

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: Removal
Property Name: Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House
Multiple Name:
State & County: IOWA, Delaware

Date Received: 7/10/2018 Date of Pending List: 7/31/2018 Date of 16th Day: 8/15/2018 Date of 45th Day: 8/24/2018 Date of Weekly List:

Reference number: OT75000681
Nominator: State
Reason For Review:

☒ Accept ☐ Return ☐ Reject 8/15/2018 Date

Abstract/Summary
Comments:

Recommendation/
Criteria

Reviewer Control Unit  Discipline _____

Telephone _____ 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.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:

COUNTY:

FOR NPS USE ONLY

ENTRY DATE

FEB 20 1975

1. NAME

COMMON:

Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

(Baker, Henry, House)

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

Rural Route 3

CITY OR TOWN:

Manchester

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

Second

STATE

Iowa

CODE

COUNTY:

Delaware

CODE

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

(Check One)

- ☐ District ☒ Building
☐ Site ☐ Structure
☐ Object

OWNERSHIP

- ☐ Public
☒ Private
☐ Both

Public Acquisition:

- ☐ In Process
☐ Being Considered

STATUS

- ☐ Occupied
☐ Unoccupied
☒ Preservation work
in progress

ACCESSIBLE
TO THE PUBLIC

Yes:

- ☒ Restricted
☐ Unrestricted
☐ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Agricultural ☐ Government ☐ Park
☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☒ Private Residence
☐ Educational ☐ Military ☐ Religious
☐ Entertainment ☐ Museum ☐ Scientific

- ☐ Transportation
☐ Other (Specify)

Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:

Robert F. Phelps

STREET AND NUMBER:

829 N. Franklin

CITY OR TOWN:

Manchester,

STATE:

Iowa

CODE

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:

Delaware County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

Manchester

STATE

Iowa

CODE

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:

☐ Federal ☐ State

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

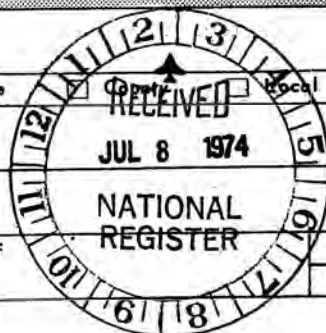
STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

CODE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



STATE:

COUNTY:

FEB 20 1975

ENTRY NUMBER

DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Henry Baker house was built in the tradition of the country homes found throughout Ohio which were built during the first half of the 19th Century. These house were Colonial and were copied after the post-colonial homes found throughout the eastern seaboard states.

The Henry Baker home is unique because of its stark un-Victorian architecture and because it is one of the few buildings still standing in the state used as stage coach stops during the 1850's. It was built in 1855 from bricks kilned on the site. Most of the lumber used to trim the house is walnut and was also probably cut from native timber. (There are still standing nearby barns with solid walnut beams -- put together with wooden pegs.)

The brick structure on the exterior has had only two minor alterations-- a side porch on the rear, and a new front porch. A new chimney (evident in the attached photographs) built during the 1930's is in the process of being torn down. The original chimney on that side of the house is being restored.

Originally the home had three fireplaces. One interesting feature in the architecture is the way that channels for the chimneys begin at two separate points at the base of the house, and flow gently together atop a gothic window at the peak of the room to form a chimney at each end of the rectangular house. (The gothic window is the only curved line found in the exterior architecture.) The third chimney from the kitchen fireplace echoes the two atop the house.

Of the three fireplaces, two still remain--one needs to be restored. The huge keeping room fireplace extends across the entire north wall of the room, with a warming oven, and a wood storage spot below. A marble slab decorates the fireplace in the living room, the only marble in the entire house.

The large dining room on the first floor has been made slightly smaller with the addition of a bathroom at one end--otherwise the floor plan of the entire house is presently intact. The downstairs consists of the kitchen (keeping room), the dining room, and three other rooms, at least one of which was probably used for overflow sleeping accommodations.

