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State or Federal agency and bureau	
4. National Park Service Certification Thereby certify that the property is: We entered in the National Register.	Date of Action
See continuation sheet. determined eligible for the	6.1896
determined not eligible for the National Register.	
removed from the National Register.	
other, (explain:)	

David and M. Maria Hughes House		Iowa County, Iowa			
Name of Property		County and	State		
5. Classification Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)	Category of Property (Check only one box)	Number of Re	sources within Properties	perty in the count.)	
☐ private☐ public-local☐ public-State☐ public-Federal☐	∆ building(s)☐ district☐ site☐ structure☐ object		Noncontributing 1	buildings sites structures	
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)		1	1 ntributing resources	Total	
N/A		0	•		
6. Function or Use					
Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)		Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)			
DOMESTIC/single dwelling		DOMESTIC/single dwelling			
7. Description					
Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)		Materials (Enter categories from instructions)			
Late Victorian/Queen Anne		foundation <u>STON</u>	E/limestone		
		walls WOOD/weatherboard			
		WOOD/shingle			
		roof <u>Asphalt</u>			
		other <u>Metal</u>			

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

David and M. Maria Hughes House Name of Property	Iowa County, Iowa County and State
8. Statement of Significance	
Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)	Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions) Architecture
A Property is accomisted with events that have made	
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our history.	
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☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.	
☑ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or	
represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.	Period of Significance 1901
□ D. Branarty has violded, or is likely to viold	
□ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.	
Criteria Considerations	Significant Dates
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)	1901
Property is:	
☐ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.	
☐ B removed from its original location.	Significant Person (Complete if Criterion 8 is marked above) N/A
☐ C a birthplace or grave.	
•	Cultural Affiliation
☐ D a cemetery.	
☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	
☐ F a commemorative property.	
	Architect/Builder
☐ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.	
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	Long, Will
Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)
9. Major Bibliographical References	
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Previous documentation on file (NPS):	Primary location of additional data:
preliminary determination of individual listing (36	☑ State Historic Preservation Office
CFR 67) has been requested	☐ Other State agency
previously listed in the National Register	☐ Federal agency☐ Local government
previously determined eligible by the National Register	☐ University
designated a National Historic Landmark	☑ Other
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey	Name of repository:
#	Iowa County Historical Society
☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #	

David and M. Maria Hughes House	Iowa County, Iowa	•
Name of Property	County and State	
10. Geographical Data		
Acreage of Property less than one acre		
UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)		
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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)		
Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)		
11. Form Prepared By		
name/title Natalie Pearson		
organization	date January 10, 1996	
street & number 101 West Penn Street	telephone (319) 668-9455	
city or town Williamsburg	state zip code 52361	
Additional Documentation		
Submit the following items with the completed form:		
Continuation Sheets		
Maps		
A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the p	roperty's location.	
A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having	g large acreage or numerous resources.	
Photographs	· ·	
Representative black and white photographs of the pr	operty.	
Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)		
Property Owner		
(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)		
name <u>Natalie Pearson and Michael Fenneman</u>		
street & number 101 West Penn Street	telephone (319) 668-9455	·
city or town Williamsburg	state <u>Iowa</u> zip code <u>52361</u>	

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David and M. Maria Hughes House Williamsburg, Iowa County, Iowa

Description

The David and M. Maria Hughes House is a 2 1/2 story, balloon-frame, free classic Queen Anne style house featuring a wraparound porch, a hipped roof with a front dormer and cross gables, and a metal-roofed tower with a finial. The foundation is limestone and the chimney is patterned masonry. Each story has a different type of wood siding, with alternating wide and narrow boards on the first story, narrow boards on the second, and fishscale shingles on the third or attic story. The one-story open porch has classic columns, turned spindles, dentils, and features a pedimented portico adorned with raised wood carvings. The second and third stories have ornate brackets and a modillion cornice.

In addition to the 8-foot oak double front doors, the house has two entry doors on the east side and a portico entry on the west side. There is a small open balcony facing south on the second story accessible from a door in the guest room. All entries appear to be original. Most of the home's windows are wood one-over-one double hung units which often occur in three and four window bays. There are bay windows in the living room, entry parlor, dining room, study, and master bedroom. Tudor-style casement windows adorn the upper half story and the west side above a large picture window that overlooks the formal(front) stairway. Aluminum storm windows were added to the house in the 1960s. The original wood newel posts on the front porch stairs were replaced at some point by wrought iron, but the current owners are having the originals replicated. A wooden railing atop the tower was removed many years ago. The house sits high on a large, sloping lot in a residential neighborhood one block from the town square in Williamsburg, lowa (pop. 2,000). A modern two car garage sits west of the house. The house is currently being painted and is in otherwise good condition.

