

DATA SHEET

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Old Post Office (former Main Post Office)

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

28 South Linn Street

CITY, TOWN

Iowa City

STATE

Iowa

— VICINITY OF
CODE

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Johnson

COUNTY

CODE

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

United States Postal Service

STREET & NUMBER

475 L'Enfant Plaza West, S. W.

CITY, TOWN

Wash., D. C. 20260

— VICINITY OF

STATE

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

County Court House - Iowa City, IA

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The present building is an exterior wall bearing structure with steel columns and beams, fire proofed with concrete. All interior floors are wood walls plaster ceiling-plaster, except the public lobby has terrazzo floor, marble base, oak wainscot with a special door and carved pedament over treatment for the door to the Postmaster's office. The exterior is modern beau art with Buff Indiana Limestone. The original building constructed in 1904 measured 50' x 90'. The building was expanded in 1931 to measure 109' x 90' by extending the north wall.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

- | | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

1924, 1931

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The old post office represents an example which is not common today of putting on an addition to an existing structure and to do so in such a manner that the addition actually was undistinguishable from the original. The sensitivity of one architect's work to another architect's design is nonexistent today. The conservation of materials including the reuse of stone, door and windows is evidenced by the two 1931 photos.

I STRONGLY DISAGREE.

ALB

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Consultant Report Prepared by Wagner, Marquart, Wetherell Architects
 1106 High Street
 Des Moines, IA 50309

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .723

UTM REFERENCES

A	<u>15</u>	<u>62230.0</u>	<u>46129.05</u>	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Property is located at 28 South Linn Street, Iowa City, IA.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
Iowa	19	Johnson	103
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Robert M. O'Brien, Realty Specialist

ORGANIZATION

Realty Management Div., Office of Real Estate, Real Estate & Bldgs. Dept., USPS

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475 L'Enfant Plaza West, S.W.

DATE

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

William H. Brasham
 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National State Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