Upstairs there are four tiny rooms, barely large enough for double beds, a huge room which came to be used for a community ballroom, and a tiny backroom with ceilings plastered over the roofline. On the third floor there are two rooms also plastered over the roofline which were no doubt used for sleeping accommodations when necessary.

In the past year articles about the house have appeared in the Dubuque and Waterloo papers. One of these is attached. Also attached is an article from the Cedar Rapids paper printed in 1928.

Star clamps
ornamental brick cornice

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian; ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1855

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

According to histories of Delaware county, Coffin's Grove was named for Clement Coffin who settled there in 1840--at the time 10 miles further west than any other pioneer. The next year his son-in-law Henry Baker joined him.

The Henry Baker house was built in 1855 to accomodate the overflow visitors who were stopping over on their way west -- their numbers swelled ^{with} by the Gold Rush. Not only did the house serve as a hotel and post office, but its huge second floor room served as a dance hall and gathering place for natives of the area for a good many years.

The house is presently located on a gravel road between Masonville and Manchester, but at the time the house was built this was the main thoroughfare west.

The architecture of the house is very unusual to find this far west. Although records are not complete, it is possible that Henry Baker and his father-in-law built the house, copying it after the post-revolutionary homes found in the east.

There are few if any stagecoach stops in Iowa which come close to rivaling the Baker House architecture. And it is highly unlikely that any house in the state which may have been built as early remains as close to its original floor plan as this house. Only a bathroom has been added to what was the dining room on the first floor.

From the limestone foundation, no doubt ^{quarried} mined on the property, to the bricks which were kilned here, the entire house represents the best of pioneer craftsmanship.

In addition, there are remnants of barns built in 1849 ^{on a} one-day barn raising--the first frame barns in the county. These barns were made with walnut beams, put together with wooden pegs. An old limestone foundation with these beams and pegs still stands across the road from the Baker house.

The Henry Baker house was a beehive of community activity during the third quarter of the 19th century. Settlers came from miles around to hunt prairie chickens on the property. Circuses, fairs and community gatherings took place here frequently.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Merry, Capt. John F., History of Delaware County, The S. J. Clarke Publishing Company, 1914, vol. I, The History of Coffins Grove Township, pp. 285-288.
2. The History of Delaware County, Iowa; Chicago, Western Historical Company, pp. 378, 555-556.

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4706150

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0		
NE	0	0	0	0	0	0		
SE	0	0	0	42	30	0		
SW	0	0	0	91	32	31		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Approximate 5 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
Iowa		Delaware	
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Robert F. Phelps, Owner		DATE Feb. 10, 1974
ORGANIZATION		
STREET AND NUMBER: 829 N. Franklin		
CITY OR TOWN: Manchester	STATE Iowa	CODE

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☒

Name Adrian D. Anderson

Title Historic Preservation Officer

Date 6/25/74

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

A. B. Winters
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 2/20/75

ATTEST:

Atty. Henry F. Emery
Keeper of The National Register

Date Feb 20, 1975



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(7/72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM**

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

STATE IOWA	
COUNTY DELAWARE	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE FEB 20 1975

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House
AND/OR HISTORIC: Baker, Henry, House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

Rural Route 3

CITY OR TOWN:

Manchester

STATE:

Iowa

CODE

14

COUNTY:

Delaware

CODE

055

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: Larry Woellert

DATE OF PHOTO: Winter 1974

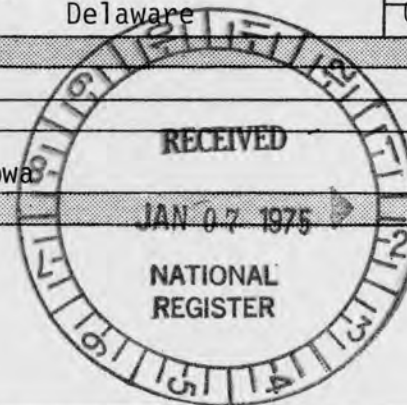
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829 North Franklin, Manchester, Iowa

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

North side of house (camera facing south)



