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United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

OMB Control No. 1024-0018

South Ward School Name of Property Howard County, IOWA County and State

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Section number 4 Page 1

The South Ward School is no longer extant and is removed from listing in the National Register under 36 CFR 60.15(a)(1). Based on documentation provided by the SHPO the qualities which caused the property to be originally listed have been destroyed. The SHPO had previously requested a delisting in 2012, but that request was returned to the state for unknown reasons, possibly procedural. The SHPO has now documented the demolition of the property (at some point in the mid-1980s subsequent to listing) and has notified property owners of the pending removal request.

National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- ____ entered in the National Register
- _____ determined eligible for the National Register
- _____ determined not eligible for the National Register
- X removed from the National Register
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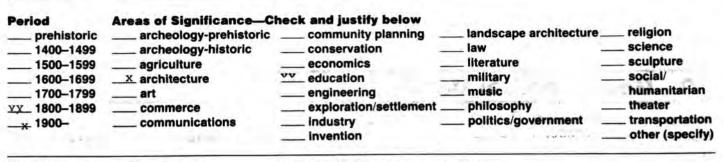
Once relatively common, school buildings of the size and form of South Ward School are increasingly falling prey to diminished school enrollment, fire code problems, and shifting demographic patterns. South Ward School is a good example of late Victorian school design with its display of Romanesque influences common to institutional and public facilities.

Locally quarried stone outlines the rectangular windows as well as unifying the composition through string courses on the first and second levels. A foundation of rough hewn stone sturdily anchors the structure to the ground. Especially pleasing are the brick arcades united by a projecting brick string course. Sets of five windows on the sides illuminate the classrooms on both stories. Modillions along the cornice offer an additional horizontal element along with the string courses. The effect is stalwart and solemn. The entrance pavilion features a wide Romanesque brick archway with stone keystone. Above it is a corbelled cornice to accent the entry.

Above the brick portion of the entrance pavilion is an enclosed clapboard bell tower with brackets or modillions similar to those along the cornice. Originally the school had a more elaborate bell tower of a flaired mansard shape and an open belfry above it. The original was thus higher and more imposing than this later change. The other modification is new steps and side walls, and the front door is probably not original.

South Ward School was built in 1896, according to contemporary newspaper accounts. It sits on an ample one-acre corner lot dotted with large oaks. Except for a park across the street, the area is residential. Most houses are wood frame and somewhat newer than the school, which therefore stands out quite handsomely in contrast.

8. Significance



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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The primary significance of the school appears to be architec tural. A survey of schools in the state may show that the school is among the best representatives of school building design for the period.

South Ward School was a grade school from 1897 to 1978 with a four-year hiatus due to low enrollment from 1949-1953.