Inside the home is trimmed with quarter sawn oak, oak, maple, and fir woodwork and floors. It has several built-in leaded glass cupboards, as well as built-in oak drawers, oak and maple pocket doors, and an oak fireplace. The stairway in the large elaborate entry parlor is paneled with quartersawn oak and trimmed with hand-carved newel posts and arches of fancy millwork. The home has nine rooms, two staircases, and two bathrooms on its two main stories. (There are five rooms in the basement, which has been modernized.) Designed for a household with servants, the home has a rear stairway from the kitchen that leads to a small bedroom intended for the maid. There is an oak passthrough from the kitchen to the dining room. Holes for a system of speaking tubes remain in many of the rooms, but they do not have their original porcelain mouthpieces. A pantry-type room off the kitchen has a small door in the wall for ice or coal delivery. The kitchen was gutted and remodeled in the 1980s.



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Description (continued)

Used as a single family dwelling for its first fifty years, the home was divided into three apartments in about 1951. In the last decade, however, three sets of owners have successfully worked to restore the home to its original floor plan. A kitchen that had been added to the second floor has been removed and the rear stairway reopened.

Statement of Significance

Built in 1901, the David and M. Maria Hughes home is architecturally significant because it exemplifies the free classic Queen Anne style of residence popular with prosperous families at the turn of the century. Described as "the finest residence in lowa County" in an April 30, 1903 special edition of the local newspaper (The Journal-Tribune) the house retains most of the features that earned it that distinction. With its classically columned wraparound porch, rich variety of exterior wood siding, three-story tower, asymmetrical layout, grand entry parlor, and ornate wood trim, the home epitomizes the highest ideals of domestic design as interpreted in small town lowa at the turn of the century.

The editors of the <u>Journal-Tribune</u> said this of the house as it was being completed in May of 1901: "David Hughes has given his house the final coat of paint and in its new white dress it looms like a thing of rarest beauty. Mr. Hughes has easily the best residence in lowa County. In its plans and designs, in securing skilled workmen and artists to carry out such, no expense was spared. The interior finish and decoration of this modern home will compare with those found in the best homes in the largest cities of lowa. The location is one of the finest in the city, commanding a wide view of as choice a country as the all beholding sun smiles upon in his course across the heavens. The grounds are models of neatness and the concrete walks, with curve and sweep adds greatly to their beauty. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes are among the earth's best people and we wish them many years enjoyment in their splendid home."

Williamsburg had been a sleepy village of 130 until the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul railroad came to town in 1884. After that, the population--and the need for housing and commercial buildings--grew significantly. David Hughes, an Iowa County resident who had served as its Superintendent of Schools and deputy clerk of court, took advantage of that boom by founding the Iowa Lumber Company the year the railroad came to town. The firm later became Hughes and Brother Lumber company when his brother, Senator John Hughes, Jr., joined the business. The brothers apparently grew wealthy supplying Williamsburg's building boom

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Statement of Significance (continued)

through the turn of the century. The entire Hughes family was influential in early Williamsburg. Patriarch John Hughes, Sr., a Welsh pioneer in Iowa County, was Williamsburg's postmaster for several decades and brother G.H. Hughes was cashier at the Williamsburg Savings Bank and held a number of civic offices. We know little about M. Maria (Morse) Hughes except that she worked as a teacher while David Hughes served as Iowa County School Superintendent in the 1880s. The couple had no children. Except for occasional notes about their bicycle excursions around the county, the Hughes's rarely appeared in the local newspaper's society notes.

David Hughes hired the Cedar Rapids architectural firm of Dieman and Fiske to design his house and local builder Will Long to construct it. There are several other large turreted homes in Williamsburg, (including another Dieman and Fiske design built for Hughes' brother George H. next door in 1902) but they are more modest and simple and do not exhibit the comprehensive Queen Anne detailing of the Hughes house. We can assume that Hughes intended his house to be a showplace and a demonstration of what other homebuilders could accomplish with the materials from his lumber business. Robert Sinn, whose grandfather bought the house from Hughes in 1906, recalled being told that the home's elaborate interior wooden appointments had been donated by companies that Hughes did business with in the lumber industry.

David Hughes had long suffered with vision difficulties which forced his retirement from the lumber business the same year he built the house. He sold his interest in the Hughes firm to his brother. In October of 1906 David and M. Maria Hughes sold the house and its furnishings and moved to their Long Beach, California home where they had spent winters for many years. The local newspaper reported that they were "heavily and successfully invested in real estate" in Long Beach.

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David and M. Maria Hughes House Williamsburg, Iowa County, Iowa

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Oral interviews with:

Robert Sinn, who lived at 101 West Penn from approx 1917-1935

Helen (Mrs. Truman) Jones, whose mother and father lived at 101 West Penn from 1941 to 1951

Verbal boundary description

The east 150 feet of lot one, block 15 of Williams addition to the town of Williamsburg, lowa County, lowa

Verbal boundary justification

The nominated property includes the entire parcel historically associated with the David and M. Maria Hughes house.

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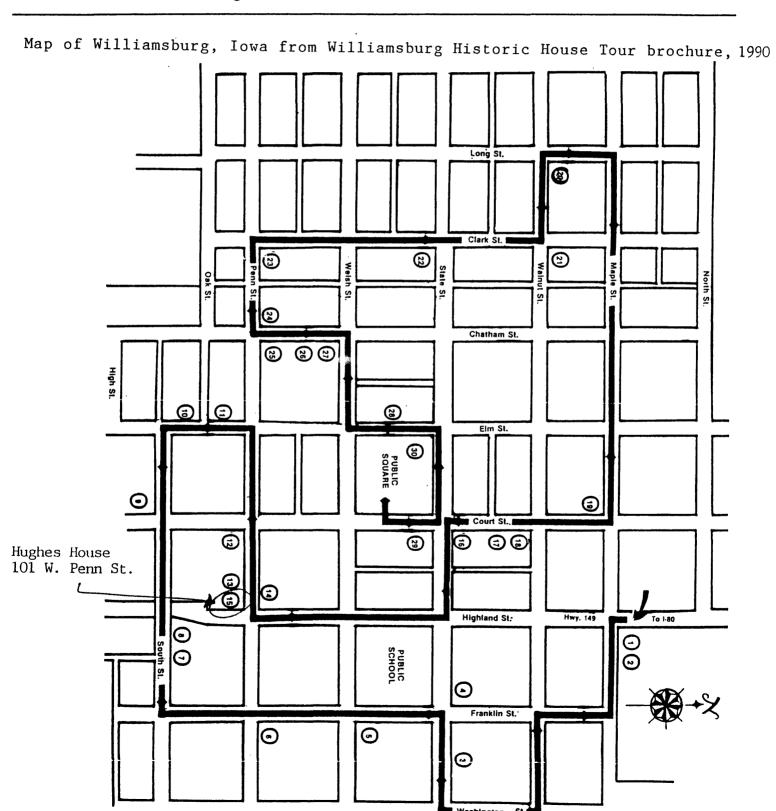
David and M. Maria Hughes House Williamsburg, Iowa County

101 West Penn Street (Floorplan from April, 1994 net to equip appraisal of property) 11111111 111111111 living 2nd floor 111111111111 1111111

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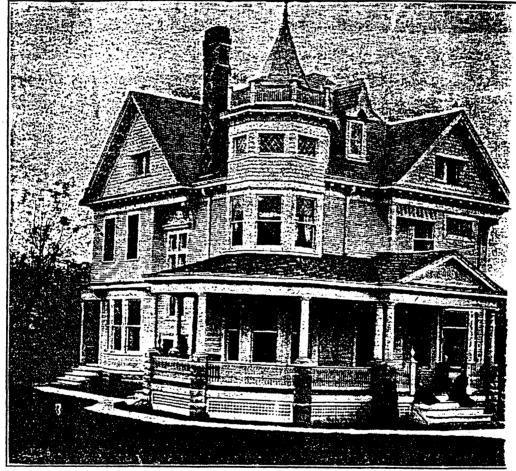


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Photo and text from the Williamsburg Journal-Tribune, May Flower Edition/April 1903



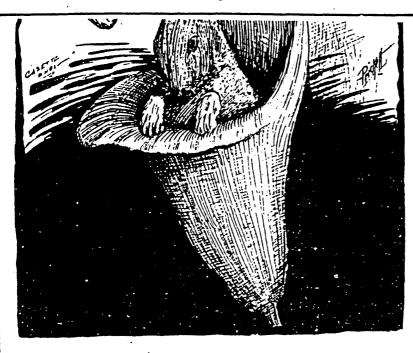
DAVID HUGHES.

David Hughes was born in Ohio; he came to Iowa in '57 settling on a farm in Troy township. He served as Co. Supt. of schools in the '70's and later as deputy clerk of the courts. He established a lumber business in Williamsburg in the early 80's with which he was connected for many years. He now lives a retired life. He owns the finest residence in Iowa county.

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Mr. Bunny, as "Jack in the Pulpit," Invites You to the Carnival. !!

be in order for Davenport to raise a row, but Davenport is not or that

The conviction of two of the tigebel conspirators in Kentneky and the sentence of one to death and the other to imprisonment for life should he a warning to the people who think that the time is ripe for the overthrow of free Institutions.

