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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Lampson P. Sherman House
other names/site number 6

2. Location

street & number 1052 26th Street not for publication
city, town Des Moines vicinity
state Iowa code IA county Polk code 153 zip code 50311

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	_____ buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____	_____ objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:
Drake University and Related Properties in Des Moines, Iowa, 1881-1918
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
James E. Gardner DSHPO July 15, 1988
Signature of certifying official Date
Bureau of Historic Preservation, State Historical Society of Iowa
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain:)
James M. McPherson 9/8/88
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/multiple dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Late Victorian

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick/concrete over
walls Metal/aluminumroof Asphaltother Wood/shingle

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The 2 1/2-story house has crossed gables and a cross shape. Despite the application of narrow metal siding, the house retains such original elements as shingle in gable ends, brackets (at porch and gable ends) and turned porch columns. Metal strips (in a contrasting color) replicate Stick Style strips and the simple window surrounds. Enclosed porch skirt is original, although now covered with metal siding. The house was rehabilitated following Bureau of Historic Preservation guidelines for the (HUD-sponsored) Rental Rehabilitation Program.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)
Education/college

Period of Significance
1881-1913

Significant Dates
by 1888

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Significant Person
n/a

Architect/Builder
Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

This property is significant because it directly illustrates the effect of Drake University's innovative financing techniques upon settlement in one of the ten plats around the campus. It is significant under Criterion A: properties related to the financial development of Drake University, 1881-1913. The property is located in one of the ten plats owned by the University Land Company or Drake University and its construction dates from within fifteen years of when the plat was filed. See the Multiple Property Documentation Form, "The Successful Beginnings of Drake University." The property is also the only known example related to inducements the land company offered to encourage settlement. Finally, it is a good example of the willingness of families with college-age children to move to the Drake area.

In 1885 (one year after platting) the University Land Company sold the property to Hoyt Sherman, who agreed to build a house within one year. In 1890 he sold to his brother Lampson P. Sherman, who lived there as early as 1888, according to the city directory. Lampson P. Sherman, Jr. was a student at Drake. The home remained in the Sherman family until 1904. The earliest Sanborn map, 1901, shows the house.

Lampson Sherman was a pioneer newspaperman in Des Moines, founding the second newspaper in the county, the Fort Des Moines Gazette in 1849 or 1850. The house is the only known extant site associated with him. His brother Hoyt was among the founders of Equitable of Iowa Insurance Company, still a major insurance company in Des Moines.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Des Moines City Directories, 1888.
Auditor's Office Records.
Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, 1901.
Long, Barbara Beving. Multiple Property Documentation Form, "The Successful Beginnings of Drake University." 1987.

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property Less than one acre

UTM References

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 227 and south ten feet of lot 226, University Land Company's 1st Addition. See map (site #6) for Multiple Property Documentation Form, "Drake University and Related Properties in Des Moines, Iowa, 1881-1918."

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes that portion of the city lots that have historically been associated with the property.

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