William H. Brasham

TITLE Director, Office of Real Estate

DATE 12.16.77

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

William H. Brasham

DATE 4.17.79

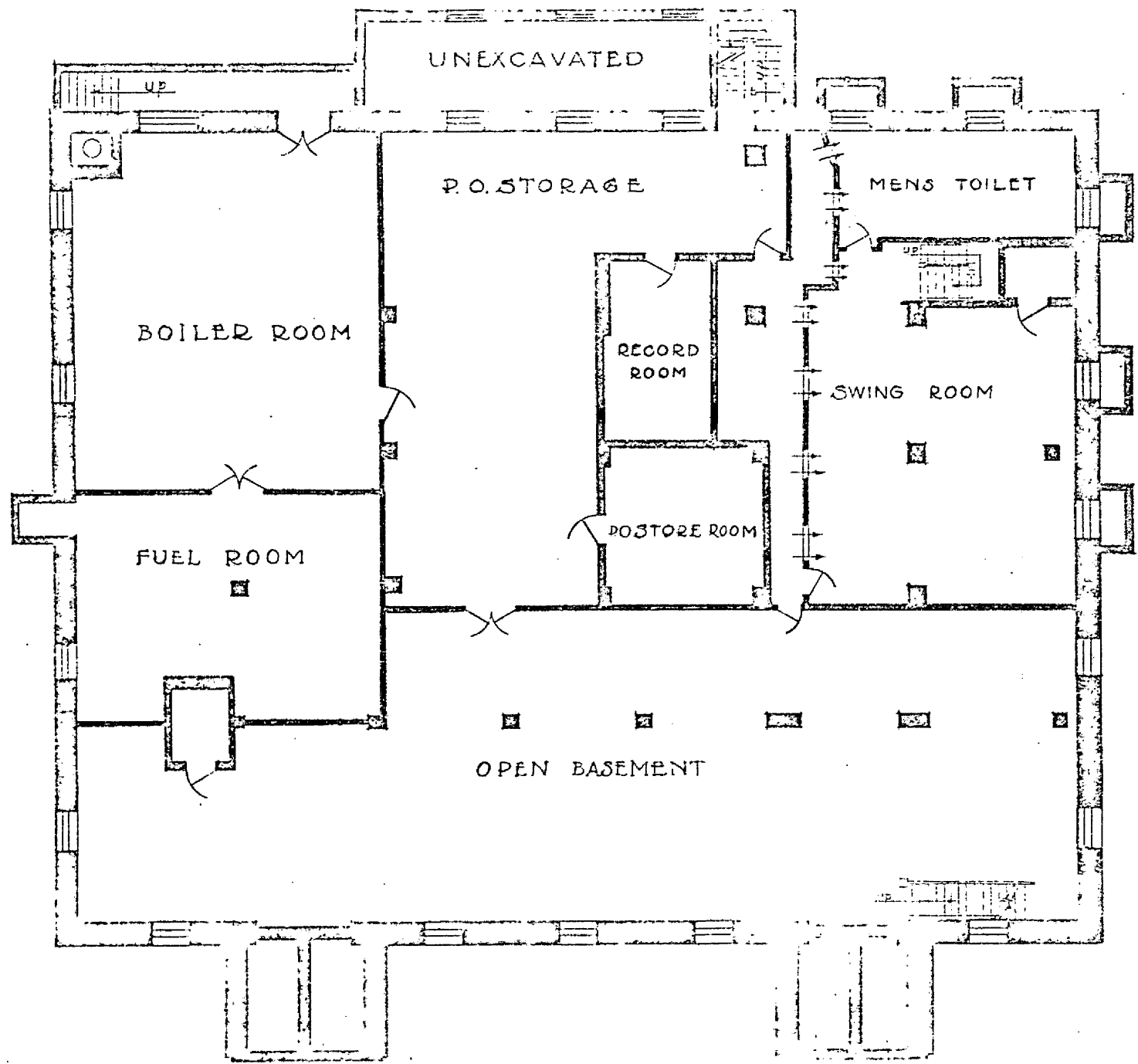
ATTEST: *William H. Brasham*

4.16.79

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ASSIGNMENT
BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN

U. S. POST OFFICE
IOWA CITY, IOWA

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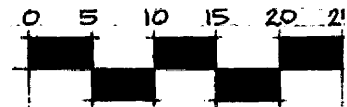
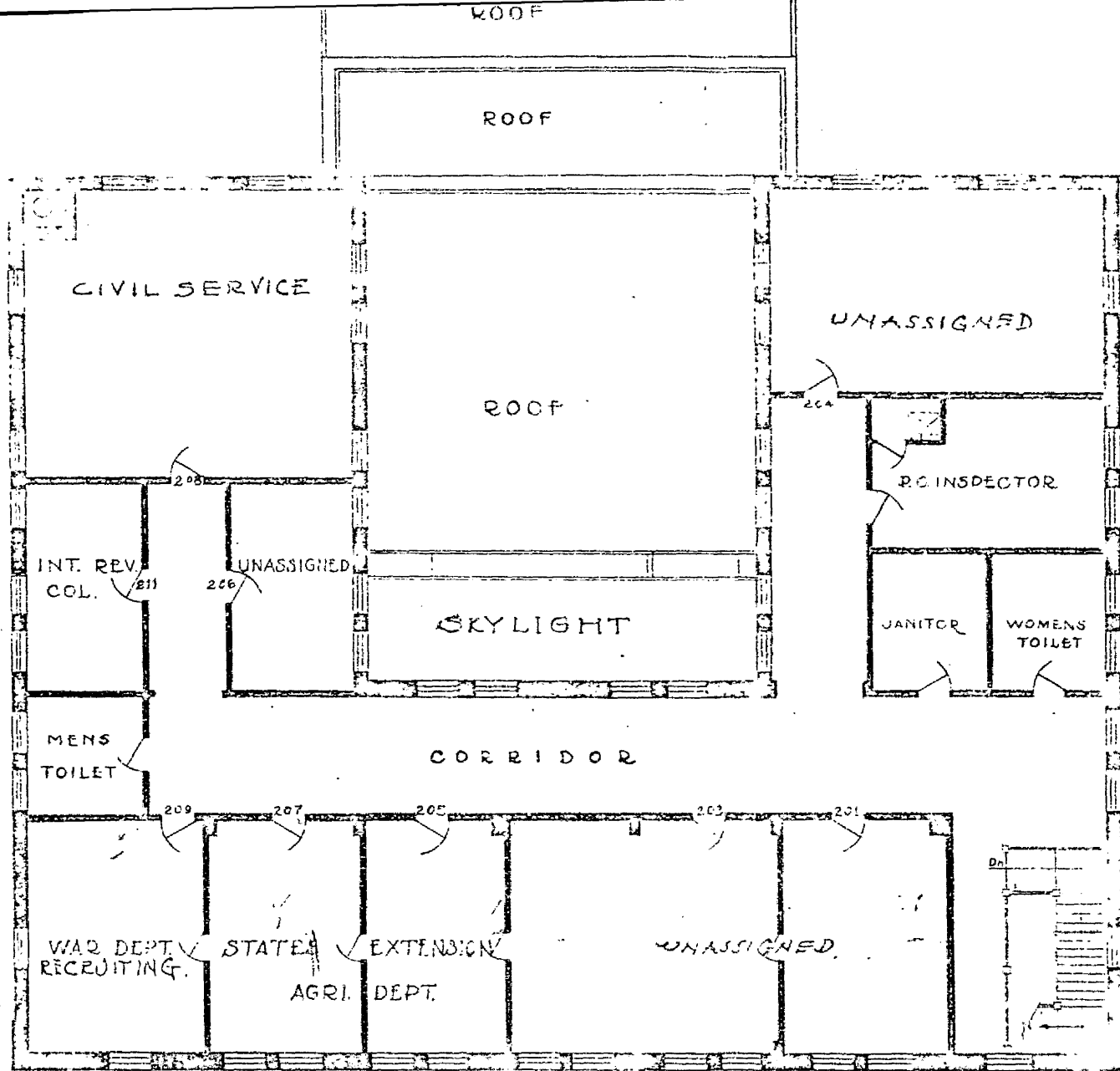
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Plan showing First and Second Floor Plans

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ASSIGNMENT
 SECOND FLOOR PLAN

SCALE $\frac{1}{16}'' = 1'-0''$

U.S. POST OFFICE
 IOWA CITY, IOWA
 DWG. NO. AS-3.

DWG. BY M.P.B. 2-21-31

SIDEWALK

TERRACE

GRASS

20'-0"

PUBLIC LOBBY

M.O. REG
& COB

LOOK OUT GALLERY

WORK ROOM

103-5

110-5

EXIT OF MAIDS

ASST

POSTMASTER

POSTMASTER

GRASS

20'-2"

