

ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORICAL SURVEY

DAVENPORT, IOWA

The Architects Office
Wehner, Nowysz, Pottschull and Pfiffner
 801 day building, Iowa city, Iowa 52240

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
IOWA DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SITE # 82-10- RD-W118 MAP # 1

HIST. DIST. _____

NAME Schick's Express and Transfer Co. H C

ADDRESS 118 & 120 West River Drive

LEGAL DES. LeClaire's Add. 41 3 Exc. W.
SUB-DIVISION BLOCK PARCEL SUB-PARCEL 10 1/2

UTM 3 15 710,237 10 45 99 10,80 ACREAGE -1 ZONE C-4
EASTING NORTHING

OWNER Von Maur Investment Co.
131 W. 2nd Street, Davenport, IA 52801

TITLE H. _____
(IF DIFF.)



MAP

SITE SHEET

DESCRIPTION

FORM 6 story warehouse block CONST. DATE c. 1905
 MATERIALS Brick, metal frame, stone ARCH STYLE Commercial
 FENESTRATION 1/1 D.H.S. in pairs and 3's; singly below jack arches
 DIST. FEATURES Expression of structural system in facade treatment
 ALTERATIONS Some sash removed, openings boarded
 SITE & RELATED STR. Flat site facing RR tracks & river across major thoroughfare

STATEMENT

This building is a good illustration of the influence of the Chicago commercial style in late 19th century Davenport. The structural system is clearly expressed in the pier-and-spandrel facade. Use of the metal frame permitted increasing window area, as shown in the large amount of glass that characterizes the facade. The building conforms to Sullivan's 3-part composition of base, "column" and top. However, it is quite plain, with only the restrained metal cornice, rustication at corners, and stone jack arches as decorative elements. See also RD-W122. The warehouse may possibly date from 1898, according to the Richardson "Index" (see below), with alterations occurring in 1905.

Clausen & Clausen, Architects

SOURCES

"Index of Clausen & Clausen Jobs," Typescript, Charles Richardson Associates, Davenport

ARCHITECTURE

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HISTORY

DESCRIPTION

The warehouse was erected in c. 1905 for new headquarters of the Schick's Express and Transfer Company. Location on Front Street, several blocks east of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Freight House, made access to transportation routes efficient. The building is currently used as a warehouse for Petersen's Department store.

SOURCES

City Directories, 1902-03, 1906-07, 1908, 1909, 1910.

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

EVALUATION

ARCHITECTURAL

I. ARCH. EVALUATION Good
II. ENVIR. STATURE Incident
III. INT. OF CONTEXT Poor
IV. INT. OF FABRIC Good

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

[] NAT. [] STATE [X] LOCAL [] N. ELIG.

HISTORICAL

I. THEME(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE:

A. PRIMARY
B. SECONDARY

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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1. DATE RECEIVED

2. DATE OF STAFF EVALUATION

ELIGIBLE FOR N.R.H.P. []
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR N.R.H.P. []
A. ARCHITECTURAL B. HISTORICAL

3. N.R.H.P. ACTION

A. STATE REVIEW COMM. APP. [] DISAPP. [] Tabled [] DATE
B. FEDERAL REVIEW APP. [] DISAPP. [] Tabled [] DATE

4. D.H.P. SOURCES

[] COUNTY RESOURCES [] DET. OF ELIGIBILITY
[] W'SHIELD SURVEY [] R. & C.
[] N.R.H.P. [] DAVENPORT A/H SURVEY
[] GRANT []

5. SUBJECT TRACES

[]

6. PHOTO

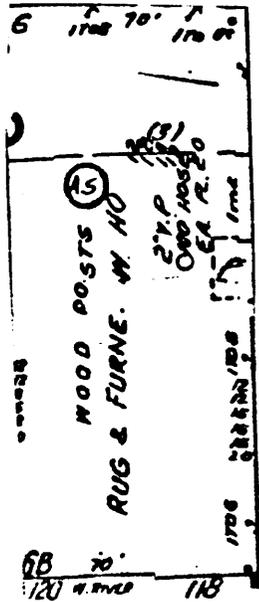
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