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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Dunsmore House

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
902 Logan Avenue

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN
Waterloo

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Third

VICINITY OF

STATE
Iowa

CODE

COUNTY
Black Hawk

CODE

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<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:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Black Hawk County Bicentennial Commission, Inc. c/o John K. Beecher

STREET & NUMBER
1151 Meadow Land

CITY, TOWN
Waterloo

VICINITY OF

STATE
Iowa

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Black Hawk County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER
316 East 5th Street

CITY, TOWN
Waterloo

STATE
Iowa

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION TAG

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dunsmore House is a rectangular dwelling, 36½' x 22½', built of a locally-quarried, rusticated limestone. It has a gable roof, covered with asphalt shingles, a wide wood cornice, and an exterior brick chimney on the south face. The main (east) elevation is symmetrical, five bays wide with a center door. Windows are 4/4, as are the two windows on each level (main floor and the half-story beneath the gable end) of the south face. The front door appears to be of a modern type, and is sheltered by a wrought-iron and wood porch (which replaced an older wooden porch). Red-stained shutters on the east face are also recent additions.

In 1913 a frame addition was made to the west (rear) side of the house, a kitchen and one-story sunporch on the main floor and sleeping area above the kitchen. This addition is approximately 24' x 14', with a concrete-block basement connected to the original limestone half-basement. The main gable roof, and sunporch roof, of this addition are covered with modern shingles. Sunporch windows are 2/2/2.

The interior of the main block is divided by a central hallway. The original plan, two rooms on each side of the hall (on both levels) was altered in 1913 to create two large rooms on each level. Features remaining from the original construction of the Dunsmore house include a black walnut staircase and balustrade, maple flooring, and casement windows.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1866

BUILDER/ARCHITECT ~~ARCHITECT~~ Thomas Chadwick

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Dunsmore House is locally significant as the only house made of limestone block still extant in the immediate Cedar Falls-Waterloo area, and one of the earliest dwellings still standing in the area. It is a fine example of the utilization of locally-available materials in a simple design.

The house was built around 1866 by Thomas Chadwick, a master stonemason who emigrated to this area from England around 1860. Its first occupant, John F. Dunsmore, was an employee of the Illinois Central Railroad (and was during the 1890's a waterworks supervisor for the railroad). By 1913, the house had been acquired by F.M. Michael, who made the structural alterations and additions previously described. The house is now owned by the Black Hawk County Bicentennial Commission, and is open to the public as a "living history" museum.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Records, Black Hawk County Abstract Company
 Waterloo City Directory, 1893-4
 Miscellaneous documents on file with the Grout Museum, Waterloo, Iowa.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre (approx. $\frac{1}{4}$ acre)

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John K. Beecher

ORGANIZATION

Dunsmore House Committee

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

1151 Meadow Lane

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Waterloo

STATE

Iowa

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Adrian D. Anderson

TITLE

Director, Division of Historic Preservation

DATE

4/7/77

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Roberta B. Pattie

DATE

11/17/77

ATTEST

Charles [Signature]

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 DATE 11-16-77

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER