed metal cornices and cast iron storefronts.

By 1883 when William Cutler published his *History of the State of Kansas*, Enterprise’s 500 people – as well as those living in the surrounding rural areas – patronized several stores and other commercial operations like Hoffman’s mills.<sup>12</sup> According to the *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory*, Enterprise’s population doubled in the mid-1880s. This was perhaps due in part to the new Rock Island Railroad depot constructed in 1887 between the river and 1<sup>st</sup> Street (*Figure 8*); the town was more accessible to people and goods with the railroad being within city limits.<sup>13</sup> This is also partly due to the success of Hoffman’s mills. In 1886, they were “among the largest in the State, having a capacity of five hundred barrels per day.”<sup>14</sup> The mills shipped flour all over the country and had an annual sale exceeding \$1,000,000 in 1886 (over \$24 million in 2016).<sup>15</sup> Commercial ventures at this time increased by 68% (*Table 1*). The majority of these businesses operated out of the buildings along Factory Street.<sup>16</sup>

### The Hoffman & Lamb Buildings

During this productive era, Christian Hoffman served as mayor while continuing to run his mills. G.R. Lamb served as one of the city’s five councilmen while running a painting and paperhanging business.<sup>17</sup> Hoffman and Lamb were also among the city’s first developers. In 1878 the two erected the “first brick stores in town.”<sup>18</sup> While it is true that the buildings occupying lots 2 & 4 of block 4 (102 & 104 S Factory Street) have brick fronts, the remaining walls are native stone – a treatment typical of Enterprise’s early commercial buildings. Hoffman’s and Lamb’s buildings set the tone for what the commercial district would look like, having strong Italianate and late Victorian-era details.

The earliest tax records available for the county date to 1880. These show lot 2 valued at \$600 (the 2016 equivalent of around \$13,300) and lots 4 through 10 having the same valuation for the four lots together; the tax valuations appear to corroborate the fact that these lots did have buildings on them.<sup>19</sup> Lamb owned 102 S Factory until 1887 when he sold it to Elizabeth Flack; Hoffman owned 104 S Factory until 1884 when J.C. Miller purchased it.<sup>20</sup>

Although Lamb had a painting and wallpapering business, the ground level of his two-story Italianate building housed a grocery for most of its 138 years. Fellow early Enterprise settler J.F. Staatz was the first grocer here from 1878 to 1880 when he moved into a new building across the street.<sup>21</sup> From 1880 until about 1900, Charles Lamb operated the Star Grocery here.<sup>22</sup> Will Poister took over the business around 1900, operating the store until around 1910; he was married to

<sup>8</sup> Cutler, “Enterprise,” n.p.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid.

<sup>13</sup> “Enterprise,” *Abilene Weekly Reflector* (October 13, 1887): 1.

<sup>14</sup> *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory*, 280. None of Hoffman’s mills currently remain.

<sup>15</sup> Ibid.

<sup>16</sup> Peterson, *A Kansan’s Enterprise*, 38-73.

<sup>17</sup> *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory*, 280 & 285; *Abilene Weekly Reflector* (April 10, 1884) & (April 9, 1885): 6.

<sup>18</sup> Cutler, “Enterprise,” n.p.; Peterson, *A Kansan’s Enterprise*, 44.

<sup>19</sup> Dickinson County Tax Records, 1880 to 1883. In 1884 lots 6 through 10, where the Buhner Opera House would soon be constructed, were valued at \$150, while lot 4 retained its \$600 valuation, indicating only lot 4 was built on up to that point.

<sup>20</sup> Dickinson County Tax Records.

<sup>21</sup> Peterson, *A Kansan’s Enterprise*, 39 & 44.

<sup>22</sup> According to census records, Charles may be the younger brother of G.R. The 1880 US Federal Census lists Charles as a grocery store salesman; the 1900 US Federal Census shows him as a cigar salesman, living in Kansas City, Missouri.



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G.R. Lamb's daughter, Ida.<sup>23</sup> Between 1910 and 1920, the store was managed by C.P. Peterson, Pete Ostberg, and Clint Myers. Sometime within this decade, the Star Grocery became the Kansas Cash Store with Kenneth Issitt as manager. In 1920 Oscar "Babe" Londene was the manager, and he continued until his retirement in 1976.<sup>24</sup>

The commercial associations of Hoffman's one-story building are less thoroughly documented. Between 1884 and 1900 the building had numerous owners including: J.C. Miller, J.W. Fleming, John F. McConnell, and Knute Londene.<sup>25</sup> Bert (B.A.) Flack acquired the Hoffman & Lamb Buildings in 1900. Over the years it served as a men's clothing store and later as a café.<sup>26</sup>

In 1947 the two buildings were given to the local Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star upon the death of their owner, B.A. Flack. The two organizations used the upper level of Lamb's building for their meetings and Hoffman's building for their social activities, thus ending the unbroken commercial association of 104 S Factory Street; although, as previously stated, the ground level of 102 S Factory continued to be used as a grocery.<sup>27</sup>

The history of fraternal organizations in Enterprise dates to 1875 when the IOOF Enterprise Lodge No. 140 was established.<sup>28</sup> By 1886 two additional societies were found in town: the Ancient Order of United Workmen (AOUW) Enterprise Lodge No. 145 and the Knights of Labor (K of L) Enterprise Assembly No. 3318.<sup>29</sup> In the 1920s both the Masonic Lodge No. 437, AF & AM (1924) and the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 468 (1928) were chartered. In 1947 only the IOOF, Masonic Lodge, and the Order of the Eastern Star were still active in Enterprise.<sup>30</sup>

All three early societies – IOOF, AOUW, & K of L – met in "Lamb's Hall" on differing nights of the week.<sup>31</sup> While research has so far been unable to confirm that "Lamb's Hall" refers to the second level of G.R. Lamb's building, the design and materials of the space appear to suggest this area was used as a gathering space for such societies well before 1947. One additional mention of Lamb's Hall during G.R. Lamb's ownership of 102 S Factory occurred in January 1884, "The [Abilene Weekly Reflector] returns its thanks to the committee for an invitation to attend the first annual ball of the 'Zulu Base Ball Club,' which was given at Lamb's Hall, Enterprise, Tuesday evening. We understand that the ball was a great success."<sup>32</sup> The openness of the second level certainly would have accommodated such a gathering.<sup>33</sup>

Hoffman's and Lamb's buildings at 102-104 S. Factory Street represent the prosperous beginnings of a small town in rural Dickinson County. In the latter decades of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, these two buildings were among a number of similarly designed structures that housed a variety of stores and professional practices. The Hoffman & Lamb Buildings retained their commercial associations until 1947 when Hoffman's building was used as a gathering space. In 2016 much of the remaining block has either been demolished or alterations to historic buildings have resulted in their inability to communicate their early commercial associations. The current owners of the nominated property plan to restore the Hoffman & Lamb Buildings, and in some way, reignite the early enterprising spirit of town.

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<sup>23</sup> The 1910 US Federal Census shows G.R. as the father-in-law to William Poister with whom he resided. Poister's occupation that year is listed as an insurance agent.

<sup>24</sup> Unless otherwise noted, information in this paragraph comes from Peterson, *A Kansan's Enterprise*, 44.

<sup>25</sup> Dickinson County Register of Deeds; Dickinson County Tax Records 1885-1890, show Miller paying the taxes.

<sup>26</sup> The 1905 and 1912 Sanborns show it as a clothing store in both of those years.

<sup>27</sup> Peterson, *A Kansan's Enterprise*, 44.

<sup>28</sup> Cutler, "Enterprise," n.p.

<sup>29</sup> *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory*, 281.

<sup>30</sup> Peterson, *A Kansan's Enterprise*, 120. Peterson also mentions that the IOOF's sister organization, the Rebekahs, were also active at least in 1957.

<sup>31</sup> *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory*, 281.

<sup>32</sup> *Abilene Weekly Reflector* (January 3, 1884): 5.

<sup>33</sup> In 1957, Peterson notes that the IOOF used the upper level of the adjacent Buhner Opera House as their gathering space (*A Kansan's Enterprise*, 120).

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<b>Business Type</b>	<b>1883</b>	<b>1886</b>	<b>Business Type</b>	<b>1883</b>	<b>1886</b>
Agricultural Implement House		2	Livestock Dealer		3
Architect <sup>35</sup>		1	Livery Stable	2	3
Baker/Confectioner		1	Lumber Yard	2	3
Bank		1	Manufactory	1+	4
Barber		1	Mason		2
Billiard Hall		2	Meat Market		2
Carpenter/Contractor	1	5	Millinery Shop	2	1
Coal Dealer		3	Music Teacher		1
Cooperage	1	1	Nursery		1
Dressmaker		1	Opera House		1
Drug Store	1	3	Paint Shop	1	1
Dry Goods/Grocer <sup>36</sup>	9	11	Photographer		1
Flour & Feed Store		1	Physician & Surgeon		3
Flour Mill	1	1	Plasterer		1
Foundry/Machine Works	1	1	Postmaster		1
Furniture Store/Undertaker	1	1	Printing Office/Newspaper	1	1
Hardware		2	Real Estate & Loan Agent		1
Harness Shop	2	2	Shoemaker		1
Harvester Company		1	Tailor		1
Hotel/Restaurant		4	Teamster		1
Insurance Agent		2	Telephone Exchange		1
Lawyer		1	Tin Shop	1	2
Library		1	Wagon Factory/Blacksmith	1	3
			<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>88</b>

<sup>34</sup> Cutler, "Enterprise," n.p.; "Enterprise," *1886-1887 Dickinson County Directory* (Topeka: Kansas Directory Company, 1886), 281 & 283. The US Federal Census gives the 1880 population as 411 and 804 in 1890, while the *Directory* claims 1000 people resided in Enterprise.

<sup>35</sup> The architect listed in the *Directory* is W. Howard Sidney. More information is needed to determine if he had a hand in the design of the nominated properties, as nothing to-date ties him to the buildings.

<sup>36</sup> This category includes: dry goods, mercantiles, grocers, boot & shoe stores, and book & stationery stores.

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### 9. Major Bibliographical References

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**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 # \_\_\_\_\_  
 recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

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

Name of repository: Kansas Historical Society

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): \_\_\_\_\_ N/A \_\_\_\_\_

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**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreeage of Property** Less than 1 acre

**Provide latitude/longitude coordinates OR UTM coordinates.**

(Place additional coordinates on a continuation page.)

**Latitude/Longitude Coordinates**

Datum if other than WGS84: \_\_\_\_\_

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

1	<u>38.904924</u>	<u>-97.117101</u>	3	_____	_____
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2	_____	_____	4	_____	_____
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**Verbal Boundary Description** (describe the boundaries of the property)

The nominated property includes all of lots 2 & 4 in block 4 of the Original Town of Enterprise, Kansas.

**Boundary Justification** (explain why the boundaries were selected)

The selected boundaries include all the property historically associated with the buildings at 102 & 104 S Factory Street.

**11. Form Prepared By**

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organization N/A date October 2016  
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**Property Owner:** (complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO)

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### Additional Documentation

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Submit the following items with the completed form:

#### Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each digital image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to a sketch map or aerial map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

#### Photograph Log

Name of Property: **Hoffman & Lamb Buildings**

City or Vicinity: **Enterprise**

County: **Dickinson** State: **Kansas**

Photographer: **Amanda K. Loughlin (KSHS)**

Date

Photographed: **September 27, 2016**

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

**001 of 011:** West and south elevations, looking NE

**002 of 011:** North and partial east elevations, looking SSW

**003 of 011:** East elevation of Hoffman Building, showing partially rebuilt wall at ground level

**004 of 011:** Lamb Building, main level, looking east from SW corner of room

**005 of 011:** Lamb Building, main level, historic door in buildings east wall leading into wood-frame addition

**006 of 011:** Lamb Building, main level of addition, looking north at underside of stair and part of building's east wall

**007 of 011:** Lamb Building, upper level, north ante room on east side of building, looking SSE at entry door and into south ante room

**008 of 011:** Lamb Building, upper level, main open space, looking east from SW corner of room

**009 of 011:** Lamb Building, upper level, main open space, looking west from door between north ante room and main space

**010 of 011:** Hoffman Building, main level, looking east

**011 of 011:** Hoffman Building, main level, looking north into Lamb Building; historic wood paneling at windows visible at left

