National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

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Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

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8. Statement of Significance

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Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owed by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- **c** a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
 - F a commemorative property.
- **G** less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

Significant Dates

1909, 1918

1909 - 1918

Period of Significance

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Beutel, Conrad F.

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder Keating, Harry (architect)

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property.)	SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

9. Major Bibliographical References		
Bibliography		

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

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 Engineering Record#_____

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Primary location of additional data:

- x State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- x Local government
- x University
- Other

Name of repository: University of Nebraska (Lincoln Library)

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Property	Owner	(Complete this item at the request of the SI	HPO or FP	0.)			
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Narrative Description

Completed in 1909, the Conrad & Annie Beutel House is located on the northwest corner of North 10th Street and G Street, in Tacoma, Washington. The home faces southeast on 10th Street and is located just inside the northwestern edge of the National Register listed Stadium Seminary Historic District. The corner lot slopes down to the north and consists of small decorative trees, foundation plantings, a small rock garden in the SW corner of the lot, and a manicured lawn.

The 2½ story home has a front facing gable roof with two lower cross gables on the perpendicular sides. The asphalt covered roof has wide overhanging eaves with exposed decorative-cut rafter tails and large braces in the gable ends. On the east and north façades, the gables are highlighted by a projecting wall plane held by a row of modillions. The exterior of the Beutel Home is clad with alternating rows of large and small exposure cut shingle siding. Painted beige, the shingles, were originally stained a medium brown.

On the main façade is a large multi-colored brick chimney which rises on the exterior surface before being covered at the attic or gable level by a projecting wall. The chimney has a decorative corbelled cap. At the second floor level on the northeast corner, is a projecting corner bay window. The south and north facades have simple boxed bay windows with shed roofs.

Originally a large porch wrapped around from the 10th Street side of the house to the "G" Street side. This has now been removed. Entrance to the home is via an enclosed entry foyer capped with a shallow shed roof. Here, two solid core doors with Tudor style hardware, allow access to the interior.

The double hung wood windows are located on all sides of the home and are typically multi-pane sashes over a single pane. Many are grouped in pairs or threes. Per historic images, some of these window openings have been modified, most likely dating from the conversion of the home in 1940 to apartments.

In 1940, the "G" Street side of the house was excavated to create a daylight basement apartment. At that time a door and windows were added to provide

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Despite the conversion of the home into apartments, the interior retains many of the architectural and decorative details from the original period of construction. Throughout the house is original oak flooring. Original tile flooring can be found in the second and third floor bathrooms, as well as original windows and door trim and mouldings. The three large fireplaces built by the Beutel's are all in working order and have their original mantels and brick fireplace surrounds.

Key interior spaces such as Conrad Beutel's den remain intact. Here original ceiling light fixtures and the wall sconces, boxed beams and highly decorative wainscoting indicate the use of the space. The original clinker brick fireplace rests next to built-in bookcases. Over the fireplace is the original hidden safe. The face of the safe is hand painted. At the top it reads "BENJ. F. HEDGES". In the middle there is a painting of mountains, water and trees. At the bottom are the words "SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO." and under them it reads "CHICAGO, ILL'S.". A gilded scroll surrounds the perimeter of the face. Benjamin F. Hedges was the individual the Beutel's purchased the property from.

Other spaces include the large main floor living room with its massive brick fireplace. Designed to entertain family and guests, the combined living room and dining area originally spread across an area $18' \times 39'$. Window boxes are located by the corner windows. During the conversion to apartments, a portion of the dining room was walled off to form a bedroom and the large boxed beams on the ceiling were removed.

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Statement of Significance

The Conrad F. & Annie K. Beutel House in Tacoma, Washington is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under criterion "B" as home to a prominent businessman and educator, Conrad F. Beutel and his wife Annie "Keating". The house served as home for the Beutel family for nine years and is the last intact standing structure associated with the family business, the Beutel Business College. Beutel Business College was an important educational facility in the Puget Sound area for over 70 years and supplied the workforce that fueled the growth of Tacoma during the early part of the 20th century.