So far as they know the people who are blessed with full dinner pails have paid for the filling and in most cases it has been prepared in the family cultury department. They are not aware that they have any-

Come, come, come, and join the merry throng. Brush care aside and bring along a

song. Have a happy day while you are on

For there'll come a time when you're short on breath.

David Brant of the Clinton Herald will never endorse the proposition that women should go on the stump so long as there are so many unregenerated men whose heads do not bear the imprint of the family rolling pin. The women have a great home work,

This is the greatest issue of newspaper, considering the colored Hlustrations, and the amount of matter in the smallest space, ever gotten out in Iowa. And yet it is a small affair as compared with what The

master General Bristow was implieated in the frauds and a vigorous shaking may reveal the fact that there are other large lish in the net

IF YOU INTEND BUILDING.

You Should See Dieman & Flake's Elegant Plans.

Carnival visitors who may intend the erection of residences or business blocks will be interested in the up-todate, practical and beautiful plans of Messrs. Dieman & Fiske, the leading architects. The following is a partial list of the buildings for which they have made plans during the present

Hotels-The new Palace hotel, Cedar Rapids: hotel at Grundy Center; at Belle Plaine.

Gymnasium of the Sokol Tyrs, Co-Rapids, school building for the Mattee Skolska, Cedar Rapids; addl-tion to the C. S. P. S. hall, Cedar iltanids.

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I Residences—In Codar Rapids, J. H. Schindle, Mrs. W. W. Walker, Mrs. Sinclair, James Rever, F. H. Hariwood, Dr. Skinner, R. S. Griswold, Chus. Green, the Misses Dennis — M. Williamsburg—David Hughes, Haward—Hughes, and James Corgill. At Anamosa—C. E. Howard and Z. Latt.
Churches—Luthern at Lake Latt.

Churches-Lutheran at Bode, Iowa. and German Reform at Maquoketas Messrs, Dieman & Fiske are also preparing plans for ten or lifteen buildings, to go up yet this fall

From the Cedar Rapids Evening Gazette, Saturday Sept. 29, 1900,

Think of it!

Come to my office and find out about it.

FRED A. NILES. General Manager, 401-404 Masonic Temple.

Call for the vinerican Flag brand fresh oysters. W York or Baltimore oysters. Groccan get them. Every can guarante

A. LAGO: ARCINO & CO.

Come a-running if you want a Majestic out of this car lot. They are going fast and factory is 5,000 orders behind. Hen Boss, & Targe.

FINE HOME FOR SALE. For Sale-My residence, No. 1746 D Ave. If not sold immediately will rent furnished or not to suit.

J. H. MUNHOLLAND.

Smoke Silver's Best and Lucky Jim

WINTER IS COMING

and it is time you were looking about and laying in your winter supply of hay. W. Karban is the man you want to see as he carries the largest supply and most sarieties of hay and all kinds of feed. 123 Third avenue. Teletibone 214

Violins. guitars. condions and strings at Blachley's music store, 315 First avenue.

LADIES' JACKETS AND CAPES.

We are showing the best medium line in this city. Prices ranging from \$5.00 to \$10.00. You must see them to apprecifate this value, at

PUDIL & PICHNER.

Take lunch at Kern's buffet.

Smoke C.-R., Lord Coke or Yendia e eigne.

It will pay you to see Karban when you want hay and all kinds of feed. Wholesale and retail hay.

For heavy hardware, E. K. Larimer,

Perfect fit guaranteed on all garments ordered of the Miller Tailor-

A. H. Nilos for late popular

Read Waite's homestead sale adv.

Latest in picture framing at YOUNG'S ART STORE.

A During the carnival use King Kole's Kompound Kough Kure, 317 1st ave.

Fancy imported Swiss cheese just PETER UDDRICH.

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David and M. Maria Hughes House Williamsburg, Iowa County, Iowa

Photograph key

The following items are common to all photographs:

- 1. David and M. Maria Hughes House
- 2. Iowa County, Iowa
- 3. Michael Fenneman
- 4. January 1996
- 5. 101 West Penn St., Williamsburg, Iowa

Photograph #1

6. North facade, looking south

Photograph #2

6. North half of east side, featuring turret, chimney, and stairwell windows, looking west

Photograph #3

6. East side, looking west

Photograph #4

6. North and east sides, looking southwest

Photograph #5

6. Entry parlor fireplace, looking east

Photograph #6

6. Entry parlor bay, looking northeast

Photograph #7

6. Main stairway with hand-carved pillars, showing leaded glass cupboard, gingerbread, and pocket doors, looking southwest

Photograph #8

6. Oak paneled stairway, looking southeast