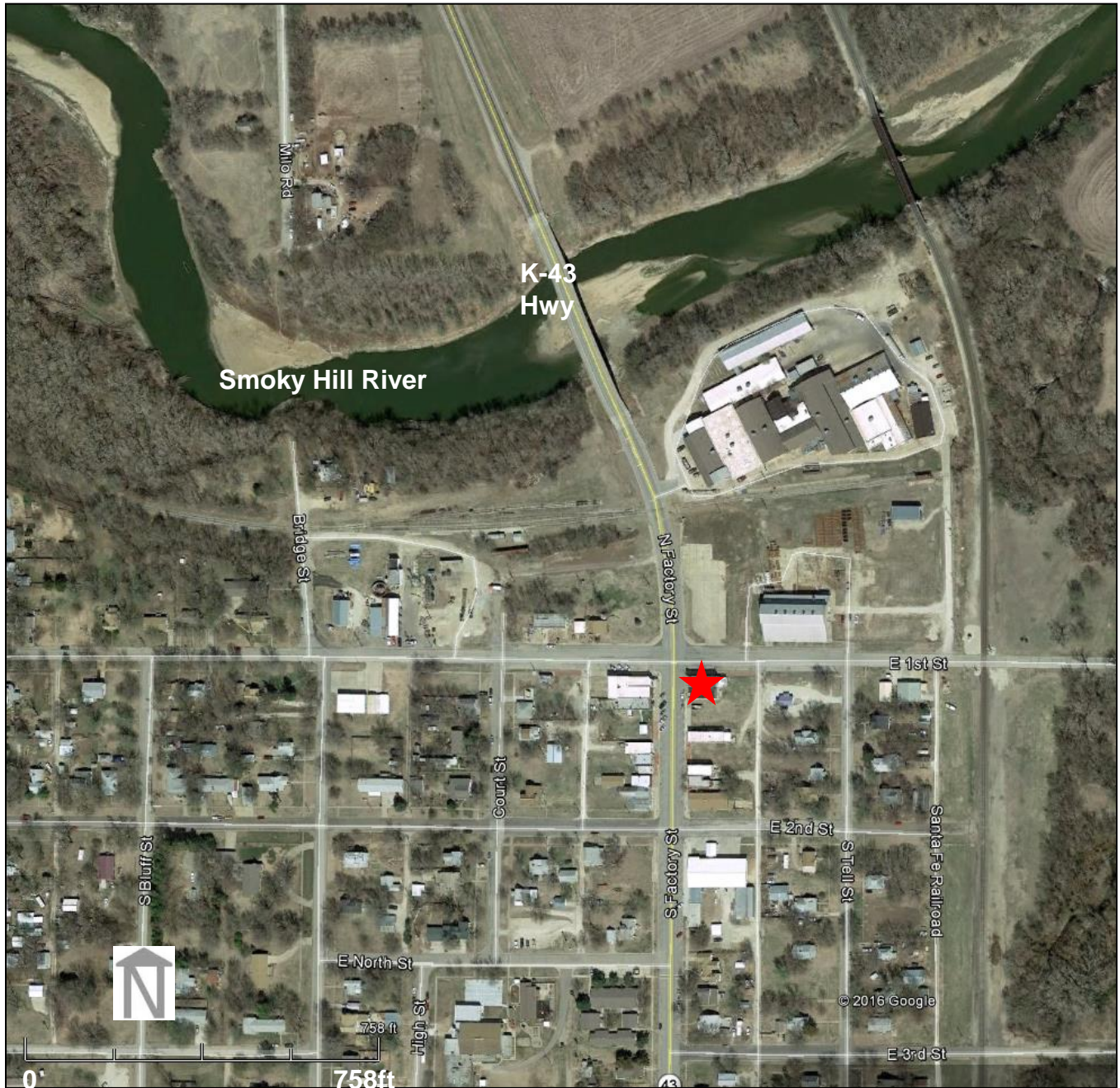
#### Figures

Include GIS maps, figures, scanned images below.

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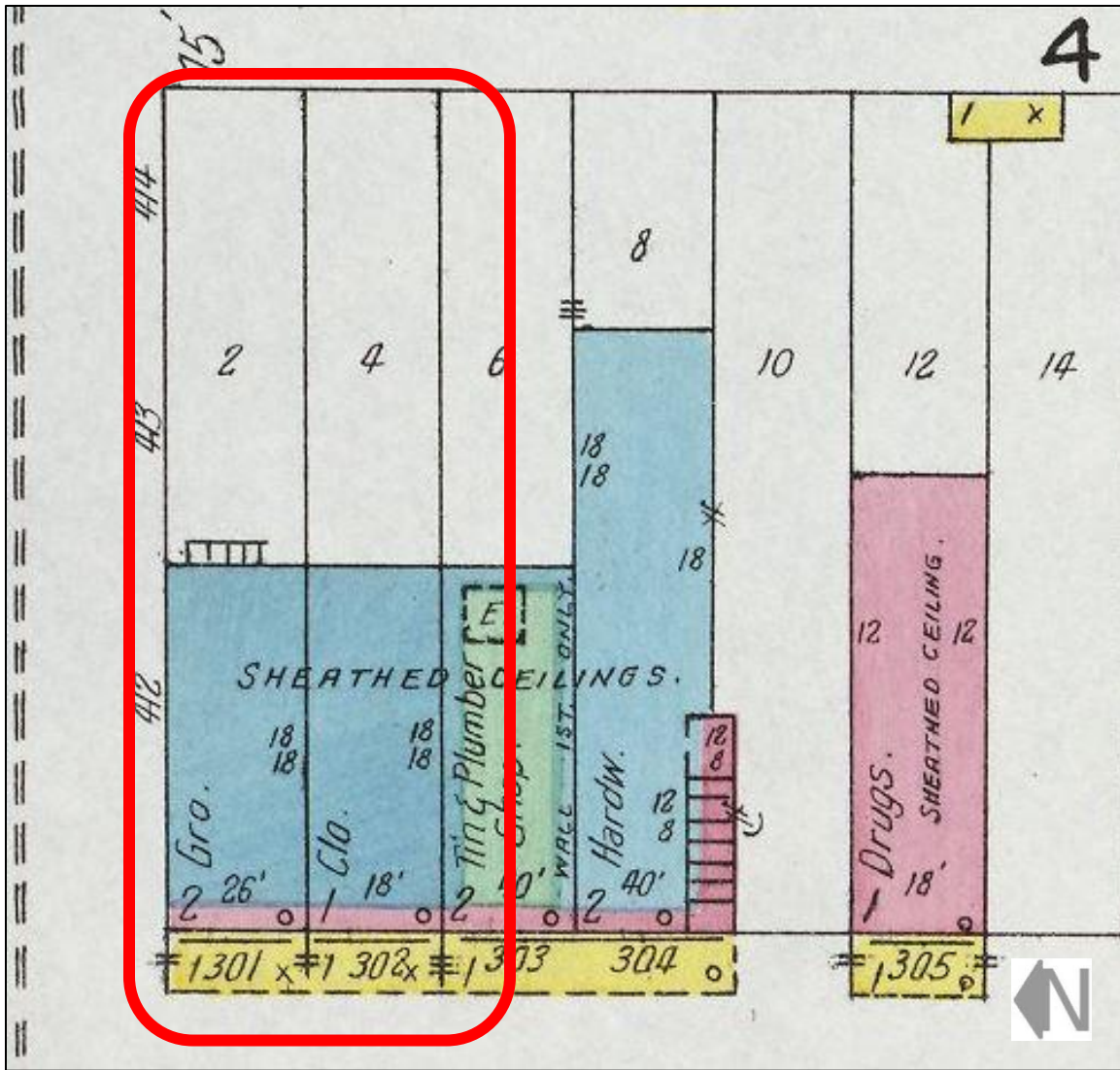
**Figure 1.** 2014 Google aerial image, showing location of Hoffman & Lamb Buildings in Enterprise (denoted by star).



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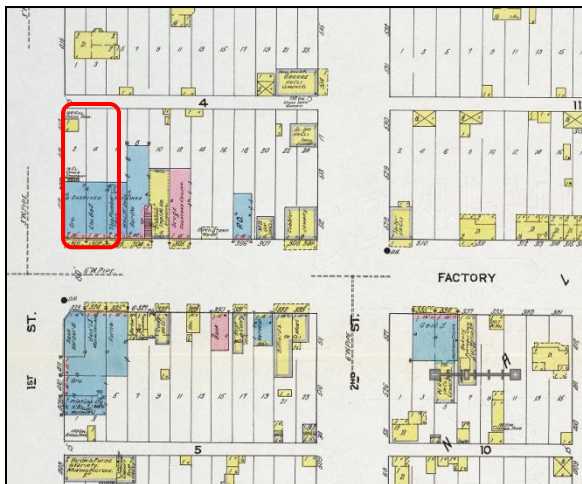
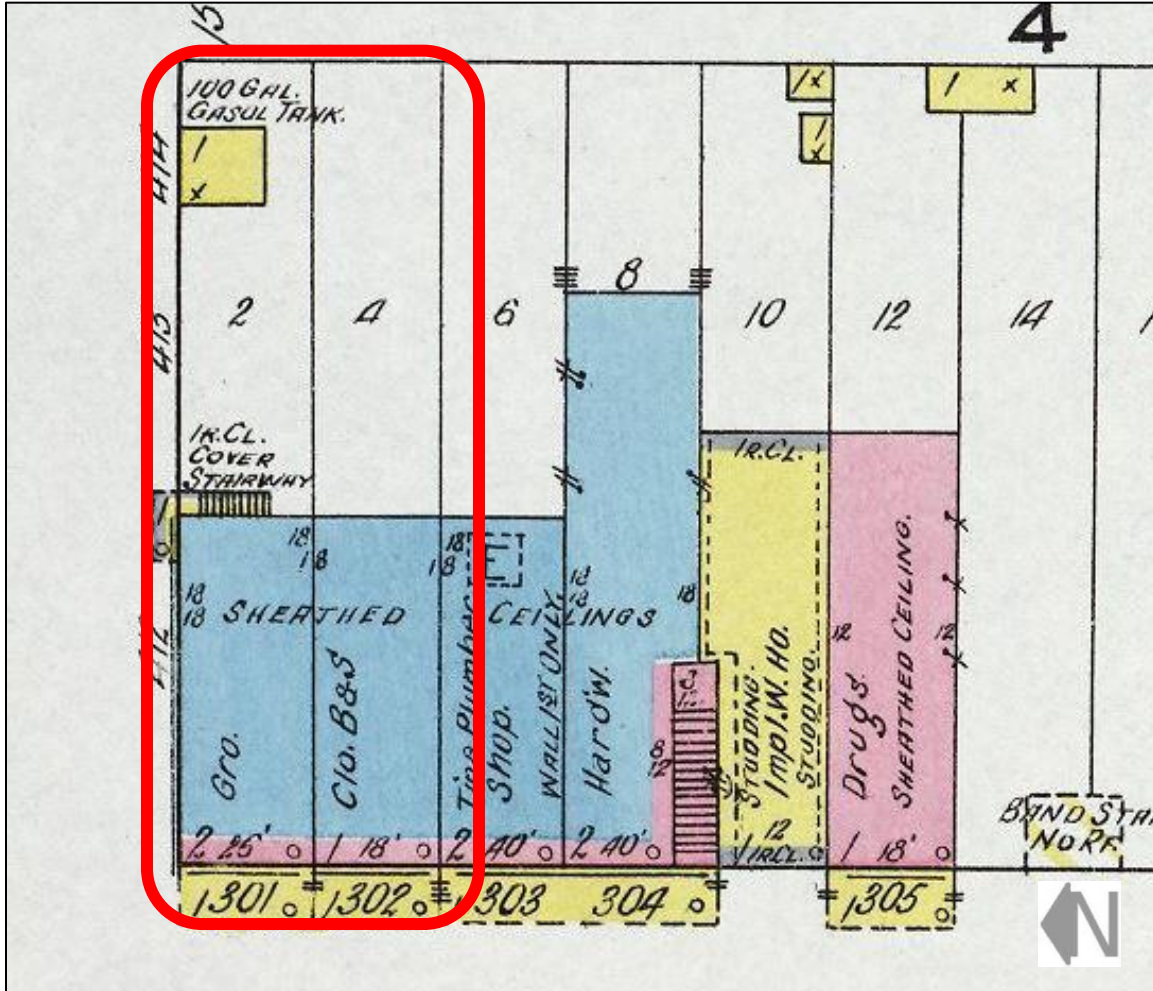
**Figure 2.** Snippet of 1905 Sanborn, showing 102-104 S Factory.  
The Sanborn indicates both buildings had a metal cornice. Larger image of block is below.