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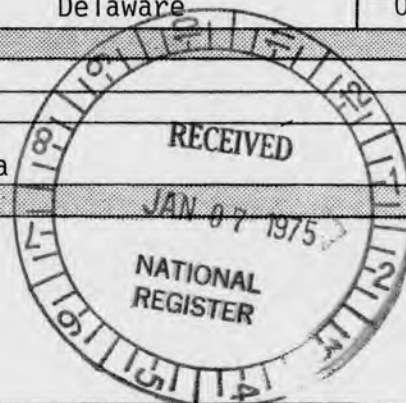
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COUNTY DELAWARE	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE FEB 2 1975

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME			
COMMON: Coffin's Grove Stagecoach Stop			
AND/OR HISTORIC: Baker, Henry, House			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: Rural Route 3			
CITY OR TOWN: Manchester			
STATE: Iowa	CODE 14	COUNTY: Delaware	CODE 055
3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Larry Woellert			
DATE OF PHOTO: Winter 1974			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: 829 North Franklin, Manchester, Iowa			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. West side of house (camera facing east)			



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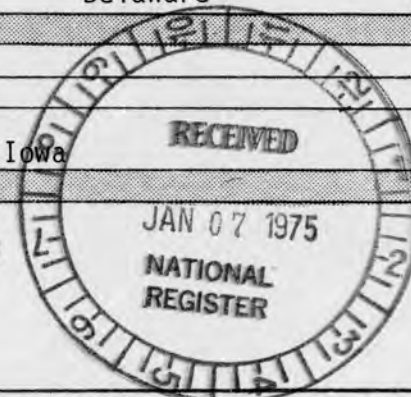
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IOWA	
COUNTY	
DELAWARE	
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	FEB 10 1975

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AND/OR HISTORIC: Baker, Henry, House			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
Rural Route 3			
CITY OR TOWN:			
Manchester			
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Iowa	14	Delaware	055
3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Larry Woellert			
DATE OF PHOTO: Winter 1974			
NEGATIVE FILED AT:			
829 North Franklin, Manchester, Iowa			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
South side of house (camera facing north)			



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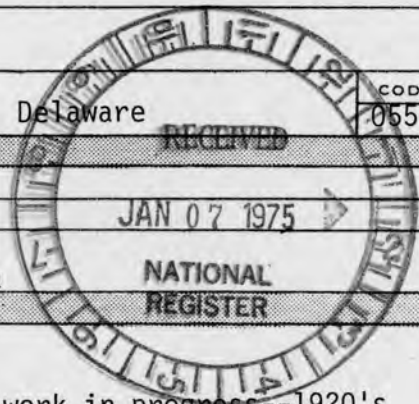
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STATE IOWA	
COUNTY DELAWARE	
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

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2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: Rural Route 3			
CITY OR TOWN: Manchester			
STATE: Iowa	CODE 14	COUNTY: Delaware	CODE 055
3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Larry Woellert			
DATE OF PHOTO: Winter 1974			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: 829 North Franklin, Manchester, Iowa			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. East side of house (camera facing west) (Shows work in progress--1920's chimney has just been removed from this side--original chimney restored).			



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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

1. NAME		
COMMON	AND/OR HISTORIC	NUMERIC CODE (Assigned by NPS)
Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House	Baker, Henry, House	FEB 20 1975
2. LOCATION		
STATE	COUNTY	TOWN
Iowa	Delaware	Manchester
STREET AND NUMBER		
Rural Route 3		
3. PHOTO REFERENCE		
PHOTO CREDIT	DATE	NEGATIVE FILED AT
Dave Brown	July, 1973	Waterloo Daily Courier Waterloo, Iowa
4. IDENTIFICATION		
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.		

Front view of house, Front door faces south.

