

DATA SHEET

Form 10-300
(Rev. 6-72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Wisconsin
COUNTY: Ozaukee
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE JUL 24 1975

1. NAME

COMMON:
Pebble House

AND/OR HISTORIC:
~~Dodge House~~ [Dodge, Edward, House] (Pebble House) *Peabody*

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
146 South Wisconsin Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Port Washington

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
9th

STATE: Wisconsin CODE: 55 COUNTY: Ozaukee CODE: 089

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

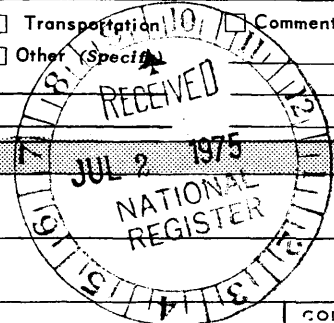
OWNER'S NAME:
Wisconsin Electric Power Co.

STREET AND NUMBER:
231 West Michigan Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Milwaukee

STATE:
Wisconsin

CODE:
55



5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Ozaukee County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Port Washington

CITY OR TOWN:
Port Washington

STATE:
Wisconsin

CODE:
55

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Wisconsin's Historic Preservation Plan, Vol. II, The Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: 1975 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
State Historical Society of Wisconsin

STREET AND NUMBER:
816 State Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Madison

STATE:
Wisconsin

CODE:
55

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7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dodge House, built in 1848, is a 1 1/2 story house, Greek Revival in style, and an outstanding example of Wisconsin's cobblestone architecture. The walls are of Lake Michigan beach stones with a fine eggshell surface which gives them an unusually smooth and tactile quality.¹ Richard W. E. Perrin describes the walls: "Laid for a pronounced banded effect, the pattern generally involves two contiguous courses of black basalt pebbles, then a single course of granites of pink and grey cast, then two courses of buff, pink, and white flints and quartzites. There are five rows of stones per quoin, and the quoins themselves are rough-dressed Ozaukee County dolomite of bluish grey color."² The building has a heavy wood cornice with returned eaves and flat-arched stone lintels with radiating voussoirs. Over the main entrance is a prominent keystone. The windows have brick sills. The inner structure of the twenty-inch thick walls is of rubble-stone.

In 1931 the Dodge House was moved about 125 feet south of its original location on the east side of Wisconsin Street on the south bank of Sauk Creek in the City of Port Washington to serve as the gate lodge for the Wisconsin Electric Power Company plant. Substantial repairs were required but the original pebble walls remained intact and have been faithfully preserved. Probably at the time of the move, indicated by the use of the same cut stone as in the foundation, was the addition of a porch and a bay window, and the replacement of the chimney.

Perrin states that the house is still in excellent condition, thanks to the efforts of its present owners. The interiors, of course, have been altered to accommodate the office purposes for which it was acquired.

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^{1, 2} Perrin, The Architecture of Wisconsin, 57.

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) **1848**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <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) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Richard Perrin states that the Dodge House is "Unquestionably the finest house built of beach stones still remaining in Wisconsin.... Built in 1848 as indicated by the datestone over the main entrance, the house is still in excellent condition, thanks to the efforts of its present owners." ¹ Perrin describes the technique which probably was used in the construction of the building: "The inner structural rubble-stone wall was built up several feet or more in advance of the facing. A wood framework was built up on the outside of the wall and a plank set up horizontally on the frame in line with the proposed course of cobblestones. The plank was the same thickness as the height of the cobblestones and the stones were laid up so that their outside tips just touched the plank. It kept the outside edge of the stones in perfect alignment vertically and horizontally. After a course of stones was laid the length of one side of the house, the plank was raised to lay the next one." ² This was a painstaking, slow process, yet beautifully controlled surfaces were produced, as seen in the Dodge House.

Moving the house that Edward Dodge had built in 1848 was essential to its preservation, and it was converted to good adaptive use in downtown Port Washington close to its original location. Despite the exterior alterations involved in adding a porch with supporting columns of random laid limestone and building a small bay window on the side facing the street, the integrity of the basic house has not been lost, and the exceptionally fine cobblestone work which gives the house the architectural significance which Perrin states above has been carefully preserved.

¹ Perrin, The Architecture of Wisconsin, 57.

² Idem. 58 (taken from Schmidt, Cobblestone Architecture, 33).

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"The Pebble House," (Typescript, 4 pp.), Port Washington, Wis. n.d.

Perrin, Richard W. E., The Architecture of Wisconsin, Madison, 1967. 57-59.

Schmidt, Carl F., Cobblestone Masonry, Scottsville, N.Y., 1966, 223.

Schmidt, Carl F., Cobblestone Architecture, Scottsville, N.Y., 1944, 19, 24, 33.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

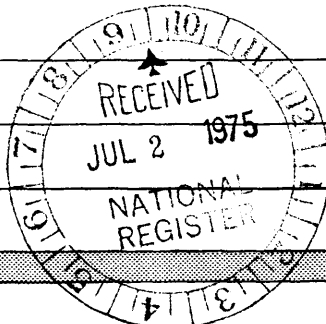
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"			

U.T.M. Reference: 16 / 429,480 / 4,803,840 UTM OK HL
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than 1.0

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Patricia Warwick, Preservation Planning Assistant

ORGANIZATION: State Historical Society of Wisconsin DATE: 4/18/75

STREET AND NUMBER: 816 State Street

CITY OR TOWN: Madison STATE: Wisconsin 53706 CODE: 55

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

State Historic Preservation

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 James Morton Smith
James Morton Smith

Title Director, State Historical Society of Wisconsin

Date 6/24/75

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

AR. W. J. J. J.
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 7/24/75

ATTEST:

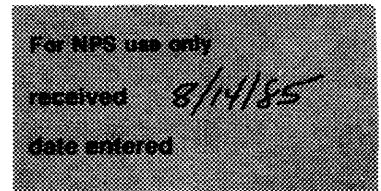
W. M. J. J.
Keeper of The National Register

Date JUL 24 1975

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**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**



Continuation sheet Edward Dodge (Pebble) House Item number 7,10,12 Page 1

2. Location 126 West Grand Avenue, Port Washington, Ozaukee County, WI

7. Description

Date property was moved: January 15, 1985.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage: less than one acre (3,600 Sq. ft.)

