

ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORICAL SURVEY

DAVENPORT, IOWA

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 201 day building, Iowa city, Iowa 52240

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
 IOWA DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SITE # 82-10- 2-W2215 MAP # 2

HIST. DIST. _____

NAME William Claussen House (H) C

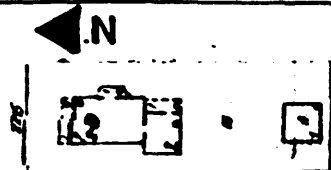
ADDRESS 2215 W. Second Street

LEGAL DES. West Park Add. 1 16 E 15' of 16
SUB-DIVISION BLOCK PARCEL SUB-PARCEL

UTM 2 15 6991330 4599130 ACREAGE -1 ZONE R-4D
EASTING NORTHING

OWNER Thomas L. Dodds and wife and Warren G. Ratzlaff

TITLE H. Roy Dodds
(IF DIFF) 1215 16th 1/2 St., Bettendorf, IA 52722



SITE SHEET

DESCRIPTION

FORM 2 story front gable dwelling, rectangular plan w/rear wing & projecting side bay CONST. DATE c. 1855
 MATERIALS Brick - covered w/stucco/plaster ARCH STYLE Vernac. Greek Revival
 FENESTRATION Rectangular - w/shallow triangular hoods
 DIST. FEATURES See below; double-leaf, panelled main door
 ALTERATIONS Window sash replaced, porch early 20th century
 SITE & RELATED STR. Small lot in mid-late 19th century residential area

ARCHITECTURE

STATEMENT

This house is a good example of local domestic architecture in the Greek Revival style, that also shows Italianate influences in the projecting side window bay and bracketted eaves (which may be slightly later features). It is one of few instances in the city in which brick walls were plastered and scored to resemble dressed ashlar masonry. The cornice is of interest for its utter simplicity. The wall beneath the eaves is painted and the edge of the "frieze" is marked only by a narrow molding strip. The brackets are unusually plain, being simply short curved pieces of wood.

The basic form of the house was the prototype for an important local house type of which many examples are included in this survey.

SOURCES

SIGNIFICANCE

HISTORICAL

DESCRIPTION

William Claussen, a local dealer in coal, lime, cement and drain tile, resided at this address from 1888 until c. 1915. The original builder has not been determined, however.

SOURCES

Scott County Auditor's Deed Transfer Books, Vol. 8:22. City Directories, 1885-86, 1887, 1888-89, 1890-91.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN: Martha Bowers

HISTORIAN: MARLYS SVENDSEN - ROESLER

SURVEY COMP 1987

EVALUATION

ARCHITECTURAL

I. ARCH. EVALUATION Good
II. ENVIR. STATURE Incident
III. INT. OF CONTEXT Good
IV. INT. OF FABRIC Fair

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

NAT. STATE LOCAL N. ELIG.

HISTORICAL

I. THEME(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE:

A. PRIMARY
B. SECONDARY

II. LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

NAT. STATE LOCAL

III. NRHP

ELIGIBLE NOT ELIGIBLE

HISTORIC DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

A. B. C.

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1. DATE RECEIVED

2. DATE OF STAFF EVALUATION

A. ARCHITECTURAL B. HISTORICAL
ELIGIBLE FOR N.R.H.P.
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR N.R.H.P.

3. N.R.H.P. ACTION

A. STATE REVIEW COMM. APP. DISAPP. TABLED DATE
B. FEDERAL REVIEW APP. DISAPP. TABLED DATE

4. D.H.P. SOURCES

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5. SUBJECT TRACES

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