6 of 5



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PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

STATE	
COUNTY	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
2831	

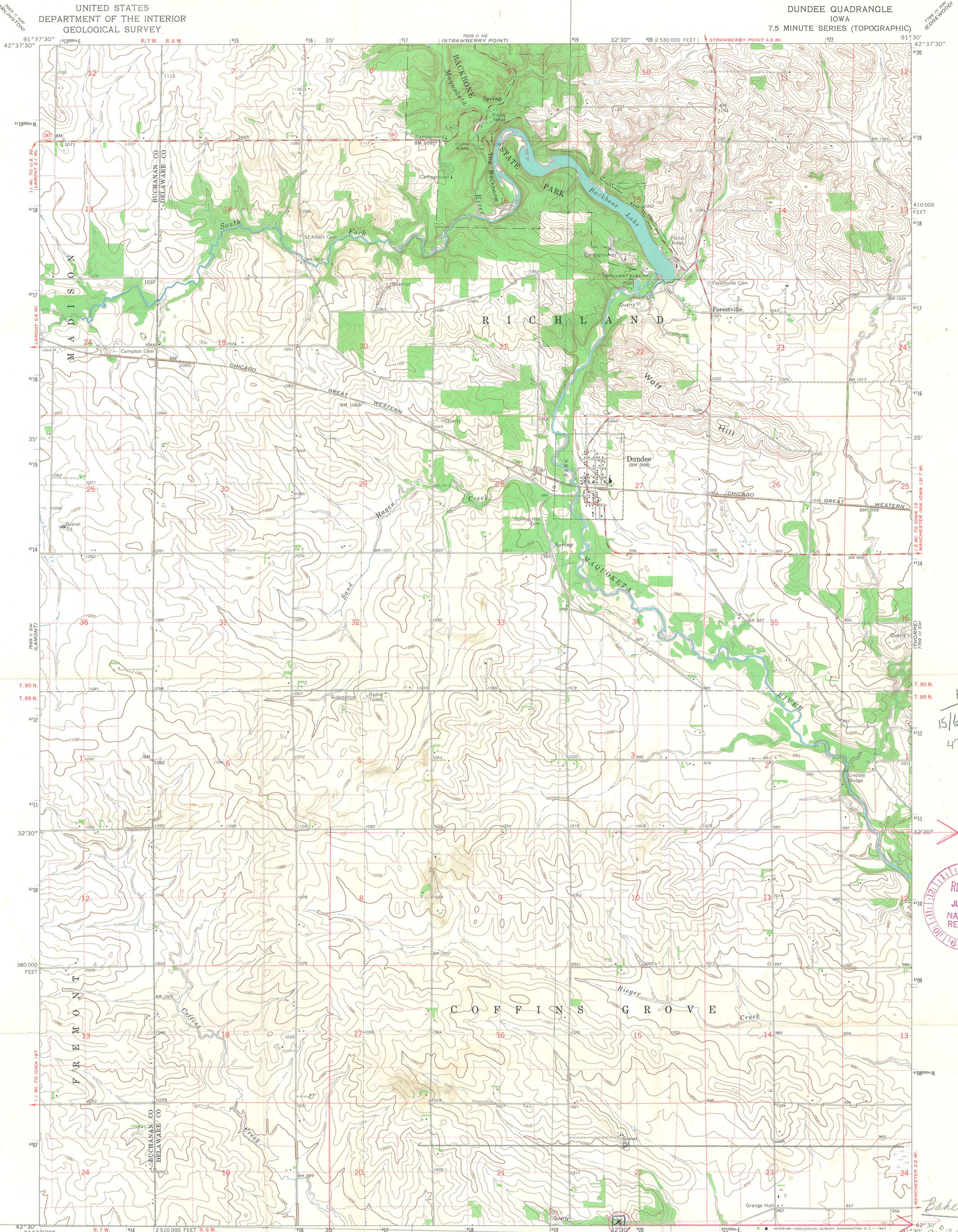
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AND/OR HISTORIC: Baker, Henry, House			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
Rural Route 3			
CITY OR TOWN:			
Manchester			
STATE:		CODE	COUNTY:
Iowa			Delaware
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
Geological Survey			
SCALE: 1:24,000			
DATE: 1965			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

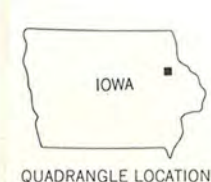
DUNDEE QUADRANGLE
IOWA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1963. Field checked 1965
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Iowa coordinate system, north zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs
This information is unchecked