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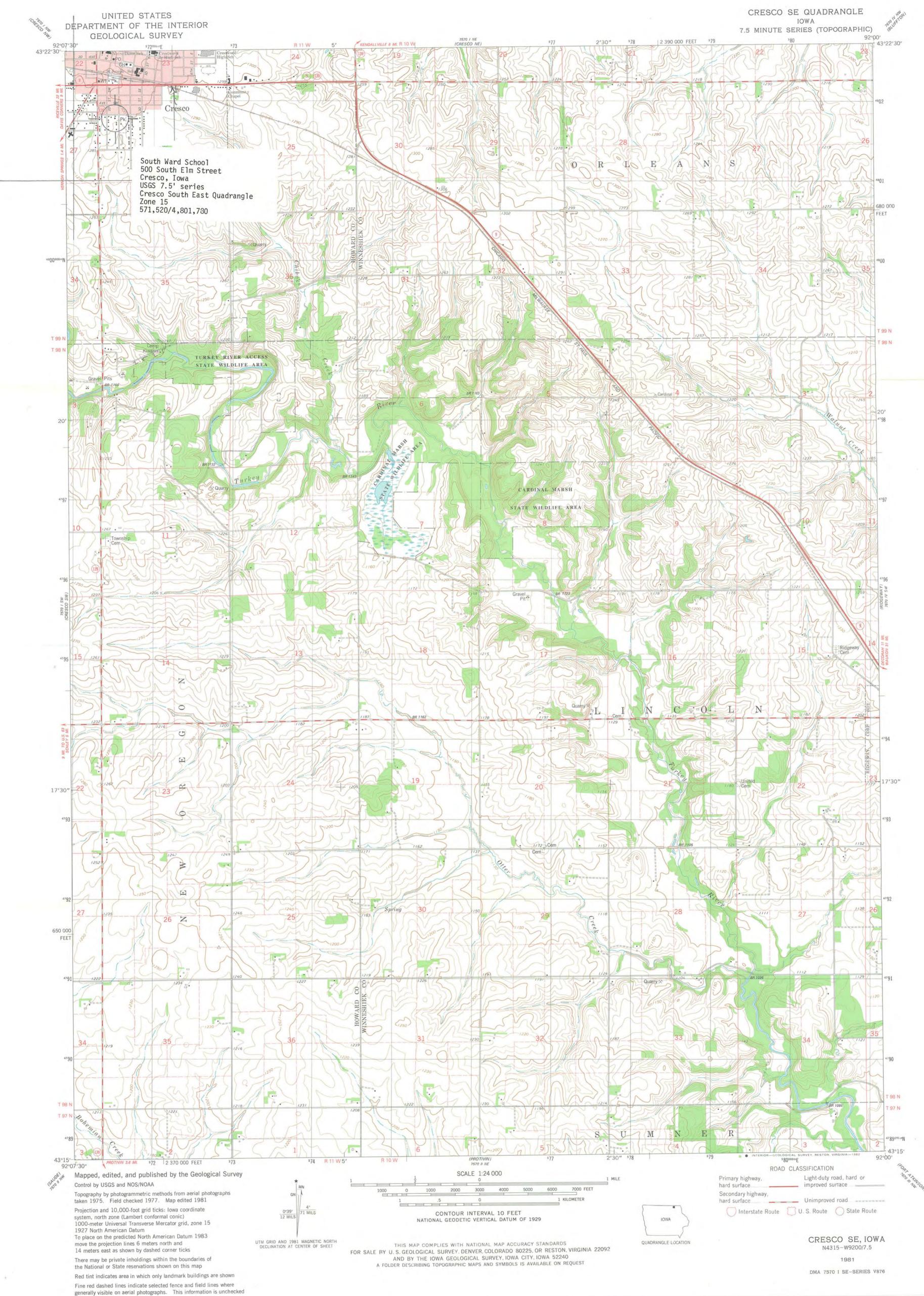
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Cresco Twice-A-Week Plain Dealer. 6 March 1896

Cresco Times Plain Dealer, 17 May 1978



South Ward School 500 South Elm Street Cresco, Iowa By: Ken Becker Date: October 1981 View: Facing northwest



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.

IOWA STATE HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ADRIAN D. ANDERSON, DIRECTOR STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

August 24,1982

William Brabham DOI W434 Washington, D. C. 20243 Dear Mr: Brabham:

Enclosed are National Register nomination materials for the following Iowa properties: Cedar Rapids Post Office and Public Building, Cedar Rapids, Linn County; Jackson-Swisher House, Iowa City, Johnson County; George Middleton House, Davenport, Scott County; Jeremiah Wood House, Sabula, Jackson County; Marble Rock Bank, Marble Rock, Floyd County; Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop and House, Haverhill, Marshall County; G. Kerndt & Brothers Office Block, Lansing, Allamakee County; and South Ward School, Cresco, Howard County.

If you have questions, please call or write.

Ralph J. Christian Architectural Historian

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Historical Building-East 12th and Grand Ave.-Des Moines, IA 50319-(515) 281-5111

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Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

IOWA STATE HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ADRIAN D. ANDERSON, DIRECTOR STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

September 29, 1982

Beth Grosvenor DOI W434 Washington, D.C. 20243

Dear Ms. Grosvenor:

Enclosed are the corrected National Register nomination materials for the following Iowa properties: Cedar Rapids Post Office and Public Building, Linn County; Dr. George Middleton House and Garage, Scott County; Jackson-Swisher House Johnson County; Kerndt & Brothers Office Block, Allamakee County; Marble Rock Bank, Floyd County; Jeremiah Wood House, Jackson County; and South Ward School, Howard County.

Please note our new address and correct your records accordingly.

Sincerely, Ralph J.