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Figure 3. Snippet of 1912 Sanborn, showing 102-104 S Factory.

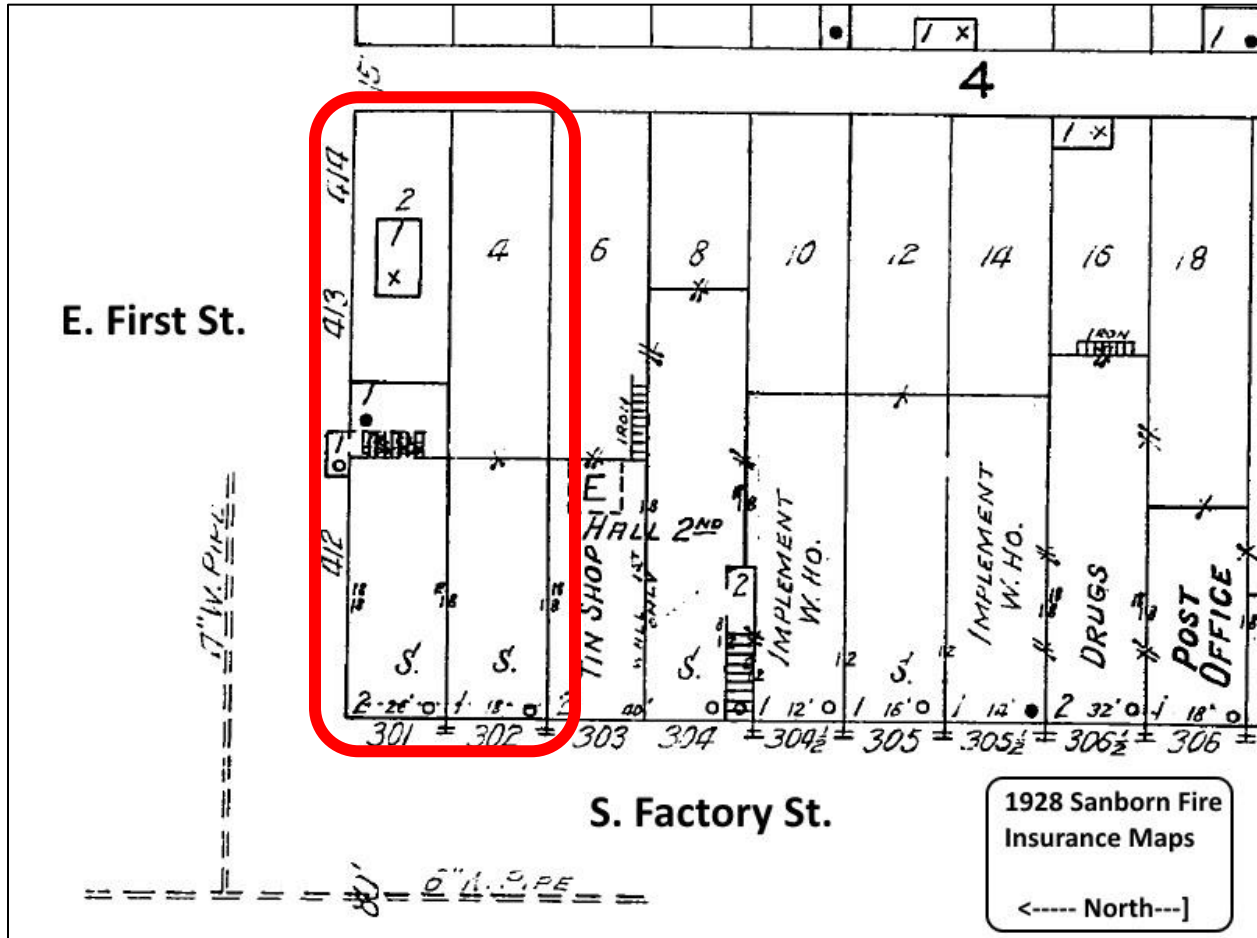




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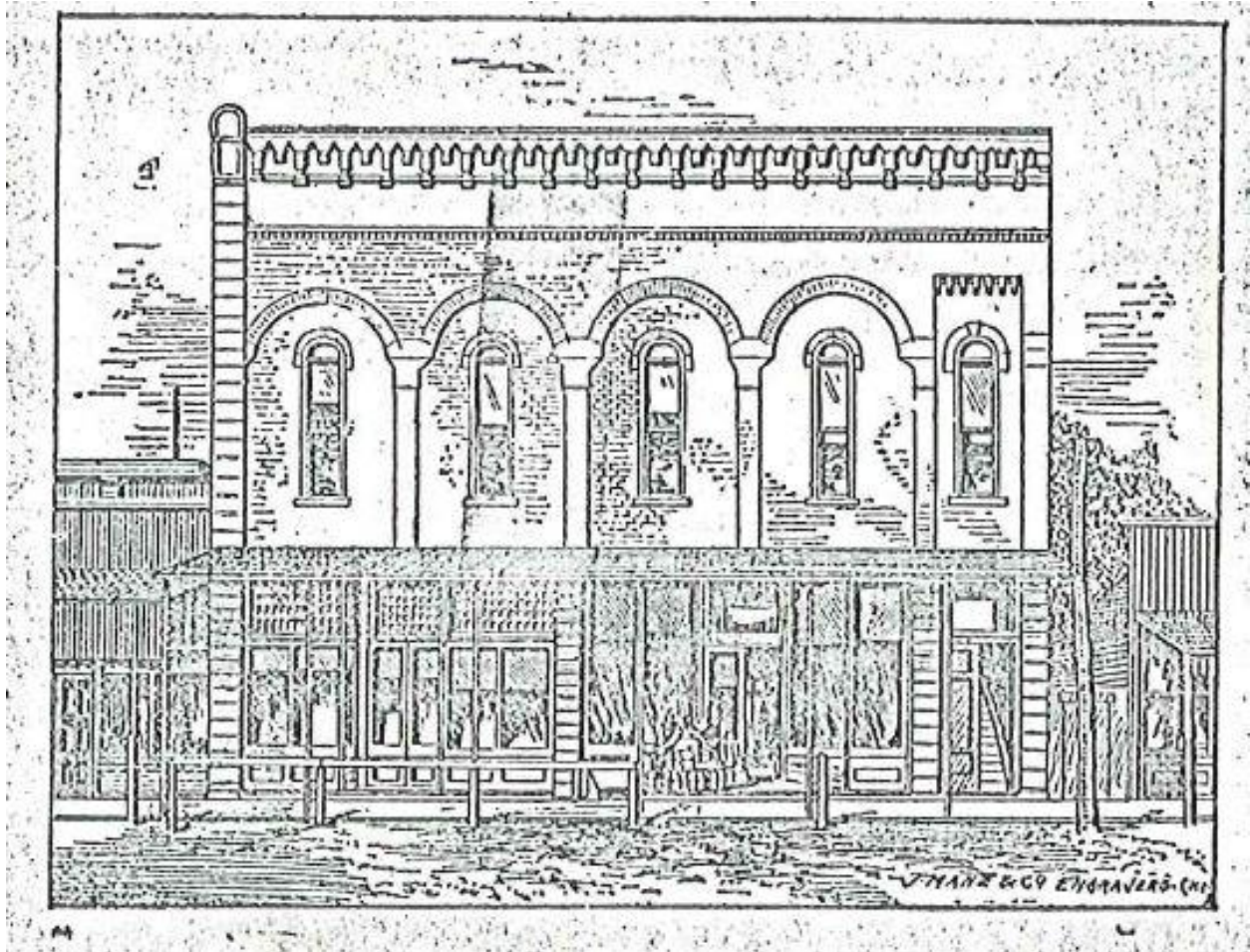
Figure 4. Snippet of 1928 Sanborn, showing 102-104 S Factory.