UTM GRID AND 1983 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

SCALE 1:24,000
1 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET
1 KILOMETER
CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL
THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
AND BY THE IOWA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, IOWA CITY, IOWA 52240
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Medium-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Unimproved dirt ———
State Route ○

DUNDEE, IOWA
N4230—W9130/7.5

1965
AMS 7669 II SE—SERIES V876

HR
15/619800
4706150



Baker House
9°32'31"
42°30'0"

National Register of Historic Places
Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

PROPERTY

Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House

STATE

Iowa

75000681
Delaware

WORKING NUMBER

7.8.74.1108

TECH REVIEW

PHOTOS

1

MAPS

1

CONTROL REVIEW

~~#10 decrease in message~~cm
7.9.

OK

74

HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Style ~~Strong~~ ~~is the~~ ~~chimney unusual for that per. in Iowa?~~ IS the chimney unusual for that per. in Iowa? It would be helpful to have floor plan instead of list of rooms. Recalled in comments should be typed in. How unusual is the house for Iowa? More photos - side barn, pig sty - unusual in that it's in brick, + detail.

Accept
JCT

8/21/74

ARCHEOLOGIST

Need to call state on status of the barns. reminder 11/18/74
otherwise okay. Barn is part of nomination
Newspaper article is coming to explain
more about the site. Per phone call
to Anderson 21 Aug 74.

Accept
M. BARNES
21 AUG 74

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
COL2
11/4/75

BRANCH CHIEF

Accept
Hurry
2-13-75

KEEPER

177 hours
for
log mtr
2/20/75

National Register Write-up

Send-back

Federal Register entry

4-1-75

Re-submit

Entered

FEB 20 1975

INT: 1538-73

COMMISSIONERS

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An EQUAL OPPORTUNITY Agency

June 28, 1974



Dr. William Murtagh
Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
Washington, D. C. 20240

Re: Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House, Manchester, Delaware County, Iowa

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

Please find enclosed herewith the completed National Register of Historic Places nomination forms for the Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House, Delaware County, Manchester, Iowa.

We would appreciate it very much if you would have your staff review this form for National Register status.

Thank you for your courtesies and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Shay, Secretary
Adrian D. Anderson, Director
State Historic Preservation Officer
Division of Historic Preservation
State Historical Department
B-13 MacLean Hall
Iowa City, Iowa 52242

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Enclosures

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the nomination of the Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House, Delaware County, Manchester, Iowa to the National Register of Historic Places has been approved by a majority of the nomination forms for Historic Sites. We recommend transmittal of the nomination forms to the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places.

Robert R. Dykstra 3-24-74
Robert R. Dykstra Date

Marshall McKusick June 24
Marshall McKusick Date

David M. Gradwohl 17 June 74
David M. Gradwohl Date

Wesley I. Shank 3-5-74
Wesley I. Shank Date

Jack W. Musgrove 5/17/74
Jack W. Musgrove Date

Gerry F. Schnepf 6-10-74
Gerry F. Schnepf Date

Peter T. Harstad 5/14/74
Peter T. Harstad Date

Richard Shutler, Jr. 2/21/74
Richard Shutler, Jr. Date

Adrian D. Anderson 6/25/74
Adrian D. Anderson Date

STATE HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT OF IOWA
DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ADRIAN D. ANDERSON, DIRECTOR
HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

January 3, 1975

7, 8, 74

Ms. Kate Cole
Review Unit
National Register of Historic Places
Washington, D. C. 20240



Dear Ms. Cole:

Please find enclosed herewith four (4) black and white, 8" x 10" glossy photographs of Coffin's Grove Stagecoach Stop, Delaware County, Manchester, Iowa. I would appreciate it very much if you would attach these photos to the material that you already have on file concerning this nomination.