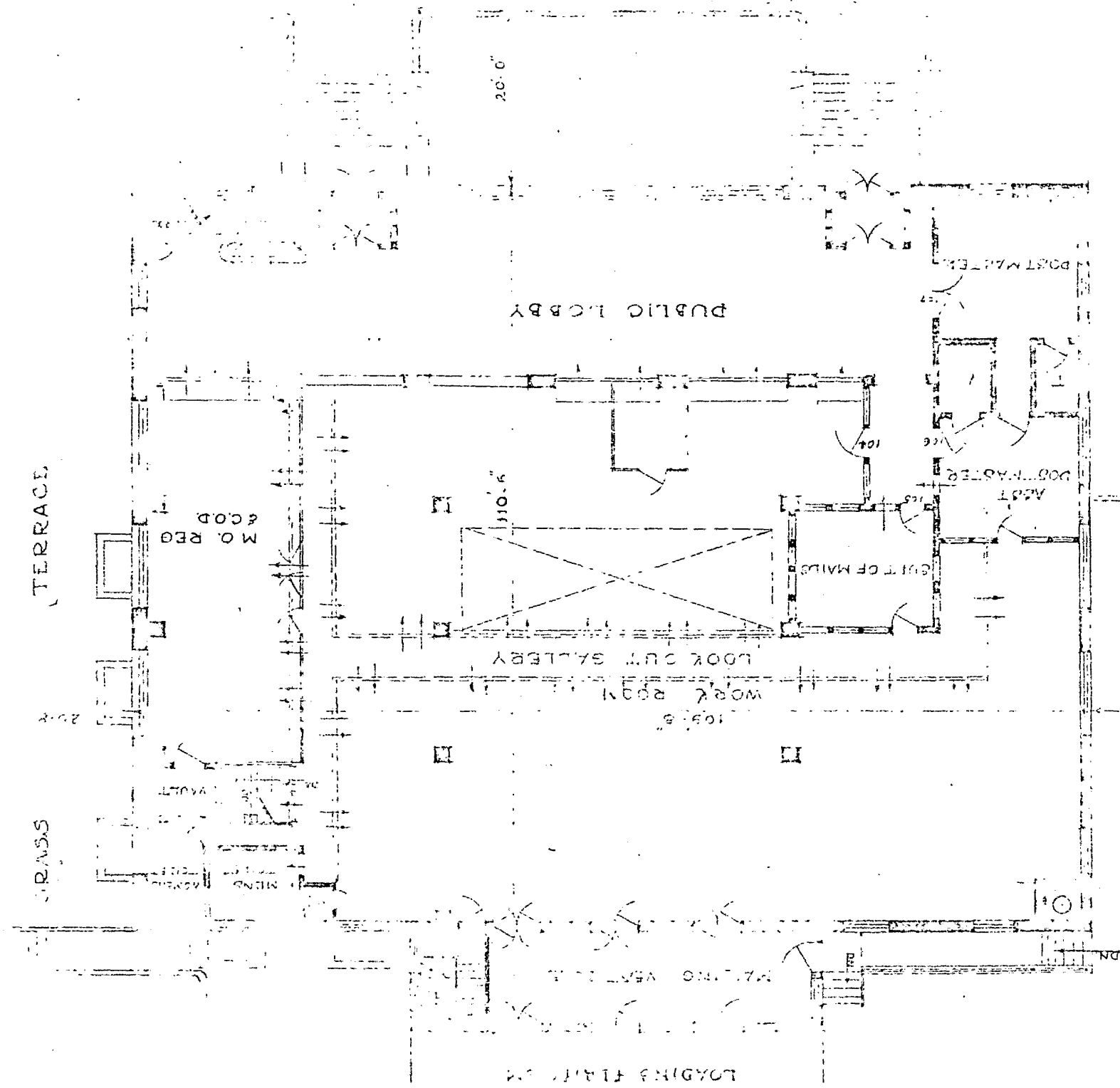
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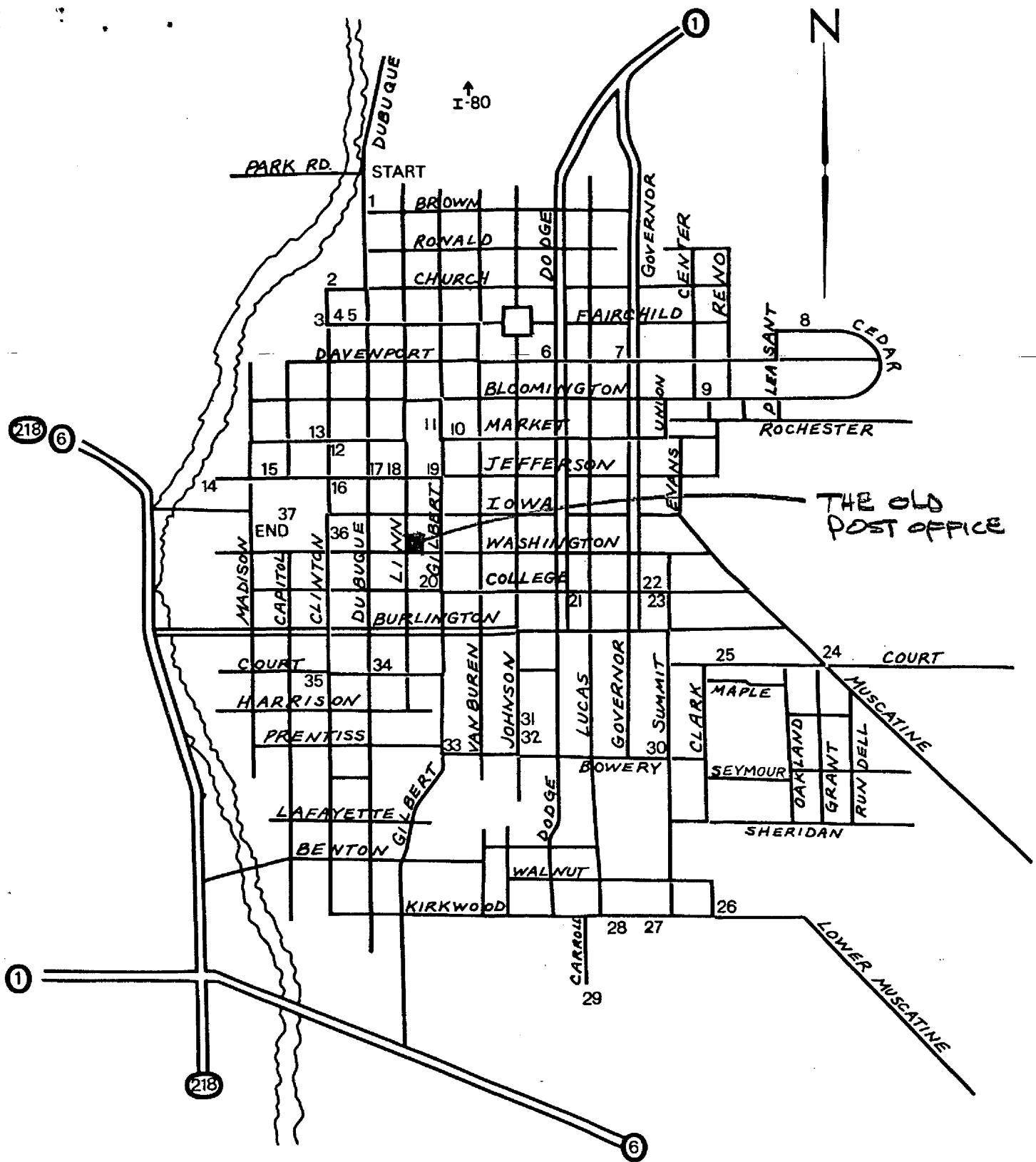
LOADING PLATFORM

WAITING AREA

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U.S. POST OFFICE
NEW YORK
10001





Map drawn by Anne Frahm

34. St. Patrick's Church at Court and Linn was the parish church of the Irish of Iowa City (p. 12).

35. Ravaged by grime and pollution, the exterior of the Johnson County Courthouse is still imposing as an example of rusti-

cated Romanesque Revival style (pp. 70, 71).

36. The downtown building at 10-12 S. Clinton is an elegant and refined copy of an elegant and refined late 18th-century English style (p. 78).

37. Old Capitol, "the chief architectural and historical glory of Iowa City, and the state." Restored and now open to the public for tours, this wonderful building is a grand part of Iowa's heritage (p. 35).

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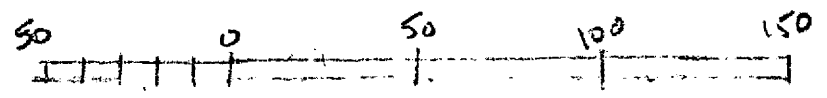
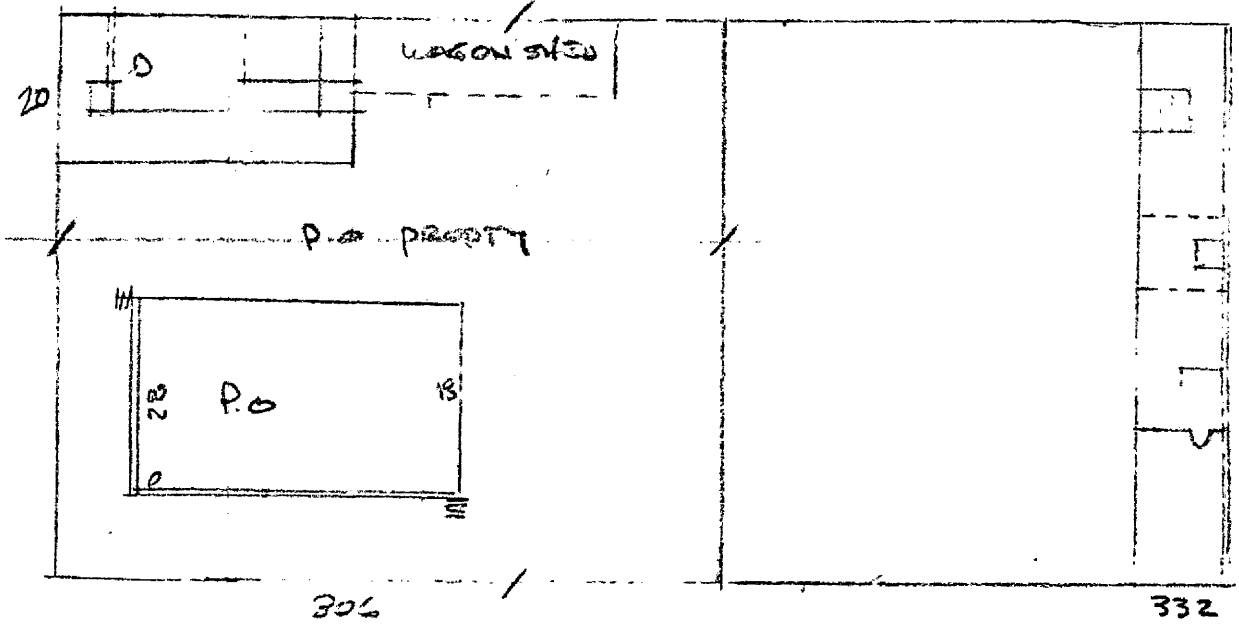
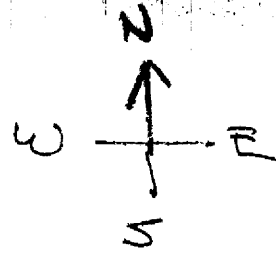
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Plan of Iowa City - Showing Post Office at Southwest corner of block
fronting Linn and Washington.

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E Iowa Ave



E WASHINGTON

FOUND IN BOOK 15
P 11 - 1104

insertion map of
the City
Southern Map Co.

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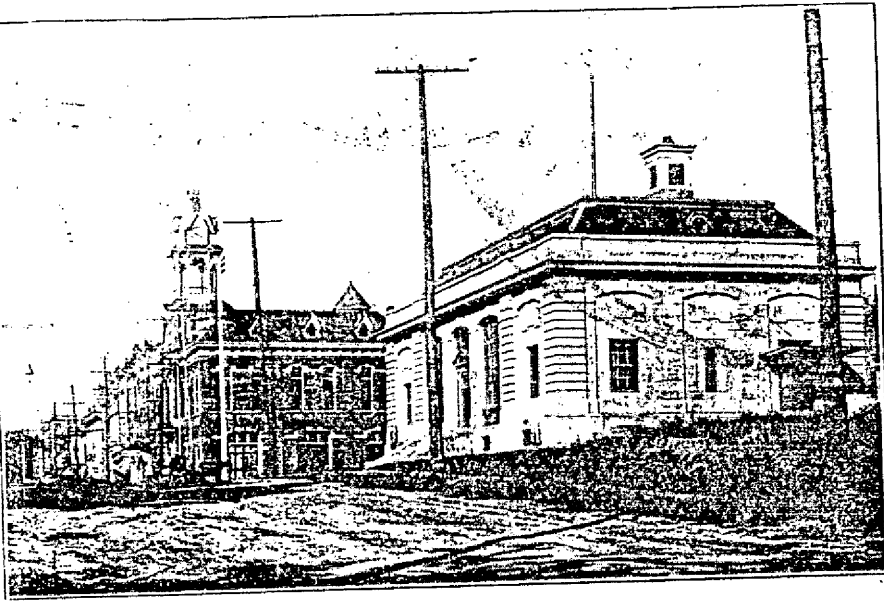
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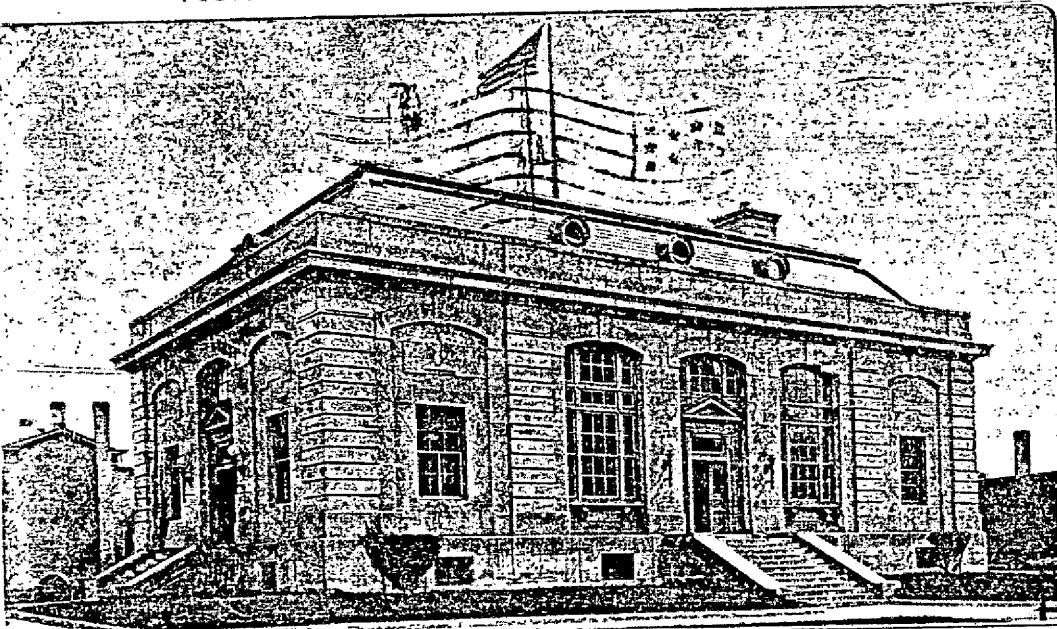
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Traced from Insurance Map of Iowa City - shows map and lot

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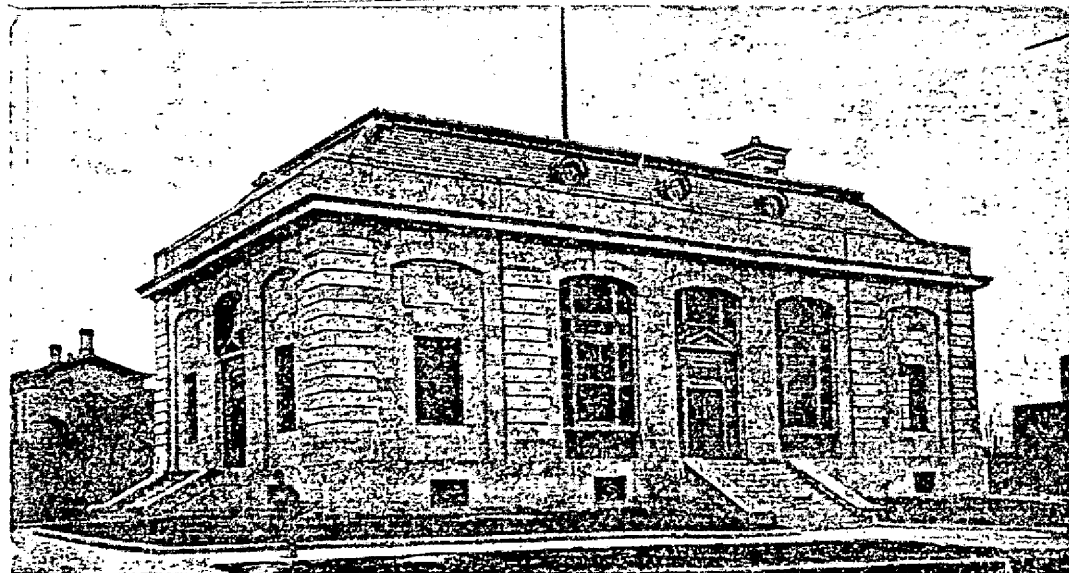


POSTOFFICE AND CITY HALL, IOWA CITY, IOWA

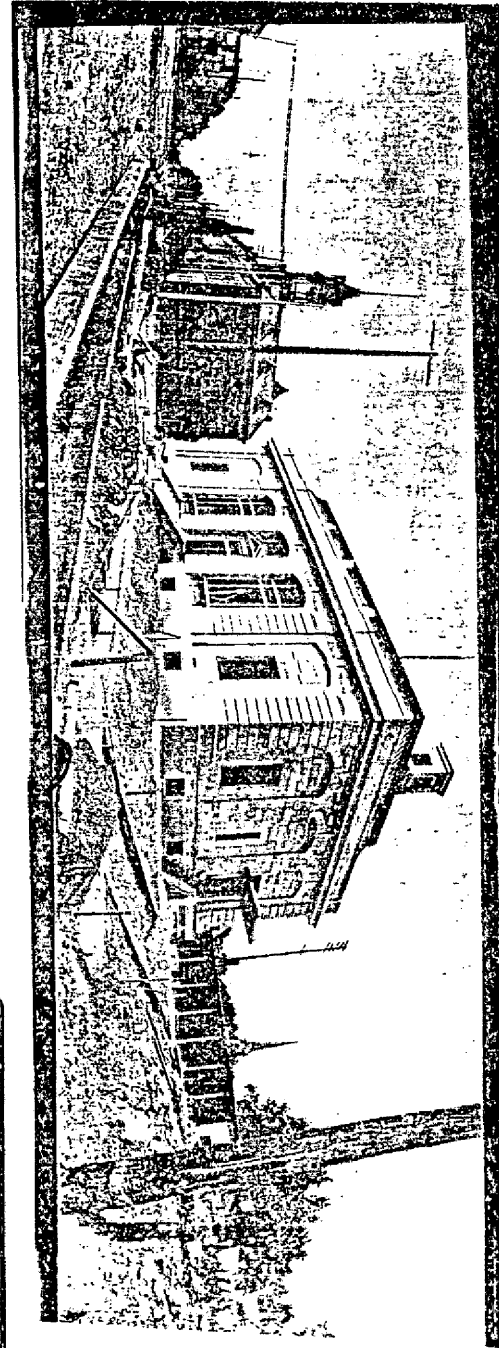


Post Office, Iowa City, Iowa

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U. S. Government Building, Iowa City, Iowa.



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Picture and Post Card - 1904 Building.