Conrad F. Beutel

Conrad F. Beutel was born in Kansas in 1870. His parents, Godfreid and Augusta had immigrated to the United States from Prussia in the mid 1800s. Despite their limited income, they sent Conrad to college, hoping for a better life for him. After graduation in 1889, at the age of 19, Conrad traveled to Duckabush, Washington on the Olympic Peninsula to live with his older brother Emil. Soon thereafter, Conrad became one of the first teachers on the Olympic Peninsula, teaching in a one-room schoolhouse. On several occasions he visited Tacoma.

In 1892 Conrad moved back to the Midwest to Afton, Iowa where he took a position at Afton Normal College as Professor of Natural Sciences and Penmanship. While there he met his future wife, Annie Keating. Annie, a native of Afton, was a colleague at the school and served as a Professor of Elocution and Physical Culture. She had recently returned home to Iowa via Ann Arbor, Michigan where she had been attending the University of Michigan. Well educated, Annie was known for the many recitals which she performed in Iowa. An issue of the Des Moines, Iowa <u>Saturday Review</u> for December 1896 described Keating as "...one of Iowa's most gifted young ladies..."

Reportedly Annie found the six-foot tall Conrad Beutel quite charming and accounts of his demeanor and skill were widely known. The Afton Enterprise newspaper on January 7, 1897 reported that Conrad Beutel was, ".... a fine penman, thoroughly versed in business methods, and in the fundamental branches, as well as science and languages, and is an accomplished instructor. He is capable of commanding first-class positions anywhere. Though somewhat reserved, the professor is an affable young man of fine appearance and his deportment betokens the gentleman and scholar."

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During Annie and Conrad's courtship, he reportedly accepted a professorship at the State Normal School in Montgomery, Alabama. The two were married on December 30, 1896 in the home of Miss Keating's parents. Shortly thereafter on October 23, 1897 their first child, Frederick K. was born. After Frederick's birth Conrad took another job, a position in Houston, Texas as Principal of one of the largest commercial business schools in the south, Massey Business College.

On April 30, 1901 Conrad Beutel wrote a letter to the Afton, Iowa newspaper which the paper titled "Texas Oil Wells: Professor Beutel Writes of the Fortunes being Made in the Oil Fields of Texas." In a portion of the article Mr. Beutel wrote "A poor widow owned 20 acres of land near Beaumont. It had cost her \$20 per acre. In January she was offered \$10 per acre and her friends advised her to sell, but she kept it until the well was complete when she realized one hundred dollars per acre. It was again sold at an advance of a hundred dollars and continued to rise in value until the last sale a week ago when the neat little sum of \$90,000 was paid for a single acre. Nor has it stopped yet."

Heeding his own advice, Buetel purchased several plots of land and quickly made a handsome profit on his investment. The Afton newspaper wrote of Conrad Beutel "...He then took up his abode in the Lone Star State and now when the richest oil fields in the world have been discovered in Texas C. F. Beutel was on the ground floor and purchased a large body of land that promises to make him a multiplied millionaire...Elsewhere we publish an interesting letter from Mr. Beutel, omitting at his request an account of his own good fortune".

With money in hand, Beutel now had the capital to obtain his dream, opening his own business school. Remembering fondly the time he had spent on Puget Sound and wanting to live closer to his brother, the Beutel family moved to Tacoma in 1904. Once in Tacoma, the Beutel's began to look for a site to construct a large family home.

They chose a prominent corner lot in an up-and-coming area called "New Tacoma". Home to an increasing number of businessmen and civic leaders, the site offered wonderful views of Puget Sound, access to the street car line two blocks away, and more importantly a direct connection to Tacoma's social elite. The 75' x 100' lot

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already had a small Victorian era cottage on site. The Beutel's moved into the small home with Conrad's mother while they completed plans for their new home.

Architect Harry E. Keating, Annie Beutel's brother, prepared the architectural plans for the home in close consultation with Conrad and Annie, however oral family history indicates that Conrad was the main designer, not Keating. Little is know of Keating's educational background or work. He resided on Vashon Island and is credited to at least three other homes in Tacoma. He reportedly served as architect and contractor on the Beutel house as well as his other projects.