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**Figure 5.** Buhrer Opera House, showing south portion of 104 S Factory at left.  
Source: *The Enterprise Journal, Souvenir Edition* (12/28/1899): 4.



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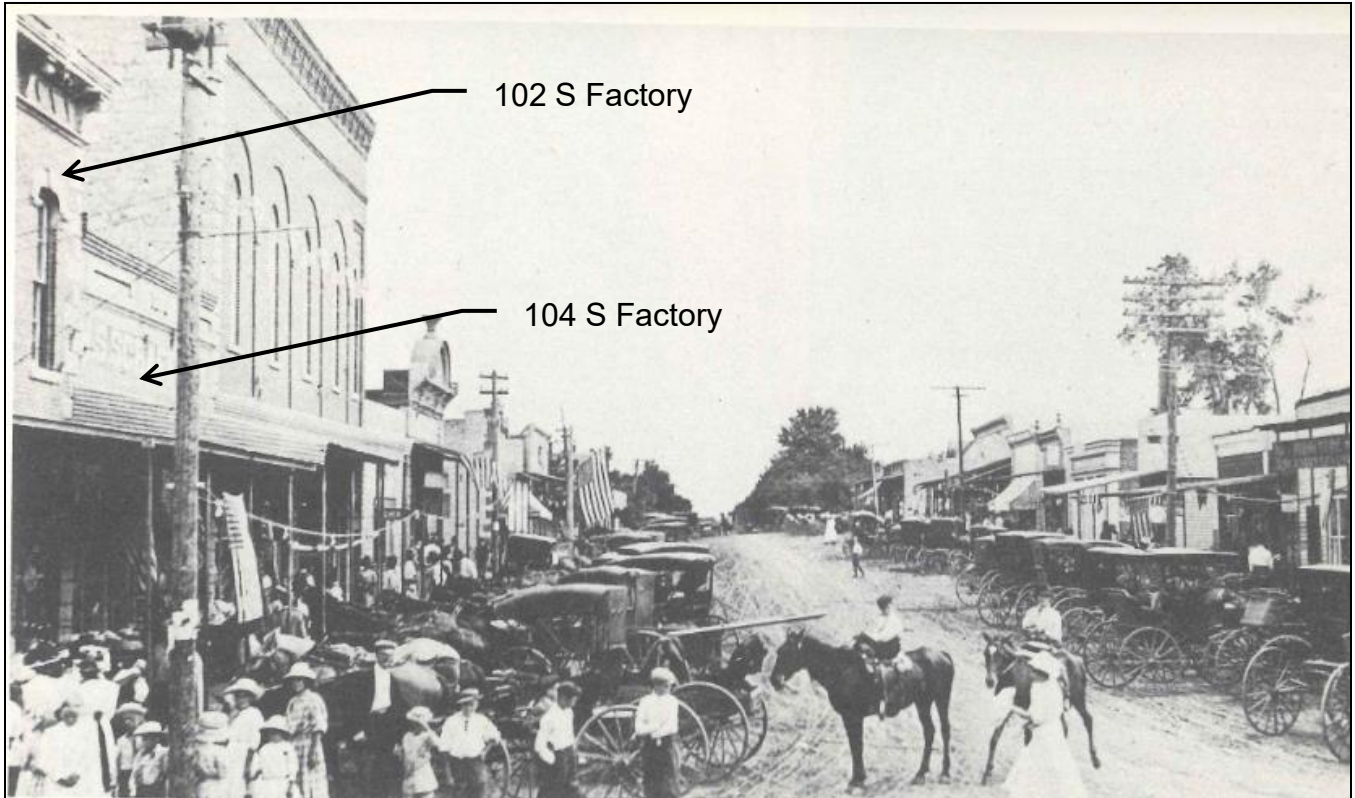
**Figure 6.** Buhrer Opera House, showing south portion of 104 S Factory. Undated historic image.



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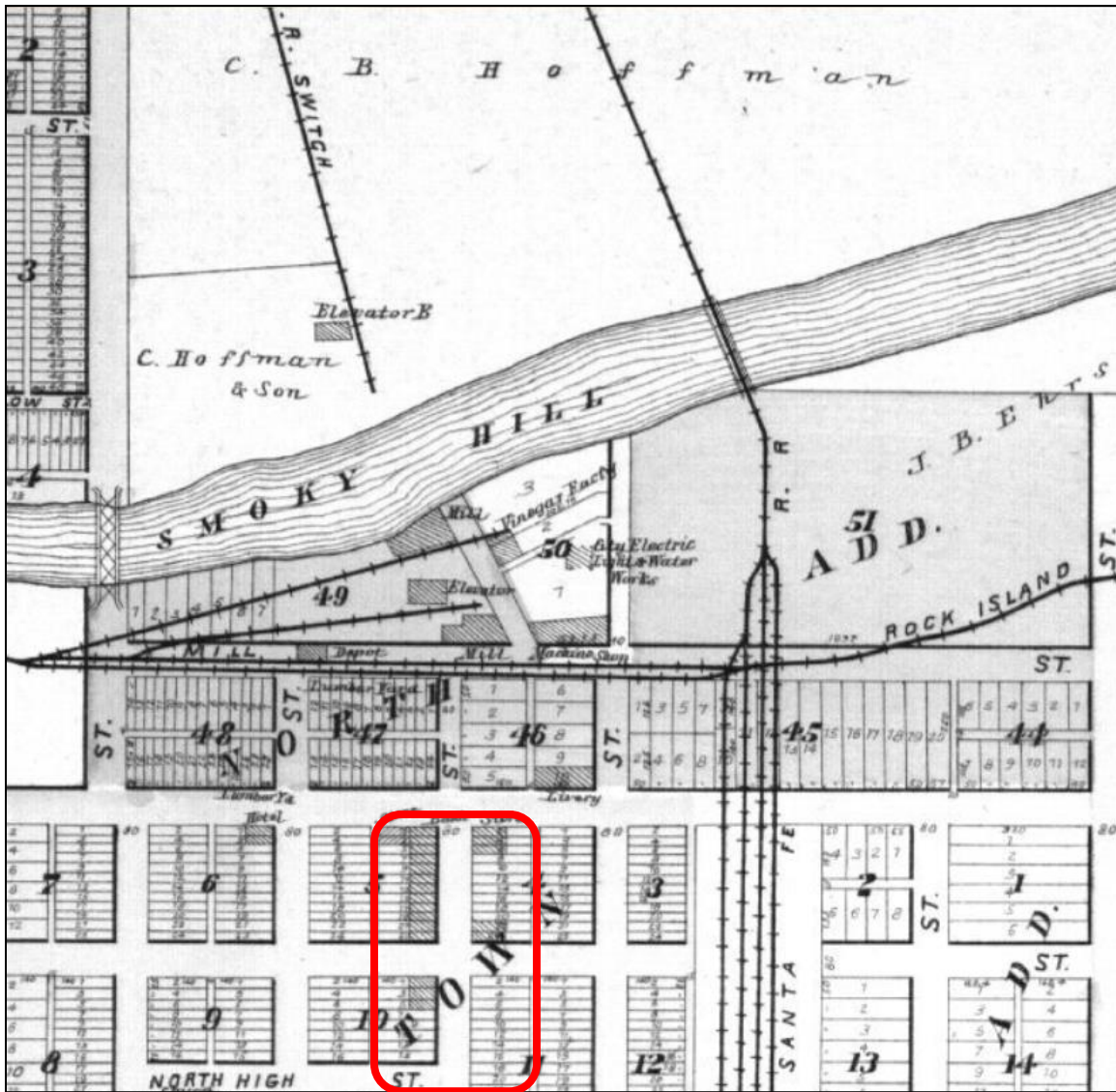
**Figure 7.** Enterprise, Factory Street, looking south from 1st. Circa 1912.  
(Source: Peterson, *A Kansan's Enterprise*, n.p.)



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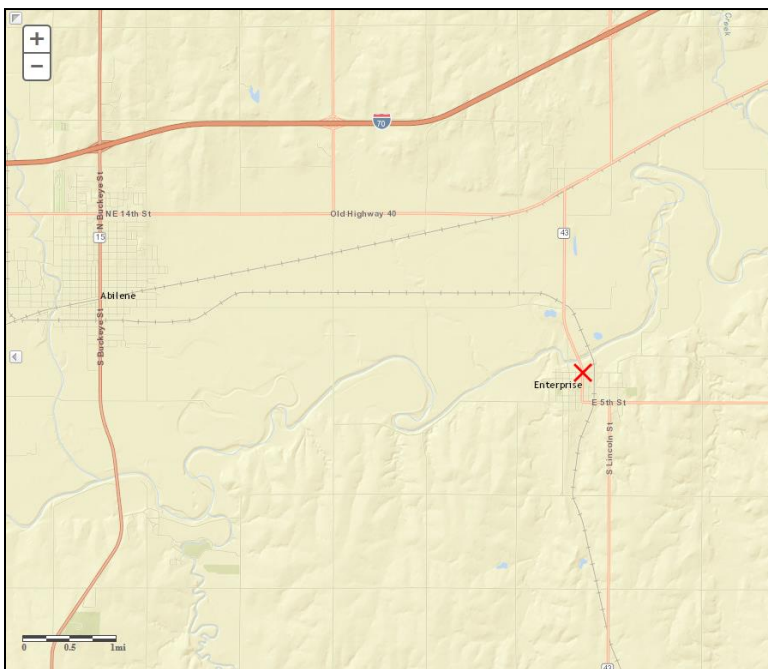
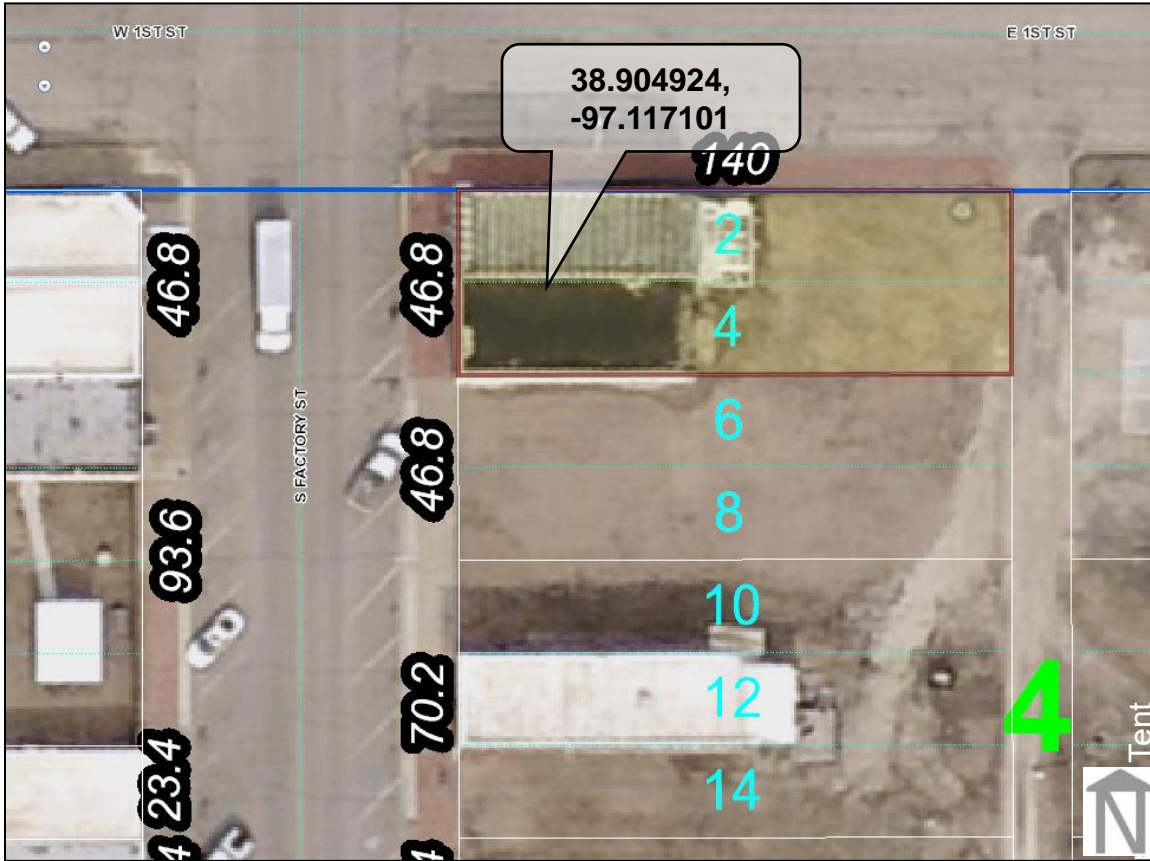
**Figure 8.** Enterprise, 1901. North is up. Commercial core is noted by rectangle.  
(Source: *Standard Atlas of Dickinson County* (Chicago: Geo. A. Ogle & Co., 1901), 70.)



