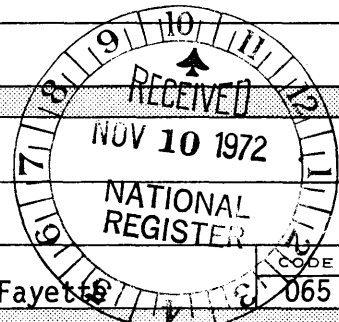


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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1. NAME

COMMON:
Montauk

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Historical Governor Larrabee Home

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
One mile NE of Clermont on US Highway #18

CITY OR TOWN:
Clermont

STATE: **Iowa** CODE: **52175** COUNTY: **Fayette** CODE: **065**

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure 	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both 	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" 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)

Agricultural
 Commercial
 Educational
 Entertainment
 Government
 Industrial
 Military
 Museum
 Park
 Private Residence
 Religious
 Scientific
 Transportation
 Other (Specify) **Historical Home On Exhibit**
 Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Historical Governor Larrabee Home, Inc. (a non-profit corporation under Internal Revenue Code 509 (a))

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Clermont** STATE: **Iowa** CODE: **14**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **West Union** STATE: **Iowa** CODE: **14**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Survey and Plat of Montauk

DATE OF SURVEY: **July 5, 1967** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Fayette County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **West Union** STATE: **Iowa** CODE: **14**

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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)		
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Montauk, Governor William Larrabee's Home, has not changed since he built it in 1874. It is 40' by 60' of red brick with dolomite lintels. The porches and the "window's walk" are of white painted wood.

The interior has the furnishings procured during the Governor's lifetime, including his large library and art objects brought back from trips to Europe in 1873 and 1901.

The house is set on a 46 acre tract of land overlooking the Turkey River Valley. One hundred thousand white pine trees planted by the Governor are on the property. The gardens are maintained as they were in the nineteenth century.

The well preserved outbuildings include a caretaker's house, barn, machine shed, work shop, ice house-creamery and laundry.

Larger than life bronze statues of Civil War heroes are on the front lawn.

Montauk has been kept exactly the way it was when the Governor was alive.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

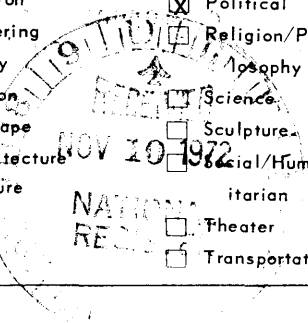
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) Built in 1874

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

William Larrabee came to Iowa from Connecticut as a young man in 1853. He became a wealthy banker, manufacturer and land owner.

In 1868, he was elected State Senator and served until 1886. He was on the Ways and Means Committee of the Senate for 18 years, and most of the time Chairman. His chief interests were legislation on agricultural aid, education, transportation and prohibition.

Elected Governor in 1886, he served two terms.

From 1898 to 1900 he was chairman of the first Iowa State Board of Control. In 1903 he was President of the Iowa Commission of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis.

His crusade against the uncontrolled rate abuses by the railroads in the 1880's and 1890's was, in great part, responsible for the formation of the Federal Interstate Commerce Commission. His book "The Railroad Question," published in 1893 is still widely used by scholars as a reference.

He was one of the founders of the Progressive Party and a friend of Theodore Roosevelt.

Montauk was visited often by distinguished statesmen, business men, educators and artists.

Two days after Larrabee's death in November, 1912, the editor of the Des Moines REGISTER AND LEADER wrote in editorial that "it would be the act of a grateful State to set apart as a memorial to him and as an instructive example to posterity the home of Governor Larrabee"

Miss Anna Larrabee, one of the Governor's daughters, lived in the home until her death in 1965 at the age of 97.

In 1968, her heirs deeded Montauk to the Historical Governor Larrabee Home, Inc. (a non-profit, tax exempt corporation). It is now available to public viewing.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

SOURCES: Governor Larrabee's Grandchildren
 J. Brooke Workman "Governor William Larrabee & Railroad Reform"
 IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY - July, 1959
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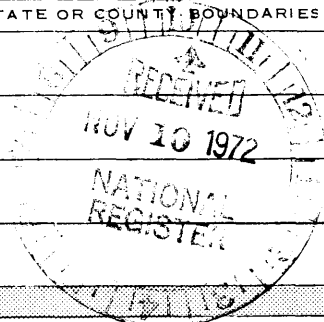
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 46

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:
A. W. Allen, Vice President

ORGANIZATION: **Historical Governor Larrabee Home, Inc.** DATE: **June 1972**

STREET AND NUMBER:
3131 Cottage Grove, SE

CITY OR TOWN: **Cedar Rapids** 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 Adrian D. Anderson

Title State Liaison Officer

Date 31 October, 1972

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

Roderick Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 2/21/73

ATTEST: Wm J. Smutog
 Keeper of The National Register

Date 2-21-73

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3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:

Survey and U.S.G.S. NK15-3 LaCrosse, Wisconsin; Iowa, Minn. Topography Map

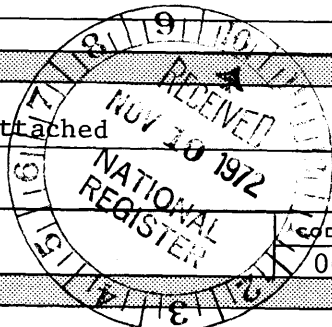
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DATE: July 5, 1967 and June 24, 1972

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.



