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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	IOWA
COUNTY:	SCOTT
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ENTRY DATE	JUL 24 1974

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Schick Apartments

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
Hiller-Schick Building

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
310-314 Gaines Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Davenport

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:  
First

STATE: Iowa

CODE: 14

COUNTY: Scott

CODE: 163

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input 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 checked="" 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:  
Mrs. Walter P. Schick

STREET AND NUMBER:  
2909 Rockingham Road

CITY OR TOWN:  
Davenport

STATE:  
Iowa

CODE:  
14

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
Davenport City Assessor's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Scott County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN:  
Davenport

STATE:  
Iowa

CODE:  
14

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
None

DATE OF SURVEY:  
 Federal  State  Local

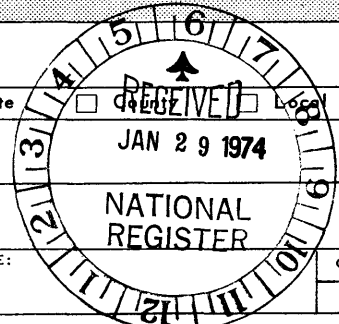
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
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STREET AND NUMBER:  
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CITY OR TOWN:  
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STATE:  
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The ~~Hiller-Schick Apartment~~ Building is a long two story rectangular stone multiple dwelling constructed in three parts (1852-1856-1859). Its stepped gable ends of brock and stucco terminate gable roofs which were replaced in 1971. It is not known which of the three parts of the building was the first, however, each has some distinguishing feature. The north portion, as with the entire building, has one exposed wall of stone laid in regular ashlar fashion. However, here the rough, irregularly shaped stones appear at the basement level as well as the upper two stories. Regularly spaced windows have arched headings of stone and simple wood sills. The north corner has stone quoins and pilasters of stone with mock capital wood crowns flanked the central doorway and apparently both ends of the building. The other two sections are different in size though not in symmetrical appearance. Evidence of blocked openings at the smooth-stone basement level appear on either side of the modern cement stoop. The stone window headings here are flat and the one entrance is marked by an unusually large irregular piece of stone. Apparent renovations of this simple, part-Greek Revival, part Federal Style structure are the brick and stucco treatment of the north and south elevations as well as the brick wood stairways and porches at the rear of the building. Interior renovations are limited for the most part to the installation of modern utilities, new window glass, some new doors and possibly new floors. Rooms are arranged symmetrically along central hallways.

The Schick apartments now contains ten three-room apartments including two in the basement.



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**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) **1852-1856-1859**

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) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic     | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | losophy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

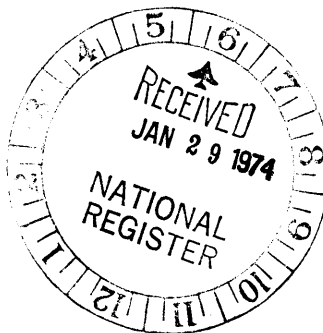
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hiller ~~Schick Apartment~~ Building, so-called due to its first and present owners, is believed to be one of the oldest, if not the oldest, remaining building in Davenport. It is certainly one of the earliest multiple dwelling units in the city and one of the few remaining structures built of locally quarried stone.

The land upon which the building stands is in the oldest section of Davenport owned in part by one of its earliest and most noted settlers, Antoine LeClaire. LeClaire and others sold the Gaines Street property to a local builder, John Hiller, as early as June 21, 1847. Legendary builder of the Clock Tower on the Rock Island Arsenal (1863), Hiller apparently built and resided at this Gaines Street address by 1856. Hiller is listed in the Davenport City Directory as a stonemason, and later as a stonemason and contractor.

In 1901 the Schick family became the second owners of the building and have maintained its use as an apartment building to this day.

Although the interior has been subdivided and renovated and major additions made at the rear, the street side of the Schick Apartments remains much as it must have appeared in the mid-nineteenth century.



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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Davenport City Directory - 1855-1856  
 Mrs. Dale D. Walker, State of Iowa Historic Resource Survey "A" Form, on file with State Historic Preservation Program, B-13 MacLean Hall, Iowa City, Iowa 52242  
 Walter P. Schick, "Historical Information", open letter dated September 12, 1963, delivered to Mr. Frank Gordon for Davenport Museum.  
 Sunday Davenport Times-Democrat, April 19, 1964, page 5D.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

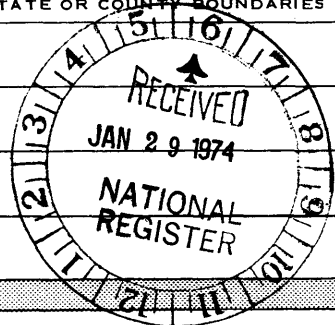
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CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1/4 acre

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

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

NAME AND TITLE: Jill Eastin

ORGANIZATION: Scott County Landmark Group DATE: September 1973

STREET AND NUMBER: 300 River Drive

CITY OR TOWN: Bettendorf STATE: Iowa CODE: 14

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

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: Alvin A. Anderson  
 Title: Historic Preservation Officer  
 Date: 1/23/74

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

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 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 7/24/74

ATTEST:  
Ronald M. Greenberg  
 Keeper of The National Register  
 Date: 7/22/74