Chief of Architectural Surveys

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Historical Building-East 12th and Grand Ave.-Des Moines, IA 50319-(515) 281-5111

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

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JEROME THOMPSON Administrator



MATTHEW HARRIS Administrator

600 E. Locust Des Moines, Iowa 50319

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CULTURAL AFFAIRS. ORG

March 28, 2012

Carol Shul!, Chief National Park Service National Register of Historic Places 1201 Eye Street, N.W.-- 8th Floor Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Ms. Shull:

The following properties need to be delisted from the National Register. We hope that you will find the enclosed information provides sufficient evidence. Please delist the following properties at your earliest convenience.

- Clarissa C. Cook Library/Blue Ribbon News Building, 528 Brady Street, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and image from the Davenport GIS of the parking lot that replaced the building.
- JHC Petersen Sons Wholesale Building, 122-124 W River Drive, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and image of the parking ramp that replaced the building from the Davenport City Assessor's Office.
- Schick's Express and Transfer Co., 118-120 W River Drive, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and image of the parking ramp that replaced the building from the Davenport City Assessor's Office. (See image included wi.h the JHC Petersen Building)
- Schauder Hotel, 126 W. River Drive, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and image of the parking ramp that replaced the building from the Davenport City Assessor's Office. (See image included with the JHC Petersen Building)
- Riepe Drug Store/G. Ott Block, 403 W. 2nd Street, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and image of the parking lot and new Community Health Care building that replaced the building from the Davenport City Assessor's Office and Googlemaps.
- Lend-A-Hand Club, 105 S. Main Street, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and image of the parking lot from the Davenport City Assessor's Office and Googlemaps.
- Big Stone Mills, 113 N. Main Street, Spillville, Winneshiek County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and newspaper articles regarding the demolition.

Round Barn, Bruce Township, Section 6, Benton County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and aerial images of the property showing that the barn has been removed.

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- White Water Creek Bridge, Section 36, T87N-R1W, Bernard vicinity, Dubuque County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO stating that the bridge has been moved several miles NE of its original location.
- Coon Rapids Bridge, Sumpter Ave./County Hwy E63, Carroll County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and Iowa DOT stating that the bridge was demolished in 2001, also an image showing the bridge gone.
- South Ward School, 500 S. Elm Street, Cresco, Howard County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and images from the Howard County Assessor's Office.
- Boone Bridge, Yell Twp, Sec 36, T084N-R27W, Boone County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and images showing the bridge gone from Googlemaps.
- Young, Colonel Joseph, Block, 502 Brady Street, Davenport, Scott County, Iowa Confirmation: Newspaper article in regard to the building being demolished.
- Corbett Mill Bridge, three miles northeast of Scotch Grove, Jones County, Iowa Confirmation: Newspaper article in regard to the bridge collapsing in flood waters.
- McDowell Bridge, River Road over North Skunk River, Grinnell, Poweshiek County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and newspaper article in regard to the bridge being washed downriver by flood waters.
- Octagon Barn, Richland Township, Sec 15, T81N-R30W, Jamaica vicinity, Guthrie County, Iowa Confirmation: Email from the Inventory Coordinator of the Iowa SHPO and a letter from the owners, a news article, and correspondence from a former Iowa SHPO.
- Toledo Bridge, Ross Street, Sec 21, T83N-R15W, Toledo, Tama County, Iowa Confirmation: Newspaper article from the Toledo Chronicle/Tama News-Herald and web article from LandmarkHunter.com

showing an image of the new bridge. Already Prince A 1/8/09

Sincerely

Berry Bennett Interim Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: REMOVAL

PROPERTY South Ward School NAME:

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: IOWA, Howard

DATE RECEIVED: 3/30/12 DATE OF PENDING LIST: DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/16/12 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 82000408

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See attached Return Sheet for detailed comment

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REVIEWER Patrick Andres	DISCIPLINE	Historian
TELEPHONE	DATE	5/9/2012

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the

nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20240

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Evaluation/Return Sheet

Property Name: South Ward School (Howard County, Iowa) Multiple Name: Reference Number: 82000408

Reason for Return:

This is a request to remove a demolished property from the National Register. National Register regulations (36 CFR 60.15) require that the nominating authority notify the property owner(s) and chief elected local official of the State's intention to request the removal of the property from the National Register and afford the owner(s) and the chief elected local official the opportunity to comment prior to submitting the removal request. The staff of the Iowa State historic preservation office has confirmed that this notification procedure was not followed. The request to remove the property from the National Register is being returned so that the State can notify the owner(s) and chief elected local official.