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**Boundary Map.** The nominated site is defined by the parcel boundaries shown below (Dickinson County GIS).  
Contextual map shown below boundary map with X marking location of buildings (KHRI, kshs.org/khri).





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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:

Property Name:

Multiple Name:

State & County:

Date Received: 12/2/2016      Date of Pending List: 12/27/2016      Date of 16th Day: 1/11/2017      Date of 45th Day: 1/17/2017      Date of Weekly List: 1/17/2017

Reference number:

Nominator:

Reason For Review:

- |                                       |  |   |
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Accept       Return       Reject      1/11/2017 Date

Abstract/Summary Comments:

Recommendation/ Criteria

Reviewer Alexis Abernathy      Discipline Historian

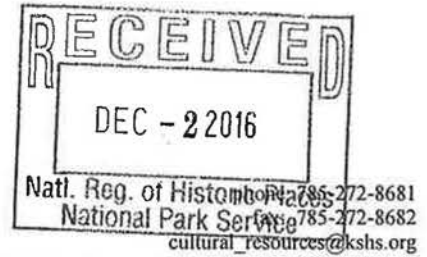
Telephone (202)354-2236      Date \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION:    see attached comments : No    see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.



6425 SW 6th Avenue  
Topeka KS 66615



Sam Brownback, Governor  
Jennie Chinn, Executive Director

November 21, 2016

Paul Loether, National Register Chief  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
1201 Eye Street, NW (2280)  
Washington, DC 20005

Re: National Register documents

Dear Mr. Loether:

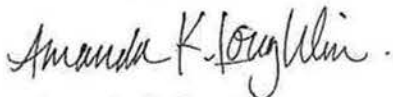
Please find enclosed the following National Register documents:

- **Arvonia Township Hall, Lebo vicinity, Osage County, Kansas (new nomination)**
  - Physical, signed copy of the nomination's first page;
  - 1 CD (disk #1) with a PDF of the true and correct copy of the nomination;
  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs
  
- **Leonard , J.T., & Anna, House; Girard, Crawford County, Kansas (new nomination)**
  - Physical, signed copy of the nomination's first page;
  - 1 CD (disk #1) with a PDF of the true and correct copy of the nomination and .kmz file;
  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs
  
- **Eskridge City Park & Bandstand, Eskridge, Wabaunsee County, Kansas (resubmission)**
  - Physical, signed copy of the nomination's first page;
  - 1 CD (disk #1) with a PDF of the true and correct copy of the nomination, copy of city (owner) support, copy of letter from Alexis Abernathy recommending a resubmission and .kmz file;
  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs
  
- **Olathe Cemetery, Olathe, Johnson County, Kansas (new nomination)**
  - Physical, signed copy of the nomination's first page;
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  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs
  
- **Engle, Jacob S., House, Abilene, Dickinson County, Kansas (new nomination)**
  - Physical, signed copy of the nomination's first page;
  - 1 CD (disk #1) with a PDF of the true and correct copy of the nomination, copies of letters of support from the city of Abilene (2)
  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs

- **Hoffman & Lamb Buildings, Enterprise, Dickinson County, Kansas (new nomination)**
  - Physical, signed copy of the nomination's first page;
  - 1 CD (disk #1) with a PDF of the true and correct copy of the nomination;
  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs
  
- **Lander's Wagon & Carriage Shop, Humboldt, Allen County, Kansas (new nomination)**
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- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) Memorial Arch, Junction City, Geary County, Kansas (new nomination)**
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- **Reid, Lyman, House; Ottawa, Franklin County, Kansas (new nomination)**
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- **Kansas Route 66 Historic District – North Baxter Springs; Riverton & Baxter Springs vicinities, Cherokee County, Kansas (boundary expansion; additional documentation)**
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- **Beckett, Charles K., House, Sterling, Rice County, Kansas (removal request)**
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- **Spring Creek School, Corbin vicinity, Sumner County, Kansas (removal request)**
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  - 1 CD (disk #2) with photographs

If you have any questions about these enclosed items, please contact me at 785-272-8681 ext. 216 or [aloughlin@kshs.org](mailto:aloughlin@kshs.org).

Sincerely,



Amanda K. Loughlin  
National Register Coordinator

Enclosures