Quadrangle name: Port Washington East, WI

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

U.T.M. References: 16 429570 4804040

Verbal Boundary Description: The West Thirty (30) feet of lot Eleven (11)

of Block Number Twenty-five (25) of the Original Plat, and measures Thirty (30) feet in width and One Hundred Twenty (120) feet in depth. The private alley measures an additional Ten (10) feet in width. The parcel contains 3,600 square feet, without including the private alley. This parcel is bounded by a public alley on the North, a city street on the South, a city parking lot on the west and a private right-of-way on the East.

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

X State

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State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title DIRECTOR OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Date 9 JULY 85

LEASE

This Lease made this 27 day of May, 1985,
by and between the CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON, a Municipal corporation,
hereinafter called the "Lessor", and the PORT WASHINGTON CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE, INC., a Wisconsin corporation, hereinafter called
the "Lessee":

WHEREAS, the Port Washington Chamber of Commerce, Inc. is a
Wisconsin corporation, a non-stock and non-profit corporation as
defined by Wisconsin Statutes and is duly authorized to enter
into this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Lease is to advance and further
the interest of the City of Port Washington and the citizens
thereof; and,

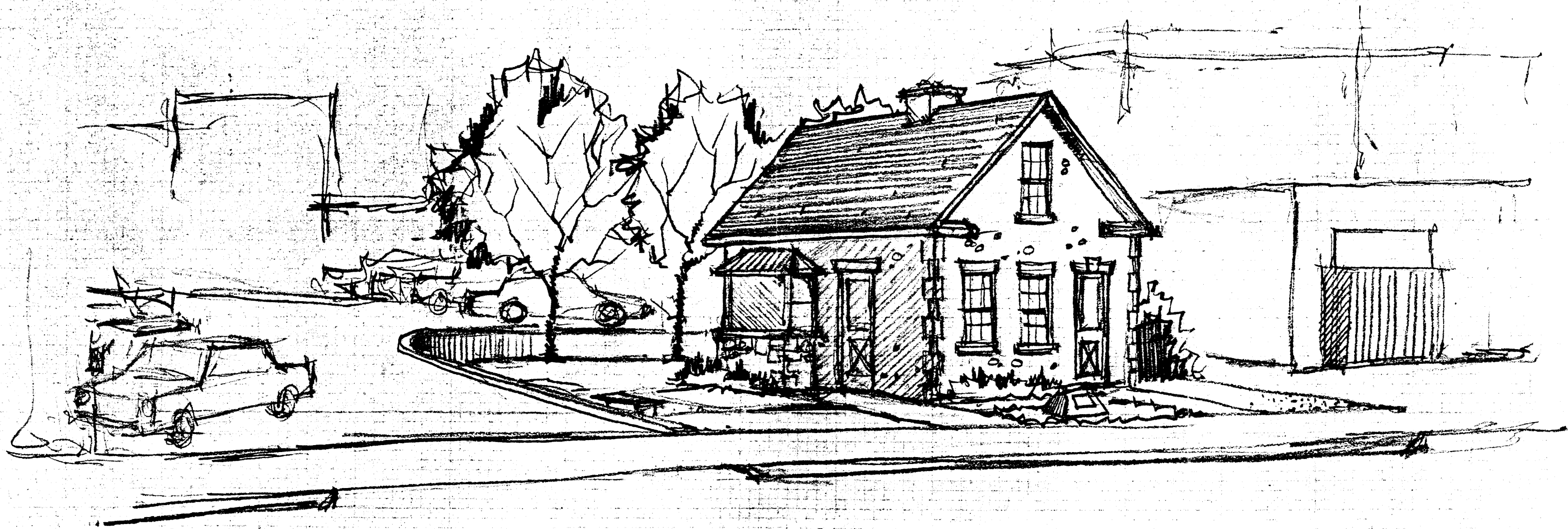
WHEREAS, both the City of Port Washington and the Port
Washington Chamber of Commerce, Inc. are dedicated to the
development of the tourism business within the City of Port
Washington,

NOW, THEREFORE, this Agreement Witnesseth:

1. Subject to the conditions, reservations, restrictions
and rights of cancelation hereinafter set forth, the City of
Port Washington does hereby lease to the Port Washington Chamber
of Commerce, Inc. that certain building and premises known as
the "Pebble House" located on the following described premises:

The West Thirty (30) feet of Lot Eleven (11)
of Block Number Twenty-five (25) of the
Original Plat, and measures Thirty (30) feet
in width and One Hundred Twenty (120) feet in
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the South, a city parking lot on the West and
a private right-of-way on the East.

AUG 14 1985



PERSPECTIVE RENDERING
OF
PROPOSED
PEBBLE HOUSE RELOCATION

AUGUST, 1983