

ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORICAL SURVEY

DAVENPORT, IOWA

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SITE # 82-10-CV-1446 MAP # 2

HIST. DIST. _____

NAME John C. Schricker House H C

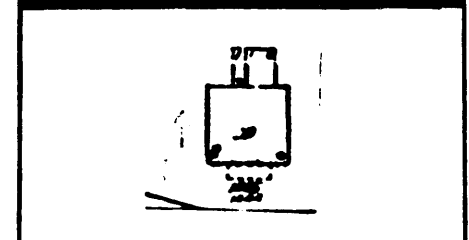
ADDRESS 1446 Clay Street
E 100' of W 300' of S 192'

LEGAL DES. Mitchell's 3rd 25
SUB-DIVISION BLOCK PARCEL SUB-PARCEL

UTM 4 15 710,016,001 4610,0250 ACREAGE -1 ZONE R-4D
EASTING NORTHING

OWNER Glenn Rotherham

TITLE H. Glenn Rotherham
(IF DIFF) 1456 Clay Street
Davenport, IA 52804



SITE SHEET

DESCRIPTION

FORM 2 story, square plan, high hipped roof w/intersecting front gable CONST. DATE 1896
MATERIALS Brick, stone ARCH STYLE Georgian Revival
FENESTRATION 1/1 2nd story, 2/2 first floor, the latter in wide molded surrounds
DIST. FEATURES Pedimented corner pavilions frame center entrance; pilasters in Ionic *
ALTERATIONS _____
SITE & RELATED STR. Terraced lot, house well set back

STATEMENT *order, Tuscan order columns at entrance/portico; centered roof dormer.

The Schricker house is a distinguished local example of Georgian Revival by local architect Gustav Hanssen. Red brick walls form an effective backdrop for paired pilasters of the Ionic order that visually support an extremely wide cornice, the latter embellished with minute dentils. Somewhat unusual is the tripartite articulation at the facade achieved by slightly advancing the pedimented end bays. The main doorway features double doors framed by side lights and transom. It is sheltered by a balustraded porch whose tuscan columns on a high pedestal are a little too heavy for the surprisingly light quality of the facade. Note also that access to the porch deck is through a round-arched screen of brick.

SOURCES

Oszuscik. p. 326.

ARCHITECTURE

SIGNIFICANCE

This was the residence of John C. Schricker, a partner in the only local pearl button factory of any size. Because button manufacturing remains relatively minor, the significance of this building is diminished.

DESCRIPTION

The Davenport Pearl Button Company was established in 1895 to produce buttons from river clam shells. It was incorporated the next year by Captain Chris Schricker, John C. Schricker and F. G. Rodler. The firm expanded production locating in several buildings after 1900. It continued until the 1930's.

SOURCES

"One Firm Carries on Pearl Button Industry in Town," "Centennial and Fiftieth Anniversary Edition," Davenport Times, July 11, 1936.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN: Martha Bowers HISTORIAN: MARLYS SVENDSEN-ROESLER SURVEY COMP 1981

EVALUATION

ARCHITECTURAL

- I. ARCH. EVALUATION Excellent
- II. ENVIR. STATURE Incident
- III. INT. OF CONTEXT Excellent
- IV. INT. OF FABRIC Excellent

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

- NAT. STATE LOCAL N. ELIG.

HISTORICAL

I. THEME(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE:

- A. PRIMARY Industry
- B. SECONDARY Pearl Button Mfg.

II. LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

- NAT. STATE LOCAL

III. N.R.H.P.

- ELIGIBLE NOT ELIGIBLE

HISTORIC DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

- A. B. C.

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- B. FEDERAL REVIEW APP. DISAPP. TABLED DATE _____

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- N.R.H.P.
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5. SUBJECT TRACES

6. PHOTO

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South elevation

