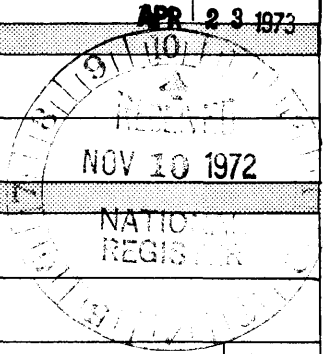


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Iowa	
COUNTY: Van Buren	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	APR 23 1973



1. NAME

COMMON:
Hotel Manning

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
River Street and Van Buren

CITY OR TOWN:
Keosauqua

STATE: Iowa	CODE: 52656	COUNTY: Van Buren	CODE: 177
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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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. Mabel Miller

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Keosauqua

STATE:
Iowa

CODE:
52565

CODE:
14

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Van Buren County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Keosauqua

STATE:
Iowa

CODE:
52565

CODE:
14

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
HABSI (October 30, 1957)

DATE OF SURVEY: **October 30, 1957** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:
Library Congress - National Parks Service

CITY OR TOWN:
Iowa State University, Ames

STATE:
Iowa

CODE:
50010

CODE:
14

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STATE:

COUNTY:

ENTRY NUMBER:
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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

STEAMBOAT GOTHIC

Original structure or basement was built in 1854. Its dimensions are 115 x 50 feet. Basement 20" - 24" stone. Ground floor 16" brick. Second floor 12" brick. The third floor veranda dates 1893. Edwin Manning was official supplier of supplies to the Fort on the junction of the Raccoon River and Des Moines River. It is felt that the design was borrowed from his trips down to New Orleans, since it looks as though it were transplanted from the south. The third floor is French Mansard, on two main facades. Originally the roof boasted a Captains walk.

The above description by:

Mr. Wm. Wagner
WAGNER-MARQUART ARCHITECTS
Des Moines, Iowa

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1854, 1893**

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/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | Outstanding 19th Century Architecture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The present Hotel Manning was operated as a general store and bank from 1854 to 1893, then another floor was added and remodeled the building into a hotel.

Edwin Manning first arrived in Iowa in 1837, stopping at the great bend in the Des Moines River, known as Rattlesnake or Horseshoe Bend. It was here he staked his claim and platted a new town, which was to become Keosauqua. It was at first named Des Moines. He felt Iowa was his future so he returned East to settle his affairs and then returned to Iowa in 1839, and built a log cabin store. This store received \$5,000.00 invoice of goods he had shipped from New York by boat to here. From the banks of this Des Moines river town, side wheelers operated for years into the Mississippi River and on down to New Orleans. In 1842 while Iowa was still a territory he built the first brick courthouse west of the Mississippi in Keosauqua. It became a county seat in 1838. The three courthouse buildings are the oldest structures of their kind in Iowa and they are still in use.

There have been three owners - The Mannings, Bertha Myers, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Miller. The three outside glass door panes etched with M, have represented all the families. Two of the panes were broken during the last flood, when a boat being rowed through the lobby broke the panes. The Hotel has withstood four disastrous floods - 1903, 1905, and two in 1947, one week apart. During the last flood the water stood 32 inches on the first floor which necessitated the Millers' and their guests to live on the second floor using boat taxi service from the fire escape.

In Keosauqua the first County Fair was held in 1842. First court sentenced hanging took place at what is known as Hangman's Hollow. Iowa Methodist Church built here in 1836.

The Hotel Manning is the only Hotel in Van Buren County. Not only is the Hotel Manning a major tourist attraction, but it still serves the county as a Hotel, restaurant, banquet rooms and meeting rooms.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

NEWSWEEK - July 8, 1963
 FORD TIMES - June 1957
 KEOSAUQUA REPUBLICAN - Anniversary issue 1935
 CONGRESSIONAL RECORD - 1972
 VANBUREN COUNTY (Compiled by Federal Works Agency W.P.A. 1940)
 DODGE NEWS MAGAZINE - February 1966

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SE	0' 0" 0"	0' 0" 0"				
SW	0' 0" 0"	0' 0" 0"				

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 CD

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **2 & 1/2 lots**

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:
Mrs. Stanley "Libby" Woodruff, Executive Director

ORGANIZATION: **VAN BUREN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION** DATE: **August 20, 1972**

STREET AND NUMBER:
P. O. Box 9

CITY OR TOWN: **Keosauqua** STATE: **Iowa 52565** 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 *Phyllis D. Anderson*

Title *State Liaison Officer*

Date *31 October, 1972*

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

Robert H. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date *4/23/73*

ATTEST:
[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register

Date *4 18 73*