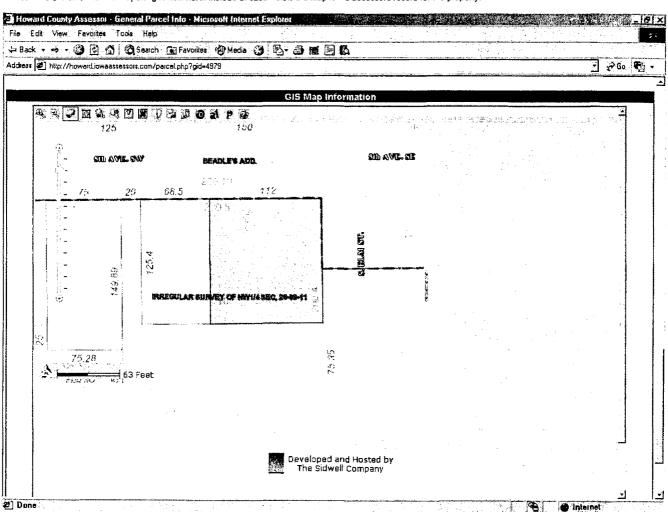
Patrick Andrus, Historian National Register of Historic Places <u>patrick_andrus@nps.gov</u> 5/09/2012

Foster, Beth [DCA]

From:	Bennett, Berry [DCA]
Sent:	Wednesday, March 24, 2010 4:05 PM
To:	Foster, Beth [DCA]
Subject	: South Ward School

Beth

Another property that should be delisted. South Ward School, 500 S Elm St, Cresco, Howard County was torn down in 1983. A letter was sent to the Keeper in 1986 to ask that it be delisted but for some reason it wasn't. Below is the location from the Howard County Assessor's website. Note the description of the lot, NW 1/4 sec. 26-99-11 which matches the description in the NR nomination. This places the location at the SW corner of 5th Ave and S Elm St. The address for the apartment building that is there now is 101 5th Ave SW since the main opening is now north instead of east. Below the map is the assessor's record for the property.



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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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CHRIS KRAMER, DIRECTOR

June 28, 2019

Prairie Ridge Properties LLP 2547 County Road A14 Decorah, IA 52101

Dear Property Owners:

It has come to the attention of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) of Iowa that the South Ward School on your property (101 5th Ave SW in Cresco, formerly listed as 501 S. Elm St.), which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1982, was demolished in the mid-1980s.

We are providing notification that the SHPO will be requesting that the National Park Service delist/remove the property from the National Register of Historic Places. If we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter that this information is in error, we will move forward with the delisting.

Sincerely,

Laura Sadowsky State Historian laura.sadowsky@iowa.gov | 515.281.3989 | iowaculture.gov



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June 28, 2019

Mark Bohle, Mayor City of Cresco 130 N. Park Place Cresco, IA 52136

Re: South Ward School 500 S. Elm Street, Cresco

Dear Mayor Bohle:

It has come to the attention of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) of Iowa that the South Ward School, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1982, was demolished in the mid-1980s.

We are providing notification that the SHPO will be requesting that the National Park Service delist/remove the property from the National Register of Historic Places. If we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter that this information is in error we will move forward with the delisting.

Kind regards,

Laura Sadowsky State Historian <u>laura.sadowsky@iowa.gov</u> | 515.281.3989 | <u>iowaculture.gov</u> South Ward School, # 82000408 (listed 1982)

- 500 Elm Street (old address)/101 5th Avenue (new address for this parcel), Cresco, Howard County.
- Demolished in the mid-1980s.
- Enclosures:
 - Notification letter to owner and chief elected official.
 - Iowa Geographic Map Server 1950s aerial and Google Earth images from 1994 and 2018.

In accordance with 36 CFR 60.15, the chief elected officials and owners of each property have been notified in accordance with the state's established notification procedures and were given 30 days to respond. No responses were received from any party. Copies of all letters are enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Laura Sadowsky, State Historian and National Register Coordinator, at laura.sadowsky@iowa.gov.

Sincerely,

Steve King, AIA Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer steven.king@iowa.gov | 515.281.4013 | iowaculture.gov

Enclosures.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:	Removal					
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Multiple Name:						
State & County:	IOWA, Howard					
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