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SURVEY AND PLAT OF

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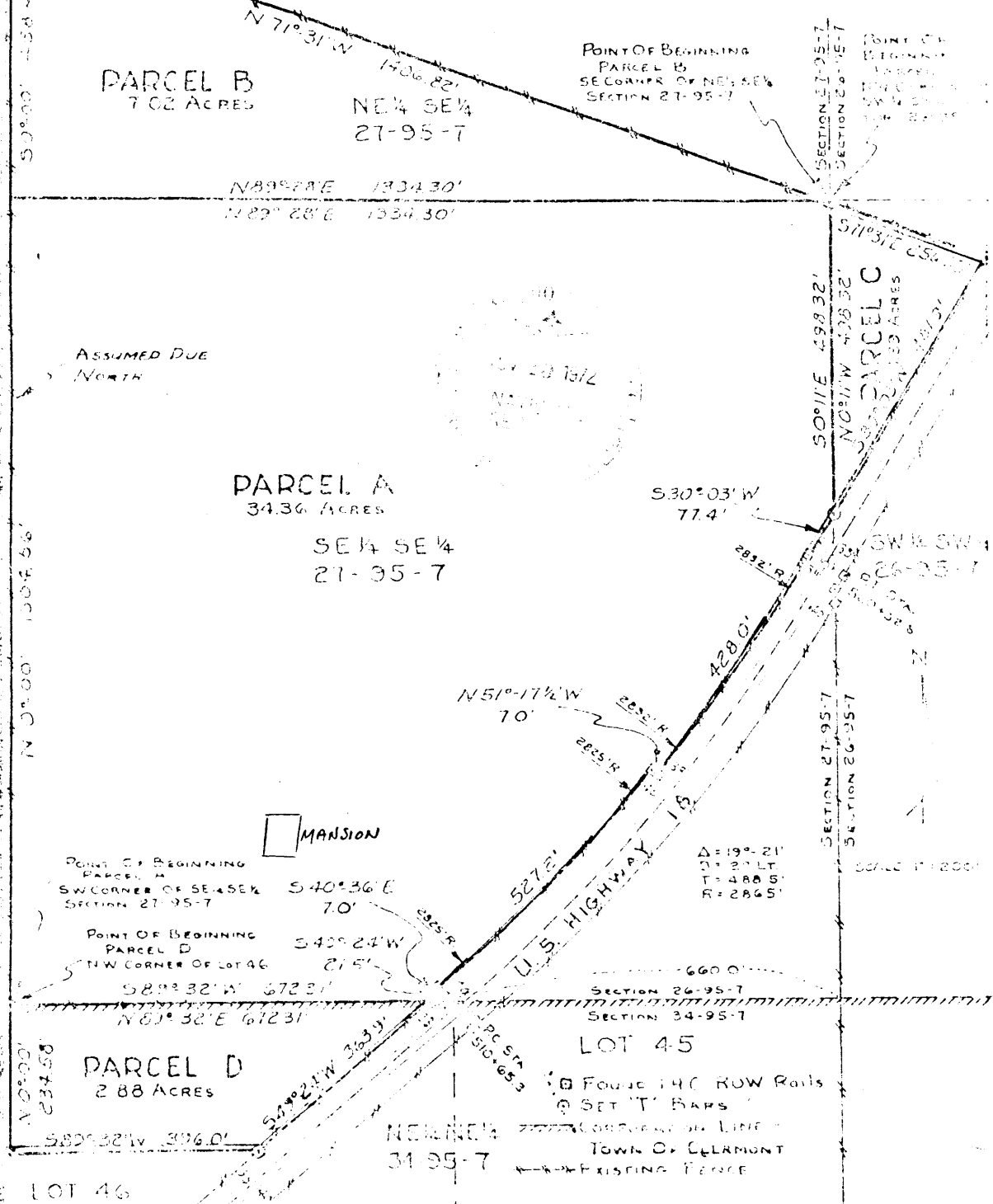
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FAYETTE CO. IOWA



I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SURVEY AND PLAT WAS MADE BY ME OR UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND THAT I AM A LICENSED SURVEYOR IN THE STATE OF IOWA. I HAVE BEEN REGISTERED AS A SURVEYOR UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

FORREST D. HANSON July 5th 1967
FORREST D. HANSON L.S. IOWA REG. NO. 4037

FORREST D. HANSON & ASSOCIATES
CONVEYING SURVEYORS
115 SOUTH VINTAGE ST.
DES MOINES, IOWA 50319

PROJECT NO. 67-10-9
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BOUNDARIES