Construction of the \$7,500 home commenced on June 29, 1908, the day after the birth of the Beutel's third child, Mary. Work on the dwelling progressed rapidly. The October 3, 1908 issue of the <u>Tacoma Daily Ledger</u> carried a 3x4 inch photograph of the nearly completed Beutel home. Above the photo in bold the title read "RESIDENCE OF C. F. BEUTEL". The caption under the picture read "*This is another specimen of the stately North End homes erected the past year. It is the property of C. F. Beutel, president of the Beutel Business College, and was designed by the owner. There are twelve spacious rooms in the structure, finished in oak and fir...".*

Completed in January of 1909, the 2½ story Arts & Crafts style home has a strong presence in the neighborhood. Its architectural style is reflective of a then new aesthetic to encourage simple, honest design with a regard for the integrity of the materials employed in the construction. The homes construction date is indicative of a transitional period in architectural tastes and the home boasts hold over features from the earlier Shingle style.

The Arts and Crafts movement, expressed dissatisfaction that industrialization had failed to provide a decent environment for working people and at the same time resulted in shoddy mass-produced goods. The Arts & Crafts movement began in 19th century England, as an outraged response to the Industrial Revolution, which was threatening time-honored manual crafts with extinction. In the United States the ideas of the Arts and Crafts movement appealed not only to wealthy intellectuals, but also to workers whose identity was being lost by the ever-increasing push for standardization and mechanization. Quickly the ideas spread to all facets of design. Architecturally, building became less cluttered with mass produced ornamentation, structural elements became exposed and roof-lines became simplified.

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The Beutel House is an early example of the style. Clad with continuous rows of coursed shingles, originally stained medium brown tone, the trim was painted white. Exposed rafter tails and knee braces at the roof line, offset a multi-colored chimney on the main façade and several boxed bay windows. The home originally had a shed roof covered entry and wrap-around porch on the main façade.

When Beutel moved to Tacoma in 1904 he purchased Tacoma Business College and renamed the school after himself, the Beutel Business College. Under new ownership, the college reopened on September 6, 1904. Located in the Lucerne Building at 901 Tacoma Avenue, the college was located in the heart of the business and financial district and quickly became noted for its skilled graduates.

The college produced the work force of accountants, bookkeepers, secretaries, stenographers, high school business teachers, traffic agents, bank tellers, and business managers that supported the growing economy of Tacoma. Beutel wrote in the 1921 Beutel Business College Catalog "*Since January, 1916, the demand for Beutel Graduates has been so great that frequently business men have asked us to send them undergraduates when no student was available who had completed his course."* So successful was student placement that Beutel Business College offered students completing the "Combined Course" guaranteed placement in a job within 15 days of graduating or they received the full amount of their tuition back.

Beutel wrote further in the 1921 Beutel Business College Catalog "By giving our students the best possible instruction, we perform a service which they in turn pass on to their employers and to the general public. We thus are rendering a service that is valuable alike to those who serve and to those who are served."

A partial list of employers hiring Beutel Business College students appeared in the 1922 Beutel Business College catalog. It included a variety of businesses from banks, to retails and commercial business, to the federal government. The list follows:

Northern Pacific Railway, Lincoln High School, City of Tacoma, National Bank of Tacoma, Metropolitan Park Board, Fife High School, Merchants Trans. Company, Bordeaux Lumber Co., Internal Revenue, Red Cross, Ford Agency, Cascade Paper, Rhodes Bros., Bank of California, W.H. Opie & Co., Peoples Store, Pacific Telephone & Telegraph, Mt. States Power Co., Sherman-Clay, Sumner High School, Dr. Rich,

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Shelton High School, Union Pacific Railroad, Blangy Motor Co., Pacific Rent & Collection, Henry Mohr Hardware, Tacoma Building, Fidelity Rent & Collection, Olympic Steam Laundry, Puget Sound Flour Mills, U.S. Post Office, Foster & Kleiser Co., Ryan Fruit Company, Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul Railroad, Standard Oil, A.V. Love Company, Rhodes Post, American Legion, and the U.S. War Department, Washington, D.C.

In 1922 Beutel wrote "We have always done high-class work, preferring to go about our business in a quiet, unostentatious manner, employing the latest and most efficient business methods. We do not spend large sums in glaring advertisements to attract patronage; but depend upon our graduates to establish the merits of the school. This straight-forward business policy has brought us a class of students of which any school might be justly proud".