Sincerely,

Pat Haddy
Patricia A. Haddy
Secretary

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Enclosures

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE IOWA

Date Entered FEB 20 1975

Name

Location

Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House

Manchester vicinity
Delaware County

Met Theatre

Iowa Falls
Hardin County

Also Notified

Hon. John C. Culver
Hon. Richard C. Clark
Hon. Michael Blouin
Hon. Charles Grassley

Regional Director, Midwest
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Adrian Anderson
Director, State Historical Department
Division of Historic Preservation
B-13 MacLean Hall
Iowa City, Iowa 52242

NR Data Sheet

DATE: 1-10-77
 Reviewer INITIALS: Nesbitt
 NR ☒ DOE 2/20/75

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: Coffin's Grove Stagecoach House

OTHER NAMES: Baker Henry House

LOCATION:

STREET & NUMBER

rural route 3, 3 mi. W of Manchester

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

second

COUNTY

code

STATE

Delaware

Manchester

Delaware

OWNER OF PROPERTY: (Circle) ☒ PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline)

FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME):

NPS REGION: (CIRCLE) N. ATLANTIC MID ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST MIDWEST

SOUTHWEST ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST PACIFIC NORTHWEST

FEATURES:

INTERIOR

☒ Substantially intact-1

☐ unknown - 4

☐ not applicable - 7

EXTERIOR

☒ Substantially intact-2

☐ unknown - 5

☐ not applicable - 8

ENVIRONS

☒ Substantially intact-3

☐ unknown - 6

☐ Not applicable-9

☐ Interior, exterior, environs not intact-0

CONDITION -

☐ EXCELLENT

☐ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☒ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

☐ Unexcavated

☒ UNALTERED

☐ ALTERED

☐ Reconstructed

☐ Excavated

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED

☐ Unknown

ACCESS -

Yes-restricted

Yes-unrestricted

No access

Unknown - ?

historic district?

YES

NO

WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT?

YES

NO

IF YES, NAME:

WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK?

YES

NO

IF YES, NAME:

ADAPTIVE USE:

YES

NO

Saved?

YES

NO

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)

then- House/stagecoach Inn

now- not in use

SIGNIFICANCE:

☒ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC

☒ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC

☒ AGRICULTURE

☒ ARCHITECTURE

☒ ART

☒ COMMERCE

☒ COMMUNICATIONS

☐ CONSERVATION

☐ ECONOMICS

☐ EDUCATION

☐ ENGINEERING

☐ EXPLORATION

☐ INDUSTRY

☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

☐ LAW/Gov't/politics

☐ LITERATURE

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSIC

☐ PHILOSOPHY

☐ POLITICS-GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION

☐ SCIENCE

24 ☒ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN

25 ☒ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

☐ entertainment

☐ health

☐ recreation

☐ settlement

☐ socio/cultural

☐ urban & commun planning

Claims

"first" YES NO

"oldest" YES NO

"only" YES NO

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: ~~Federal~~ ^{and Greek Revival} elements ~~Greek Revival~~ ^{with} and Gothic Revival elements

architect/m.builder:

engineer:

landscape/garden designer:

artist/artisan:

interior decorator:

builder/contractor:

ETHNIC GROUP:

NAMES:

(label role

&
appropriate date)

personal (1) Henry Baker - built house, probably in conjunction with
(2) Clement Coffin - his father-in-law who had settled in Delaware
County as early as 1840.
events

institutional

DATES: DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century): 1855

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S):

SOURCE: (OF NOMINATION) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY
OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE: (to nearest tenth of an acre) approx. 5 acres

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here) Brick, 2½ stories, T-shaped, gabled roof, ~~sections, interior and interior end chimneys~~, ^{front center entrance with side lights and small} 1-story front center gabled entrance porch, corbeled brick cornice ^{WITH partial} end returns; limestone foundation, sills, and ^{attic windows} ~~headers~~; ~~3rd story~~ pointed-arched openings in gables, ~~ends~~, rear kitchen wing; original interiors intact; ~~rear clapboard addition~~, outbuilding remains. ~~Federal elements~~ ^{and Greek Revival} Built as hotel and post office; also served as a community gathering place; ^{one of the} oldest buildings in the state with its 19th c. interior intact

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences)