



United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Mitchell-Maskrey Mill
other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 120 E. Pleasant not for publication
city, town Maquoketa vicinity
state Iowa code IA county Jackson code 097 zip code 52060

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	_____ buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____	_____ objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Architectural & Historical Resources of Maquoketa, IA
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. See continuation sheet.
[Signature] 6/19/91
Signature of certifying official 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.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this 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:)
Beth Poland 8/9/91

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

INDUSTRY/PROCESSING/EXTRACTION

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AGRICULTURE/Storage

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(enter categories from Instructions)

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

Late Victorian:
No style

foundation Limestone
walls Brick
roof Asphalt
other Wood frame
Metal

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Mitchell-Maskrey Mill is a three story brick rectangular building, four bay by five bay, constructed in 1886 as a flouring mill. It is located on the northwest corner of Pleasant and Olive, one block east of Main Street, but still in that area considered the business district (City Hall is directly across the street).

Openings throughout are segmental arched with simple brick patterned hoodmolds. The cornice is of brick patterning with panels and dentils. The brickwork on this building is very similar to that seen on several other commercial buildings in Maquoketa from the period (Cundill Block, New Era Building). The corner location allows for a wood frame porch area on the east side where wagons and trucks can load and unload. A narrow brick addition has been made to the west side, and on the north (rear) is a single story stone addition and a wood frame and sheet metal addition. None of these detracts from the original design. The integrity of this building is noteworthy.

While this survey and nomination project has focused on the exteriors, and no information was gathered on interiors, it is said that the interior integrity of this building is as outstanding as the exterior.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

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nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Period of Significance

Significant Dates

Architecture

1886

1886

Cultural Affiliation
N.A.

Significant Person
N.A.

Architect/Builder
Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Mitchell-Maskrey Mill is significant under Criterion C as a good example of the vernacular brick buildings constructed in Maquoketa during the 1880s.

This building differs from the others of this period and type in that it is a free standing structure. However, it shares design elements with the Cundill Block and New Era Building: segmental arched openings with brick patterned hoodmolds, and brick patterned cornice of panels and dentils. It is a straight forward, functional design with little ornamentation. Even the wood frame porch is purely functional, not decorative. The size and shape of this building identify it as a factory or mill, rather than as a retail operation. As such it is the only example of industrial design in downtown Maquoketa.

This building has been in continuous use, for the same business, since its construction in 1886. It continues the long tradition of mills in Maquoketa's history. In 1838 John Goodenow started with a small corn-cracker which he sold to Joseph McCloy. In 1842 McCloy established a more sophisticated flouring mill at his site south of town on Mill Creek. In 1865 Edward Maskrey leased McCloy's mill. A few years later Maskrey purchased the present lot from the Methodist Church. On the lot was a small frame church which Maskrey used as a mill. As Maquoketa grew, it became apparent that more space was needed. The present three story brick building was constructed around the frame one, with the mill continuing in operation throughout the construction period. When the new building was complete, the frame church inside was dismantled. Maskrey & Sons ran the mill until sometime between 1892 and 1899 when Thomas Hench purchased it (it was also known as Timber City Roller Mills). Hench converted the mill operation from steam to electricity. In 1907 Hench sold to

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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 1880/81; 1891/92; 1901/02; 1912/13; and 1922/23.
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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 # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

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 Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal Boundary Description

O.P. Lot 10, Blk 19
 Sec 19 T84N R3E
 City of Maquoketa

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Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the area historically associated with this building.

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Charles Von Schrader & Frank Mitchell. Mitchell was to actually run the mill. By 1912 it was known as the Mitchell-Maskrey Flour Mill (F.P. Mitchell & Stephen P. Maskrey). It continues to be known as the Mitchell-Maskrey Co.

This building has been evaluated as having National Register potential as part of a study of Iowa Flour Milling.