Despite some eight other business colleges in Tacoma in the teens, Beutel College was one of the few to succeed. In 1908 Beutel opened a branch campus in Everett. Through the college, Conrad Beutel quickly became a well respected and influential businessman in Tacoma. Reportedly he was a "silent partner" in a number of Tacoma businesses. The social status and influence of Beutel is evidenced by a caricature of him looming above a rendering of his business school on the front page, top center of the August 29, 1908 issue of <u>The Tacoma Daily Tribune</u>. In the piece, Beutel, arms stretched, is cast from behind by a large sun and clouds. Below are two additional caricatures, one of Beutel working above a stenographer and a sketch of a man catching a large happy fish with the caption "A disciple of Isaac Walton". Under the caricature the caption reads:

"Beutel Business Colleges of Tacoma and Everett, among the largest and most business-like schools of the Pacific Northwest; author and compiler of several widely used text books on commercial subjects, Ex-president of the Washington Commercial Teachers Association, Member of the Commercial Club and Enthusiastic Tacoma Booster. Though apparently a young man, he has been engaged in educational work for over twenty years, eight in public schools and normal colleges and twelve in commercial schools. Though a Silent Partner in a Number of Business Enterprises in Tacoma, his main hobby is helping young people to secure a start in the business world."

While the college prospered, the Beutel family had personal tragedies to endure. In 1917 Annie Beutel started having stomach difficulties which doctors were unable to diagnose. Gradually they grew worse. Then the Beutel's live-in housekeeper, who had been with the Beutel's many years, decided she had to leave their employ. Ill, Annie

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didn't feel she was strong enough to train another housekeeper and wasn't well enough to keep the home in order by herself, so the Beutel's had to make a difficult decision. After nine years in the beautiful home they had built and raised three children in, they would have to move to a smaller residence. In 1918 they sold the home to A.W. Anderson. Four years later, in 1922, Anderson sold the home.

Not long after moving, a friend told Annie about a doctor in Portland who might be able to help. Conrad took Annie to Portland where she was diagnosed with ulcers. Surgery was performed in Portland and her stomach problems were cured.

In 1925 Conrad visited his dentist in Tacoma about a prolonged sore throat. Reportedly the dentist told him that he needed to have his tonsils removed and stated that he could do it right in the office. Apparently, Beutel didn't hear exactly what the dentist was saying, but trusted him and consented to what he thought would be a simple procedure. Quickly, and without anesthetic, the dentist cut out Conrad's tonsils and he was then sent home.

Conrad Beutel never completely recovered from his quick surgery, and relatives believe that an infection set in. On January 17, 1925 Conrad Beutel passed away at the age of 54. His son, Frederick, was at Harvard Law School. At the time, Margaret was attending the University of Washington and Mary was in her junior year at Stadium High School. His death hit the family hard and they left the Tacoma area that they had contributed so much to. Annie Beutel, with her daughters and her sister, moved to Hawaii on September 1, 1926. Frederick Keating Beutel continued his education and received his Bachelor of Law from Harvard in June of 1925. Later he became an internationally acclaimed educator, legal authority, author, historian, and lecturer.

Through this time, the business college continued to contribute to the Tacoma economy and to the lives of its citizens. The college quickly became the oldest business college in the state and officially closed its doors in 1973. Today, while the building still stands, the structure has been altered. The Beutel Home at 701 North 10th Street, remains the best, most intact property that represents the life of Conrad F. Beutel. In the summer of 1940 the house was converted to four apartments. The change was well planned and executed so that the least possible changes were made to the interior and exterior of the home. One apartment was placed on each floor of the house.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property is located at 701 N 10th Street in Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington. The home is located in Section 32 of T21, R03. It is legally described as New Tacoma lots 10 to 12 B 4014 Beg Nwly Cor Lot 10 Th Sly 70.81 Ft Th Ely 18 Ft to Pt 66.96 Ft Sly From N Li & 43 Ft From Ely Li of Blk Th Ely 43 Ft To E Li of Blk Th N to Nely Cor of Blk Th Wly 75 Ft To Beg.

Boundary Justification

The nominated property encompasses the entire urban tax lot that is currently occupied by the Beutel House.



Conrad & Annie Beutel House: Tacoma, WA UTM 10 540713E 5235043N (NAD83/WGS84) – Tacoma Quad

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