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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Albia Square and Central Commerical Historic District

and/or common

2. Location

street & number ~~Generally~~ bounded by the alley west of S. and N. Clinton, E. and W. "A" Avenue, N. and S. Second St., and E. and W. 2nd Avenue. ___ not for publication

city, town Albia ___ vicinity of

state Iowa code 019 county Monroe code 135

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
xx district	___ public	x occupied	___ agriculture	xx museum
___ building(s)	___ private	___ unoccupied	xx commercial	xx park
___ structure	xx both	___ work in progress	___ educational	xx private residence
___ site	**Public Acquisition**	**Accessible**	xx entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	xx yes: restricted	xx government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	xx yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	N/A	___ no	___ military	___ other:

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple, refer to individual site sheets

street & number

city, town ___ vicinity of state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. County Clerk's Office

street & number Monroe County Courthouse

city, town Albia state Iowa 52531

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Area XV Cultural Resources Survey has this property been determined eligible? xxx yes ___ no

date 1983-4 ___ federal ___ state xx county ___ local

depository for survey records Iowa SHPO

city, town Des Moines state Iowa 50319

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
___ excellent	___ deteriorated	xx unaltered	xx original site
xx good	___ ruins	xx altered	___ moved date _____
___ fair	___ unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Albia Square and Business District represents a fine collection of late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial buildings. The integrity of the area and the 92 structures included has been maintained at a high level. The visual focus of the district is the Moneroe County Courthouse (NRHP) constructed 1902/03 from designs by Des Moines architect Oliver O. Smith.

Albia is situated on an elevated, tabular divide between the two tributary drainages of the Des Moines River. The city is located about 2 1/2 miles east of the geographical center of Monroe County. The land is gently undulating. Introduced, secondary timber has replaced original prairie vegetation.

Three locating commissioners chose this site in 1845 as county seat for Monroe (then known as Kishkekosh) County. A government survey platted Albia (then known as Princeton) also in 1845. The plat included a public square central to the plan and streets laid to points of the compass in gridiron. This original plan continues to serve the community today. Blocks around the square are intersected by 16 1/2' alleys, creating quarter blocks 132' square. Lots facing the public square measure 33' by 132'.

Physical development of the business district can best be documented through historic photographs and fire insurance maps, though these do not necessarily represent the major periods of economic development.

The earliest period is not represented with in visual images or extant structures. However, a local historian described the public square as green space with buildings clustered in blocks facing the square. "Little" is the adjective the historian employs almost invariably in describing Albia in 1848.

The first visual documentation occurs in the 1870's with a series of photographs showing the four sides of the square, and with three engravings (including a "Bird's Eye View") in the 1875 Andreas Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa. These images show that the public square served as the primary focal point in the community. A brick courthouse (1858/non-extant) is located in the center and faces east. The employment of an architect for its design set an architectural tone for the community. Few lots facing the public square are vacant. There is a clear distinction between commercial rooms and private dwellings. (Only one building facing the squre in about 1870 appears strictly residential.) Frame buildings predominate but at least seven are brick. A few brick buildings have three stories, but others are one or two story. Many frame buildings have boom town facades; some have gable end facades; several buildings are side gabled.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below				
___ prehistoric	___ archeology-prehistoric	___ community planning	___ landscape architecture	___ religion	
___ 1400–1499	___ archeology-historic	___ conservation	___ law	___ science	
___ 1500–1599	___ agriculture	___ economics	___ literature	___ sculpture	
___ 1600–1699	xx architecture	___ education	___ military	___ social/ humanitarian	
___ 1700–1799	___ art	___ engineering	___ music	___ theater	
xx 1800–1899	xx commerce	___ exploration/settlement	___ philosophy	___ transportation	
xx 1900–	___ communications	___ industry	___ politics/government	___ other (specify)	
		___ invention			

Specific dates 1870–1927 **Builder/Architect** N/A

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

COMMERCIAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Historical Context:

Albia, Iowa experienced an exceptional commercial market in the two decades between 1900 and the early 1920's. Coal mining played the leading role in this business "boom."

In 1900 the Consolidation Coal Company relocated operations from Muchakinock (Mahaska County) to Buxton (Monroe County). This new coal field propelled Monroe County into preeminence among Iowa coal producing counties. Other mines had already produced in the Albia area, and more mines opened at Hiteman, Hocking, and environs to swell production. Between 1901 and 1925, Monroe County topped all other Iowa counties in coal production.[1] Tonnage peaked in Monroe County (as in Iowa) during the 1917–1918 war years.

From 1918 to 1940 coal production declined in Iowa from about 9 million tons to about 3¼ million tons per year. The decline was steeper in Monroe County during the same period. Still, in historical tonnage between 1840–1964, Monroe County produced more coal than any other Iowa county, about 63 1/3 million tons.[2]

The effect of coal mining had a direct impact on Albia. During peak years, 19 mines located within a twenty mile radius of Albia. They employed 3,500 to 4,000 workmen and paid about $250,000 per month in wages.[3] Between 1900 and 1910, Albia's

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1. Landis, E. R.; Coal Resources of Iowa: Table 15 ("Coal produced in Iowa, by county, from 1880 to Jan. 1, 1864 (in short tones)):" State of Iowa; 1965; n.p.
2. Ibid; p. 85.
3. Monroe County History; Iowa Writer's Project (WPA); Privately printed; 1940, p. 61.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Refer to Continuation Sheets 9-2+

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 15.3 acres

Quadrangle name Albia **Quadrangle scale** 1/24,000

UTM References

	Zone	Easting	Northing
A	15	516070	4541680
B	15	516320	4541670
C	15	516320	4541410
D	15	516130	4541310
E			
F			
G			
H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

Refer to Continuation Sheet 10-1 for VBD. District includes central square, all of Blocks 5, 7 and 11, the E. ½ of Block 4, all but the S.E.¼ of Blk. 12, the E.½ of Blk. 9, the W 3/4 of Blk. 6, the N.E.¼ of Blk. 10, and the N.W.¼ of Blk. 21.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A	**code**	**county**	**code**
state	**code**	**county**	**code**

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Nomination prepared by W. C. Page, Public Historian, Molly Myers Naumann, Arch. Historia
Form prepared by James E. Jacobsen, National Register Coordinator

organization Iowa SHPO **date** 15 November 1984

street & number E. 12th & Grand Ave. **telephone** 515-281-4137

city or town Des Moines **state** Iowa 50319

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state xxx local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Adrian A. Anderson

title Executive Director Iowa State Historical Department **date** 11/19/84

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

for Melvin Byers Entered in the National Register **date** 1-3-85

Keeper of the National Register

Attest: **date**

Chief of Registration

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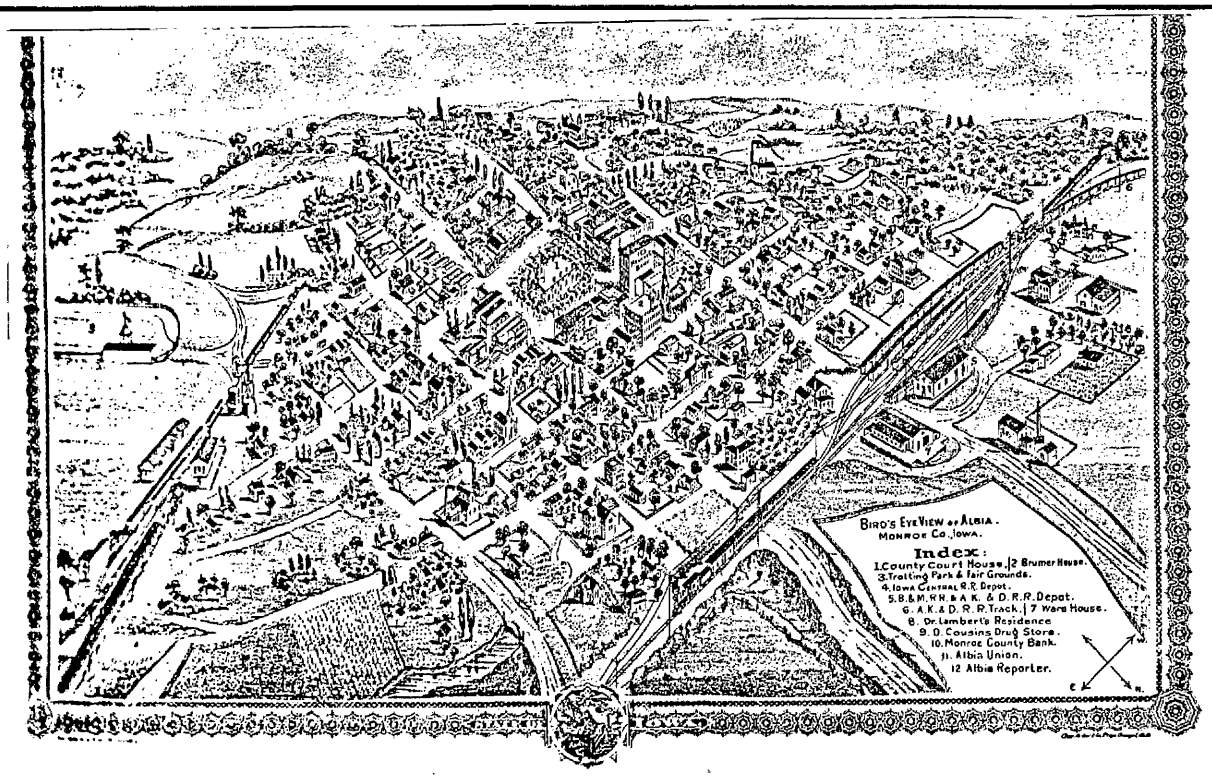
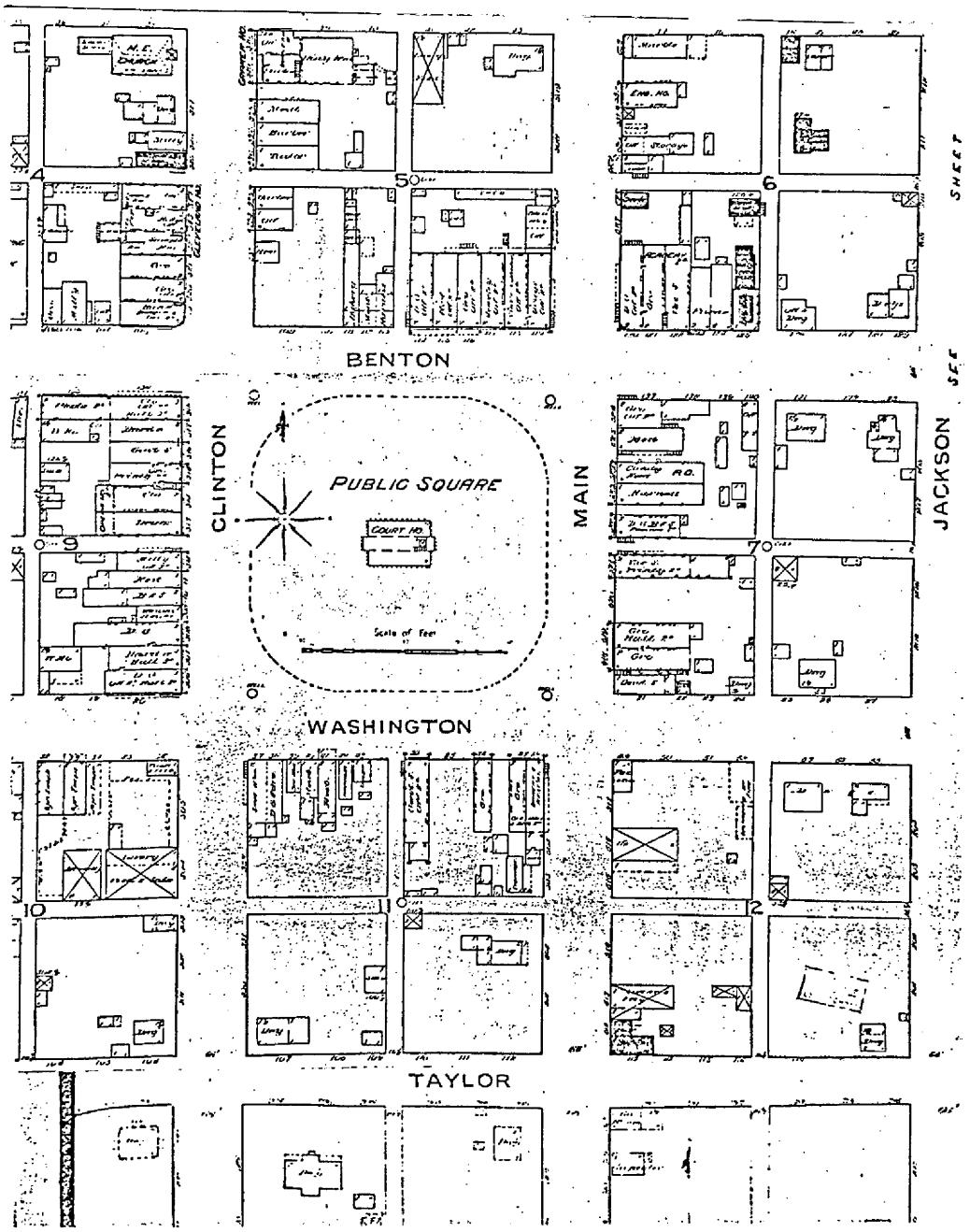


Bird's Eye View of Albia (1875 Andreas Atlas)

With little exception, buildings share uniform facade line and a number have porches. Commercial activity has extended beyond the four blocks abutting the public square. North Clinton Street is most notable. The railroad arrived in 1866 and this street serves transportation between depot and square. The street develops as a major commercial axis on tangent to the square. Two 3 story, brick hotels are constructed on the street. Some commercial activity also extends into the 100 block Benton Avenue East, 100 block Washington Avenue East, and North Main. These areas remain commercially active today. Concerning streetscape: brick buildings have added red to the built environment; signage is prevalent; continuous boardwalks abut most business houses and merchants display wares here in season; roads are clearly defined and dirt. A handful of buildings survive from this period, all are brick. The Miller-Loeb Block (circa 1868; 1 South Clinton); Perry-Townsend Operate Block (1874; 9 South Clinton); and National Bank Block (1875; 1 Benton Avenue West) were choice buildings when erected and remain significant elements in the built environment today. They cluster west/northwest of the square. Construction of permanent commercial buildings in Albia has been started. Lots facing the square are by and large occupied. "The town may be said to have just entered upon its era of growth and progress." (Andreas Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa: 1875).

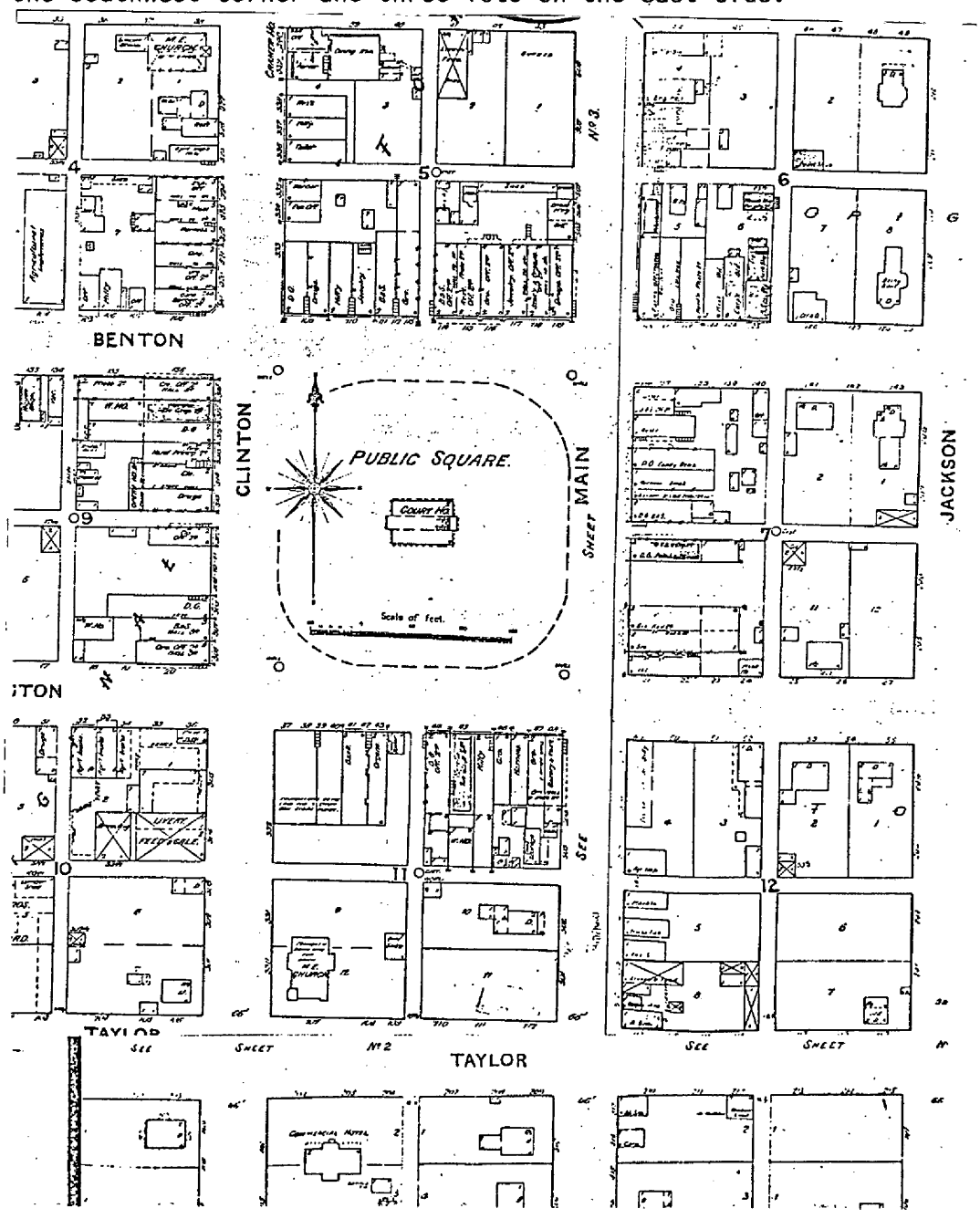
Development during the next twenty years must be traced through Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. The 1886 Sanborn shows that the west side of the square is completely of brick construction. The south side has three brick buildings, all in the east half. The east side has five brick structures, and the northeast corner is of brick. The north side of the square is brick from the alley east to Main Street, and the northwest corner is brick.



1886 Sanborn

Store fronts are generally 22' for a room's width. (Albians employ "room" to denote one such store front). Stores are consequently narrow and gain floor space through length, which varies from building to building. This long rectangle provides much wall shelf space and compliments the behind-the-counter retail system.

By 1891 the Sanborn map shows that brick construction around the square was complete except for the southwest corner and three lots on the east side.



Hickenlooper's 1896 History of Monroe County provides photographs of the four blocks blocks facing the square. The courthouse remains the focal point. Tree plantings have matured. Light poles stand on each corner, paired with poles on diagonal corners of the commercial district. These support four overstreet lights of the arc variety. The photos illustrate the brick development shown on the Sanborn maps. During the transition from frame to brick, facade lines remain uniform. Scale also remains consistent. Buildings are mostly one and two stories, and three buildings have three stories. Building depths vary. They occupy on average 50' to 100'. Second floors are generally given over to professional offices, photographic studios, meeting halls, and light manufacturing. Some service businesses, like barbers and tailors, occupy basement rooms. Only one vacant lot is found around the square, 18 South Main Street. Concerning streetscape: merchants have removed all first floor porches and now employ canvas awnings; large scale windows have replaced small pane casements and promote window shopping and advertising; signage is restrained, confined mostly to awnings and windows; some symbol advertising like barber poles is evident; pedestrian accomodations are mixed--boardwalks still dominate and the southeast corner features a brick sidewalk constructed by the building's owner; streets remain dirt. Many buildings survive today, as illustrated by a comparison of Hickenlooper's photos with those taken in 1959 for the community's centennial.

The 1899 Sanborn shows that the southwest corner of the square was now occupied by a by a brick building, and the west side of the 100 block of North Clinton has single story brick structures replacing frame.

Good photographic documentation exists from the early twentieth century. Both the Albia Business Men's book of .1908-09, and the 1911 Chautauqua booklet contain excellent photos showing the rapid changes which occurred during the first decade of this century.

A stone courthouse (Oliver O. Smith; 1902) dominates the area. The new building stands centered in the square and primary facade now faces north. The building stands centered in the square the primary facade now faces north. The building has three stories and, with clock tower, is the tallest in Albia. Here is the first use of stone in the community. The building material, together with massing, imparts monumentality. The stone is light buff and introduces color variation to the otherwise standard red brick in the district.

Several fires necessitated the rebuilding or remodeling of a number of buildings. One of these fires destroyed the last frame building on the square in January 1902. Townsend's Second Block (4 South Main) was built on the lot, completing brick construction around the square. Several buildings received new "modern" entrances and display windows. The Albia Union noted the new front being added to the Miller-Loeb Block in January 1902, and the new fronts on all three of R.O. Cramer's rooms (14, 16, 18 Washington Avenue East) in February 1902. The new and remodeled buildings add variation to the streetscape through use of new building materials. Stone is employed as veneer; brick color varies; new textures like rock faced brick appear. During this decade several major commercial buildings are constructed on streets leading off the square: A.E. Noble Block at 9 Benton Avenue West; a movie theater at 17 North Main; E.M. Noble Block at 114 Washington Avenue Eat; and the King Theater at 115 Benton Avenue East. The scale of these new buildings remains consistent with earlier periods.

Public street lighting serves the area. Incandescent has replaced are systems. The

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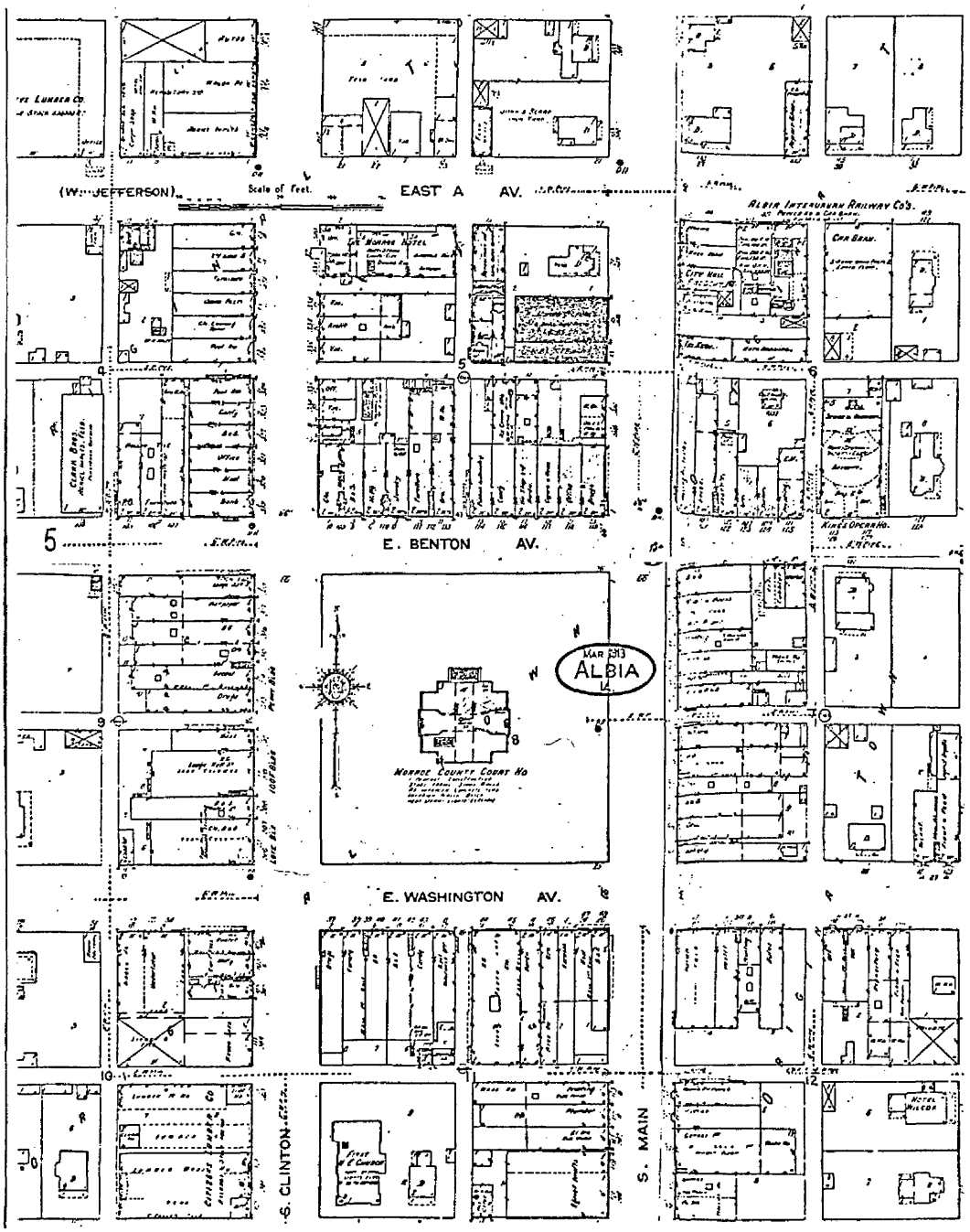
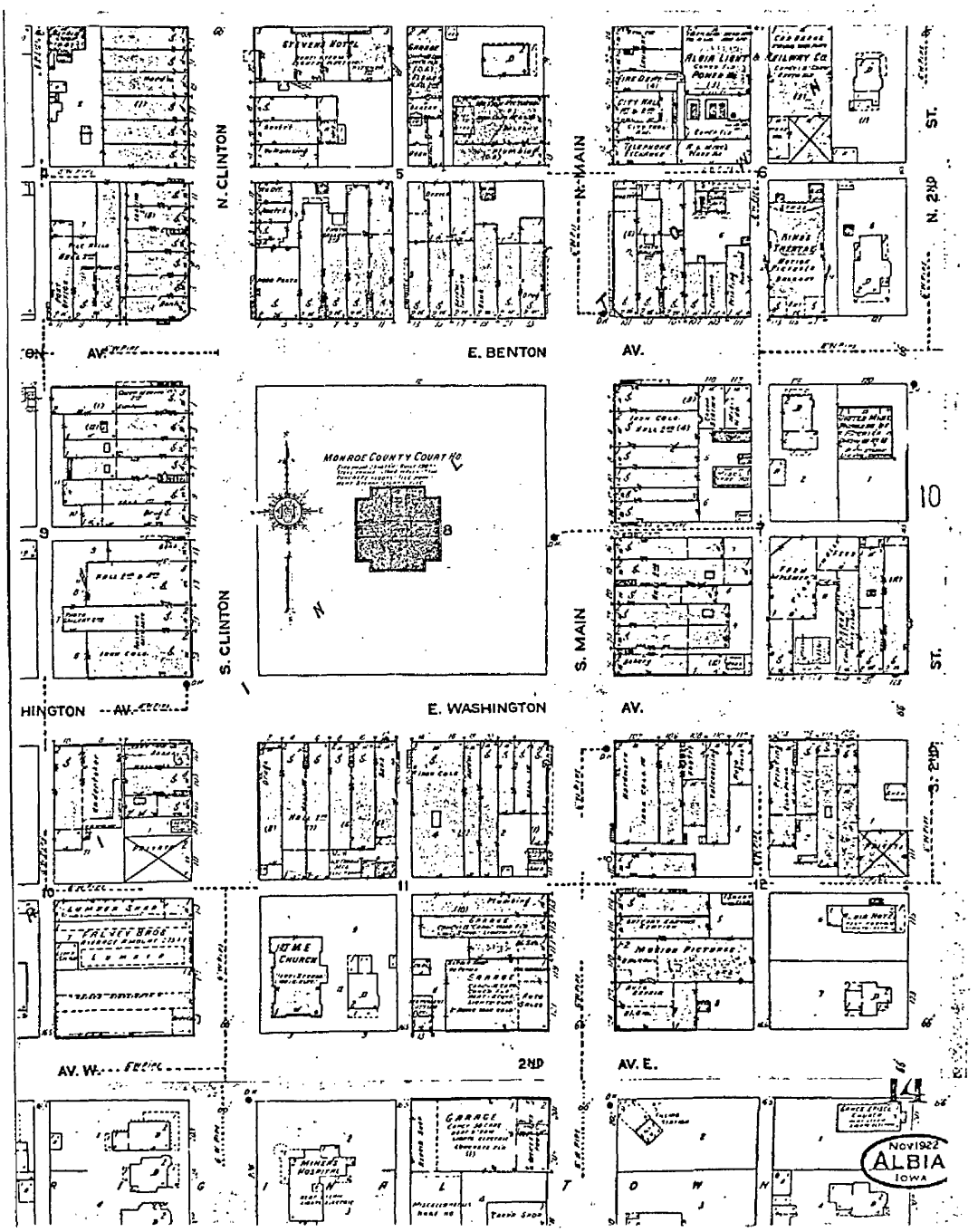


1913 SANBORN



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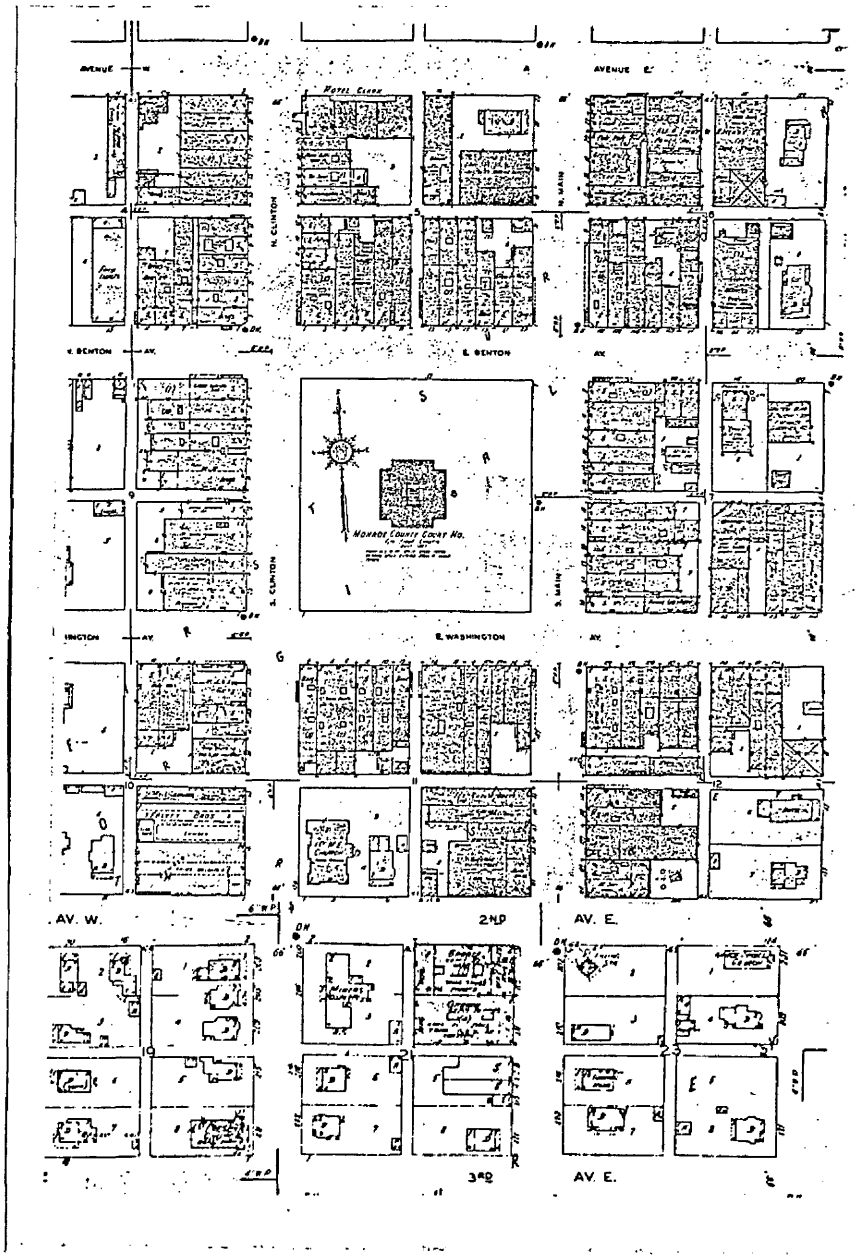

1933 SANBORN

district employs a variety of lighting fixtures: five-globe light poles; goose necked light poles; and wire suspended overstreet lights. Canvas awnings continue in general use through the district. Advertising is vigourous both on and above awnings, on and above cornices, and sometimes painted on secondary facades. Some merchants display wares on sidewalks. Still the overall streetscape conveys thwe impression of conservative prosperity. By 1908 Albia had three miles of brick paving, mostly in the commercial district but also running to the CB&Q depot. Priority for paving was given to the square streets and those one block in each direction. Stone curbs were installed in these streets and cement sidewalk abut business blocks.

The next solid visual documentation is found in the 1959 centennial book previously cited. The business district looks much as it did in the first decade. The most notable change is that a number of first floor store fronts have been altered.

In 1966 a group of Albia business people recognized the need to improve the community's image. For years the town had burned local bituminous coal, resulting in dark, soot covered buildings. The cleaning of these buildings was the first step. In addition, property owners were encouraged to preserve their buildings. This encouragement included offers of low interest loans from local banks. "Operation Face-Lift", as it was called, involved most of the buildings in the district. These were sand-blasted, re-pointed, and many painted (architectural details as well as wall surfaces). Colors selected included red, light gray, and light yellow. Decorative features including shutters, carriage lights, and wrought iron were applied to some of the buildings. The techniques used in 1967 are not those recommended by preservationists today. However, because of "Operation Face-Lift" there developed a community awareness of their architectural heritage. Nowhere in the business district do you find a building with a totally aluminum facade. "Operation Face-Lift" was a cosmetic rehabilitation that preserved integreity rather than diminishing it.

Today the Albia Square and Business District looks much as it has throughout this century. Property owners are interested in restoring and preserving their buildings using proper preservation procedures. The Monroe County Courthouse tower was restored during 1983-84 with the help of a preservation grant-in-aid through the Federal Jobs Bill. Since the district includes virtually all commercial architecture in the downtown as it developed historically, the physical size of the district means that there will be a number of buildings that are not contributing structures architecturally. However, the district has a high concentration of significant buildings from 1868 to 1922. Several buildings (such as the Skean's Block at 11 Benton Avenue East and the National Bank Block at 1 Benton Avenue West) retain original facades including cast iron store fronts. Many buildings have altered first floor store fronts while retaining the integrity of original design at the second floor and cornice levels. Commercial evolution dictates alterations to store fronts and display windows. Unless these alterations are irreversible, and the materials used totally unsympathetic, altered store fronts have not been considered to be intrusive. The integrity of the second floor and cornice area has been a major criteria used in this nomination. A few store fronts have had architectural elements removed and/or undergone radical first floor modernizations that impair the integrity of the buildings. These hjave been listed as "non-contributing" structures. However, the scale and building material of these sites is consistent with the district and these are not visually intrusive. Even in altered form they add to the overall sense of unity. With sympathetic restoration and replacement of architectural features, many of these could be

contributing structures. Only five structures in the district are truly intursive. Two of these are residences: 116 Benton Avenue East and 21 North Main. The other three are "new" construction: 124 Washington Avenue East, 9 Second Avenue East, and 12 Second Avenue East.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Albia Square and Business District represents a fine collection of late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial buildings. The visual focus of the district is the Monroe County Courthouse (NRHP) constructed 1902-03 from designs by Des Moines architect Oliver O. Smith. This building is the second courthouse on this site, the original brick one dating to 1858.

The district contains buildings from 1868 to 1930. There is a uniformity of building material and scale. The structures are primarily two story brick buildings (three fronting on the square, most along streets leading off the square). This basis two story rectangular brick unit was common to American commercial design of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Flat roofs are the norm except for lodge halls (such as 18 South Main), the Opera House (9 South Clinton), and the power plant (108 "A" Avenue East). Masonry load-bearing walls are found throughout the district, with the 22' store fronts divided into three bay facades. The double store front buildings (44') have a central row of wood or iron columns.

In terms of building material, limestone was available nearby for foundations, and from time to time a brick plant existed in the community, but there was not a sustained availability of local brick. The desire to create a "proper" business district meant that often materials had to be brought in by rail.[1] Mass produced, standardized architectural elements were readily available through catalogues and could be delivered in the same manner. These decorative elements could give even the simplest of buildings a degree of sophistication. However, not all property owners wanted, or could afford, these manufactured features. Often they would have similar designs created in brick. It is this variation in detailing and materials that separates the buildings in the Albia district into six distinct types.

TYPE 1 is a two story brick with round arched (arcaded) windows and a corbeled brick cornice. This type of building is found throughout southern Iowa from the 1850's to 1870's. Fairfield, Bloomfield, and Mount Pleasant all have good examples of arcaded buildings in their business districts. Early photos of the Albia Square show several buildings of this type which can be dated prior to 1875. Only one example remains (14 South Main). The second floor of this building is representative of this once common type. Alterations have been made to the street level facade.

TYPE 1 SITES: 14 South Main
3 South Clinton (originally)

TYPE 2 buildings are primarily Italianate in design and were constructed between 1868 and 1890 as impressive commercial blocks. They feature highly decorative cornices (either wood or pressed metal), elaborate, cast hoodmolds, and cast iron store fronts. These buildings illustrate the elegance obtainable through the application of pre-fabricated architectural details. Three early examples of this type are key buildings in the

district: Miller-Loeb Block (circa 1868; 1 South Clinton), Perry-Townsend Operate House (1874, 9 South Clinton); and National Bank Block (1875; 1 Benton Avenue West).

The Miller-Loeb Block is the most noteworthy of the three. It exhibits the only extant, wooden cornice in Albia and features large, rounded scroll brackets in pairs on both primary and secondary facades. The design of the elaborate, cast hoodmolds with matching cast sills is distinctive. Hoodmolds on the primary facade have a luxuriantly foliated motif totally unlike any others in Albia or souther Iowa.[2] On the secondary facade the hoods are smaller and slightly pedimented, buth with a similar foliated design.

The Skean Block (1889; 11 Benton Avenue East) is an outstanding later example of Type 2 with its rich variety of applied decorative elements. The double iron store front features stained glass panels above the recessed entries. The cast second floor hoodmolds have an interior panel with incised, Eastlake designs, while the projecting, outer rims have fanciful "keystones" with embossed grapes surmounted by a sunflower.

A corbeled, brick frieze is located just below the elaborate pressed metal cornice with identification pediment.

TYPE 2 SITES:

1 Benton Avenue West
3 Benton Avenue East
5 Benton Avenue East
7 Benton Avenue East
11 Benton Avenue East
25 Benton Avenue East
103 Benton Avenue East
105 Benton Avenue East
22 North Clinton (originally)
1 South Clinton
7 South Clinton
10 North Main
16 South Main
26 South Main

TYPE 3 buildings represent substantial commercial structures, but they are not as elaborate or as expensive as TYPE 2 buildings. They are simpler in both design and materials. Two stories high, they feature pressed metal cornices with corbeled brick frieze below, and cast iron store front. TYPE 3 buildings employ brick hoodmolds rather than cast ones. The result is a mixture of pre-fabricated elements with the craftsmanship of local masons.

Two different patterns of brick hoodmolds are apparent. The R. O. Cramer Block (14-16 Washington Avenue East), on the south side of the square, demonstrates an embellished, segmental-arched design with brick keystones and labels. (An interesting feature of this building is that the west side was built in 1884 and the east side in 1890, but care was taken to match the metal cornice, corbeled frieze, and hoodmolds). On the north side of the square, the W. H. Kreger Building (17 Benton Avenue East) illustrates a second handcrafted design for hoodmolds. Again, it follows the segmental arch of the opening, but a pattern of light and shade has been introduced through a recessed inside panel. Both hoodmold designs were used as early as 1885 and continued through the turn of the

century, indicating a desire for consistency in design and continuity of skill among local masons.

TYPE 3 SITES:

9 Benton Avenue West
13 Benton Avenue East
17 Benton Avenue East
21 Benton Avenue East
101 South Clinton
18 South Main
22 South Main
14-16 Washington Avenue East
18 Washington Avenue East
24 Washington Avenue East
10 Washington Avenue West

Like the others, TYPE 4 buildings are two story brick structures, but the major decorative feature of TYPE 4 is the use of oriel windows on the facade. These date from around 1900 and represent a commercial Queen Anne design. Albia has a greater number of oriel windows on commercial buildings than other communities in southern Iowa. (Both Bloomfield and Fairfield have three such buildings around their square, while Chariton has only two examples.) Whether these represent the work of one particular builder, or just a turn of the century fad, is unknown. The best example of this type is the E. M. Noble Block (114 Washington Avenue East) from 1901. The twin oriels have polygonal (tent) roofs, complete with finials. A corbeled brick cornice and round arched brick pediment are used instead of pressed metal.

TYPE 4 SITES:

12 South Main
114 South Main
12 Washington Avenue East
114 Washington Avenue East
120 Washington Avenue East
121 Washington Avenue East

Chronologically overlapping with the commercial Queen Anne buildings, TYPE 5 structures represent a radical departure from earlier types. In the period from 1900-10 over two dozen buildings were constructed or remodeled in the business district. Several factors contributed to this boom: this was the period of greatest population growth for the community; there was a disastrous fire in 1904 on the south side of the square; and the new courthouse was constructed 1902/03. The most important factor was the courthouse. Oliver O. Smith's design was for a monumental public building, and he used the approved material for such a building, stone. With the introduction of this new building material into the community also came new decorative elements. While Smith's design is eclectic, the general feeling of the building is neo-classical. By 1908 a number of the buildings around the square reflect these new ideas. The "New" Loeb Block (2 Washington Avenue East) is a good example. Constructed after the 1904 fire, this two story brick has a stone veneer facade. Decorative details include pilastered corners, a denticulated first floor cornice, a second floor cornice with scrolle modillions, and windows highlighted by a cast concrete wheat-ear garland and cartouche. 13 South Clinton is a remodeled facade on a pre-1886 building and combines stone with brick to create a neo-classical image with pilastered corners, a classical cornice and parapet.

The move away from the use of traditional red brick for facades was not limited to the use of stone. New colors of brick were introduced, tan, brown, white glazed. The acheson and the Perry Buildings on the south side, and the two Townsend Blocks on the east side of the square illustrate the variety of colors adopted. (On the Townsend Corner Block, 2 South Main, more than one color of brick was used.) The surface of the facade has gained importance with the details becoming secondary. Delicate cast concrete egg and dart moldings, and rinceau bands are typical of this type. Two buildings, somewhat later in date, show the continued influence of TYPE 5. These are the United Mine Workers of America District 13 Hall (1914; 120 Benton Avenue East) and the First Iowa State Bank (1922; 23 Benton Avenue East).

TYPE 5 SITES:

23 Benton Avenue East
115 Benton Avenue East
120 Benton Avenue East
3 South Clinton
13 South Clinton
15 South Clinton
19 South Clinton
25 South Clinton
2 South Main
4-6 South Main
102 South Main
115 South Main
2 Washington Avenue East
6 Washington Avenue East
8 Washington Avenue East

The final group, TYPE 6, consists of single story brick buildings and can best be described as straight-forward utilitarian design. While commercial in nature, these buildings primarily housed services rather than products, and, with three exceptions, are located on side streets rather than on the square itself. Example of TYPE 6 are found from all decades of commercial development in the community. Most of these originally had cast iron store fronts with a corbeled brick frieze and pressed metal cornice above. None of the metal cornices survive, but the buildings at 21-23 North Clinton are representative of the type. The design of the Albia Light and Railroad Interurban Car Barn from 1910 (114 "A" Avenue East) follows this same utilitarian pattern on a somewhat larger scale. The brick piers between the car doors have been treated as pilasters and there is a simple corbeled brick cornice.

TYPE 6 SITES:

10 "A" Avenue West
108 "A" Avenue East
114 "A" Avenue East
107 Benton Avenue East
109 Benton Avenue East
6 North Clinton
10 North Clinton
12 North Clinton
16 North Clinton
18 North Clinton
20 North Clinton

15 North Clinton
17 North Clinton
19 North Clinton
21 North Clinton
23 North Clinton
109 South Clinton
11 North Main
13 North Main
10 South Main
128 South Main
20 Washington Avenue East
22 Washington Avenue East
115 Washington Avenue East
117 Washington Avenue East
119 Washington Avenue East

In summary, the Albia Square and Business District is architecturally representative of hundreds of small county seat towns across the county, but the visual integrity of the district is distinctive.

1 About 1901, for example, Fred Townsend proudly displayed to friends a sample brick, packaged in special wrapping paper, which he had ordered for construction of his new block. (Informant interview: Ruth Hollingshead; Albia, IA; Summer 1984).

2 One example of this hoodmold design has been located in northeast Missouri. An Italianate brick residence constructed in 1867 in Lewis County, just south of LaGrange, has thirteen of these foliated hoods. Present owner John Warning says a fourteenth was removed circa 1950.

APPLICATION HISTORY & METHODOLOGY

This application is the outgrowth of the continuing interest of Albia's citizens to preserve their heritage. In the mid-1960's a group of Albia business people formed the Albia Area Improvement Association. The resulting "Operation Face-Lift" received recognition from the National Main Street Program.

In 1983 the Albia Chamber of Commerce organized a preservation committee to reactivate preservation in the community. At the same time the Area XV Cultural Resources Survey recommended to the Iowa State Office of Historic Preservation the nomination of the Albia Square and Business District to the National Register of Historic Places.

At this point, the City of Albia expressed interest in a district nomination. The City applied to the Certified Local Government Historic Preservation Program for a grant-in-aid to prepare the nomination application and was accepted. The City then employed two consultants who had worked previously on the Area XV CRS team to prepare this application.

During 1983-84 The Area XV Cultural Resources team conducted archaeological, historical, and architectural surveys in Monroe County. The Historical Survey research and survey in the field the three municipal incorporations in the county: Albia, Melrose, and Lovilia.

W. C. Page, Project Historian, identified four historical themes of primary importance for these communities: Settlement; Agriculture; Transportation; and Industry (the coal extraction industry). He concluded through additional research and consultation with Dr. Lowell J. Soike, Chief Historical Surveys and Iowa Deputy SHPO, that a commercial district in Albia would call attention to the unusually strong, local trade center which mining had created for Albia.

The Architectural Survey inventoried every building and structure in albia built prior to 1930. Molly Meyers Naumann acted as Architectural Historian and Paula Mohr as Field Surveyor. Of the 1,039 sites recorded, 104 were in the nine square blocks included in this nomination.

This information formed the nucleus of this application. Architectural research has centered on the development of the business district as indicated through fire insurance maps, historic photos, and print material pertinent to specific buildings. On-site inspection of the buildings, building materials and techniques, and architectural details used, provided data for comparison of Albia with nation-wide commercial development during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Interpretation based on these evaluations has produced the six building types represented in the Albia Square and Business District nomination.

8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

COMMERCIAL SIGNIFICANCE

HISTORICAL CONTEXT (continued)

population increased by 42%.

The dark side of the boom became apparent when the mines closed. Between 1920 and 1930 Albia's population fell by 11%. The real devastation occurred in the countryside where, in the same period, population declined by overone-third. This decline continues and in 1980 Monroe County's population had fallen 63% from its 1920 total.[1]

STRONG LOCAL TRADE CENTER

Miners received high wages and were big consumers. They bought, for example, automobiles and other high ticket items before the more conservative farming community. Miners and their families patronized theater and entertainment establishments. The occupational hazards of coal mining supported many medical practices in Albia. On management's side, the coal industry--which was litigious--required considerable legal service.

This strong demand for goods and services from an industrial hinterland distinguished business in Albia from most other rural towns in Iowa.

Still, many coal camps maintained company stores owned by management. Miners were expected to trade at these monopolies. While some of the stores were showplaces, the company store was a point of frequent friction between management and labor. In time, the United Mine Workers of America launched an attack on these stores and management in many cases abandoned the practice.[2]

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In America generally, the post World War I period saw the greatest construction of interurban systems. Credit for rural Ablia's early benefit from such transportation goes to a concatenation of the interurban idea (widely discussed before 1917) and the clear need for public transportation between industrial hinterland and city. The success of the interurban system in Albia is illustrated by construction in 1910 of a new, brick powerhouse and a new, brick car barn at 114 A Avenue East.

Some merchants employed another kind of boosterism. W H Kreger, for example, aggressively pursued trade with the mining camps. He sent sales representatives to the camps on a regular, weekly basis and took orders for his ice cream and bakery products. These were then delivered to miners' families by horse wagon. Kreger based his operation at 17 Benton Avenue East. He maintained a popular soda fountain and bakery shop at this location and also processed his products in the rear. Kreger bought annually tons of country produce from the surroudning farm community to manufacture his ice cream and baked goods.[1]

MEDICAL PRACTICE

Albia hosted a number of medical practices during the first decades of the Twentieth Century. The number of these medical practices in Albia outpaced, indeed, communities of similar population in south/south central Iowa.[2] This medical service was concomitant to Monroe County's premier rank in Iowa coal production during these years and the need for medical services by coal miners' dangerous occupation.

A collection of physician homes remains extant in Albia and calls indirect attention to these physicians. The buildings are substantial and reflect successful, professional careers. Several commercial buildings call direction attention to medical practice in Albia.

The Miner's Hospital (208 South Clinton) is a case in point. Built as a single-family dwelling, the building was converted into a "cottage hotel." Dr. R. P. Miller later acquired the building and converted it into a hospital. He also incorporated a membership organization, the Albia Hospital Association. Members of the United Mine Workers of America could subscribe to the association for medical treatment.[3] The building was also known locally as the Miller Hospital.

In 1921 Dr. T. E. Gutch purchased the Miller Hospital. Dr. Gutch had established a miners' health organization in 1913.[4] He relocated his practice, changed the name of the building to "The Miner's Hospital," and continued to practice medicine here until World War II.

In 1946 Dr. R. A. Smith bought the building and reopened a hospital. The building continued as medical offices until 1983.

If miners bought staples at the coal camps, they often bought major goods in town, particularly on Saturday payday. "If you didn't make it during the week, you made up for it on Saturday night," recalled one Albia merchant.[5] Payment was in gold to miners and vistors to Albia commented with amazement on the rows of gold coins stacked, without fear of theft, on merchants' counters. Stores were open until 10:00 p.m. on Saturday.

BRANCH STORES

The extent to which out-of-town retailers located branch stores in Albia also distinguishes the commerce of this city from other county seat towns in Iowa. "Oskaloosa flooded Albia with stores."[6] These were large, department stores, fortified with capital, experienced marketing techniques, and offering an attractive selection of goods.

Mahaska County had led Iowa in early production of coal. Since the 1880s, Oskaloosa, the county seat, had retailed and wholesaled to the coal market. Oskaloosa retailers quickly responded to the coal boom in Monroe County. Strasbuger & Verveer (dry goods, millinery, carpets, and ladies' ready-to-wear; O B M Company (better known as "The Golden Eagle"); The Hub: these were some big Oskaloosa stores opened in Albia. They were double-room stores, and Strasburger & Verveer occupied two floors at their location.

"The Golden Eagle" is a good illustration of the branch store phenomonen. The store advertised heavily in local newspapers. The store emphasized customer trust, up-to-date selection of merchandise, and its regional market. An attractive, exterior wall advertisement survives in palimpsest painted on secondary facade of 121 Washington Avenue East. "The Golden Eagle" was in name an advertising technique designed to appeal to mainline American's national pride and to lend a cachet of legitimacy to new immigrants.

In 1902 The Golden Eagle was located in the Townsend Block (east side) but about 1905 relocated to the Love Block (west side). This move positioned the store nearer its competitor, Strasburger & Verveer. Both businesses benefited by the interurban line which ran in front of their buildings. The Love Block survives today as best example of the Oskaloosa branch store phenomonen in Albia. The building Strasburger's had occupied burned in 1929. The building's reconstruction in 1930 altered the integrity of the Strasburger era.

BOOSTERISM

The Albia business community successfully promoted the city. In 1907, for example, private capital constructed an interurban transportation system. The Albia Interurban Railway provided public transportation to the three railroad depots in Albia. Tracks also served two coal camps, 6-miles northwest, and Hocking, 3-miles southwest.

One could travel, by transfer to another interurban, to Centerville, Moravia, Mystic, and other Appanoose County communities. The Centerville-Albia operation "was probably the oldest line of railway in Iowa to be operated as an interurban."[7]

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Albia Chamber of Commerce Oral History Project; David Johnson & Robert T Bates, Moderators. 3 tape-recorded interviews with Francis Bickert & Ruth Hollingshead; Summer 1984. Both women are nonagenarians with a formidable knowledge of Albia business & society.

Mr Johnson, Mr Page, and Ms Naumann also conducted informant interviews within the Albia business community in Summer 1984.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Beginning at the center of the alley in the middle of Block 10, thence north along the center line 899.25' to the curb on the north side of "A" Avenue West, thence east along this curb 767.25' to a point due north of the east side of Lot 2, Block 6, thence south along lot lines 379.5' to the center of Benton Avenue East, thence east along the center line 99' to the center of North Second Street, thence south along the center line 519.75' to the center of the alley between Washington Avenue East and Second Avenue East, thence west along the center line 173.25' to the center of the alley in the middle of Block 12, thence south along the center line 173.25' to the center of Second Avenue East, thence west along the center line 346.5' to the center of the alley between South Clinton and South Main, thence south 173.25' to the center of the alley in the middle of Block 21, thence west 173.25' along the center line to the center of South Clinton, thence north along the center line 346.5' to the center of the alley between Washington Avenue and Second Avenue, thence west along the center line 173.25' to the center of the alley the middle of Block 10 (the point of beginning).

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

VERBAL BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

Albia Square and Business District

The district embraces virtually all the land employed for commercial purposes in Albia between 1845 and circa 1945.

The district is recognizable as a unit as early as 1875.* Fire insurance maps from 1886 through 1933 show the upbuilding of the area.

The district is also visually coherent. Tree lined, residential streets begin where the business district ends.

In the late 1960s, the Albia business community undertook a "face-lift" of their historic buildings. The area covered in this project coincides with that delineated.

The Area XV Cultural Resources Survey, conducted during 1983-1984, identified the Albia Square and Business District as a potential historic district and recommended further research.

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* "Bird's Eye View of Albia; Monroe, County, Iowa;" Chicago Lithographing Company; Reprinted in A T Andreas Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa; Chicago; 1875; p 243. Also verbal description; p 495.

ALBIA SQUARE AND BUSINESS DISTRICT
LIST OF STRUCTURES BY LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

Monroe County Courthouse			NRHP
"A" Avenue	10	West	C
	108	East	A
	114	East	A
BENTON AVENUE	9	West	B
	1	West	A
	3	East	B
	5	East	B
	7	East	B
	11	East	A
	13	East	B
	17	East	A
	21	East	B
	23	East	A
	25	East	B
	103	East	B
	105	East	B
	107	East	C
	109	East	C
	111	East	C
	115	East	A
	116	East	C
	120	East	A
CLINTON STREET	23	North	B
	21	North	B
	19	North	C
	17	North	B
	15	North	C
	22	North	B
	20	North	C
	18	North	C
	16	North	B
	12	North	B
	10	North	B
	6	North	B
	1	South	A
	3	South	B
	7	South	B
	9	South	A
	13	South	B
	15	South	B

CLINTON STREET	19 South	B
	25 South	A
	101 South	B
	107 South	C
	109 South	B
	208 South	A
MAIN STREET	21 North	C
	17 North	C
	13 North	B
	11 North	C
	24 North	C
	22 North	B
	20 North	C
	18 North	C
	14 North	C
	10 North	B
	2 South	B
	4 South	B
	10 South	B
	12 South	B
	14 South	B
	16 South	B
	18 South	B
	22 South	B
	26 South	B
	102 South	C
	112 South	B
	114 South	B
	115 South	B
	128 South	B
WASHINGTON AVENUE	10 West	B
	2 East	A
	6 East	A
	8 East	A
	12 East	B
	14-16 East	A
	18 East	B
	20 East	B
	22 East	C
	24 East	B

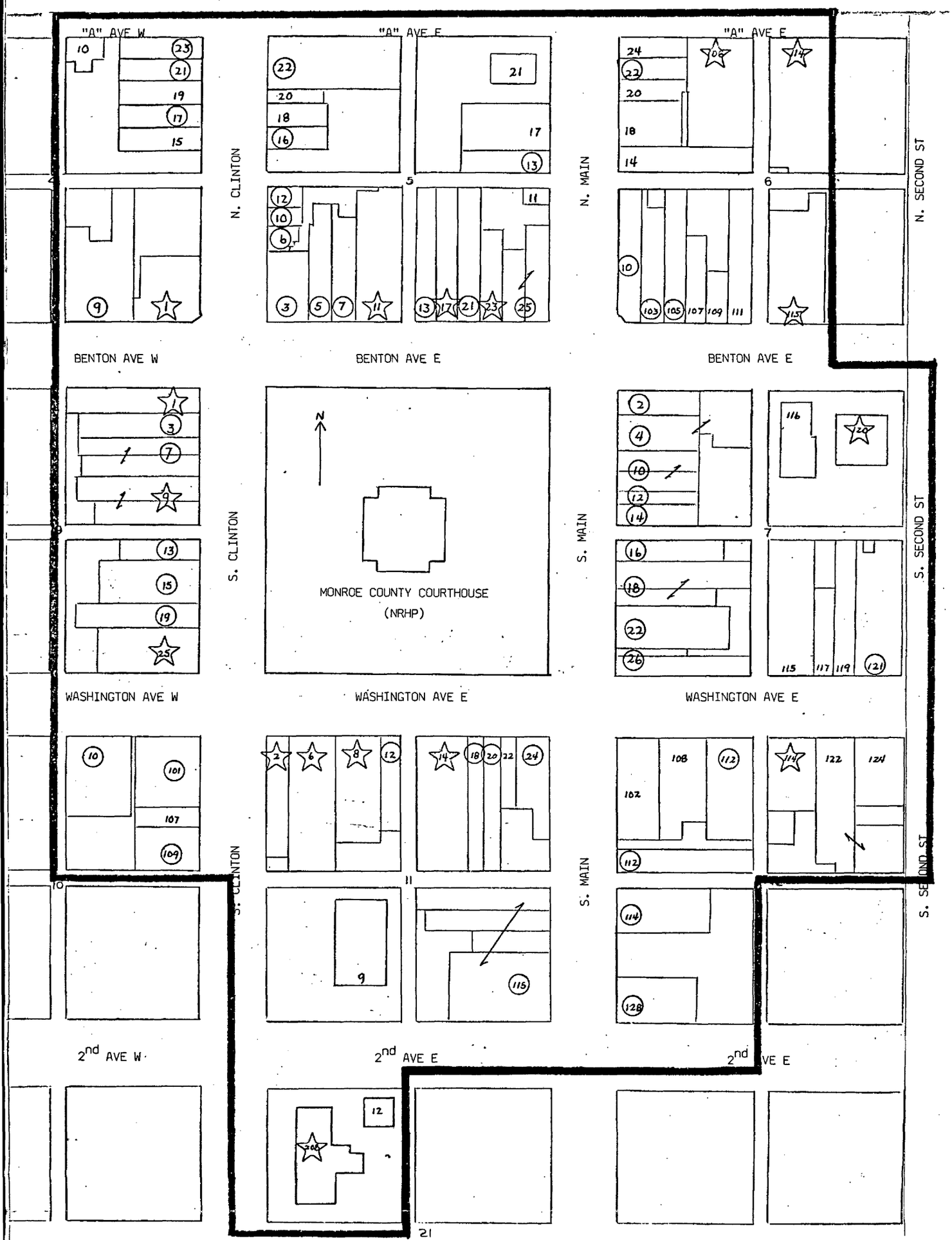
WASHINGTON AVENUE	108 East	C
	112 East	B
	114 East	A
	122 East	C
	124 East	C
	115 East	C
	117 East	C
	119 East	C
	121 East	B
SECOND AVENUE	9 East	C
	12 East	C

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

A = Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register

B = Contributing structure.

C = Not eligible/instrusion



ALBIA SQUARE AND CENTRAL HISTORIC DISTRICT
Albia (Monroe County) Iowa

KEY: 15 Site Number (Address)

23 Key Structure

183 Contributing Structure

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-15 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

ODD FELLOWS TEMPLE

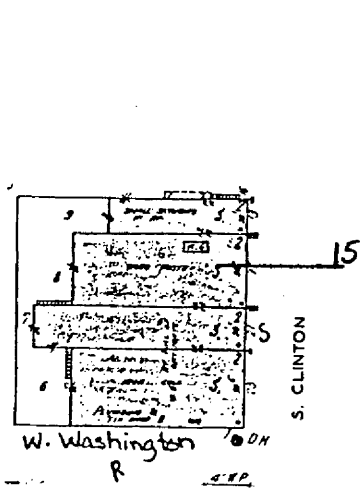
1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 15 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 Lot 8, S 13½' Lot 9
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Trustees of Monroe Lodge No. 81, IOOF, c/o Arthur Villont
7. Owner(s) Address 316 South A Street (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Variety Store Original Commercial/IOOF Hall

Description

Built 1893** Rehabilitation 1930##

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder W H Hawkins, Contractor**
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Textured brick, varigated colors, Flemish bond
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when? Fire 1929/30 damaged structure, 3rd floor removed, facade redesigned. Two recessed entries, brick buttresses with cast concrete base and cap, concrete inset panels, concrete urns on cornice.
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a good late example of Type 5. The textured brick continues the interest in the facade surface. The use of cast concrete panels and neo-classical elements blends well with the earlier Type 5 structures in the district. The windows are banded in groups of three with cast concrete jack-arched lintels and a concrete stringcourse serving as the sills. Though later in date than the other buildings, this is a good contributing structure.

Local Odd Fellows frequently constructed commercial buildings with meeting halls for their organization on second or third floors, letting out first floor rooms for business.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick (?), North 1/2= Restaurant", South 1/2= "Boots & Shoes"
Single story, "Watches & Jewelry"
1891 Empty lot
1899 Three story brick, double store front, metal cornice "Dry Goods", "Lodge" on 3rd
1907 Same "IOOF Bldg"
1913 Same
1922 "Store", Hall on 2nd and 3rd
1933 Two story brick, "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

**Odd Fellows Building Committee took bids for new Temple to be done 1 December 1893. Albia Union; 22 June 1893. Projected cost: $13,047.00.

##Local Informants: Ruth Hollingshead;Frances Bickert; Rita Bickert. Albia C of C oral history project; Summer 1984.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address Telephone

Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d
   - e.

3. Photo Images

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Strasburger & Verveer operated a store in Oskaloosa and opened this building as a branch in Albia in 1900. The opening witnesses to the strength of the Albia retail market. Strasburgers remained in the Albia market into the 1920s. (Weekly Albia Union; May 1922). The 1929/30 rehabilitation alters this building so as to limit its ability to call attention to the Strasburger period and the branch store phenomonen.

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1870	Cheap John Clothing (antique image; Albia 1911 Chautauqua; n p) circa 1870
1886	Restaurant north room Bar & Saloon south room
1891	Vacant Lot
1899	Present building 2 north rooms dry goods south room grocery
1903	Strasburger & Verveer
1913	Same
1920	
1922	Not listed; hall 2nd and 3rd

Fire damaged this building in 1929 and the present building reflects remodeling accomplished in 1930. (Local informants: Ruth Hollingshead; Frances Bickert; Rite Bickert. Albia C of C oral history project; Summer 1984).

1933	McLellan's Variety Store	1960	McLellan's Variety
1940	Same	1970	Same
1950	Same	1980	Ben Franklin

Sources for 1870-1922 period refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated. Other information courtesy David Johnson, Albia, IA.

Item Number(s)

The intensity of the 1929 fire was sufficient to ignite the lumber yard one block south on Clinton. Firebrands also ignited the roof of the T B Perry House (NRHP). A slate roof was installed thereafter. Ashes from the Odd Fellows Temple fire spread throughout Albia. (Local informants: Ruth Hollingshead; Rita Bickert. C of C oral history project; Summer 1984).

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Site Number 68-002-19 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 19 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 N part of Lot 7
   (Urban/Rural) (subdivision/township) (block/range) (parcel/section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Janet L. and Dale Charles Maddison
7. Owner(s) Address Route #3 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Fabric Store Original Commercial

Description

By 1886** Rehabilitation 1903##

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other

Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated

Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?

Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
First floor has pigmented structural glass store front, second floor windows have stained glass panel, brick frieze, stepped parapet with concrete cartouche.

15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

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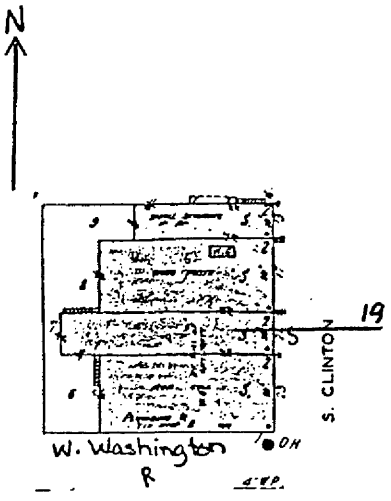

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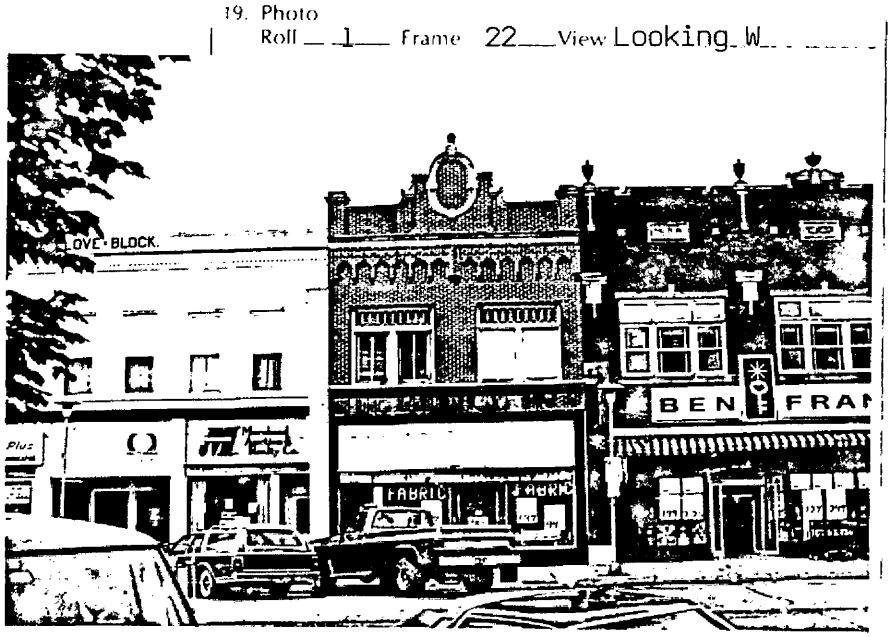

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statement(s))

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a Type 5 facade on an earlier building. Cast concrete is used for the two stringcourses as well as the oval cartouche and parapet cap. The stained glass panels in the second floor windows are somewhat unusual but are part of the interest in the surface of the facade. The glass on the first floor is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

** 1886 Two story brick, wooden cornice, "Dry Goods"
1891 Same
1899 "Grocery", "Lodge" on second
1907 "Boots and Shoes, Jewelry"
1913 "Boots and Shoes", "Photographer" on second
1922 "Store", "Photo Gallery" on second
1933 "Store"

1895 photo shows different facade, 1911 photo shows this one.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
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Organization _____

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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
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2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Dry Goods. This building was built approximately 1885 in conjunction with the Odd Fellows Temple next door north. (Local informant, David Johnson).
1891	Dry Goods
1896	Wilkins Groceries (local informant, David Johnson)
1899	Grocery; hall second floor
## 1903	Harris Brothers grocery burned. Rebuilt by International Order of Odd Fellows as present building. (local informant, David Johnson)
1905	Gibbon Variety and soda fountain
1907	Boots and shoes (Larson Shoe Store); Jewelers (M J Boyston Jewelery). Sanborns Fire Insurance Maps and local informant David Johnson.
1910	
1913	Boots and shoes; photographer on second
1920	
1922	Use not indicated
1925- 1953	M A Bohy Grocery (local informant, DAvid Johnson)
1953- 1959	(& perhaps later) The Food Center (local informant, David Johnson).
1975	McLellans take over building (local informant, David Johnson).
1980- 1983	Ben Franklin
1983- present	Montgomery Ward

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-25 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

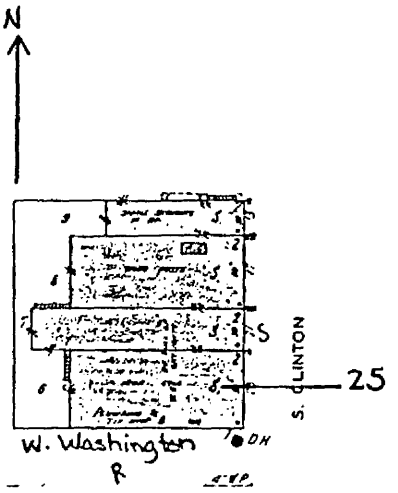
1. Site Name J H LOVE'S NEW BLOCK
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 25 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 Lot 6, part of Lot 7
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Gregory P. and Jackie Morehead
7. Owner(s) Address 25½ S. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Real Estate/Flower Shop Original Commercial

Description

1894** Rehabilitation following 1903 fire##

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☒ other Iron columns
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when? Fire 13 Nov 1903 partially destroyed building,
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
new facade. Brick painted beige, pilastered corners, cornice has dentils below egg and dart, secondary facade has corbeled cornice, cast lion heads.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 1 Frame 25 View Looking W



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a Type 5 facade on an earlier building due to fire damage. The south elevation retains original features from the 1890's construction, corbeled cornice, segmental arched windows, and two cast metal lion's heads. New facade wraps around corner. It includes typical neo-classical details: Brick pilastered corners, cornice with dentils and egg and dart, parapet above. Store front has recessed entrances. Some alterations have been made to the first floor but these appear reversible. This is a good example of a Type 5 building.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 and 1891 Two 3 story buildings on this lot
1899 Two story brick, metal cornice, North 1/2= "Drugs", South 1/2= "Clothing"
"Love Block"
1907 "Clothing, Boots and Shoes", skylights
1913 Same
1922 and 1933 "Store"

1895 photo sows this building with original facade. 1911 photo shows this facade.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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- ☐ National Register
- ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
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Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH NORTH ROOM

	1870	Detar and Robb; Frame, 1-story building
	1880	
	1886	Hardware
**	1894	"A cut stone laid for Uncle Jimmy Love's new building." (Weekly Albia Union; 7 April 1894).
	1899	Drugs
	1903	Johnson Drug Store
##	1903	Love Building and dry goods store destroyed by fire on 13 November 1903. 28 mercantile firms damaged. "The larger part of the business block had been completely razed." (Monroe County History; Iowa Writers Project; 1940; p 71).
	1910	The Golden Eagle Department Store. (Local informants; Ruth Hollingshead; Frances Bickert; Summer 1984).
	1922	Use not listed
	1933	Use not listed
	1970	Albia Liquor Store (local informant; David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH SOUTH ROOM

	1868	Early & Ewers brick building/general store. (local informant; David Johnson)
	1886	Dry goods. Not building indicated above.
	1891	Grocery; office second floor; hall third floor
**	1894	"A cut stone laid for Uncle Jimmy Love's new building." (Weekly Albia Union; 7 April 1894). This building has two stories.
	1896	J H Love Dry Goods
##	1903	13 November 1903 fire destroys "the larger part of the business block." (Monroe County History; Iowa Writers Project; 1940; p 71).
	1907	Both north and south rooms are combined. Boots and shoes; dry goods.
	1913	Same
	1922	Use not listed
	1933	Use not listed
	1952	The Gun Shop (local informant, David Johnson)
	1960	The Gun Shop (local informant, David Johnson)

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-101 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

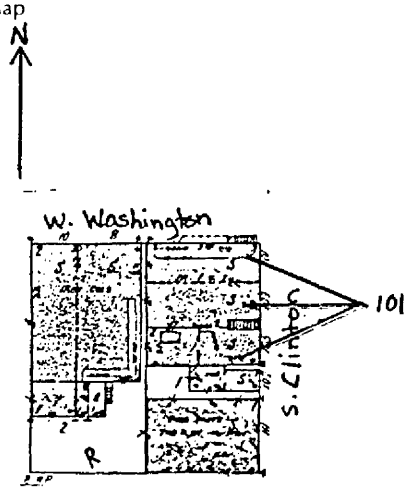
IDENTIFICATION

1. Site Name: Hennion Block
2. Village Town City: Albia Township: Troy County: Monroe
3. Street Address: 101 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location: First Survey (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township) Blk 10 (block / range) N½ Lot 1 (parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name: M.M Illingworth
7. Owner(s) Address: 504 Washington Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present: TV/Radio Shack/Recreation Original: Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction: 1891-1899**: Floors 1 & 2
After 1904##: Mansard 3rd floor
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Brick painted gray and repointed, cast iron store fronts, brick hoodmolds, four oculus windows, shake shingles on mansard roof, south 1/3 slightly altered.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 1 Frame 27 View Looking SW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is one of two mansard roofed structures in Albia, the other being a residence one block west. The roof appears to have been added after a fire in December 1904. The lower floors represent a good example of Type 3 design with cast iron store fronts and brick hoodmolds on the primary facade. These molds are in the pattern which features a recessed panel. Windows on the secondary facade have simple segmental arched tops. Chamfered entrance is a typical device of the period. The oculus windows are an unusual detail, but appear to be original. The shake shingles detract from the integrity but are reversible.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Small frame "Flour and Feed"
1891 Iron clad, "Meats"
** 1899 Two story brick, triple front, "Hennion", North 1/3= Dry Goods, Center 1/3= Millinery, South 1/3= General Store
1907 Now three stories, South 1/3= Music, Knights of Pythias on third Third floor is veneered and only over part of building.
1913 North 1/3= Restaurant, Center 1/3= Millinery, South 1/3= Grocery
1922 North 1/3= Bakery, Others= Store
1933 All three= Store

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
W.P.A., Iowa Writer's Project, 1940, p. 72

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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
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   e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Non-extant, frame building
1891	Meats
1899	Present building in place
## 1904	"Another serious fire occurred later in the year, at 1 a.m. on December 18, 1904, when 11 firms in the Hennion block suffered a combined loss of $35,000." (Monroe County History; Iowa Writers Project; 1940; p 72). The mansard third-floor installed following this fire. The other, serious fire mentioned above was the disastrous fire of 2 April 1904 which leveled all but one building in the west half of the Albia square south side.
1907	Present, 3-story building. North room restaurant; middle room millinery; south room music
1908	Oxford cafe north room. (local informant, David Johnson).
1911	OK Meat Market south room (local informant, David Johnson).
1913	North room restaurant; middle room millinery; south room grocery.
1922	North room bakery; other rooms not listed;
1933	Uses not listed
1959	Illingworth Bakery north room; Dooley Maytag middle room; Albia Shoe Hospital south room. (local informant, David Johnson).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
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Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-107 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

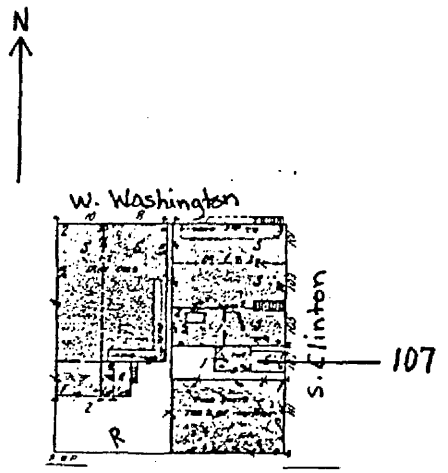
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 107 S. Clinton
4. **Legal Location** First Survey (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township) Blk 10 (block/range) N part of S 66' Lot 1 (parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Floyd E. and Margaret M. McKissick
7. **Owner(s) Address** 206 A Avenue W (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Office Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** after 1933 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other Veneer
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Shake shingle canopy added to facade.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
Roll 4 Frame 34 View Looking W



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Non-contributing, but scale and building material keep it from being intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933.

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Address Telephone

Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.

3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Vacant lot
1899	Implements
1904	"Another serious fire occurred later in the year, at 1 a.m. on December 18, 1904, when 11 firms in the Hennion block suffered a combined loss of $35,000." (Monroe County History; Iowa Writers Project; 1940; p 72). This fire surely destroyed the implement building mentioned above.
1907	Vacant lot
1913	Vacant lot
1922	Small cobbler shop
1933	Present building

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-109 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

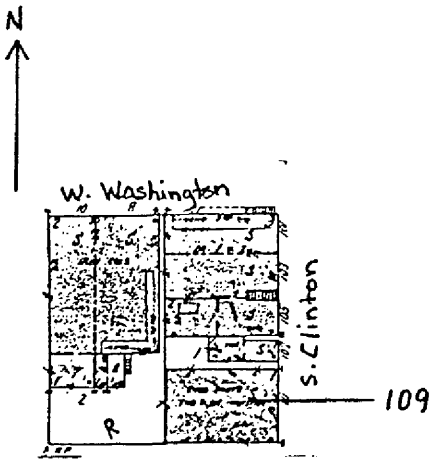
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 109 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 10 S part of S 66' Lot 1
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Floyd E. and Margaret M McKissick
7. Owner(s) Address 206 A Avenue W (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Garage

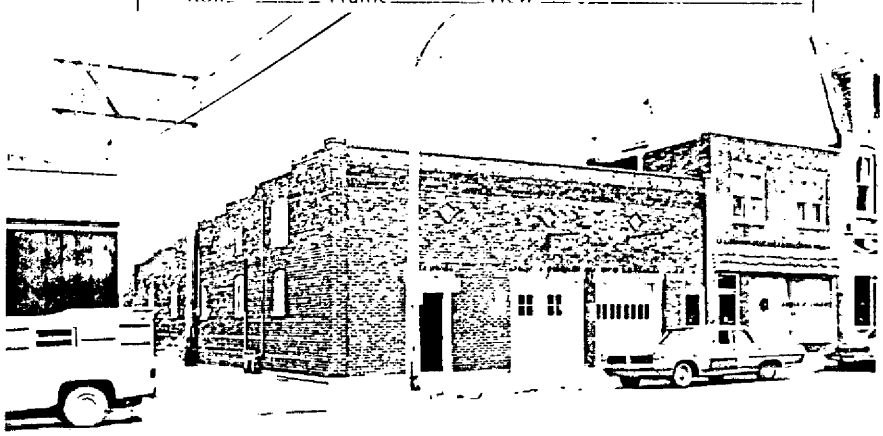
Description

9. Date of Construction 1913-22 Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Wood posts
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Segmental arched windows on side wall, simple brick corbeling on facade, one opening on facade wall has been partially bricked in.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 4 Frame 33 View Looking NW



Significance (Indicate sources of information in all categories)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a utilitarian Type 6 building, built as a service structure rather than a store.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame, "Livery and Feed"
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 "Wagon Shed"
1913 Same
1922 Brick garage, "Private"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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2. Subject Traces
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Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Livery and feed; frame building	
1891	Same	
1899	Same/" R C Pepper's Livery"	
1907	Wagon shed	
1922	Use not listed	
1929-59	Shaw tire and battery/North room	(David Johnson, local informant)
1932-84	McKissick Auto Repair/South room	(David Johnson, local informant)
1959-84	Shaw tire and battery	

The repair of heavy equipment in an area tangential to the core district is characteristic of commercial land use in Albia.

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-208 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

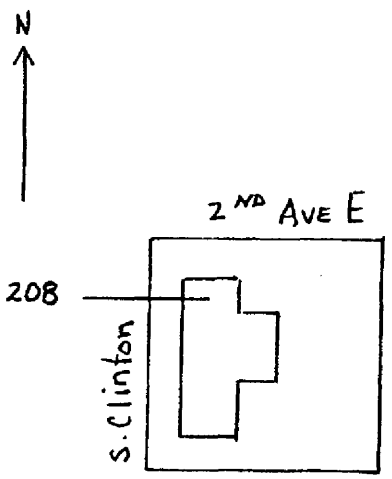
Identification

1. **Site Name** Miner's Hospital
2. **Village Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 208 S. Clinton
4. **Legal Location** Third Survey Blk 21 Part of Lot 2 and Lot 3
   (Urban / Rural: subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s)** Loren H. Hardinger, Route #5, Albia, IA 52531
7. **Owner(s)** Harold L. Mick, Route #5, Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Doctor's Office/Apartments Original Residence/Hospital

Description

9. **Date of Construction** By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☒ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Multiple additions, Italianate brackets, slightly pedimented window framing.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☒ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 67 Frame 16 View Looking SE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a greatly altered structure, but the evolution of it, and the continuation of the Italianate style during this evolution, make it an interesting building. Some parts of the original pre-1886 dwelling remain on the exterior. These have been copied for brackets and window moldings on the additions. The stucco was applied at the time of the major addition to conceal the differences in the exterior.

Impaired integrity makes this a non-contributing structure architecturally.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story frame dwelling with porch
1891 Same, "Commercial Hotel"
1899 Same
1907 "Titus Hotel"
1913 Addition to south, "Hospital"
1922 "Miner's Hospital"
1933 "Miner's Hospital", porch has been removed, addition to north

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):
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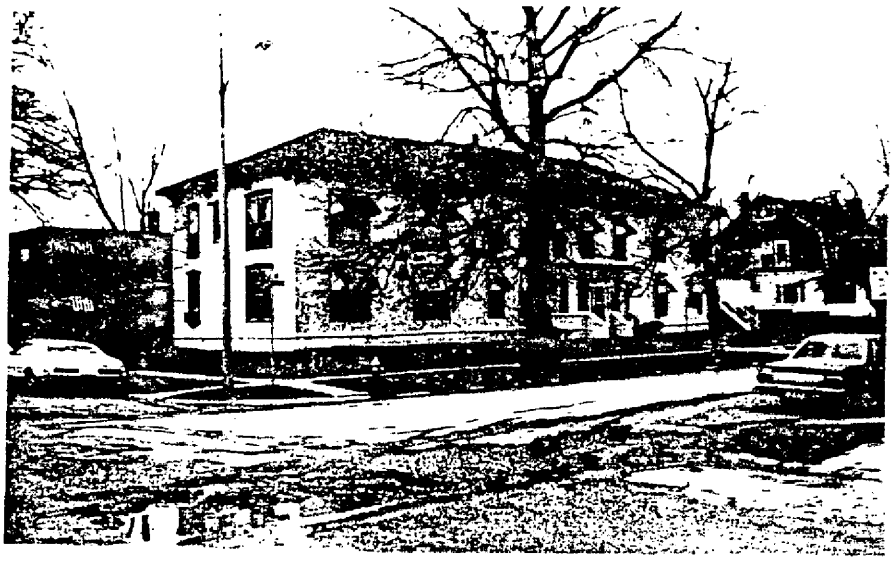
3. Photo Images _____

Site Number _____
District Name _____
Map Reference # _____



HS-100-24-21A looking SE. The building remains medical offices today.

Compare the present building with its image in 1915 illustrated on the following page.

Site Number _____
District Name _____
Map Reference # _____

—The—

Albia Hospital Assn.

(Incorporated)

208 South Clinton Street — Phone 373



Dr. R. P. Miller, Physician

Completely equipped in every department.

A complete X-Ray outfit of the latest type, capable of examining the internal organs as well as the bones, such as the Stomach, Intestines, Lungs, Heart, Kidney, Bladder, etc., High Pressure Steam Sterilizers, Nitrous Oxide and Oxygen Anesthetic, the safest and best Anesthetic in the World. Therapeutic Lamps, Complete Electrical Equipment, Laboratory equipment for the examination of blood, tumors, sputum, urine, etc.

Our operating room facilities are unexcelled.

A graduate and registered nurse in attendance.

Twenty-five rooms nicely furnished.

Rates the cheapest and service the best.

Special contract service to members of the U. M. W. A.

Source of advertizement: City Directory of Albia, Iowa; 1915

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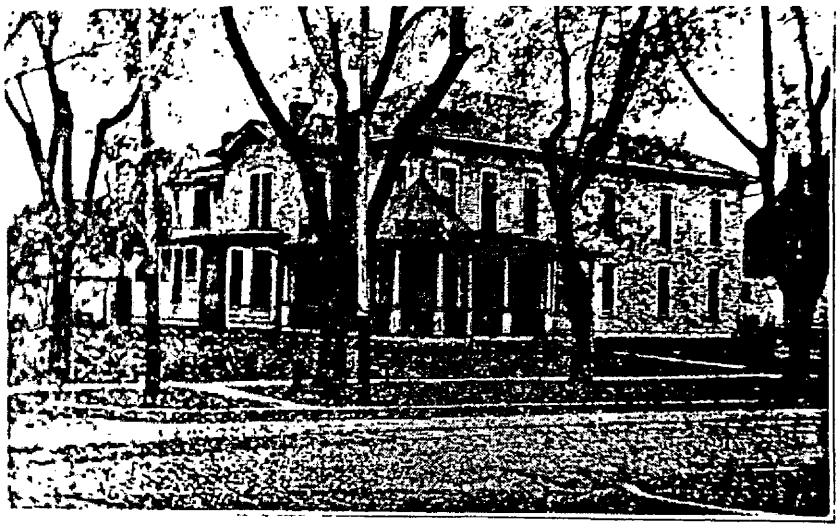

Albia Hospital.

Illustration in Albia Homecoming Booklet. Albia Chautauqua Assoc. Albia, IA: The Albia Union Print, 1911.

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-21 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

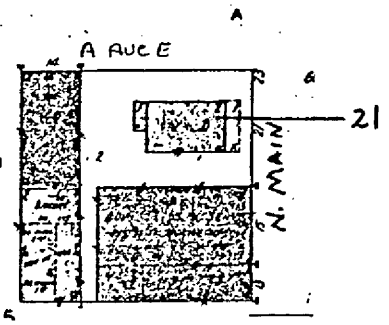
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 21 N. Main
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 5 N 50' Lot 1 & N 50' E½ Lot 2
   (Urban, Rural) (subdivision, township) (block, range) (parcel, section) (subparcel, ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Donald G. and Barbara L. Bettis
7. **Owner(s) Address** 1021 D Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Residence Original Residence

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1913-22 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☒ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☒ other Cobblestone
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☒ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Finer cobblestone has been used on parts of porch, around windows and on corners.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 9 View Looking W



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Individually this is an interesting residence because of the use of cobblestone but it is a non-contributing structure in the district.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 1 1/2 story frame dwelling
1891 "Burned"
1899 1 1/2 story brick veneered dwelling
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 Two story dwelling
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   a. _____
   b. _____
   c. _____
   d. _____
   e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Dwelling
1891	Destroyed by fire
1899	Dwelling
1922	Dwelling

This building demonstrates how the Albia business district has expanded and enveloped residential areas. Still, the building is an intrusion in an historic, commercial district. It is included in the Albia Square and Business District only for the sake of regular boundary lines.

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-17 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

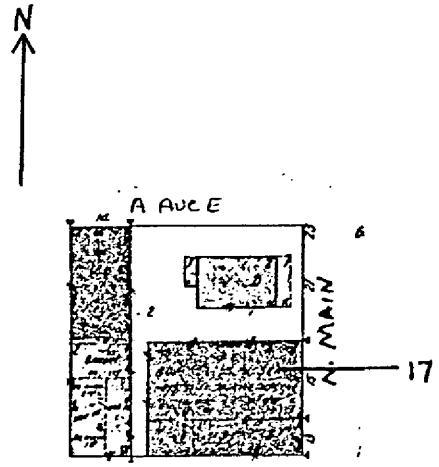
ALEX LONG BUILDING/COMET THEATER

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 17 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 Part of Lots 1 and 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / section of / section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Marcella Cunningham
7. Owner(s) Address 120 15th Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Offices Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☒ other Veneer on facade. Rusticated concrete block other elevations.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Iron columns
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Facade totally altered. Second floor windows partially bricked in.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 8 View Looking NW



Significance

Cite sources of information for all statements.

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Altered facade makes this non-contributing but it is of interest because of the building material. This is one of a handful of buildings in Albia constructed of rusticated concrete block. A.E. Noble had established a concrete block plant in the community by 1908. He used the building material for his own residence, the Noble-Kendall House (NRHP) at 209 Benton Ave E.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn Maps show this as an empty lot in 1886, 1891, 1899 & 1907.
1913 shows 2 story concrete block with iron columns.
Moving Pictures
1922 Movie Theater
1933 Auto Sales & Service

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant
1891	Building destroyed by fire
1899	Vacant
1913	Moving Pictures
1922	Moving Pictures
1933	Garage and automobile dealership

The use of concrete block in this building's construction is interesting as the material was probably supplied by A E Noble of Albia and manufactured at his local plant.

"J. E. Benton had set up a movie in the...Comet, a movie house that had located in the Alex Long buildling a half block north and across on North Main Street" from the old Scenic Theater. "This he operated for a while, but the postoffice had made arrangements to occupy the building, moving from the Noble building west of the northwest corner of the square to this location. Mr. Benton continued the Scenic, his motion picture operations for a time, finally moving to Des Moines." (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959; p 42).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for the dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-13 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

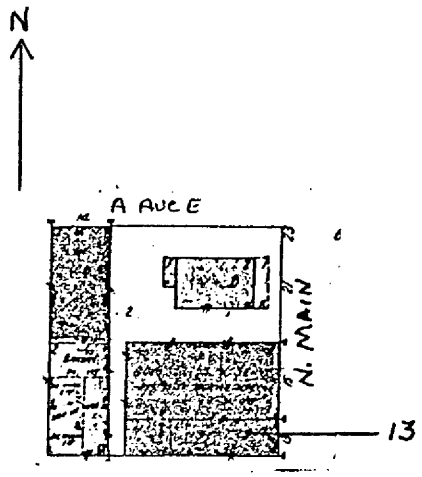
Identification

1. Site Name ALEX LONG BUILDING
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 13 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey (Urban, Rural) Blk 5 (subdivision township) S 22' Lot 1 & S 22' E½ Lot 2 (block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name John C. and Marie Sybenga
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Oskaloosa (City) IA (State) 52577 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☒ other Rusticated concrete block.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Pent roof across facade.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 7 View Looking W



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This Type 6 building is of interest because of the building material used, rusticated concrete block. This was manufactured locally by A.E. Noble who used the material in the construction of his own residence, the Noble-Kendall House (NRHP) at 209 Benton Ave E. The same material was used in 15 N. Main next door to this site from the same period.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 - 1907	Empty lot
1913	Single story concrete block, "Plumbing"
1922	Same
1933	"Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant	
1891	Building destroyed by fire	
1899	Vacant	
1907		
1913	Printing	
1922	Plumbing	
1933	Use not listed	
1939	Kitterman Cafe	(David Johnson, local informant)
1959	Kitterman Cafe	(David Johnson, local informant)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-11 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

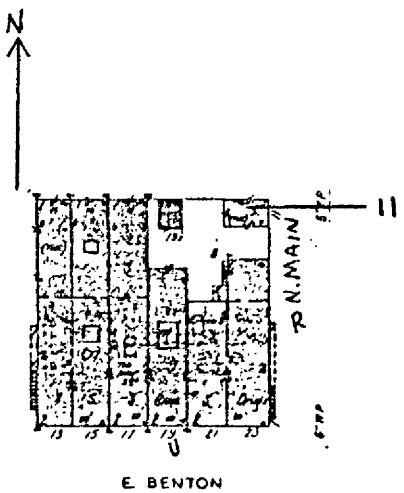
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 11 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 N 29' of E 22' Lot 12
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/section of section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name James Kaldenberg
7. Owner(s) Address Route # 3 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1922-33 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Pent roof across facade.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 6 View Looking W



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a late example of a Type 6 building and shows the continued development of services off the Square.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
The north part of lot 12 is empty on all maps until 1933 when this building is shown in present form, "Store".

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Dress shop
1891	Dress shop
1913	Warehouse
1907	
1922	Vacant lot
1933	Building
1949	New building constructed by Howard Johnson as restaurant (David Johnson, local informant)
1954-59	Shipley's Cafe (David Johnson, local informant)
19??-84	Maid Rite Cafe

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-24 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

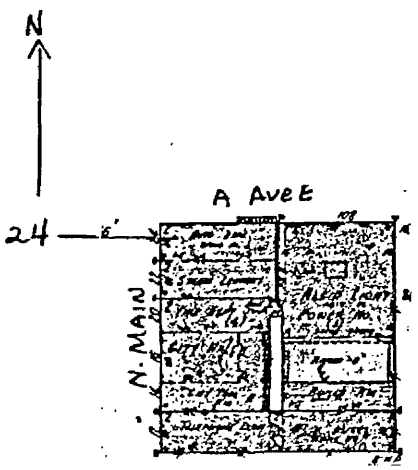
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 24 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 N 22' of W 62' Lot 4
   (Urban: / Rural: subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Darrell E. Stocker
7. Owner(s) Address Route #1 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Tavern/Apartments Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other Stucco over brick.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Altered store front, diagonal stick pattern at cornice is intrusive.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 28 View Looking SE



Significance

Indicate sources of information for all statements

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Scale and building material are consistent with district, but alterations make this a non-contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Single story frame, "Marble"
1891 Same
1899 Now "green" laundry
1907 Same
1913 Two story brick, "Laundry, ironing"
1922 Same
1933 "Auto Repair"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
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   - ☐ Other _____
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2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-22 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 22 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 S 22' of N 44' Lot 4
   (Urban: subdivision; Rural: township) (block; range) (parcel; section) (subparcel; ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Michael E. Stocker
7. Owner(s) Address 22 N. Main (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Vacant Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1902 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick has been painted and repointed, first floor totally altered.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

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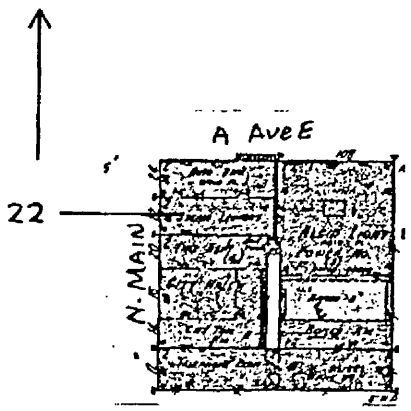

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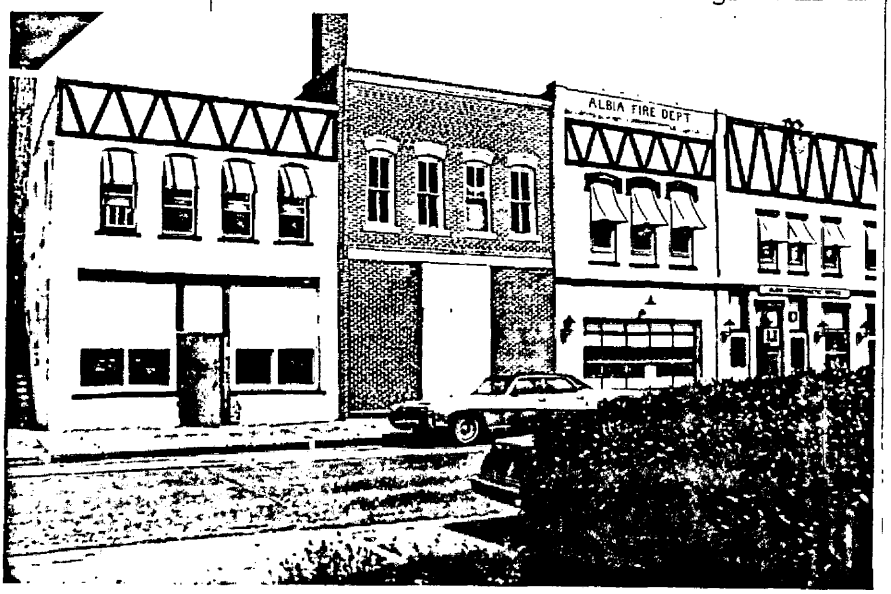

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The original scale and building material are consistent with the district, but alterations to the facade make this a non-contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886, 1891, 1899 Empty lot
1907 Two story brick, "Albia Steam Laundry"
1913 "Laundry-wash room"
1922 & 1933 Same

"Albia Steam Laundry will build at once a new building on Smith's lot on N. Main, first door north of the City Building."
The Friday (Albia) Union. 31 Jan 1902, p 1 c 1.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.
3. Photo Images

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-20 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

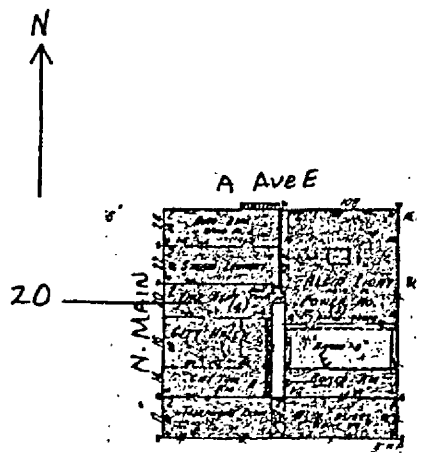
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 20 N. Main
4. **Legal Location** Frist Survey Blk 6 S 22' N½ Lot 4
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Audrey Avera
7. **Owner(s) Address** 5100 60th St. E (Street address) Bradenton (City) Florida (State) 33508 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Original Fire Department

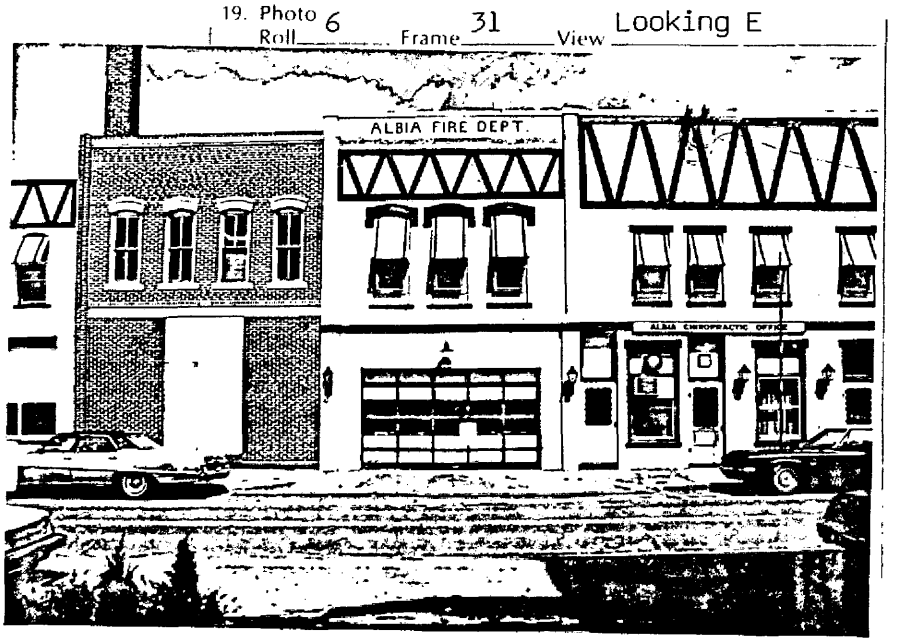
Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other Stucco over brick
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Diagonal stick patterning at frieze is intrusive.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 31 View Looking E



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The original scale and material of this building are consistent with the district. The application of stucco and use of diagonal stick patterned cornice are visually intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Single story brick, "Engine House"
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Two story brick, metal cornice, "Fire Engine House", "City Hall" on second
1913 Same
1922 "Fire Dept"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):
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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-18 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

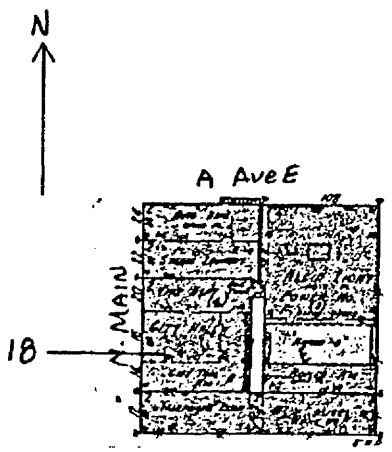
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 18 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township) Blk 6 (block / range) N 44' S½ Lot 4 (parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Audrey Avera
7. Owner(s) Address 5100 (Street address) 60th Street E Bradenton (City) Florida (State) 33508 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Doctor's Office/Garage Original City Hall

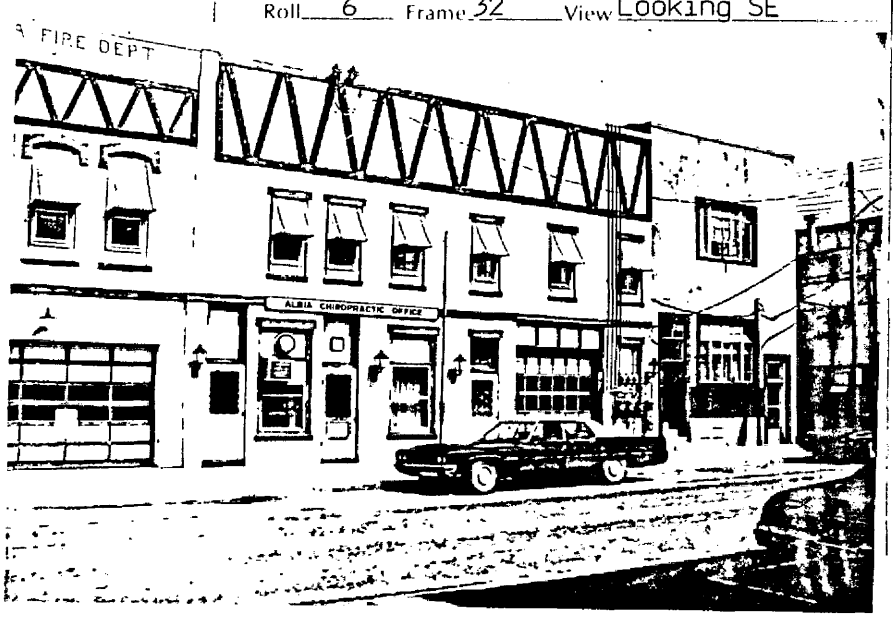
Description

9. Date of Construction 1913-22 Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
☐ other Stucco over brick.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Diagonal stick patterning at cornice is intrusive.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 32 View Looking SE



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure-individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The original scale and material of this building were consistent with the district. The application of stucco and use of diagonal stick patterned cornice are visually intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 North 1/2= Empty lot with scales, South 1/2= frame "Office"
1891 Same
1899 South 1/2= "Flour and Feed"
1907 North 1/2= single story frame "Street Tool"
1913 Same
1922 Two story brick, "City Hall" and "Tool Room"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-14 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

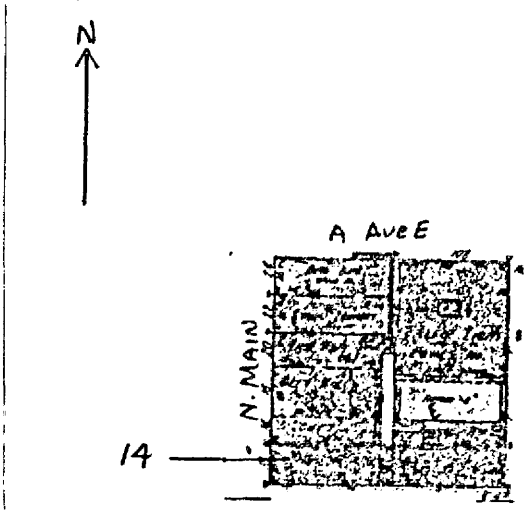
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 14 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 S 22' Lots 3 and 4
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Everett H. and Violet J. Rouse
7. Owner(s) Address 419 S. Drake (Street address) Centerville (City) IA (State) 52544 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Residence Original Telephone Exchange

Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other Ashlar limestone foundation
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Facade totally altered, brick around windows, stone veneer 1st floor. Alley wall stucco scored to look like stone.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 33 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure-individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible-intrusion

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible-intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 One story frame, "repair shop"
1891 Same, "restaurant"
1899 Same, "flour and feed"
1907 Two story brick, metal cornice, "Telephone Exchange"
1913 Same
1922 Same
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Small repair shop
1891	Restaurant
1899	Flour and feed
1907	New building; Albia Telephone Company
1913	Telephone company w/auto repair in rear.
1922	Same
1933	Same

The south side of this building tells of the building's material culture. Originally brick, the building received a stucco coating over both brick wall and stone foundation. Stucco was scored vertically and horizontally to imitate the joints of stone masonry. The Samuel Noble Block (3 Benton Avenue East) presented a similar stucco treatment. Ira Noble (son of Samuel) was a local building contractor and probably did this work. His brother A E Noble owned a concrete block factory in Albia and popularized these products.

Page, W C; "Noble-Kendall House; Albia, Iowa;" Application to National Register of Historic Places; Files Office of Historic Preservation; Des Moines, IA; 1983. A E Noble built this house at 209 Benton Avenue East and used concrete block in its construction.

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-10 N. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

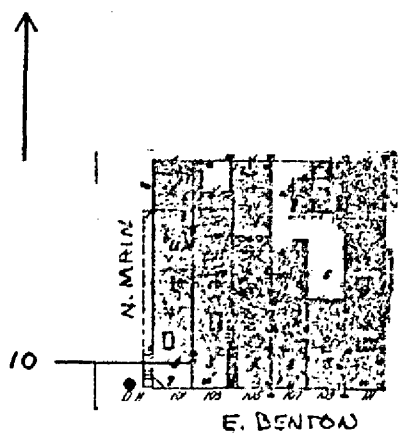
EDWARD DOUGHTERY & SON BUILDING

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 10 N. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 W 22' Lot 5
   (Urban / Rural) (subdivision / township) (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Albia Light and Railway Company
7. Owner(s) Address 10 N. Main (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Utility Company Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Pressed metal cornice, corbeled frieze, brick pilasters on chamfered corner, cast hoodmolds, panels in top of windows, first floor totally altered, new balcony.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 27 View Looking NE



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible-intrusion

This should be viewed with 103 and 105 Benton Ave E as a triple store front. These Type 2 buildings have identical cast metal hoodmolds, corbeled frieze, and pressed metal cornice. The first floor of 10 N. Main has been totally altered by the addition of the large windows on both primary and secondary facades. If original fenestration could be restored this would be a good contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice, west 1/3 of triple store front, chamfered corner, wooden exterior stairs, "Dry Goods", "Office" on second
1891 "Furniture", two story brick rear wing "Finishing"
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 "Moving Pictures"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Mr Edward Doughtery, occupant of this structure, lost his life the night of 2 April 1904 while fighting the fire that destroyed most of the west half of the Albia square's south side. (Monroe County History; Iowa Writers Project; 1940; p 72).

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
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   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Present Building: dry goods first floor; offices second. Edward Dougherty used this commercial house for his furniture and undertaking business. He had established his business about 1873 in Albia. (Frank Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1896; p 298).
1891	Furniture first floor; offices second
1899	Same as above
1907	Same as above
1913	The Scenic Moving Picture House
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Before 1902 "J.E. Benton had set up a movie in the Daugherty building on the northeast corner of the square, where the office of the Albia Light and Railway Co., is at present. He also arranged to show movies at Hiteman in the I.O.O.F. Hall twice a week. Later he bought the Comet, a movie house that had located in the Alex Long building a half block north and across on North Main Street." (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County, 1859-1959; p 42).

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-2 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

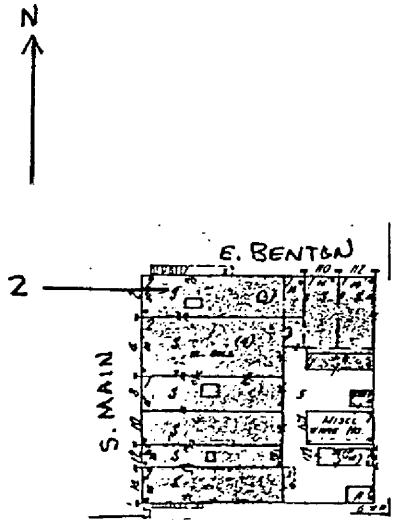
Identification

1. Site Name Townsend's Corner Block
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 2 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey 7 N 25' Lot 3
   (Urban: Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing : Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Dr. William G. O'Hara
7. Owner(s) Address 418 Benton Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Clothing Store Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1902 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Milwaukee Brick
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Store front retains iron columns, recessed entry, tin ceiling, upper facade has egg and dart around the windows, a narrow rinceau band below brick cornice.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
    Roll 2 Frame 26 View Looking SE



Significance

Indicate sources of information for all statements.

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This and the companion structure next door are both good examples of Type 5. The brown Milwaukee brick is a different color than found on other buildings in the district and illustrates the interest in surface treatment. Very subtle neo-classical details are used, an egg and dart molding around the windows, and a delicate rinceau band beneath the cornice. The decorative brickwork has been picked out in white and presents a greater contrast than it would have originally. The "mini-turrets" are a distinctive feature of these buildings. This building demonstrates one of the earliest uses of neo-classical details in the Albia district.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 through 1899 Frame Structure
1907 Two story brick, "Boots and Shoes"
1913 Same
1922 "Store", single story rear wing
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

186?	Monroe House Hotel (Albia Chautauqua Booklet; 1911; illustrates antique photograph of frame building). This building remain standing until razed for Townsend's Corner Block. A family lived on the second floor.
1886	Groceries
1891	Barber north ½; boots and shoes south ½
1899	Boots & shoes south ½; express office north ½
1907	Present building. Circle Shoe Company (local informant; David Johnson).
	Fred T Townsend had his office of the second floor of this building. In 1902 the Golden Eage department store occupied the first floor. By 1907 this store had moved to the New Love Block on the west side of the square. The United Mine Workers of America used the second floor for office space before moving into their new headquarters at 120 Benton Avenue East in 1914. (Informant interview: Ruth Hollingshead, Albia, IA).
1911	D & W Tea Company (local informant, David Johnson)
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1948- 1980	David Paint Store (local informant, David Johnson)
1980- 1981	Sandi's Hallmark, combined with Johnson & Johnson in 1981 (local informant, David Johnson)
1981- present	J J Allen ladies clothing (local informant, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-4 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

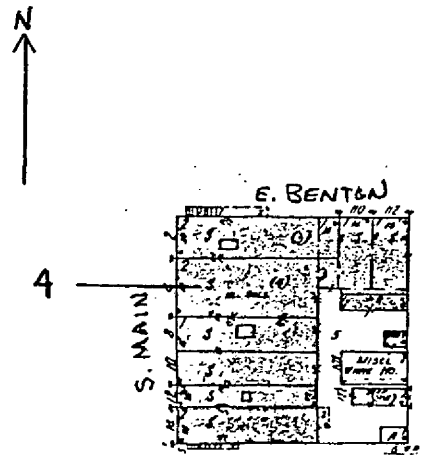
1. Site Name Townsend's Second Block
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 4-6 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 Pt Lot 3, N 26½' Lot 4
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Da-San, Ltd.
7. Owner(s) Address 4-6 South Main (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Gift Shop Original Commercial

Description

1902-03**

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Brown Milwaukee brick
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Iron columns
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Store front retains cast iron elements, alterations are reversible, upper facade has egg and dart round the windows, narrow rinceau band below brick cornice.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 25 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a good example of Type 5 design and should be viewed with its companion structure next door. This building is of interest because it replaced the last frame building on the Square, and was designed to match 2 S. Main. It shares the egg and dart molding around the windows, narrow rinceau band, brick cornice, and "mini-turrets". The same brown Milwaukee brick faces both buildings.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 through 1899 Frame structure, "Restaurant"
1907 Two story brick, iron columns, North 1/2= "Music & Books", South 1/2= "Wallpaper"
1913 Same
1922 "Store", "Hall" on second
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

The Friday (Albia) Union. 24 Jan 1902, p. 4 c. 1, tells of fire on 22 Jan.
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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Organization _____

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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   c. _____
   d. _____
   e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

	1886	Part vacant (south ½); restaurant north ½ in frame building
	1891	Same
	1899	Lunch room south ½; restaurant north ½
**	1902- 1903	Present building constructed (Weekly Albia Union; February 1903: "2-steam heated rooms for rent. Fred Townsend").
	1907	Music & books north½; wallpaper south ½
	1913	Same
	1920	Gantz & Kellogg Grocery. First floor facade appears as it does today. (Local informant, DAvid Johnson).
	1922	Use not listed
	1946- 1981	Oehlers' Firestone
	1981- 1984	Johnson and Johnson. Hallmark cards & gifts. 2-rooms opened to make one store. (Local informant, David Johnson).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Fred Townsend was very proud of his two blocks. Ruth Hollingshead remembers as a girl Mr Townsend showing her sample bricks, carefully packaged in wrapping paper, which he had ordered for construction. (Informant interview; Ruth Hollingshead; Albia, IA).

Adelman Cigar Store was destroyed by fire 22 January 1902. This was the last frame building on the Albia square. (Weekly Albia Union; January 1902).

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Roll 6, frame 11 Looking S

Item Number(s)



General View of the two Townsend Blocks
Roll 6, frame 6 Looking SE

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
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Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-10 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

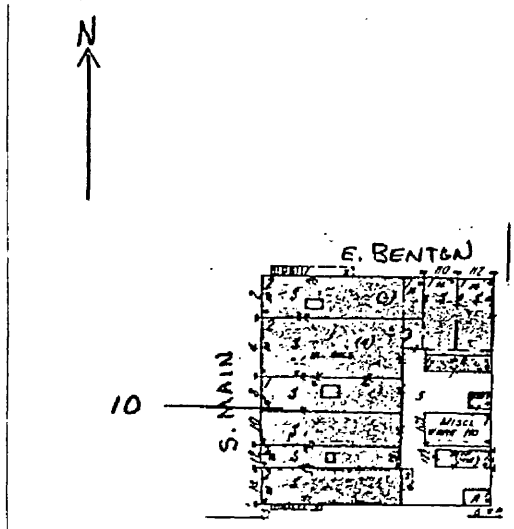
1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 10 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 S 6½' Lot 4, all of Lot 5
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Da-San, Ltd., 4-6 S. Main, Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) Robert C. & Mary C. Woodcock, 216 Washington Ave E., Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Gift Shop/Insurance Original Commercial

Description

Completed 1884**

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Lower facade altered by large windows and brick veneer. Upper facade painted, corbeled brick frieze, unusual decorative brickwork panel of unknown date.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 24 View Looking NE



Significance

Indicate sources of information on lab statements

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible-intrusion

This is one of the three Type 6 buildings which face the Square. Alterations have totally changed the character of the store fronts. However, this building is of interest because of the brick frieze. There are no other examples of this unusual patten in Albia. No date has been established for the frieze but it is shown in photos of the Square from 1908. It plays a significant role in the streetscape and is a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible-intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Single story brick double store front, metal cornice
north 1/2 = "Candy, News, Post Office"; south 1/2 = "Harness"
1891 Same
1899 North 1/2 = "Novelty"
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 Both sides = "Store"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH NORTH ROOM

1884	Present building completed in January 1884 (local informant, David Johnson)
1886	Candy, news, post office
1891	Same
1894	John Waugh Meat Market (local informant, David Johnson)
1907	Grocery
1913	Printing. The Albia Union
1922	Use not listed
1937- 1972	Western Auto (local informant, David Johnson)
1977- 1978	Shirley's Fabric Shop (local informant, David Johnson)
1978- 1981	Johnson & Johnson (local informant, David Johnson)
1981- 1982	The Paper Clip; book & office supplies (local informant, Daivd Johnson)
1982- 1984	This, That & The Otter; books, magazines, & gifts (local informant, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH SOUTH ROOM

1886	Harness; W K Hardenbrook; present building
1891	Same
1899	Same; still W K Hardenbrook
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed

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Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
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Site Number 68-002-12 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

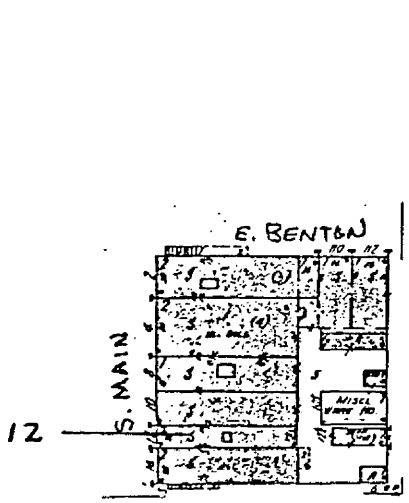
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 12 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township) Blk 7 (block/range) N 11½' Lot 6 (parcel/section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name William Adler
7. Owner(s) Address 219 A Avenue W (street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Optometrist's Office Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1900 ? Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Brick cornice, oriel window has vertical siding, vertical siding above door and large window, "stone" veneer below.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 23 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate [illegible] all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a curious little Type 4 building. The oriel window is almost overwhelming on such a narrow building (1908 photos do not show this oriel). The loss of integrity of the first floor detracts, but strangely enough, this building works well within the context of the district.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Single story brick, iron clad front and rear, "Barber"
1899 Same
1907 and 1913 Maps unclear
1922 Two story brick, "Store"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Barber (other information unclear)
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1949- 1954	Illingworth Jewelry & Dr Hannan (local informant, David Johnson)
1959	Dr Hannan, optometrist.

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Iowa Site Inventory

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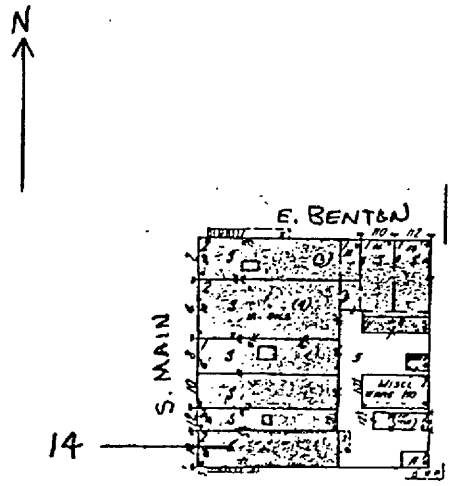
Site Number 68-002-14 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 14 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 S 20½' Lot 6
   (Urban / Rural) (subdivision / township) (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name M.M. Illingworth Jr. and Marilyn Illingworth
7. Owner(s) Address 422 Washington Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Jewelry Store Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1870 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Painted white, panels in tops of windows. Lower facade has glazed concrete block, totally altered fenestration.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 22 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The round arched windows and corbeled brick cornice are typical of a Type 1 building. Buildings like this are found throughout southern Iowa from the 1860's and 70's. Early photos show several examples in Albia but this is the only remaining example. The second floor is representative of this once common type though the first floor has been altered.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story brick, metal cornice, exterior stairs. "Dry Goods, Boots & Shoes"
1891, 1899, 1907, 1913 all have the same identification.
1922 & 1933 "Store"

The "Bird's Eye View of Albia" in the 1875 Andreas Atlas shows a two story brick building on this site.
The 1911 Chautauqua Booklet has a photo from circa 1870 of this site and the building across the alley, 16 S. Main. The photo does not show a metal cornice on this building.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933.
Andreas, A.T. Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa. Chicago: Andrea Atlas Co., 1875.
Albia, Iowa Homecoming Booklet. Albia Chautauqua Asooc. Albia, IA: The Albia Union Print, 1911.

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   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1870	Present building in place. (Antique photo reproduced in Albia Chautauqua Booklet; 1911).
1886	Dry goods, boots & shoes, printing second floor
1891	Same
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1954- 1959	Illingworth Jewelry (Historical Sketch Book of Albia...; 1959).
1959- 1984	Illingworth Jewelry (local informant, David Johnson)

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-16 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

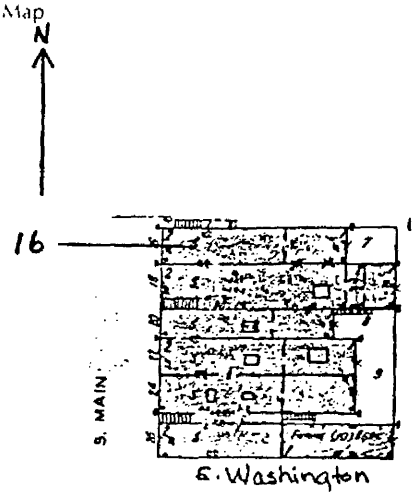
Identification

1. Site Name Drake-Love Building
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 16 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 N 22' Lot 7
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Marion County Savings and Loan Association
7. Owner(s) Address (Street address) Knoxville (City) IA (State) 50138 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Savings & Loan Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction Before September 1869 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Present metal cornice replaced original wooden one.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Upper facade painted red, cast hoodmolds, pressed metal cornice w/ pediment.
    Lower facade veneer painted white, original was iron, triple arched.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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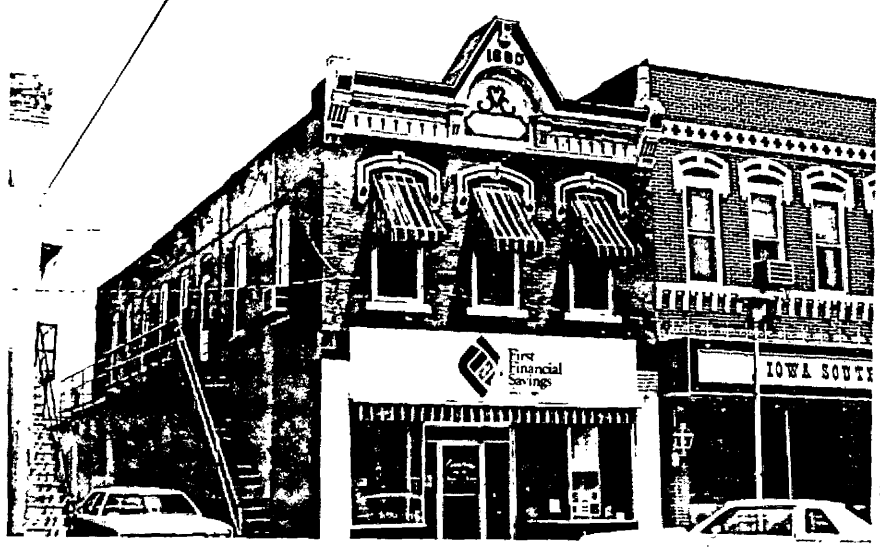

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

The second floor is a good example of Type 2 design. The cast hoodmolds feature a simple acanthus motif. A photo from circa 1870 shows this and the building across the alley, 14 S. Main. The hoodmolds are the same as today though the cornice is different. The triple arched store front appears to have been identical to the one on the Miller-Loeb Block. No date for alteration is known. The second floor retains enough integrity to make this a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick with single story rear wing, wooden cornice, exterior stairs in alley, first floor "Vacant", second floor "Printing"
1891 "Dry Goods" on first floor
1899 "General Store"
1907 "Grocery"
1913 "Notions"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Albia Homecoming Booklet. Albia Chautauqua Assoc. Albia, IA: The Albia Union Print, 1911 (photo).

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   a.
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3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1855	David Richardson to William C Halton (Abstrct of Title)
1867	Halton to J H Drake; 24' frontage on square (Abstract of Title)
** Sept 1869	Present building in place. Weekly Albia Union located over Drake's store. (The Weekly Albia Union; 2 September 1869).
1875	J H Drake to J H Love (Abstract of Title) James H Love & Son established in 1862. (Weekly Albia Union; 22 March 1883).
1886	Vacant first floor; printing second
1891	Dry goods first; printing second
1891	General store
1895	J H Love to Andrew Maiken (dry goods) (Abstract of Title)
1905	D C Anderson grovery (local informant, David Johnson)
1907	Grocery
1913	Notions
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1943	Mr Maiken to Lee Rowe (Abstract of Title)
1946	Zaring purchase from Rowe (Abstract of Title)
1959	Zaring Cigar Store
1970- 1972	The Golden Brown bar & restaurant (local informant, David Johnson)
1972- 1983	Marion County Savings & Loan (local informant, David Johnson)
1983- 1984	1st Financial Savings & Loan

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

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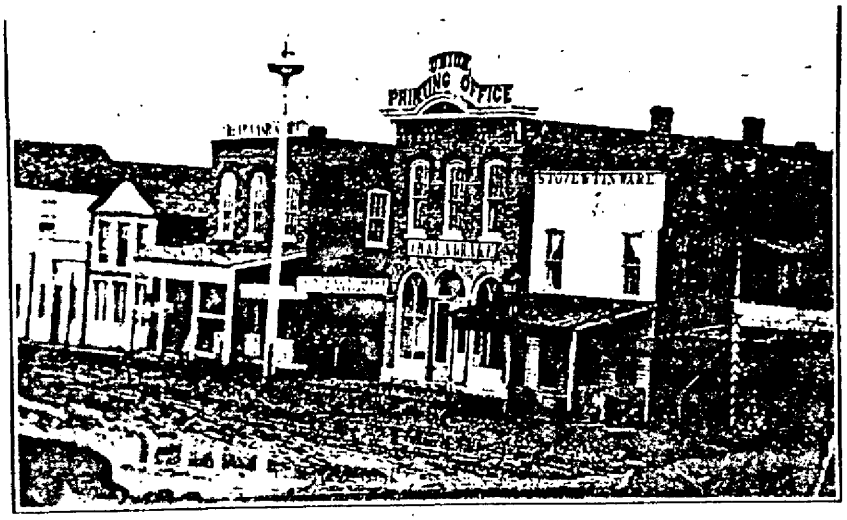


View on East Side of Square, long ago.

14 S. Main 16 S. Main

Albia Homecoming Booklet
AD -2, frame 23

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-18 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

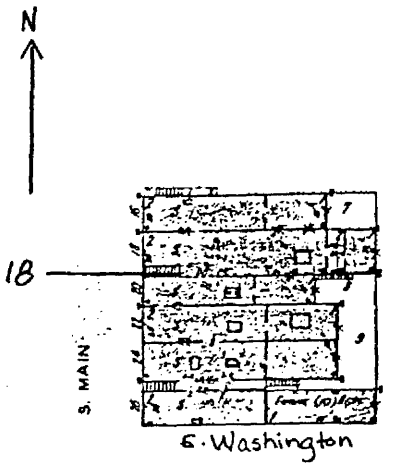
1 Site Name
2 Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 18 S. Main
4 **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 7 S 11' Lot 7, All of Lot 8
(Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)

5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s)** Trustees of Astor Lodge No. 505, c/O K.C. Potts, 502 S. 2nd, Albia 52531
7. **Owner(s)** George R & Mary Lou Anton or their successors as Trustees of the Anton Revocable Trust Agreement, 124 Solar Dr., Oskaloosa, IA 52577
8. **Use:** Present Utility Co./Optometrist Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1900** Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other Iron columns
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Upper part painted red and repointed, brick hoodmolds, brick patterned frieze, metal cornice removed, lower part veneered, new doors and windows.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 19 View Looking E



Significance (Indicate sources of information for each statement.)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a representative Type 3 building and demonstrates the late use of the brick hoodmold with recessed panel design. This must have been a conscious effort to coordinate the facade with 22 S. Main next door. Loss of integrity due to first floor store front alterations and removal of cornice make this a non-contributing structure. Replacement of the cornice and more sympathetic first floor could make this contributing.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Single story brick on south 1/2, "Meat"
1907 Two story brick, double store front, metal cornice, iron columns, "Grocery"
1913 Same
1922 "Store", "Hall" on second
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH NORTH ROOM

	1886	Vacant lot
	1891	Vacant lot
	1896	Vacant lot (antique photo; Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1896).
	1899	South ½ meat store. Balance of lot empty of building
**	1900	North ½: Anderson Grocery ("1900" on pediment, non-extant). South ½: Francis Billiards ("1900" on pediment, non-extant). (Local informant, David Johnson)
	1907	South room: groceries; north room: groceries
	1913	Same; same
	1922	Use not listed
	1933	Use not listed

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Constructed as two commercial rooms, these areas have been opened into one store since at least 1907.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-22 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

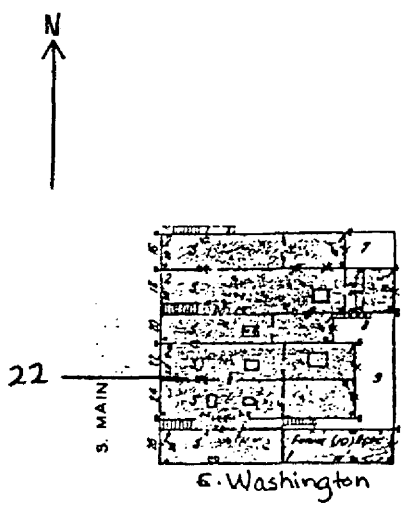
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 22-24 S. Main
4. **Legal Location** First Survey (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township) Blk 7 (block / range) All of Lot 9, N 15' Lot 10 (parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** John C. and Marie Sybenga
7. **Owner(s) Address** R.R. #5 (Street address) Oskaloosa (City) IA (State) 52577 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Hardware & Appliance Original Commercial

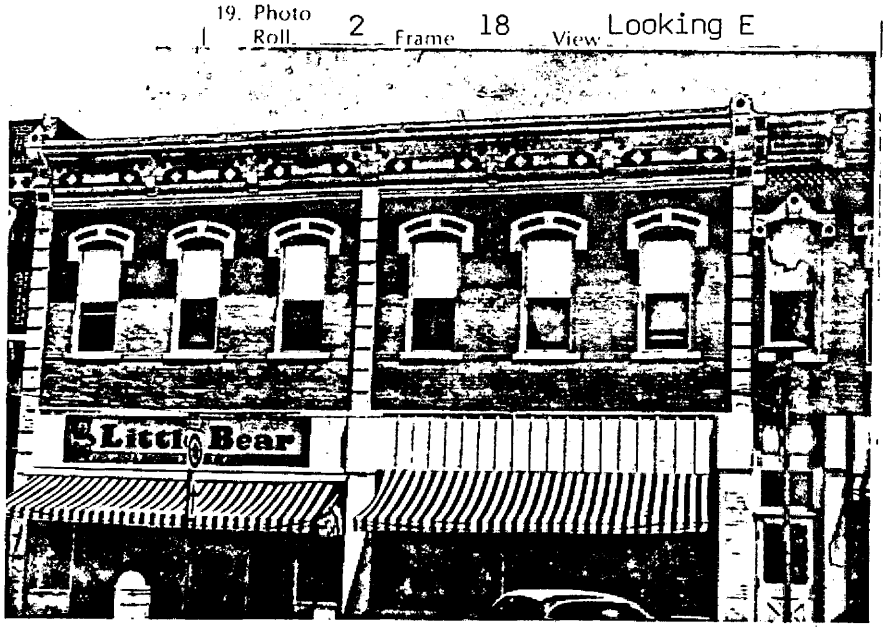
Description

9. **Date of Construction** By 1886 Architect-Builder
10. **Building Type:**
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Painted yellow and white, pressed metal cornice, brick hoodmolds, recessed entries, new windows and doors, vertical siding above windows.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 18 View Looking E



Significance

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a good example of a Type 3 building. The brick hoodmold design features a recessed panel like that found on 13-21 Benton Ave E and the Hennion Block. Current color scheme obscures the stringcourse at sill level, but does highlight the decorative details on the cornice. Though the first floor has been altered, the upper part of the building retains enough integrity to be a good contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, double store front, metal cornice, frame porch, "Grocery" on both sides, "Hall" on second
1891 Same
1899 North 1/2= "Vacant"
1907 North 1/2= "Drugs", South 1/2= "Restaurant", single story rear addition
1913 North 1/2= "Boots and Shoes", South 1/2= "Grocery"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH NORTH ROOM

1886	Present building in place. Grocery first floor; hall second floor
1891	Same
1896	Miss A C Young, General Merchandise (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa).
1899	Vacant
1911	G N Ewers & Sons (local informant, David Johnson)
1913	Boots and shoes
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1938- 1946	Ralph N Ewers (local informant, David Johnson)
1947- 1959	Wilkinson Paint and Electric (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County, 1859-1959).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH SOUTH ROOM

1886	Present building in place. Robb Brothers Groceries
1891	Groceries
1899	Same
1907	Restaurant
1913	Groceries
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1938- 1946	Ralph N Ewers (local informant, David Johnson)
	Mike Margello, barber (local informant, David Johnson)

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-26 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

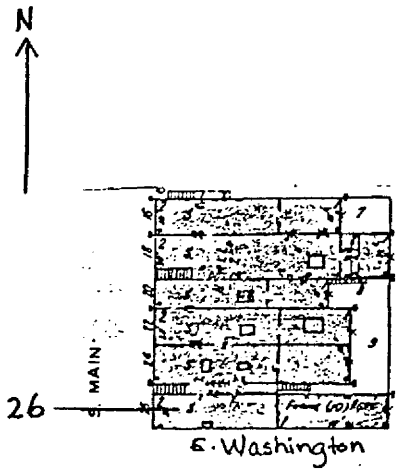
Identification

1. Site Name Jameson's Corner
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 26 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 S 18' Lot 10
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Freda & William D. Wilson and Deborah & James D. Wilson
7. Owner(s) Address 26 S. Main (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Bakery Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1886 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Name and date on pediment are modern.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted yellow, first floor altered windows and door, second floor windows have been shortened, facade hoodmolds reproduced in plywood, sawtooth frieze, metal cornice.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may quality for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

1922 photos show this to be a Type 2 building with cast hoodmolds as well as a pressed metal cornice.
Obvious alterations impair the integrity of this structure, but visually it is not intrusive in the district. Scale and material are consistent with neighboring buildings, and the extant cornice and frieze lend validit to the structure. The substitution of plywood for the missing cast hoodmo was not the best solution but it does show that the owner is amenable to restoration. Technical assistance should be offered. With proper treatm this could be a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story frame "General Store", frame dwelling on back of lot
1891 Two story brick, metal cornice, "Vacant", frame bldg now "Meat"
1899 "Grocery" with single story brick wing at rear
1907 "Bakery"
1913 Same
1922 Same
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.
3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886?	Anderson & Hollingshead Grocerers ("in business 10 years") (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1896; p 297).
1886	General Store
1891	Vacant
1899	Groceries
1907	Bakery
1908	Peterson Bakery (local informant, David Johnson)
1913	Bakery
1922	Bakery
1933	Use not listed
1959	Dr Chester's office (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959).

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-102 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

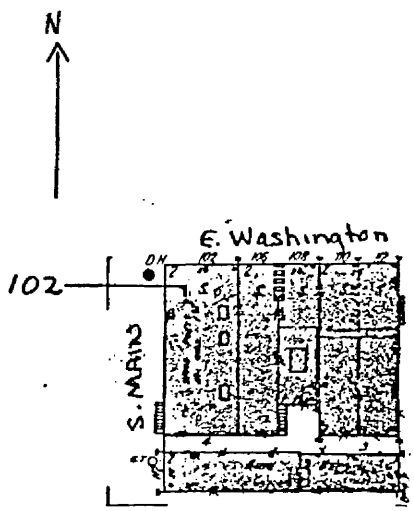
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 102 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 12 W 44' by 106' Lot 4
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Peoples National Bank, c/o James King
7. Owner(s) Address 102 S. Main (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present People's National Bank Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1891-99 +++ Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☒ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other "Marble" veneer
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Iron columns
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Lower facade extensively altered, fenestration, new veneer, canopy. Second floor facade has pilastered corners, cornice, parapet. Brick painted gray.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 14 View Looking SE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☐ b. Contributing structure
☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

This building has undergone more "renovations" than any other in the di
and lacks integrity from any single period. The chronological developm
appears to be: 1891 Original construction
c.1910 Facade given neo-classical appearance
1953 Lower level "modernized", fenestration changed
c.1970 Canopy and shutters added, exterior painted

The scale of the building and the condition of the second floor level a
consistent with the district. Restoration of first floor facade would
this a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☐ b. Contributing structure
☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Small iron clad building, "Vacant"
1891 "Excavations for brick store building"
1899 Two story brick, chamfered entrance, metal cornice on both facade
first floor= "Vacant", "Printing" in basement and second floor
1907 Now twice as wide on Washington, iron columns, metal cornice,
"Clothing, Boots & Shoes"
1913 "Hardware"
1922 Same
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (List primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, et

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Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
☐ County Resource File
☐ Windshield Survey
☐ National Register
☐ Grants-In-Aid:
☐ Determination of Eligibility

☐ Review and Compliance Project:
☐ Other
☐ Other
☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
a.
b.
c.
d.
e.

3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886 Small, vacant building.

1891 Present building constructed. Foundations being laid for building.

1899 1st floor vacant; Albia Union printing second floor.

1902- 1911 Facade remodeled so as to reflect Neo-Classical taste. (Antique photo; Chautauqua Homecoming Booklet; 1911; n p. Pictures Washington Avenue East and this building's new primary and secondary facade).

1907

1913 Hardware; Duncan and Duncan

1922 Hardware

1933 Use not listed

1953 Peoples National Bank undertakes first floor remodeling and moves into these new quarters from 12 Washington Avenue East. (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County; 1959; p 43. Reproduces contemporary photo showing remodeling).

196? First floor remodeled by Peoples National Bank. (Once Upon a Town; 1970; n p. Reproduces a photo showing bank as it appears today).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-112 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

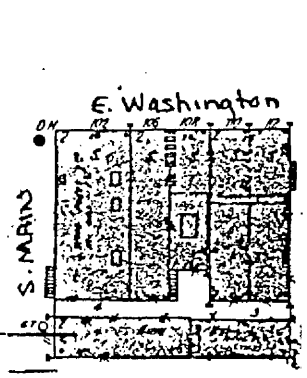
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 112 S. Main
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 12 S 26' Lots 3 and 4
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) A. Lester and Lois M. Poole, 404 N. 10th Street, Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) John W. and Patty J. Judge, Route #3, Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Offices Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1913-22 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Painted green with white trim and repointed.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Lower facade extensively altered with new windows, doors, and siding.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
    Roll 5 Frame 11 View Looking E



Significance (Indicate source of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Straight forward functional commercial design without outstanding features. Building material and scale are consistent with the district.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 One story brick "Agriculture Implements"
1899 Same, "Blacksmith"
1907 Same, "Livery and Feed"
1913 Empty lot
1922 Two story brick, "Store"
1933 Same, "Auto"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Agricultural implements
1899	Agricultural implements/blacksmith
1907	Livery and feed
1911	One story building w/stepped gable facade (Albia Chautauqua Homecoming Book; photograph by Young; n p.
1913	Vacant lot
1922	Present building; use not listed
1933	Automobile sales

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

The automobile sales retail confirms the evolving commercial use of the 100 block of South Main Street. Already in 1922 an auto dealership was established at 115 South Main. This area remains today given over to automobile sales, parts and service, and an oil station.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-114 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

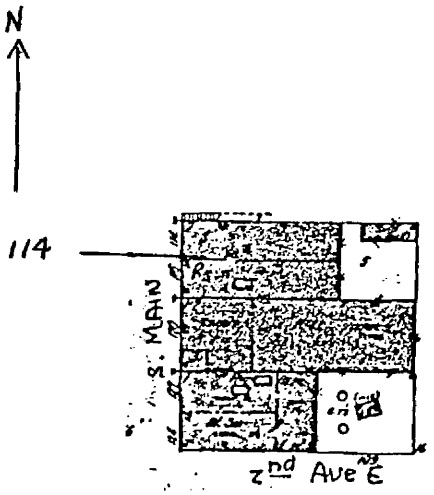
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 114 S. Main
4. **Legal Location** Third Survey Blk 12 N 44' Lot 5
   (Urban; Rural / subdivision township / block range / parcel section / subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Kenneth and Mary Brewer
7. **Owner(s) Address** 114½ S. Main Street (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Vacant Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted red and repointed, twin oriel windows with Adam style festoons, corbeled brick cornice, brick pediment with corbeling, store fronts have new windows/doors.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 5 Frame 12 View Looking SE



Significance (dedicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

☐ a. Key structure individually may quality for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a rather subdued example of Type 4. It is a straight forward double store front brick building with brick cornice and pediment, a simplified version of 114 Washington Ave E. The most interesting features are the twin oriels with the Adam style decoration. This is representative of an average Type 4 structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Two single story frame structures, "Marble" and "Truss Fac."
1899 Same, but uses have changed, illegible.
1907 Two story brick, twin oriels, North 1/2= "Agricultural Implements; South 1/2= "Pool"
1913 North 1/2="Moving Pictures, South 1/2= "Produce"
1922 North 1/2- "Store", South 1/2- "Battery Service Station"
1933 Both sides= "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
☐ County Resource File
☐ Windshield Survey
☐ National Register
☐ Grants-In-Aid:
☐ Determination of Eligibility
☐ Review and Compliance Project:
☐ Other
☐ Other
☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
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c.
d.
e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot	
1891	North	marble works; frame, freestanding structure
	South	Truss factory; frame, freestanding structure
1899	North	small building
	South	Flour and Feed
1907	Present building	
	North room:	agricultural implements
	South room:	pool hall
1913	North room:	moving pictures
	South room:	produce
1922	North room:	use not listed
	South room:	battery service station
1933	Use not listed	
1948-59	United Food Store (David Johnson, local informant)	

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

This building strongly contributes to the commercial district. The number of moving picture theaters in Albia was unusually high and illustrates heavy patronage by miners and their families. The location of the business is also indicative, as a theater need not rely on impulsive buying which the window shopping environment of the square promotes.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-128 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

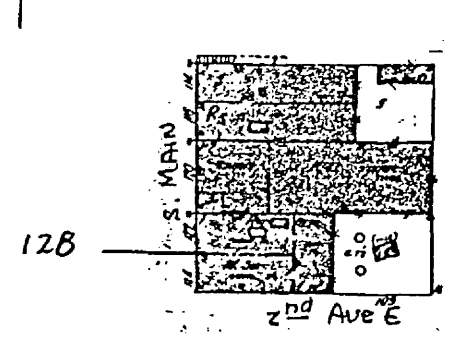
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 128 S. Main
4. Legal Location Third Survey Blk 12 S 44' Lot 8
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Kenneth J. and Mary Brewer
7. Owner(s) Address 114½ S. Main (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted red and repointed. Lower facade has brick veneer, shake shingle roof across front, stucco side wall where building was removed.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 5 Frame 16 View NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This Type 6 building has undergone extensive alterations on the facade. Though it is non-contributing it is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two small green "special" buildings, "Blacksmith"
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 One story brick, "Garage and Blacksmith"
1922 "Auto Repair and Blacksmith"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
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Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	North & south rooms in small buildings: blacksmith
1891	North room: wagon shop South room: blacksmith
1899	South room: blacksmith
1907	Same
1913	1-story brick building North room: garage South room: blacksmith
1922	Same building North room: auto repair South room: use not listed
1933	Same building North room: use not listed South room: blacksmith

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-115 S. Main
District Name
Map Reference #

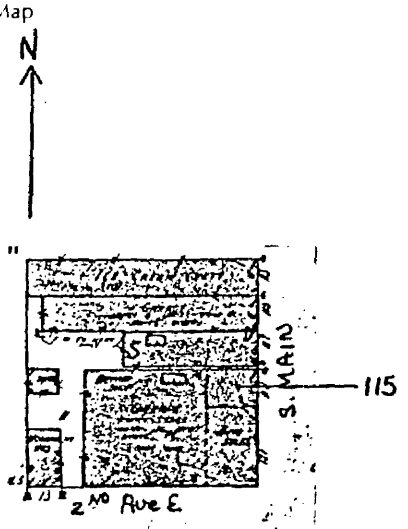
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 115 S. Main
4. **Legal Location** Third Survey (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township) Blk 11 (block / range) Lots 10 and 11 (parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Edward M. & Leah Rae Duea, 1020 D Avenue E, Albia, IA 52531
7. **Owner(s) Address** Duea Chevrolet Company, 115 S. Main Street, Albia, IA 52531 (Street address / City / State / Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Car Dealership Original Commercial

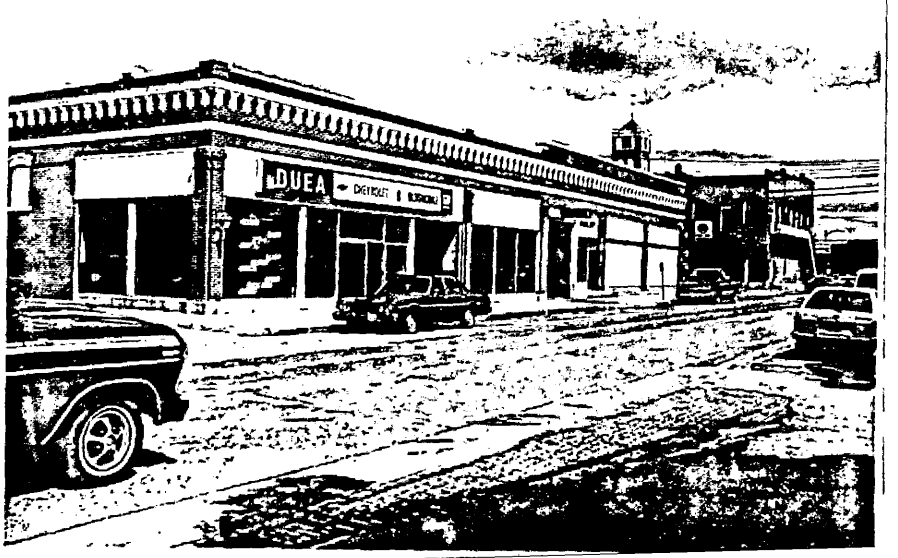
Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☒ other Iron columns
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Brick painted red and repointed, brick pilasters and frieze, cast concrete stringcourse and parapet cap.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 5 Frame 6 View Looking NW



Significance

Indicate sources of information for all statements

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is really two buildings, the corner structure and a section to the north which is slightly taller. This is a Type 5 structure which utilizes cast concrete for some detailing and includes neo-classical elements as part of the design. The pilasters and frieze give this utilitarian building a "touch of class". The brick frieze was extended across the north section around 1970 for continuity.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Two frame dwellings
1907 North part is shown, one story brick, triple front, "Blacksmith, Plumber, Feed"
1913 Corner building, one story brick, "Agricultural Implements"
1922 "Garage and Auto Sales"
1933 "Auto Sales and Garage"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886 Vacant lot

1891 Vacant lot

1899 Two frame dwellings

1907 North ½ building: North room: feed
Middle room: Plumber
South room: Blacksmith
South ½: Dwelling

1913 North ½ building: North room: printing
South ½ building: Middle room: Plumber
South room: Blacksmith (who also now offers motor repairs)
South ½: 1-story brick building. agricultural implements.

1922 North ½ building: North room: plumbing
Middle room: garage
South room: use not listed
South ½ building: Garage and automobile sales

1933 North ½ building: North room: ice cream factory
Middle room: garage
South room: use not listed
South ½ Building: Garage and automobile sales

This is a key building in the Albia commercial district. Although late in chronology, the building as a commercial type is a fine example of an early automobile dealership. The scale of the building indicates a strong market for products. Miners were good customers for automobiles.

The location of the building also illustrates the development of commercial land use in Albia. On a tangent to the core square, side streets provided logical expansion points for service oriented businesses which did not depend on serendipity window shopping characteristic of the square. Livery stables are cases in point. Retailers of heavy machinery, like farm implements, wagons, and automobiles, also chose side streets for convenience's sake and cost efficiency.

Coal miners heavily patronized automobile dealerships and this particular one represents a fine example of an early and successful enterprise.

The thumbnail sketch above illustrates a telling transition in land use along South Main from residential to the retail of high ticket products.

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Iowa State Historical Department
26 E. Market St., Iowa City, Iowa 52240

Site Number 68-002-115 S. Main

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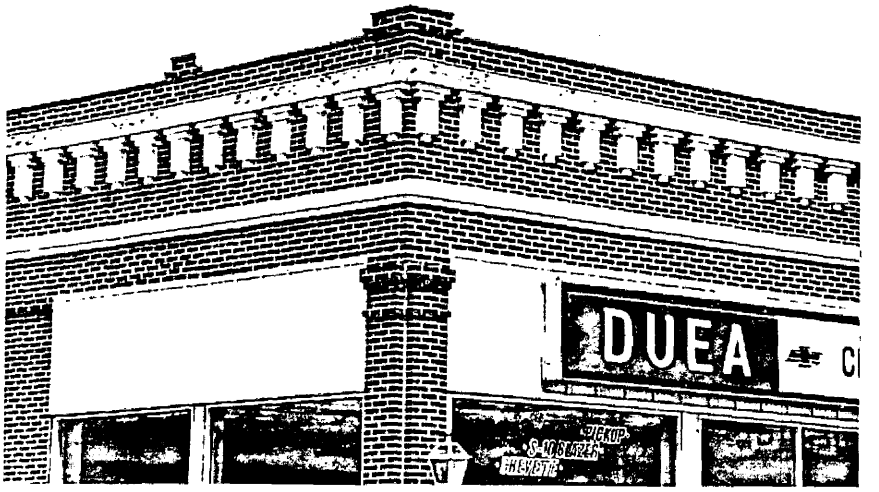


Roll 5, frame 8 Looking NW

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-10 Wash Ave W
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 10 Washington Ave W
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 10 Lot 2
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name M.M. Illingworth
7. Owner(s) Address 504 Washington Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Vacant/Beauty Shop Original Commercial

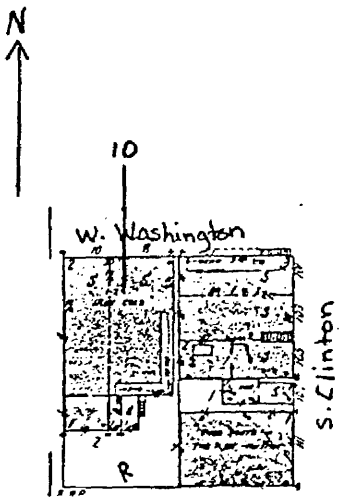
Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1907 Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other Iron columns

Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated

14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted gray & white and repointed, Rusticated brick used for frieze, segmental arches & string course, one row sawtooth below windows, altered store fronts.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☒ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 4 Frame 26 View Looking SW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Like 9 Benton Ave W this is a late example of a Type 3 building and utilizes brick patterning for the decorative elements. The segmental arched windows are highlighted by the use of rusticated brick, which is repeated in the frieze above. This is a straight forward structure reflecting an early twentieth century interest in simplicity.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 One story brick on West 1/3, "Agricultural Implements", East 2/3 is frame
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Two story brick, "Peppers Livery", West 1/3= "Wagon House", East 2/3= "Carriage Repository & Agricultural Implements"
1913 West 1/3= "Wagon House", East 2/3= "Undertaker"
1922 West 1/3= "Store", East 2/3= "Undertaker"
1933 Both sides= "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   ☐ County Resource File
   ☐ Windshield Survey
   ☐ National Register
   ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
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   ☐ Other _____
   ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   a. _____
   b. _____
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   e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Agricultural implements in all three rooms but east 2/3 of building is frame, while west 1/3 is one story brick
1891	Same
1899	Same
1907	Pepper's livery wagons & carriage repository in east Two story brick entire 3 rooms. Present building
1913	Present building Wagon House west; undertaker east
1922	West use not listed; undertaker east
1927	Yorkshire Creamery (David Johnson, local informant)
1950-59	Pirnot Produce; later Bradley Produce. Tomlinsons TV until 1976 or so. (David Johnson, local informant)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-2 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

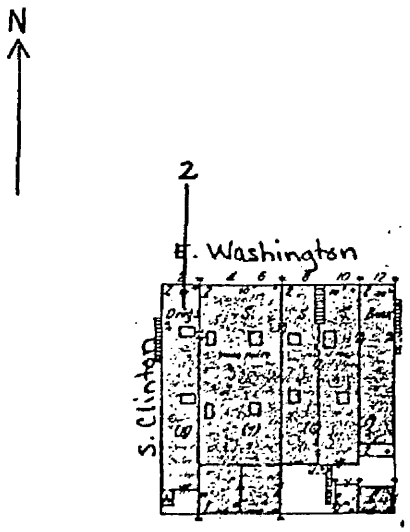
Identification

1. **Site Name** NEW LOEB BUILDING
2. **Village Town City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 2 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 11 W 22' Lot 8
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Joanna A. Albers
7. **Owner(s) Address** 18 North 13 St (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Drug Store Original Commercial

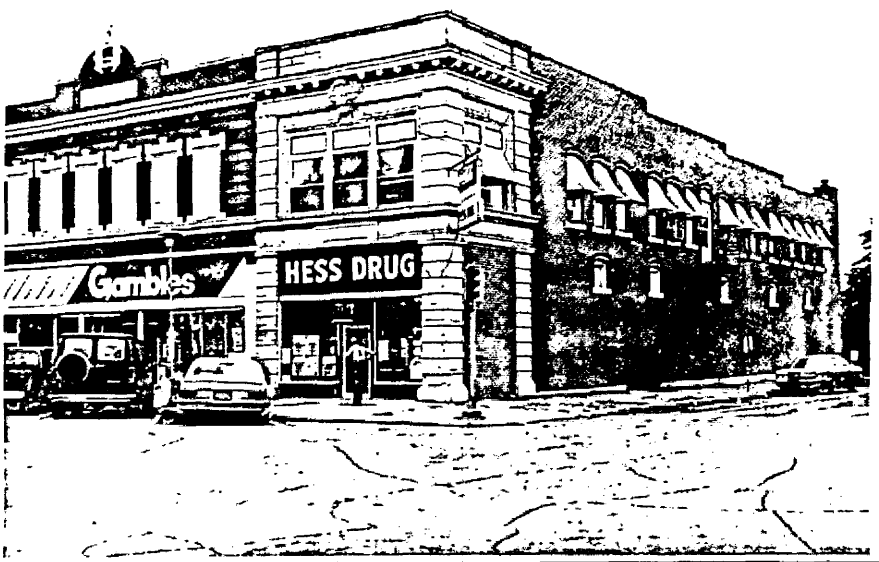
Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1904-08 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☒ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick side wall, stone facade. First floor has convex frieze, denticulated cornice, second floor windows have wheat=ear garlands, primary facade has a cast concrete cartouche, cornice with modillions, parapet above. Display window on west elevation bricked in (no date).
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
Roll 1 Frame 30 View Looking SE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for this statement.)

20. **Architectural significance**

☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register

☐ b. Contributing structure

☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a very good example of Type 5, reflecting the influence of the courthouse in both building material and decorative elements. The stone facade has a horizontal emphasis due to thin blocks alternating with wide ones on the pilastered corners. The outstanding features are the wheat-ear garlands above the second floor windows, the projecting cornice, and the cast concrete cartouche. Alterations to the store front are minimal and reversible.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register

☒ b. Contributing structure

☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame building
1891 "Foundation being laid for two story brick store building"
1899 Two story brick, metal cornice, "Smith", "Boots & Shoes"
Fire in 1904 destroyed this building.
1907 Two story brick, extends farther back on lot, exterior stairs, "Drugs"
1913 "Drugs"
1922 Same
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
"Loeb Block" impressed in facade architectural detail.

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Address Telephone

Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
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   - d.
   - e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1865 — A A Ramsy & Brothers Drug. Frame building. (Local informant, David Johnson).

1886 — S S Smith Shoe Store (local informant, David Johnson).

1891 — Foundation being laid for 2-story brick building.

1899 — "SMITH BUILDING." Boots and shoes operated by S S Smith.

April 1904 — Fire destroys two buildings directly east and damages the Smith Building to an unknown extent. (Antique photo shows damage; reproduced in Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959; 1959; p 42).

1907 — Present building. Drug store.
John Hess began working here at this time. (Local informant, David Johnson).

1911 — Draper and Loughlin Drugs (local informant, David Johnson).

1913 — Drug Store

1922 — Same

1933 — Same

1952 — Fire guts building. John Hess had purchased walnut fixtures at the Saint Louis World's Fair. These were destroyed by the fire. The Hess family rebuilt the store. (Local informant, David Johnson).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

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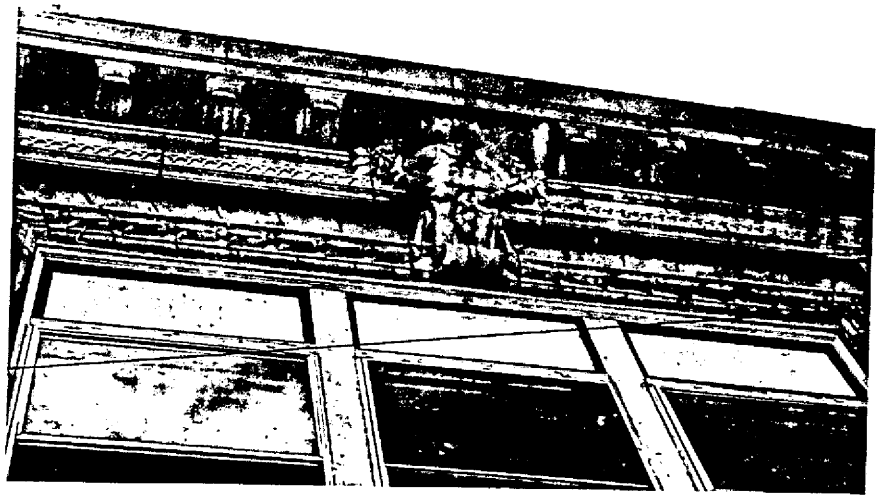

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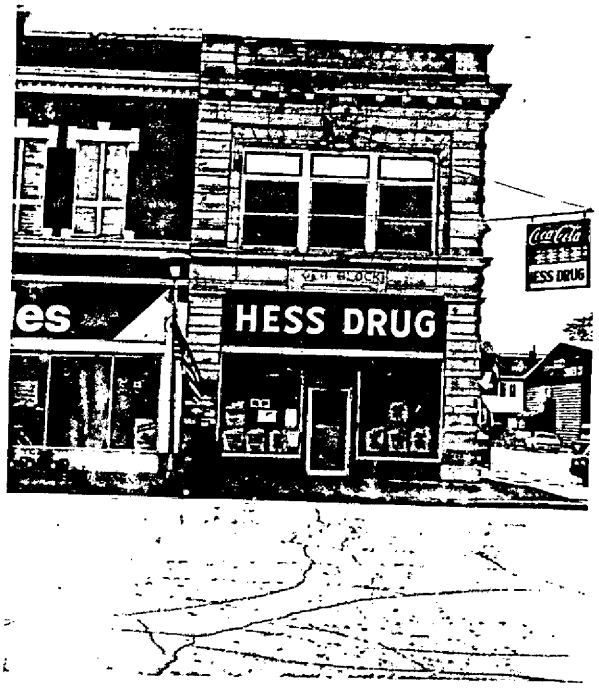

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-6 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

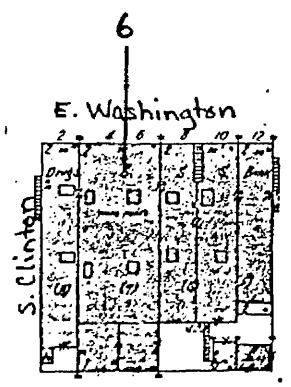
Identification

1. **Site Name** T CAROLINE ACHESON BUILDING
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 6 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township) Blk 11 (block / range) Lot 7, E 11' Lot 8 (parcel / section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Gamble
7. **Owner(s) Address** 5100 Gamble Dr. (Street address) Minneapolis (City) Minnesota (State) 55481 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Hardware Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** c. 1904 Architect Builder
10. **Building Type:**
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
First floor altered. Second floor of red brick, corners stylized pilasters, Concrete jack-arched lintels, denticulated cornice, parapet w/ round arched pediment, finial.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a good example of Type 5 design. The red brick used is not the traditional red so there is a variation from other buildings. Cast concrete elements include the jack-arched lintels, parapet cap and finial. The denticulated cornice is simple but effective. The altered store front detracts, but this is still a good contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame building
1891 "Foundation being laid for two story brick store building"
1899 Two story brick, double store front, metal cornice, "Acheson", "Grocery"
Fire in 1904 destroyed this building
1907 Two story brick, extends farther back on lot, central stairs, West 1/2= "Grocery", East 1/2= "Dry Goods"
1913 West 1/2= "Variety
1922 Both sides- "Store", "Hall" on second
1933 Central stair gone now one "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Frame buildings. Dry goods & grocery in west room. Stove works in middle room. Mercantile operations in east room. (Albia Union extra edition; 16 August 1883).
1891	Foundations being laid for new brick, 2-story building to include all alnd from east room to South Clinton.
1896	Acheson & Kelly Grocery in west room; S M Tovrea, grocer, in east room. (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa; p 301).
1899	Same
April 1904	Fire destroys entire building. Present building constructed thereafter.
1907	Grocery in west room; dry goods in east room.
1911	S J Donelan & Company in east room. (Local informant, David Johnson)
1913	Variety store in west room; dry goods in east room. Local informant, David Johnson).
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1946- 1984	Gambles Department Store in both rooms. (Local informant, David Johnson).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

This building obtains considerable historical interest as Caroline Acheson built the structure as an investment. The practice was widely accepted in Albia to put one's money into real estate as a secure investment. The T B Perry Building; Acheson Building; and the New Loeb Building all reflect this phenomenon. (Local informant; Ruth Hollingshead).

Iowa Site Inventory

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Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-8 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. Site Name NEW PERRY BUILDING
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 8 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 11 W 11' Lot 5, all of Lot 6
   (Urban: / Rural:) (subdivision / township) (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Steven and Carolyn Knupp, 11 5th Avenue W, Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) Karl E. and Wanda M. Knupp, Bloomfield, IA 52537
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Children's Clothing Original Commercial

Description

1904 (digits in facade architectural detail)

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Brown brick veneer
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other

dition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated

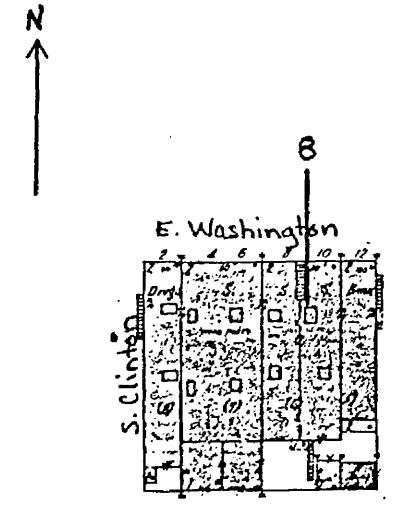
integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?

Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:

Brick pilasters between second floor windows, bead and reel just below cornice, concrete capped step parapet with identification panel. Some alterations to 1st floor.

15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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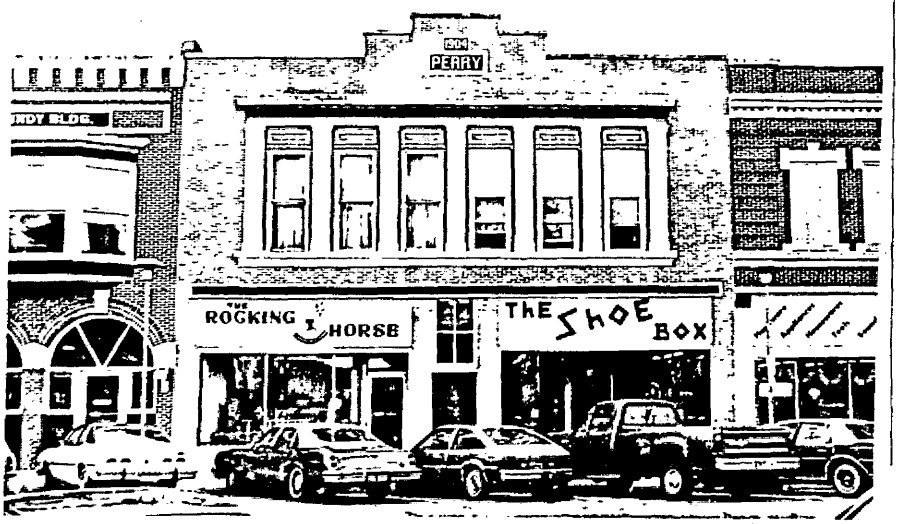

Significance

(Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The design of this Type 5 building relies heavily on the color of the surface, a light brown, to set this apart from others. The second floor windows have been banded by a set of brick pliasters topped by a projecting cornice. The only example of the bead and reel motif in the district is found just below this cornice. The building has a stepped parapet with identifying panel. The building is a rather subdued example of Type 5. If alterations have been made to the first floor they are minimal.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame building
1891 Two story brick, West 1/2= "Bank", East 1/2= "Organs"
1899 West 1/2= "Bank", East 1/2= "Books and Music", "Church" on second
Fire in 1904 destroyed this building.
1907 Two story brick, extends farther back on lot, West 1/2= "Pool", East 1/2= "Candy"
1913 West 1/2= "Boots and Shoes", East 1/2= "Candy"
1922 and 1933 Both sides= "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Albia Centenniel Corp. Historical Sketchbook of Albia and Monroe County, Iowa: 1859-1959. Photo following April 1904 fire.

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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Harness shop on east part of lot; restaurant on west part of lot.
1891	Bank in west room; music in east room (new east building).
1896	Albia State Bank in west room (local informant, David Johnson). South Side Book Store in east room, L B Fuller, manager (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa; p 301).
1899	Bank in west room; South Side Book Store in east room. Church on second floor east room.
April 1904	Fire destroys both rooms.
	T B Perry rebuilds the present structure. (Specifications and drawings for new building are extant. Property David Johnson, Albia, Iowa. The documents were unavailable for research). Year of construction also from pediment language.
1907	Pool Hall in west room; candy store in east room
1908	Sam Anderson Shoe Store (local informant, David Johnson).
1913	Boots and Shoes west. E B Morris sold to Ewers. Candy east room. (Local informant, David Johnson).
1913-1937	G N Ewers and Sons shoes in west room. (local informant, David Johnson).
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1948- 197?	The Fashion Shop (local informant, David Johnson)
1937- 1968	G H Ewers & Co. Claud Ewers in west room. (Local informant; David Johnson).
1970- 1984	The Shoe Box in west room
1972-1979	The Moderne Shop ladies clothes
1978- 1984	The Rocking Horse children's clothing

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
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East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

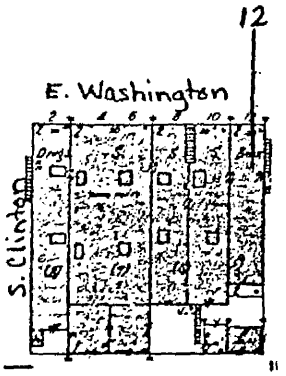
Site Number 68-002-12 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

1. Site Name PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 12 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 11 E 22' Lot 5
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Ann K. Miletich
7. Owner(s) Address 106 Second Avenue W (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Lawyer's Office Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1904 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Brown brick veneer on facade, pigmented structural glass panels.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Two arches on facade, one on east, with cast concrete keystones & impost blocks, original glass at top, sawtooth frieze, corbeled cornice, oriel window.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property? ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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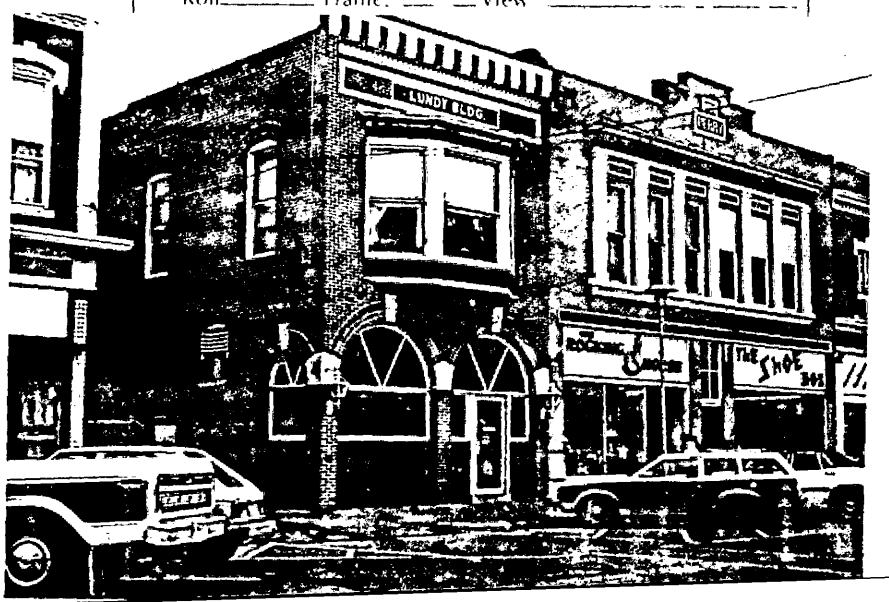

Significance

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is the only building in this quarter block to survive the fire of 1904. Initial response to the round arched facade is that it is a Richardsonian Romanesque influence from the courthouse, but historic photos show that the Miller-Loeb Block, 1 S. Clinton, and the Drake-Love Building, 16 S. Main, had similar triple arched store fronts in the 1870's. This site may show a conscious effort to copy these using brick piers rather than cast iron columns. This is the only building fronting on the Square that was originally built with the oriel window. Though it falls within the Type 4 design, the first floor is of greater interest. The only alterations are the removal of the metal cornice, and moving the entrance from the east arch to the west one, and these are not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Single story frame, "Tailor Shop"
1899 Same
1907 Two story brick, metal cornic, "Bank" and "Insurance Office"
1913 Same
1922 "Bank"
1933 "Bank"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Albia of Today. Albia Business Men's Assoc. Des Moines: Western Publicity Bureau, 1908-09.

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Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
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   - ☐ Other _____
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   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1883 Frame 1-story commercial building owned by W A Pharis. (Albia Union Extra; 16 August 1883)

1886 No building abuts alley but tailor shop somewhat west of alley. Frame commercial building.

1891 Same

1899 Same

1904 Fire destroys large portion of west half of the south side Albia square. People's Savings Bank survives with some damage.

Building constructed between 1899-1904 by People's Savings Bank. In 1907 People's National Bank took over the building and operations with the name Peoples National Bank and Peoples Savings Bank. In November 1953, the bank moved its operations to its present site, 102 South Main Street. (Antique photo shows damage of April 1904 fire and bank building as only survivor on west half of south side; Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959; p 42). (Antique photo shows building as repaired following fire; Albia of Today; p 15).

1907 Same

1913 Same

1922 Same

1933 Same

1943

1953 Bank moved; building becomes Hugh Lundy law office. (local informant; David Johnson).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

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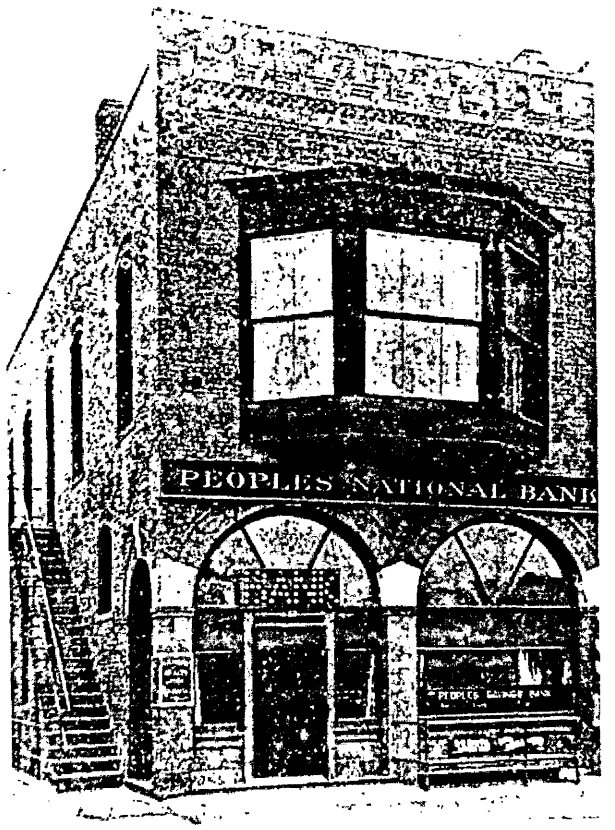

Photo from Albia of Today (1908-09)

Note that though the Sanborn map of 1907 shows a metal cornice on this building, none is apparent here.

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Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-14 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

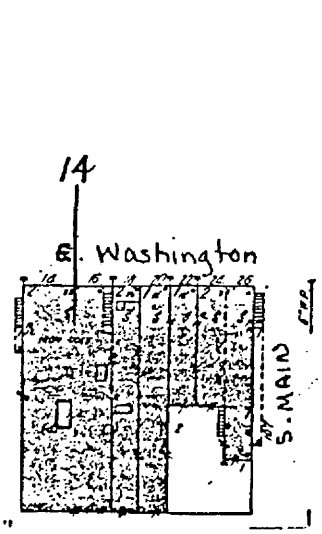
1. Site Name R O CRAMER BLOCK
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 14-16 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 11 W part Lot 3, all Lot 4
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name David and LaVerne J. Arminger
7. Owner(s) Address 18½ Washington Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Department Store Original Commercial

Description

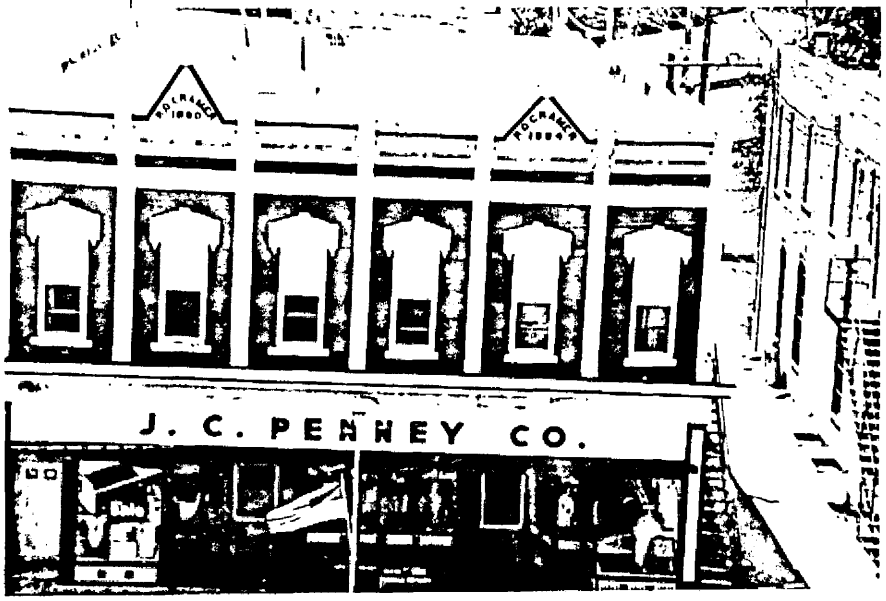
1884 (west room) digits in pediment
1890 (east room) digits in pediment

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other Iron posts
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted gray and repointed, pressed metal cornice w/ pediments, corbeled brick frieze, brick hoodmolds, brick pilasters between windows, first floor altered c. 1930.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☐ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☐ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll AD-2 Frame 17 View Looking S



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

☑ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☐ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Though the two sides of this building were constructed six years apart it is being treated as a single site because of common ownership, the treatment of both the first and second floors, and because it has been a single store since 1913.
This is the best example of a Type 3 building in the district. All elements above the first floor metal cornice are intact. The windows are set in panels between brick pilasters and the hoodmolds are of the embellished segmental arched typed with keystone of brick. Similar hoods are found on 18 Washington Ave E and 24 Washington Ave E. The corbeled frieze and pressed metal cornice with identification pediments are fine examples of the period. The availability of pre-fabricated details is demonstrated by the fact that Mr. Cramer was able to get a matching cornice six years later though the pediment is a slightly different shape. (See con't. sheet)

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story brick, metal cornice, "General Store", "Offices" on second
East side of site is empty lot
1891 Two story brick, metal cornice on both sides, West 1/2= Same,
East 1/2= "Hardware", "Tin Shop" on second
1899 West 1/2= "Dry Goods", East 1/2= "Hardware"
1907 Same
1913 Iron posts have replaced brick wall between the two halves, West 1/2= "Dry Goods",
East 1/2= "Clothing"
1922 & 1933 Show one large "Store"
In 1902 R.O. Cramer installed new "modern" fronts on each of the three "rooms" and added steam heat.

SOURCES: Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
The Tuesday (Albia) Union. 25 Feb 1902, p 4 c 1, Item on new store fronts.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE CON"T.

The first floor store front is of interest though it is much later in date. It represents a standardized J.C. Penney design from the 1930's with yellow and black glazed tile on the front. The floor of the recessed entrance has small red and black tile, and in the center is a black and white tile panel· "J.C. Penney Company".



General View of the Three R.O. Cramer Buildings
Roll 2, frame 1
Looking SE

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH WEST ROOM

1870	Frame 2-story commercial building w/advertising sign (firm name illegible) for "Queensware" earthenware table dishes (antique photo reproduced in Chautauqua Homecoming Booklet; 1911; n p).
1883	Frame 2-story commercial building. Ed McDonald grocery and second hand. Owned by Barbara Cramer. (Local research; David Johnson)
1884	Present room constructed (pediment language)
1891	Dry Goods.
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1939- 1984	J C Penney's (local research, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

These rooms remained in the Cramer family for many years. R O Cramer "wouldn't think of selling the building" and the property remained in his estate into the 1970s. (Local informant; Ruth Hollingshead)

These two rooms are included as one building because of their long life as one commercial unit.

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH EAST ROOM

1870	Frame 2-story commercial building w/advertising sign "Drug Store" (Antique photo reproduced in Chautuaqua Homecoming Booklet; n p).
1883	Frame 2-story commercial building; R O Cramer general store (local research; David Johnson)
1886	Vacant lot
1890	Present room constructed (pediment language)
1891	Hardware; tin shop second floor
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Clothing store
1922	Use not listed; west and east rooms opened so as to make one large room
1933	Use not listed
1939- 1984	J C Penney's Store (local research; David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-18 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

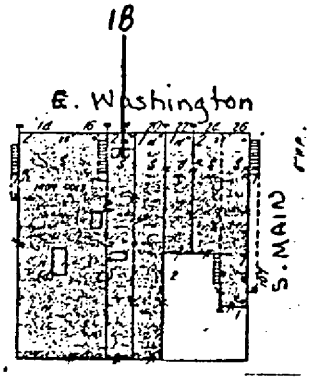
Identification

1. **Site Name** R O CRAMER BUILDING
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 18 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 11 E part of Lot 3
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** David and LaVerne J. Arminger
7. **Owner(s) Address** 18½ Washington Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Catalog Store Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1890 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted gray, windows in panels between brick pilasters, brick hoodmolds, corbeled frieze, pressed metal cornice w/ pediment, vertical boards above first floor windows.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 8 View Looking S



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a good example of Type 3 and is a companion site to 14-16 Washington Ave E. The second floor treatment is identical with brick pilasters between the windows, embellished segmental arched brick hoodmolds, and corbeled brick frieze. The pressed metal cornice is of different design, as is the identification pediment. The altered store front detracts, but is not intrusive.

See notation on 14 Washington Ave E concerning 1902 store front alteration.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Empty lot
1891 Two story brick, metal cornice, "Millinery"
1899 "Dry Goods"
1907 Same
1913 "Hardware"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1870	Frame 2-story commercial building w/advertising sign "GROCERIES/BILL SHAW." (Antique photo reproduced in 1911 Chautauqua Homecoming Booklet; n p).
1886	Vacant lot
1890	Present Building (Cornice language)
1891	Millinery
1899	Dry goods
1907	Same
1913	Hardware
1922	Hardware
1946-1959	Coast to Coast Store
19??-1984	Sears

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-20 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

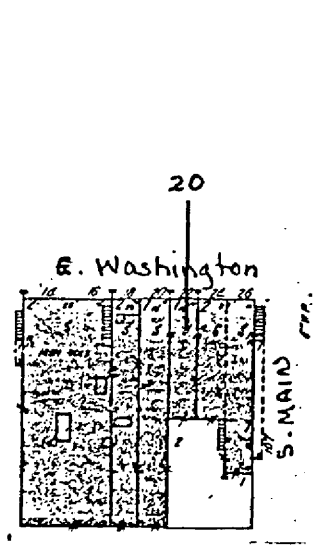
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 20 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 11 W 16½' Lot 2
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Henry, Jr. and Betty L. Fosenberg
7. Owner(s) Address 16th Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present T.V. Store/Fabric Shop Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted green and beige, metal cornice removed, brickwork on frieze is varied, a band of corbeling, a band of panels, a row of saw-tooth.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information [illegible] statement)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is one of only three examples of Type 6 design on the Square. Like 10 S. Main it dates before 1886. The loss of the original store front detracts but the present entrance is recessed, so part of the original character is retained. The brickwork is typical of its period and lends the integrity necessary to make this a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Single story brick, metal cornice, "Groceries"
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.

- ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Other

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1870	Frame 2-story commercial building w/o advertising sign (Antique photo circa 1870; Chautauqua Homecoming Booklet; 1911; n p).
1883	T G Moore Grocery
1886	Present building; groceries
1891	Same
1895	Joseph McInnis , grocer, "in business one year" (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County; p 300).
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1949	Tate's Market (local research, David Johnson)
1959- 1983	Mode O'day ladies clothing (local research, David Johnson)
1983- 1984	Bud's TV Sales & Marilyn's Fabrics (local research, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-22 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

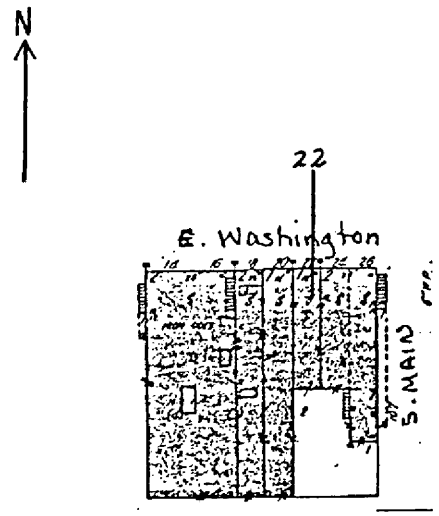
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 22 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 11 E 16½' Lot 2
   (Urban, Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Joanna C. Hendrickson
7. **Owner(s) Address** 505 Grand Avenue (Street address) Spencer (City) IA (State) 51301 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Hardware Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1886-91 Architect Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Lower part of facade has been altered but retains recessed entry. Upper part of facade has new brick veneer.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (indicate sources of information statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is one of three Type 6 buildings facing the Square and originally was probably similar in design to 20 Washington Ave E next door. Alterations have totally changed the structure making it a non-contributing building.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Empty lot
1891 Single story brick, metal cornice, "Harness"
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1870	Fram one-story; (antique photo reproduced in 1911 Chautauqua Homecoming Booklet; n p).
1883	Henry Varner harness shop burns (Weekly Albia Union; 6 July 1883).
1886	Vacant lot
1891	Present building; harness shop
1895	Henry Varner Harness begins again (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County; p 300).
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Same building; use not listed
1933	Same building
	Fisher Shoe Store Charles Long Shoe Store (local informants) Boyd Smart Shoe Shoe
1954- 1959	A & A Shoe Store (local research; David Johnson)
1959- ?	A & A (local research; David Johnson)

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-24 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. **Site Name** E.W. Byers Building
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 24 Wasnington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 11 Lot 1
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Robert Eugene and Betty Jane Castings
7. **Owner(s) Address** R.R. #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Hardware Original Commercial

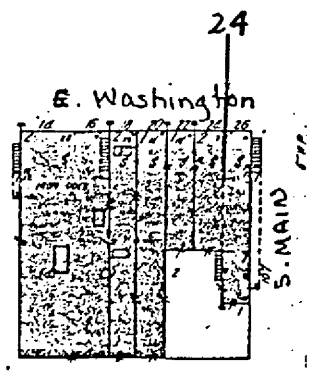
Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1883 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?

Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Facade windows recessed in arched panels, brick hoodmolds, sawtooth panel, corbeled brieze, metal cornice has been removed. Store front altered but retained recessed entries, new wrought iron stairs and balconies (originally had wooden balcony).

16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other Brick sidewalk along east side also dates to 1883.

18. Map



19. Photo
    Roll 2 Frame 7 View Looking SW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a good example of a Type 3 building. The windows on both the primary and secondary facades have the embellished segmental arched brick hoodmolds with brick keystones like those found on the R.O. Cramer buildings. Here the arch is repeated in the tops of the recessed panels and in the corbeled frieze.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice, wooden exterior stairs, West 1/2= "Grocery", East 1/2= "Bakery & Restaurant", second floor- "Office, Hall & Dwelling"
1891 Same
1899 West 1/2= "Meat", East 1/2= "Boots & Shoes"
1907 Same, but with wooden porch across front and east side
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.

3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1870 Harness shop; W K Hardenbrook. (local research; David Johnson)

1883 Present building.

"E. W. Byers built sidewalk at his business on southeast corner of square." (Weekly Albia Union; 1883).

Butterfield and Henton's drug store burned on south side. Byers new brick would have bruned if not for the fire boys. Phillips and Walker grocery and T G Moore suffered slight damage. (Weekly Albia Union; 6 July 1883).

1886 Restaurant & bakery/east room; grocery/west room

1891 Same

1893 G N Ewers boots & shoes/east room (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County; p 300. G N Ewers in present business 2 years.)

1899 Meat/west; E N Ewers and Sons/east.

1907 Meat/west/ Boots & shoes/east

1911 Ewers by street

1913 Meat/west/ boots & shoes/east

1922 Use not listed

1933 Use not listed

1949 Ben Franklin (David Johnson, local informant)

1957 Albia Variety Store (David Johnson, local informant)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-108 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

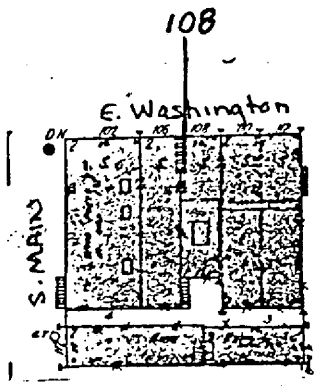
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 108 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 12 Part of Lot 3 and Part of Lot 4
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s)** W.K. Cash, 1706 Benton Avenue E, Albia, IA 52531
7. **Owner(s)** Peoples National Bank, 102 S. Main, Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Offices Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1899-1907 Architect Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☒ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Stone veneer on lower facade.
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Segmental arched windows, corbeled brick frieze. Metal cornice removed.
    First floor alterations (doors, windows, veneer) circa 1970.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19 Photo Roll 5 Frame 26 View Looking SW



Significance

(Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Building material and scale are consistent with the district. Restoration of the first floor facade would make this a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Two story brick, metal cornice. West 1/2=Grocery; East 1/2=Printing
1913 Same, West 1/2=Restaurant; East 1/2=Printing
1922 Same, West 1/2=Unlabeled; East 1/2=Restaurant
1933 Both sides=Store

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933.

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Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   a. _____
   b. _____
   c. _____
   d. _____
   e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Vacant Lot
1899	Vacant lot
1907	Grocery
1913	Printing
1922	Restaurant
1933	Use not listed
1948-57	Floyds Shoe Store (David Johnson, local informant)
1957-59+	Edwards Shoe Store (David Johnson, local informant)

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-112 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

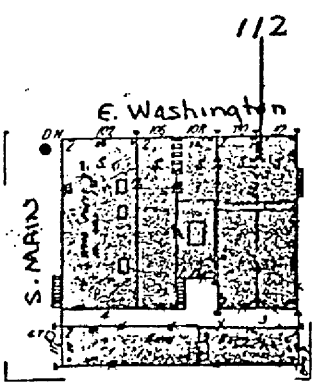
Identification

1. Site Name
2. **Village Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 112 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 12 Part of Lot 3
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Michael W. and Julia M. Ogle
7. **Owner(s) Address** 421 North 8th Street (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1922-33 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick has been painted red with white trim. Corbeled brick cornice.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements.)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Scale and building material are consistent with the district and keep this from being an intrusion.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Appears for the first time on the 1933 Sanborn.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Frame dwelling
1899	Second Hand merchandise in house Feed mill in southeast corner of Block 12's northwest quadrant
1907	Entire lot facing Washington Avenue East is vacant of building
1913	Vacant lot on alley Auto building situated on other half lot
1922	Small building for auto sales on alley Building for vulcanizing on west lot
1933	Present building in place (both rooms).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-114 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

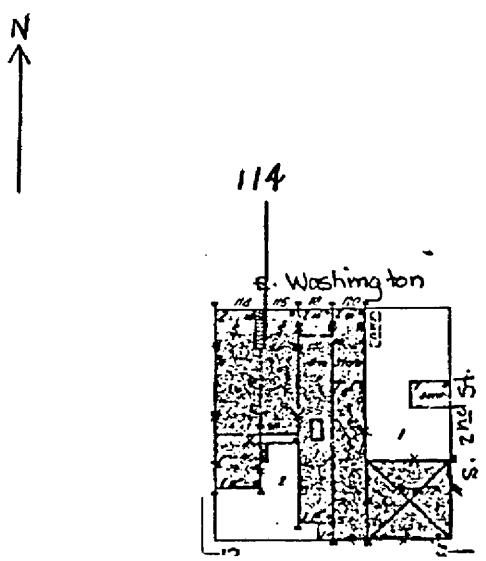
Identification

1. Site Name E.M. Noble Block
2. Village Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 114 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 12 W 44' Lot 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Max E. Nicoletto
7. Owner(s) Address 221 South A Street (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Second Hand Store Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1901 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted gray and repointed, twin oriels with polygonal metal roofs and finials, brick cornice & round arched pediment, recessed entries.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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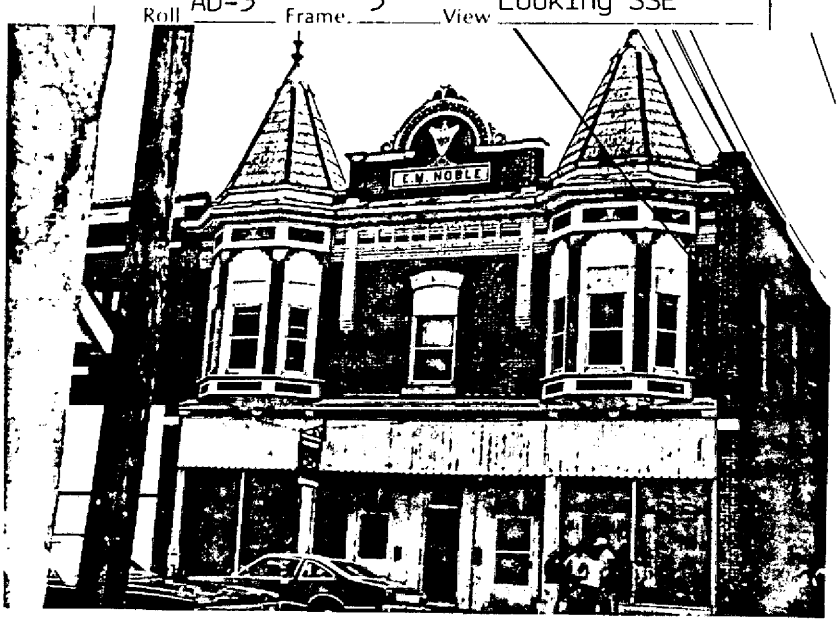

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- [X] a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a fine example of Type 4, commercial Queen Anne, design. The polygonal roofed oriels are the outstanding feature, but the corbeled cornice and round arched brick pediment with cast concrete panels are also noteworthy. Recessed entry is typical of the type. The few alterations which have been made are reversible.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- [ ] a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- [X] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame dwelling
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Two story brick, double store front, frame oriels, West 1/2= ?
East 1/2= "Grocery"
1913 West 1/2= "Office", East 1/2= "Vacant"
1922 West 1/2= "Printing", East 1/2= "Store"
1933 Both sides= "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - [ ] County Resource File
   - [ ] Windshield Survey
   - [ ] National Register
   - [ ] Grants-In-Aid:
   - [ ] Determination of Eligibility
   - [ ] Review and Compliance Project:
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other

2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Frame dwelling
1891	Same
1899	Same
1901	"E. M. Noble/1901" (language in pediment).
1907	West room: Tea and Queensware; D & W Tea Company East room: Grocery
1913	West room: vacant East room: office
1922	West room: Printing East room: Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1959	Albia Monument Company in west room. (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County; 1959).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)



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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-122 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

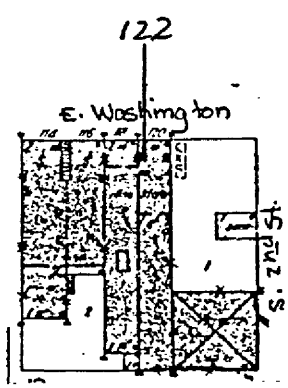
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 122 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 12 W 22' Lot 1 and E 22' Lot 2
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** W.K. Cash and Verda A. Cash
7. **Owner(s) Address** 1706 Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Glove Company Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Unornamented oriel window. Brick painted red and repointed. Alterations to all first floor doors and windows
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☒ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other Single story brick garage (1907-13).
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 5 Frame 20 View Looking SW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. Architectural significance

☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
☐ b. Contributing structure
☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a marginal Type 4 structure, the oriel window being the only feature of interest. Alterations to first floor impair the integrity.

Theme(s) COMMERCE

21. **Historical Significance**

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☐ b. Contributing structure
☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame dwelling
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Single story brick, "Vacant"
1913 Two story brick, double store front, West 1/2= "Repository", East 1/2= "Flour & Feed"
1922 Both sides= "Store"
1933 "One Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
☐ County Resource File
☐ Windshield Survey
☐ National Register
☐ Grants-In-Aid:
☐ Determination of Eligibility

2. Subject Traces
a.
b.
c.

☐ Review and Compliance Project:
☐ Other
☐ Other
☐ Other

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)



Roll 5, fr 19 Looking SW

Garage attached to rear of 122 Washington Ave E. Brick has been painted red. Segmental arched windows. Shown for the first time on the 1913 Sanborn map, "Private Garage".

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-124 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

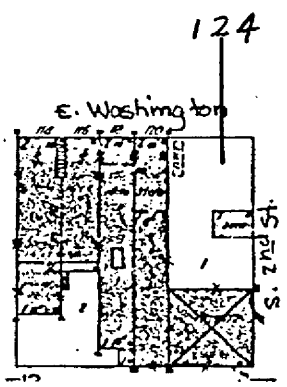
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 124 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 12 N 66' of E 44' Lot 1
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name W.K. Cash and Verda A. Cash
7. Owner(s) Address 1706 Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Glove Company Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction Post World War II Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☒ other Concrete Block
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Windows have been blocked in.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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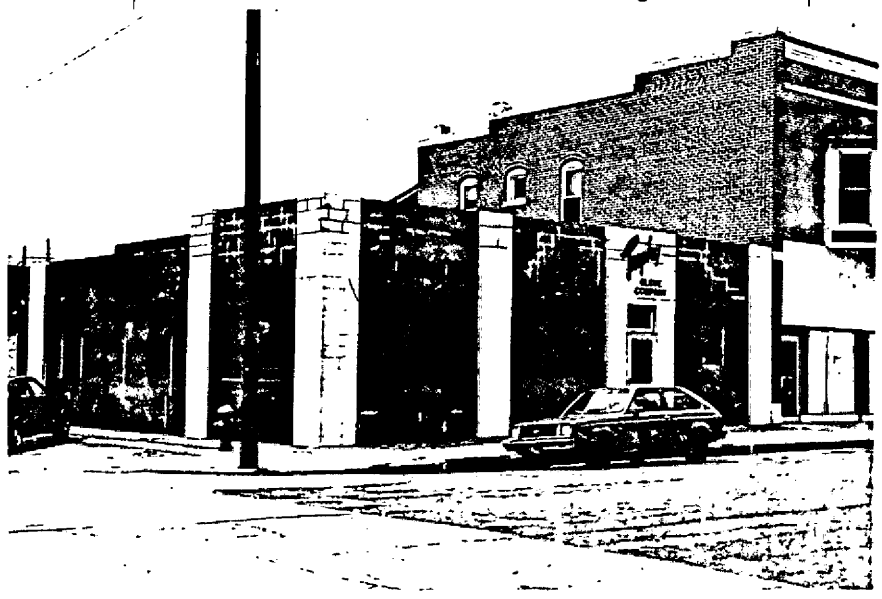

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements.)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The construction of this building postdates the period of significance for the Albia Square and Business District. The building is included in the district for the sake of regular boundary lines.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-115 Wash. Ave. E.
District Name
Map Reference #

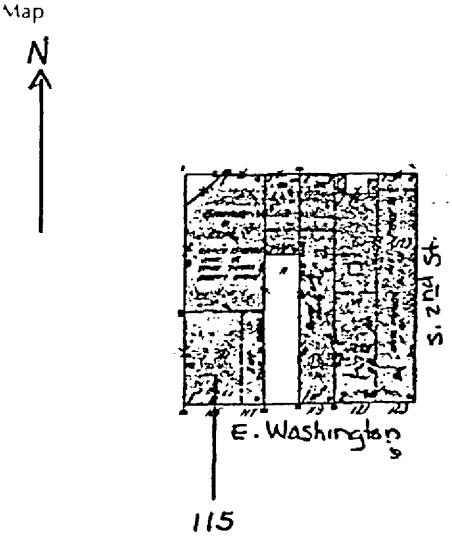
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 115 Washington Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 W part Lot 11
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Goode Seed and Feed Company, Inc.
7. Owner(s) Address 117 Washington Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Seed and Feed Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1922-33 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Lower facade has been altered with pent roof, vertical siding, and concrete block veneer below windows. Tile block wing on rear.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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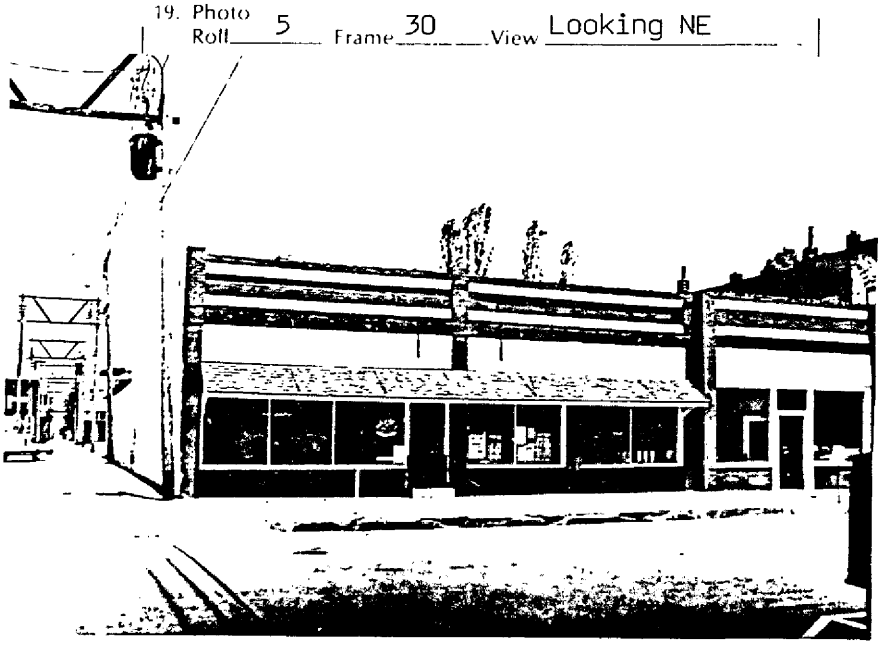

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a late example of a Type 6 building with altered facade. Scale and building material are consistent with the district, and it is not intrusive, but it is a non-contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame dwelling
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 Single story brick (narrow), "Store", rear= "Farm Implements"
1933 Single story brick in present form, "Store", rear= "Garage & Repairs"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   a. _____
   b. _____
   c. _____
   d. _____
   e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Frame dwelling
1891	Same
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Present building in place
1933	Same
1959	Goode Seed & Feed Company (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County; 1959.

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Local custom has called the 100 Block of Washington Avenue East "the farm block" for many years. This useage reflects historically the commercial nature of the area as well as some of its present commercial business. (Local informant, Ann Miletich).

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-117 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

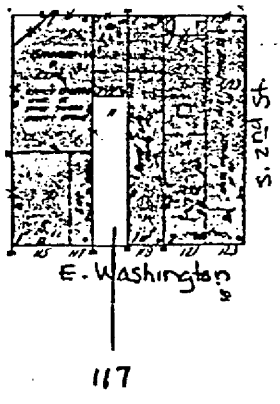
Identification

1. Site Name
2. **Village Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 117 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 7 E part Lot 11
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Goode Seed and Feed Company, Inc.
7. **Owner(s) Address** 117 Washington Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Seed and Feed Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** After 1933 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted gray with white trim, vertical siding above the windows.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 5 Frame 31 View Looking N



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements.)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a late example of Type 6 building.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame Dwelling
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 1 1/2 story frame, "Mission" and "Cobbler"
1933 Empty lot

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Frame dwelling
1891	Same
1899	Same
1907	Same
1913	Same
1922	Room abutting alley at west is built. Frame dwelling is adaptively reused: east half as a cobbler's shop; west half as a social service agency ("Mission").
1933	Present building in place. Automobile repair.

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

This property is a good example of the Albia business district expanding and enveloping residential property. The adaptive reuse of the dwelling on this site clearly illustrates the transition from residential to commercial land use in Washington Avenue East.

Local custom has called the 100 Block of Washington Avenue East "the farm block" for many years. This useage reflects historically the commercial nature of the area as well as some of its present commercial business. (Local informant, Ann Miletich).

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-119 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

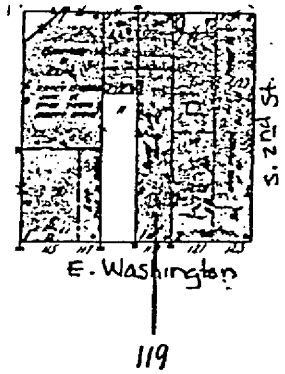
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 119 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 7 W 22' Lot 12
   (Urban / Rural) (subdivision / township) (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Monroe County Farm Bureau, Inc.
7. **Owner(s) Address** 119 Washington Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Insurance Office Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1913-22 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Facade has been altered with vertical aluminum siding, pent roof and glass bricks.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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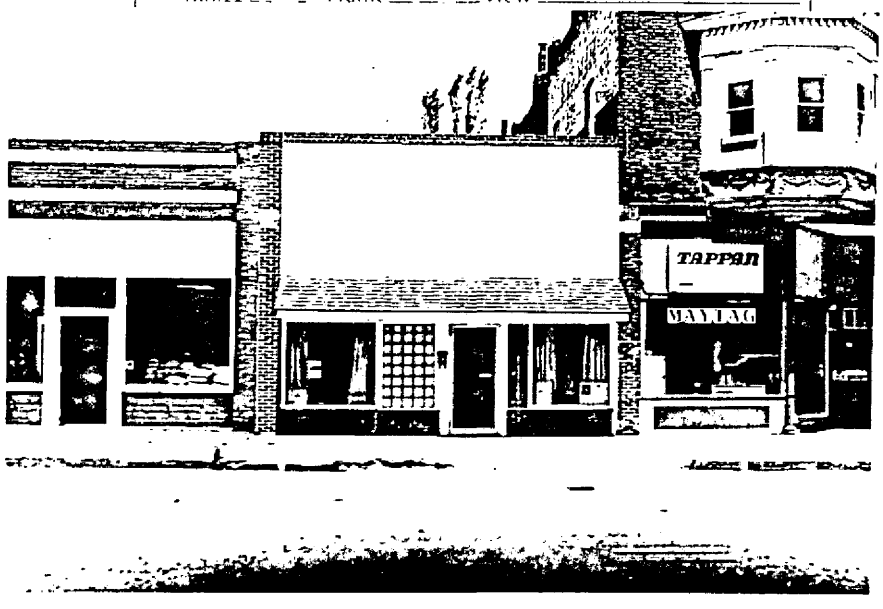

Significance

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Alterations to the Type 6 building make it a non-contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Single story frame dwelling
1907 Empty lot
1913 Same
1922 Single story brick, "Garage"
1933 "Auto Repair"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - b. _____
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   - d. _____
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3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Vacant lot
1899	Frame Dwelling
1907	Vacant lot
1913	Dwelling
1922	Garage
1933	Automobile repair

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Local custom has called the 100 Block of Washington Avenue East "the farm block" for many years. This useage reflects historically the commercial nature of the area as well as some of its present commercial business. (Local informant, Ann Miletich).

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-121 Wash Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

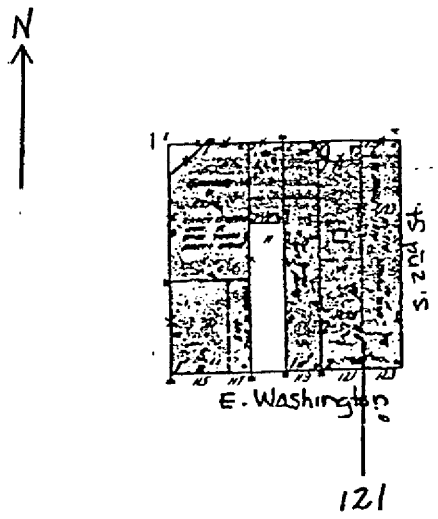
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 121 Washington Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 7 E 44' Lot 12
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s)** Kim R. & Jeanne S. Howie, 121 Washington Ave E, Albia, IA 52531
7. **Owner(s)** Rollin D. & Gladys A. Orr, 322 Benton Ave E, Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Appliance Store Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Cast iron columns of store front intact, recessed entry, paneled brick frieze, three oriel windows with Adam festoons. Vertical siding above windows.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 5 Frame 33 View Looking NW



Significance (Indicate sources of information)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a very good example of a Type 4 building in relatively unaltered condition. Minimal changes have been made to the store front and these are reversible. The Adam style festoons on the oriels provide a light touch on an otherwise heavy brick building. The use of a paneled rather than corbeled frieze is uncommon in Albia. The advertising painted on the east elevation is the only extant example of this type of signage in the community.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information

1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Single story frame dwelling
1907 Two story brick, three frame oriels, "Flour and Feed"
1913 West 1/2= "Vacant", East 1/2= "Flour and Feed"
1922 Both sides= "Store"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Vacant lot
1899	Frame dwelling
1907	New Building Flour and feed in east room. Room extends to alley on north. West room does not extend as far north as east room.
1913	West Room vacant Flour and feed in east room.
1922	Use not listed
1933	Feed in west room
1959	Kerr Manufacturing Company (David Johnson, local informant)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

The east wall of this building has an interesting advertisement. An early ad mentions "The Golden Eagle." A later ad mentions Union Feed Company. The later ad is painted over the earlier but faded and peeling paint reveal "The Golden Eagle."

Local custom has called the 100 block of Washington Avenue East "the farm block" for many years. This useage reflects historically the commercial nature of the area as well as some of its present commercial business. (Local informant, Ann Miletich).

Farm products and their retailing relies on intention buying rather than drop-in customers. For this reason, seed and feed stores often locate in off-the-square buildings with lower footage rent. "The Farm Block" denotes the cluster of these businesses in Albia.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-9 Second Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

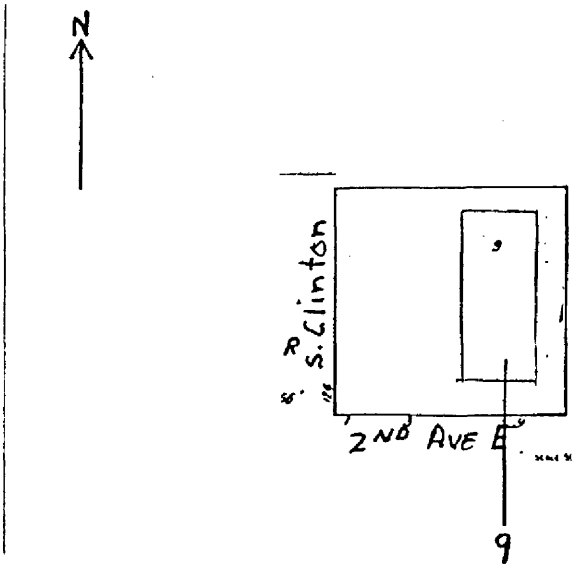
Identification

1. **Site Name** Geyer Funeral Home
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 9 Second Ave E
4. **Legal Location** Third Survey Blk 11 Lots 9 and 12
   Urban Rural: subdivision township block range parcel section subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** John D. and Debra K. Nordstrom
7. **Owner(s) Address** 9 Second Ave E Albia IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Funeral Home Original Funeral Home

Description

9. **Date of Construction** Post 1960 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☒ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The construction of this building postdates the period of significance for the Albia Square and Business District. The building is included in the district for the sake of regular boundary lines.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-12 Second Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. Site Name
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 12 Second Ave E
4. **Legal Location** Block 21 Lot 2 Northeast Corner
   (Urban: Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name**
7. **Owner(s) Address** (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Apartments Original Apartments?

Description

9. **Date of Construction** Post WW II Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☒ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map

19. Photo
    Roll Frame View

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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) _____

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible.intrusion

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Prepared by_____ Date_____

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization_____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
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   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
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   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

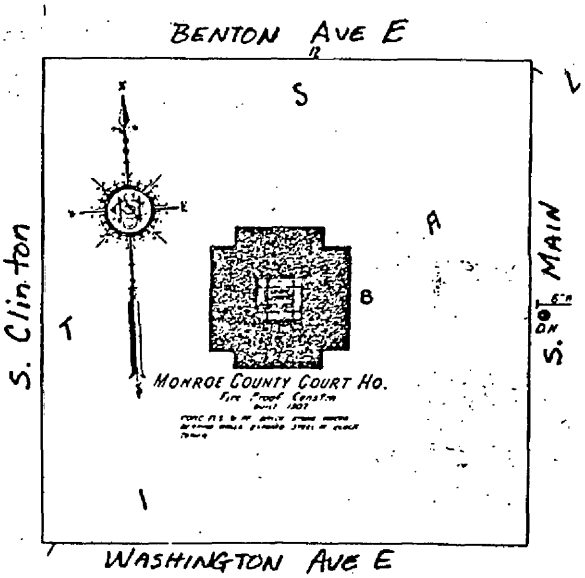
Site Number 68-002-001
District Name
Map Reference #

1. Site Name Monroe County Courthouse
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address Public Square
4. Legal Location Original Town 8
   (Urban, Rural) (subdivision township) (block range) (parcel section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone 15 easting 516200 northing 4541800 ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Monroe County Board of Supervisors
7. Owner(s) Address Courthouse (Street address) Albia (City) Iowa (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Courthouse Original Courthouse

Description

9. Date of Construction 1902/03 Architect/Builder Arch: Oliver O. Smith, Des Moines Bldr: James Rowson & Sons
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☒ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☒ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Rusticated sandstone
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☒ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Tower restoration project 1983/84, architect Richard Doak, Hedrick. Windows repaired/replaced, copper elements replaced. General repointing.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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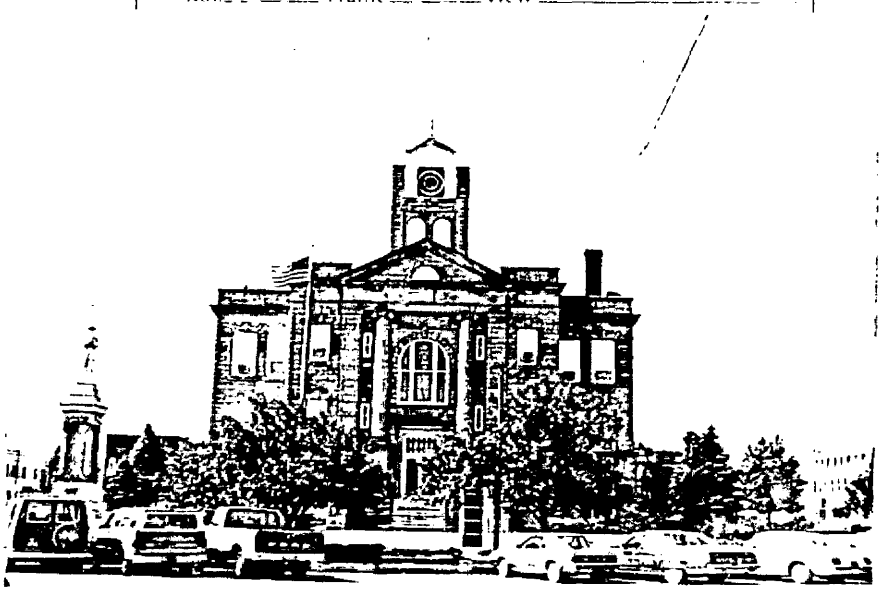

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register Entered on NRHP 2 July 1981

☐ b. Contributing structure

☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The individual significance of the courthouse has been recognized. The significance of the building in terms of the district is two-fold: It provides the visual focus; and it introduced a new building material (stone) and new decorative elements (neo-classical) into the community. The influence of this structure is reflected in the facades of commercial buildings in the district throughout the first quarter of the twentieth century.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) _____

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register

☐ b. Contributing structure

☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Thematic Courthouse Nomination, SHPO, Des Moines

Pratt, LeRoy. The Counties and Courthouses of Iowa. Mason City, IA: Klipto Printing and Office Supply Co., 1977.

Stanek, Edward and Jacqueline. Iowa's Magnificent County Courthouses. Des Moines: Wallace-Homestead Book Co., 1976.

Prepared by: Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property

☐ County Resource File

☐ Windshield Survey

☐ National Register

☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____

☐ Determination of Eligibility

☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____

☐ Other _____

☐ Other _____

☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces

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3. Photo Images _____



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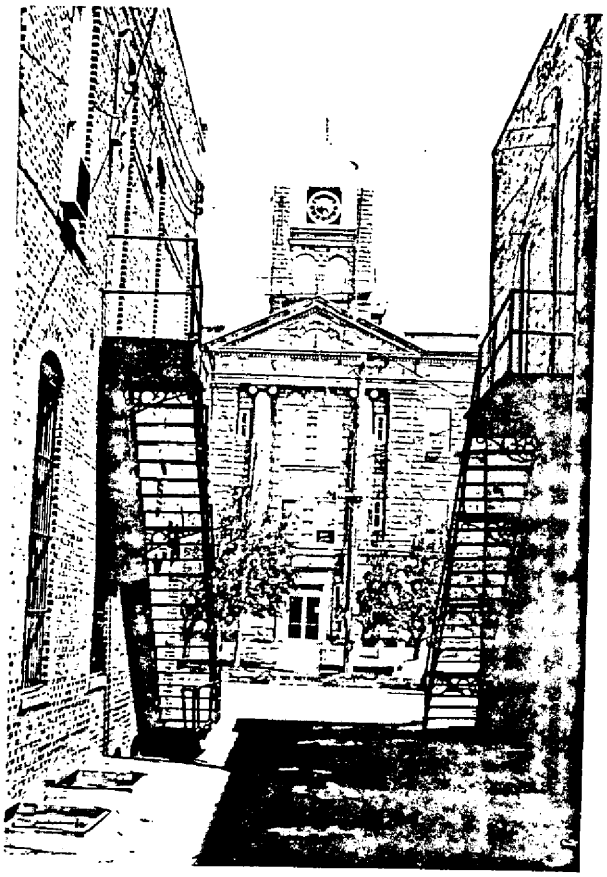

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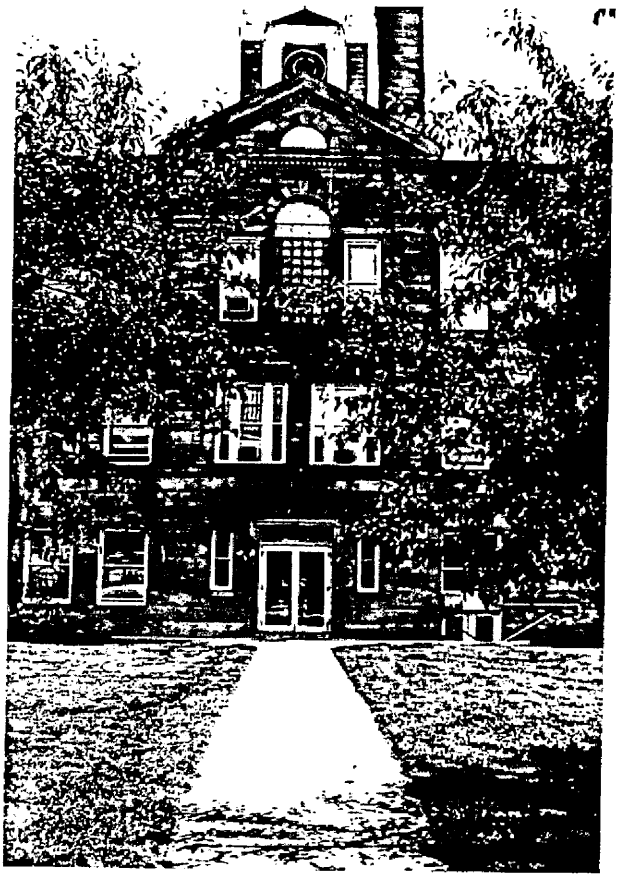

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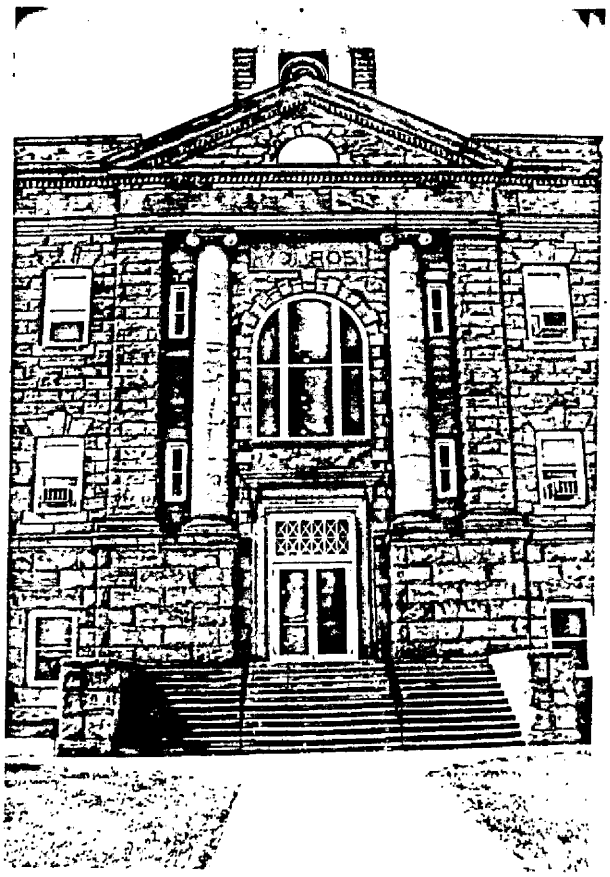

Roll 7, fr 16, Looking S

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Division of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
26 E. Market St., Iowa City, Iowa 52240

Site Number 68-002-001

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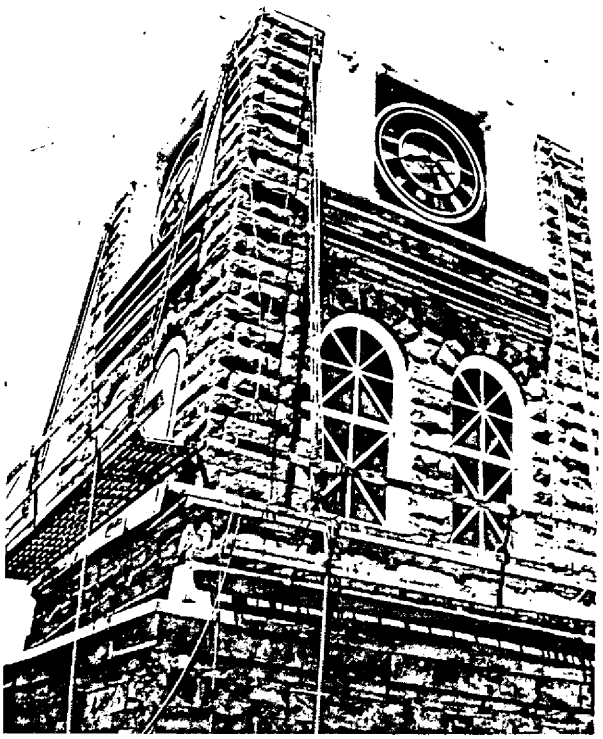

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Roll 7, fr 15, Looking S

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-10 "A" Ave W
District Name
Map Reference #

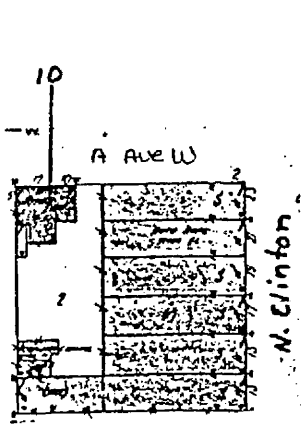
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 10 "A" Ave W
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 4 Part of N½ Lot 2
   (Urban: Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name United Auto Workers, Local No. 390, Region 4
7. Owner(s) Address 10 A Avenue W (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present U.M.W. Hall Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1907-13 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☒ other Rusticated concrete block
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Concrete block has been painted.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☒ other Brick Street

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is one of a handful of buildings in the community constructed of a local building material, rusticated concrete block.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
Does not appear on maps from 1886, 1891, 1899 or 1907.
1913 Single story concrete block, "Meat" and "Jewelry"
1922 "Barber shop"
1933 Not legible.

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
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   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Vacant lot
1899	Vacant lot
1907	Present building; use not listed
1913	Same; use not listed
1922	Same; use not listed
1933	Same; use not listed

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

The concrete block used in construction is probably a local, Albia product. The Noble family of Albia engaged in several building occupations. Ira Noble was a building contractor;* his brother, Alvis E Noble,was owner of a concrete block plant in Albia. Together these brothers popularized the use of cement and concrete products in Albia. A E Noble built the Noble-Kendall House on Benton Avenue East in 1907 for his family residence (NRHP). It too features concrete block and other cement products.

*Informant Interview: Ruth Hollingshead (Albia, IA) w/W C Page; Winter 1983.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-108 "A" Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

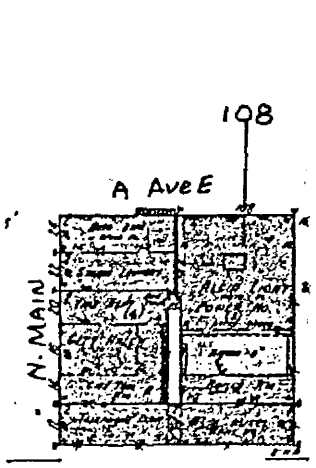
Identification

1. Site Name POWERHOUSE
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 108 "A" Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 Part of Lots 3 and 4
   (Urban: Rural) (subdivision township) (block range) (parcel section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Albia Light & Railway Co., 10 N. Main, Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) Southern Iowa Railway and Light Co., c/o Albia Light & Railway Co.
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Utility Plant Original Albia Light and Railroad Company Power House

Description

9. Date of Construction 1910 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☒ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Wood posts and trusses
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Some windows on facade have been bricked in, partially or entirely.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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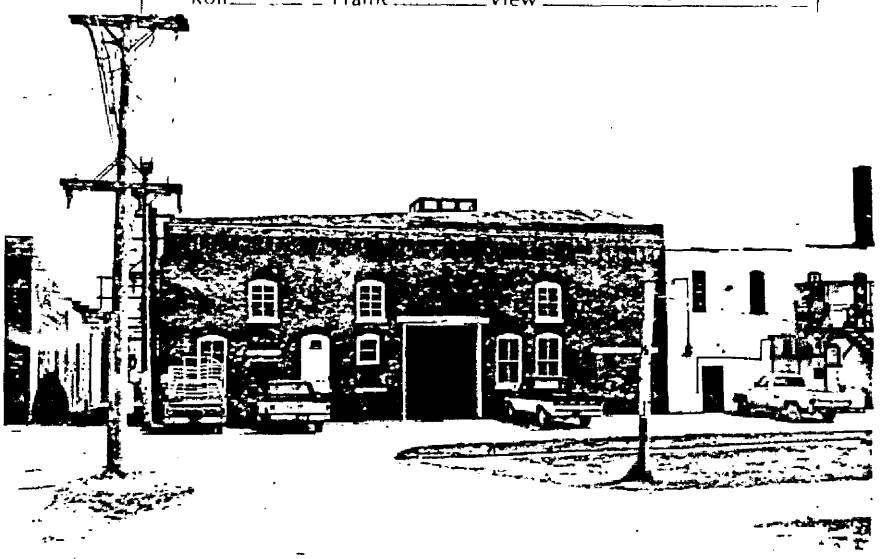

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Purely utilitarian design without decorative elements.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 One story brick on north 1/3 of lot "Albia Electric Light Co."
1907 Same
1913 Two story brick "Albia Interurban Railway Co. Power House"
1922 Same
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
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   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886 Vacant

1891 Vacant

1899 One story brick building w/water tower. Occupies approximately north third of lot.

1910 Present power house is built. "In 1910 a new brick powerhouse and a brick carbarn were built just a short distance from the Public Square in Albia." Iowa Trolleys; Bulleton 114; Central Electric Rail-fans' Association; 1975; p 181.

The building appears today substantially unaltered.

The Power House of the Albia Interurban Railway (Albia Light & Railway Company) calls direct attention to the success of the Albia Interurban as a commercial venture. Tracks were laid in Albia in 1907. The need for an enlarged power house indicates rider patronage and financial well being.

Also about 1910, an underpass was constructed under the CB&Q mainline on North Main so that the interurban from Hocking could connect directly with the interurban system in Albia proper. Before this time, riders had to transfer to the city line at the CB&Q depot, as the Hocking line could not pass over the CB&Q tracks.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Site Number 68-002-114 "A" Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

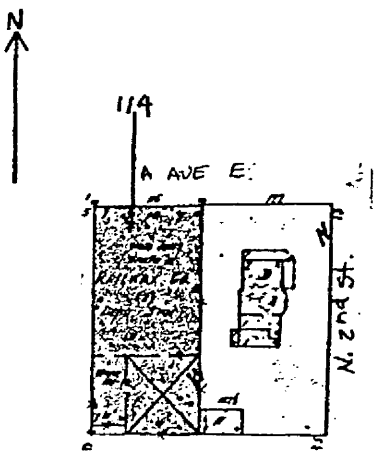
Identification

1. **Site Name** CAR BARN
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 114 "A" Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 6 Lot 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Monroe County Historical Society, c/O Henry Kolling
7. **Owner(s) Address** 114 A Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Historical Society Museum Original Albia Light & Railroad Company Interurban Car Barn

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1910 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Wood posts (3 rows)
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Corbeled brick cornice and brick pilasters. Garage doors have been partially filled in (reversible).
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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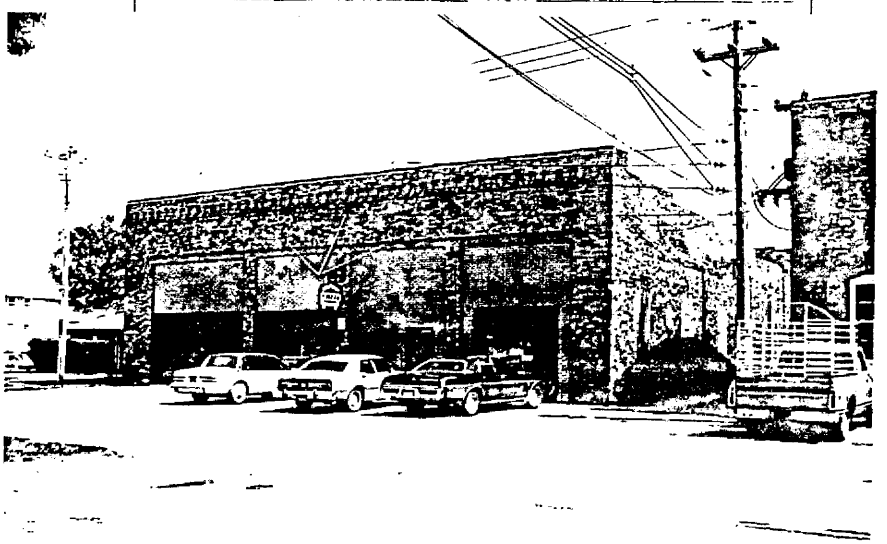

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a large example of a Type 6 building, straight forward and functional in design. The garage doors necessary for the interurban cars replace the store windows found on the more common Type 6 commercial buildings, but the simplicity of the over-all design remains constant. The brick piers structurally necessary betweeen the doors are treated as pilasters, and the cornice has a subdued corbeled pattern. While the function of this building is different from others in the district, the scale and material are consistent and it is a good contributing structure.

This building also serves as a good example of adaptive re-use. It has recently undergone interior rehabilitation for use as the Monroe County Historical Society Museum.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame "Laundry" and "Print shop"
1891 Empty lot
1899 One story frame dwelling
1907
1913 One story brick "Albia Interurban Railway Co. Car Barn"
1922 Same
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
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3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1910 Present car barn is built. "In 1910 a new brick powerhouse and a brick carbarn were built just a short distance from the Public Square in Albia." Iowa Trolleys; Bulletin 114; Central Electric Railfans' Association; 1975; p 181.

"ALBIA INTERURBAN RAILWAY/THE ALBIA LIGHT & RAILWAY COMPANY
"Consideration of an interurban railway was prompted by the lack of an efficient transportation system for the coal mining industry in the Albia area. By 1909 there were twenty mines within an eleven mile radius of town. These mines employed nearly 3600 men, most of whom needed transportation to and from work. The Wapello Coal Company, an affiliate of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, had a mine at Hiteman, northwest of Albia. A CB&Q branch, built in the 1890's provided only poor passenger service between these two towns. In Hocking, a few miles south of Albia, the Iowa Central Railway also owned a mine, the Hocking Coal Company. Here too, local passenger service on the steam road was inadequate.

"Albia businessmen, backed by Eastern capital, saw the possibility for electric railway service. An 'interurban madness' ran through the area. People wore buttons with the legend: 'I'm for the Albia Interurban--Are you?' Most of the button wearers were, however, in no financial position to buy stock in the Albia Interurban Railway which was incorporated during the excitement.

"Funds were secured, the railway built, and service began on December 18, 1907. A city line operated between the CB&Q depot and the Wabash and Minneapolis & St. Louis depots via downtown Albia. The two rural 'interurban' lines extended to Hiteman and Hocking. The Hiteman line was physically isolated from the city line and from the Hocking line as it terminated on the north side of the CB&Q tracks, across from the

depot. It remained isolated until an underpass was constructed under the CB&Q mainline and trackage was installed on North Main Street around 1910. Original rolling stock consisted of second-hand single-truck cars. Details of the original carbarn and power supply are not known...

"The decline of mining activity in the area after World War I along with increased use of the private automobile made the electric railway service increasingly unprofitable. City operations in Albia were suspended in 1922. The Hiteman line was abandoned in June, 1924. The Hocking line survived into 1925 when it too was abandoned. After abandonment the trackage within Albia was used by ISU's interurbans from Centerville until they also discontinued passenger service in 1933. Even so, the last rails were not torn out of Albia's streets until the 1940's. Upon abandonment in 1925, line car 1 was sold to ISU at Centerville. Car 12 was moved to ISU tracks at the east edge of Albia where it sat, incredibly, until about 1950 when it was finally scrapped. Just why this car survived so long is not clear at this late date.

"In 1974 the Albia Light & Railway Company continues to provide electric service to the Albia area. The 'Railway' in the corporate name has been an anachronism for nearly fifty years. The powerhouse and carbarn built in 1910 still stands..."

Iowa Trolleys; Bulletin 114; Central Electric Railfans' Association; 1975; p 180-81.

The Car Barn of the Albia Interurban Railway (Albia Light & Railway Company) calls direct attention to the success of the interurban as a commercial venture. The need for a car barn and an enlarged power house (both constructed 1910) indicates strong rider patronage and financial well being.

A spur from the interurban line on North Main Street led into the car barn. There was no roundhouse as the cars were equipped to run either direction forward.

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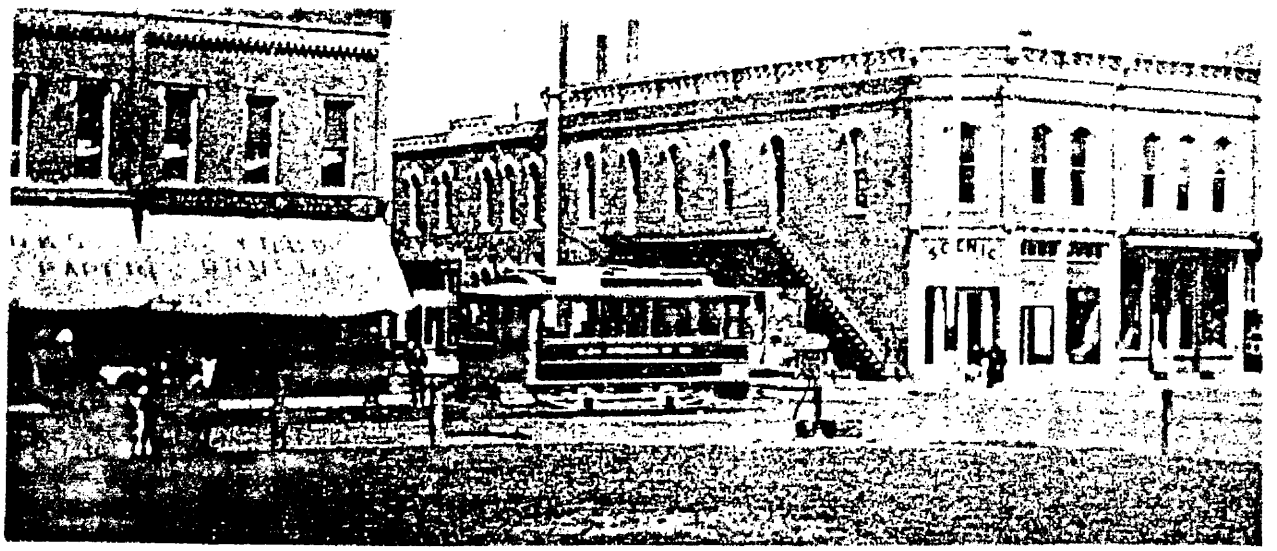
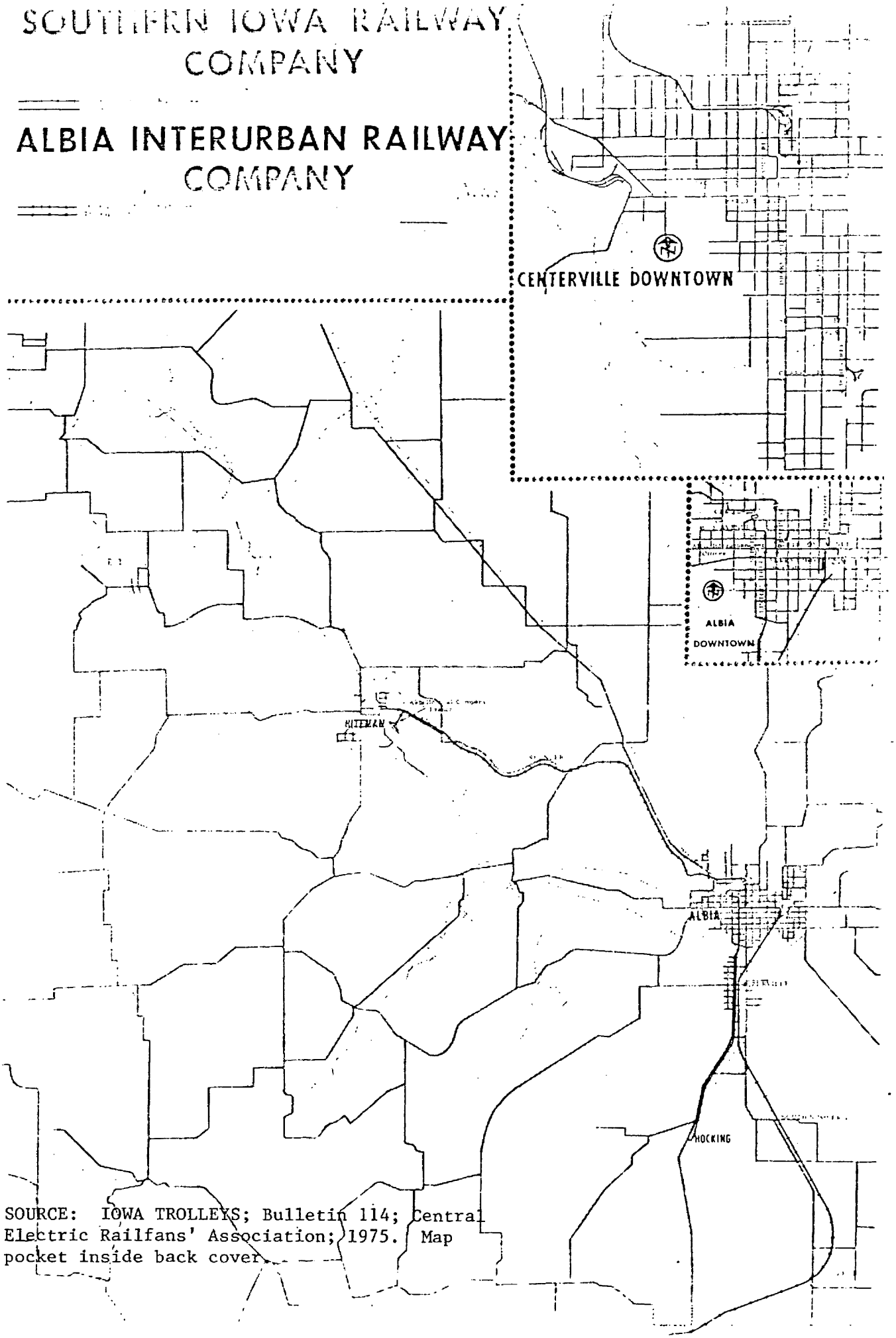


"The top photo is taken at the northeast corner of the public square, circa 1916."

Source: Iowa Trolleys; Bulletin 114; Central Electric Railfan's Assoc; 1975; p 182. Reproduces antique image.

Scenic Theater building is the present corporate office of the Albia Light and Railway Company.



SOURCE: IOWA TROLLEYS; Bulletin 114; Central Electric Railfans' Association; 1975. Map pocket inside back cover.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-9 Benton Ave W
District Name
Map Reference #

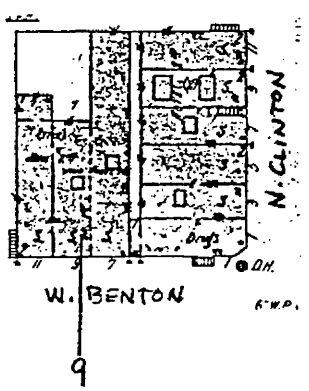
I. Identification

1. **Site Name** A.E. Noble Block
2. **Village Town City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 9 Benton Ave W
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 4 Lot 7
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Rex W. and Patricia L. Hagerman
7. **Owner(s) Address** 7½ N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Barber Shop/Garage Original Commercial/Hotel

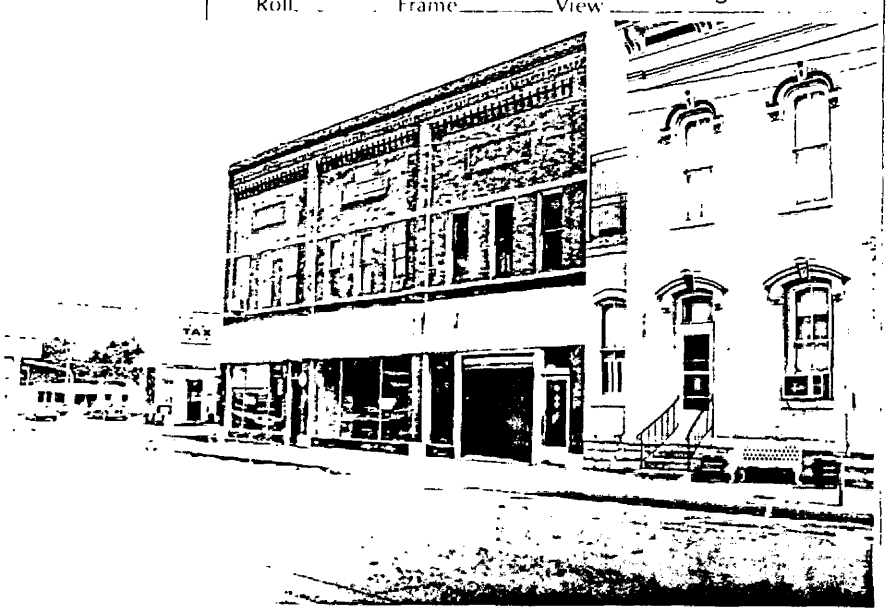
Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1905 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other Hollow tile, wood and iron posts
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Denticulated brick cornice, corbeled frieze, brick pilasters, rectangular panels, cast conrete stringcourses above/below windows, plywood above altered store windows.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy Garage door.
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 4 Frame 16 View Looking NW



Significance (Indicate sources of information in all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

☐ a. Key structure individually may quality for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a late example of a Type 3 building as it stresses craftsmanship rather than mass produced architectural elements. Cast concrete was used for the identification panel and string courses, but all other decoration is achieved through brick patterning. This is a simplified facade of the type that became very popular in the early part of this century.

Alvis Emmett Noble was also the builder of Noble-Kendall House (NRHP) at 209 Benton Ave E.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Three single story frame bldgs., "Grocery", "Millinery", "Office"
1891 Same, "Office", "Millinery", "Office"
1899 Same, "Millinery", "Flour and Feed", "Lunch"
1907 Two story brick (hollow tile) triple front "Arlington Hotel"
West 1/3= "Post Office", center 1/3= "Dining Room", East 1/3= "Office"
1913 West 1/3= "Post Office", East 2/3= "Furniture"
1922 West 1/3= "Post Office", East 2/3= "Store", "Hall" on second
1933 All three= "Store", "Hall" on second

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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The initials of Mr Noble's christian name stand for Alvis Emmett.

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☐ Other
☐ Other
☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images

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COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	West: grocery middle: millinery east: office	separate frame buildings
1891	Same	
1896	Middle: Miss C Hamilton Millinery	" "
1899	West: Millinery Middle: Flour and feed East: lunch	" "
1907	Present Building West room: post office Middle room: dining room East room: office Entire second floor: Arlington Hotel	
1913	West room: post office Middle room: furniture East room: furniture	
1922	West room: post office Middle room: use not listed East room: use not listed Second floor: hall	
1933	Uses not listed	
1959	T V repair; Roy Brooke Motor (David Johnson, local informant)	
1984	Dick's Barber shop; Roy Brooke Motors (David Johnson, local informant)	

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Site Number 68-002-1 Benton Ave W
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

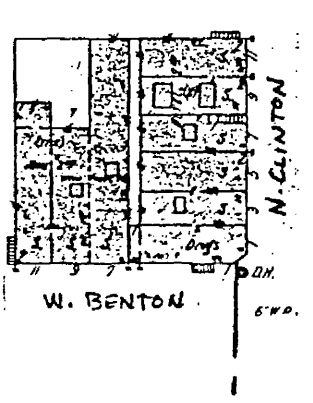
1 Site Name National Bank Block
2 Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 1 Benton Ave W
4 Legal Location First Survey Blk 4 S 66' Lot 8
(Urban/Rural) (subdivision/township) (block/range) (parcel/section) (subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)

5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Robert T. Bates, 1½ Benton Ave W, Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) Rex W. & Patricia L. Hagerman, 7½ N Clinton, Albia, IA 52531
(Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Lawyer's Office/Restaurant Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1875 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other Name and date on facade are modern.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Cast iron store front w/ Corinthian columns and pilasters remain, though some display windows partially blocked in, cast metal hoodmolds on first and second floors differ in design, pressed metal cornices first and second floors, chamfered entrance, brick painted yellow w/ white trim, oriel window on north 1/3 after 1908.
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 12 View Looking NW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- [x] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is among the least altered of the Type 2 structures in Albia and is representative of how elaborate a plain brick building could become with pre-fabricated architectural elements. The store fronts feature elegant Corinthian columns, especially appropriate on a chamfered entrance. The cast hoodmolds differ in design between the two floors. Those on the first are relatively simple and follow the shape of the segmental arched windows. Those on the second floor are flat with rounded corners, embossed designs, keystones and labels. Brick pilasters are used to define the limits of the store fronts at the second floor level and are topped by a corbeled brick cornice. The structure is capped by a pressed metal cornice with pediment over the chamfered corner. This is one of four impressive Type 2 buildings along Clinton which set the standards for commercial architecture in Albia.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- [ ] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [x] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, triple store front, metal cornice, chamfered corner, South 1/3= "Bank", "Barber" in basement, "Office" on second; Center 1/3= "Grocery", "Office" on second; North 1/3= "Grocery"
1891 Same
1899 Same, except Center 1/3= "Post Office and News"
1907 South 1/3= "Bank", Center 1/3= "Millinery and Music", North 1/3= "Drugs"
1913 South 1/3= "Bank", Center 1/3= "Meat", North 1/3= "Office"
1922 South 1/3= "Bank", Center 1/3= "Store", North 1/3= "Store"
1933 South 1/3= "Drugs", others = "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Albia of Today. Albia Business Men's Assoc. 1908/09.

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - [ ] County Resource File
   - [ ] Windshield Survey
   - [ ] National Register
   - [ ] Grants-In-Aid:
   - [ ] Determination of Eligibility
   - [ ] Review and Compliance Project:
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other
2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Present building; bank corner; grocery middle; grocery north.
1891	Same
1891	Same; post office and news in middle room; same
1907	Bank; millinery; drugs
1908	First National Bank;
1913	Bank; meat; office
1922	Bank; use not listed; use not listed
1933	Drugs; use not listed; use not listed.

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

This building housed several banking concerns over the years. The Monroe County Bank built the structure; later the Albia National Bank occupied the building; and the First National Bank also used these rooms.

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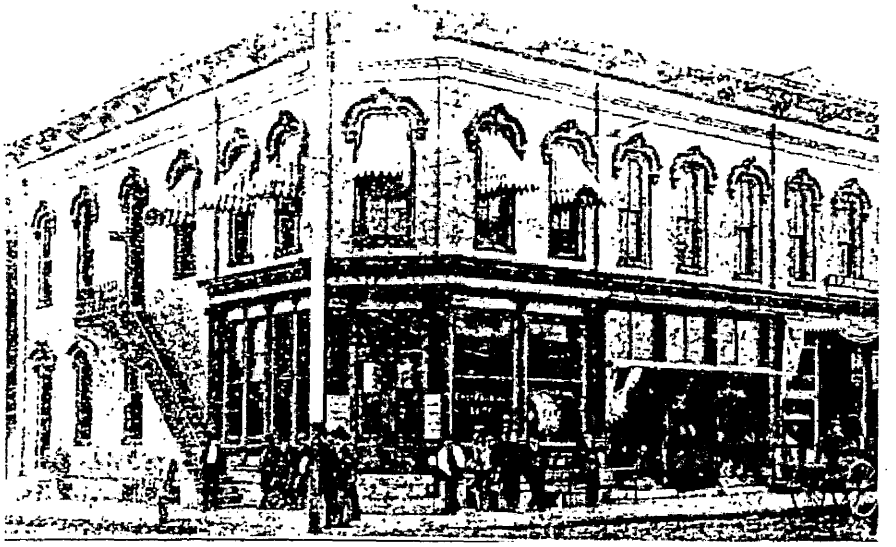
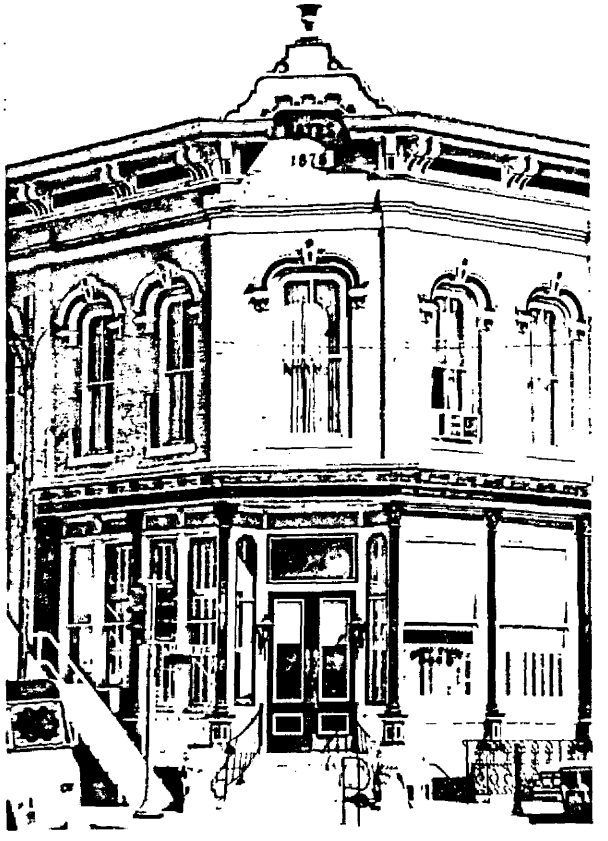


Illustration from Albia of Today (1908)
AD -2, frame 1



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Second Floor Window
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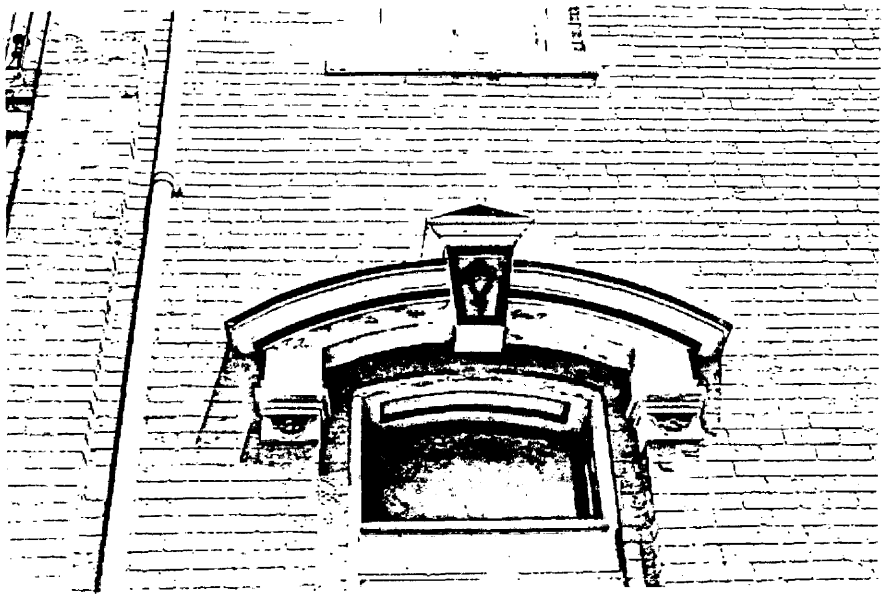


First Floor Window
AD -2, frame 35

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-3 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

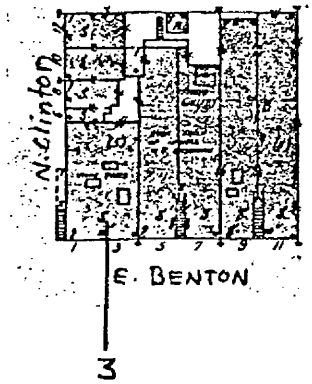
Identification

1. Site Name Samuel Noble Block
2. Village Town-City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 3 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 Lot 5, part of Lot 6
   (Urban: subdivision; Rural: township) (block; range) (parcel; section) (subparcel; ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Paul E. Twedt and Patty J. Twedt
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Lawyer's Office/Drug Store Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1890 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☒ other Stucco scored to look like stone/sand-blasted during "face-lift"
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☒ other Wood posts
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Lower facade altered (original elements may remain beneath), windows partially blocked in, cast hoodmolds, metal cornice, corbeled frieze, shingled canopy.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll AD-2 Frame 17 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is representative of Type 2 buildings in Albia. The second floor and cornice retain original decorative elements. The cast hoodmolds have an incised Eastlake design. The pressed metal cornice retains the date, but the name has been removed. Both cornice and hoodmolds are similar to those found on 5 Benton Ave E next door. Alterations to the first floor may be reversible, removal of the canopy is recommended. Scale and integrity of second floor make this a good contributing structure.

NOTE: The stucco scored to look like stone shown in photos from 1908 and 1911 appears to have been an alteration because the primary facade of this building is almost identical to the one next door, including a corbeled brick frieze.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
☒ b. Contributing structure
☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Two story brick, metal cornice, central stairs. West 1/2= Dry Goods
East 1/2= Drugs
1899 Same, now labeled "S. Noble"
1907 West 1/2= Clothing; East 1/2= Boots & Shoes
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Albia of Today. Albia Business Men's Assoc. Des Moines, IA: Western Publicity Bureau, 1908-09.
Albia, Iowa Homecoming Booklet. Albia Chautauqua Assoc. Albia, IA: The Albia Unior Print, 1911.

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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☐ Windshield Survey
☐ National Register
☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
☐ Determination of Eligibility

☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
☐ Other _____
☐ Other _____
☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
a. _____
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3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

In 1886 this lot was vacant. Samuel Noble had operated a dry goods store in Albia between 1849-65. In 1890 he built the present building. An identification pediment testifies to date ("1890") but a portion is now missing that included Noble's name. (Antique image; collection David Johnson, Albia, IA).

	WEST ROOM	EAST ROOM
1891	dry goods	drugs
1899	dry goods	drugs
1903	The Hub Clothiers	The Hub Clothiers
1907	The Hub	The Hub
1913	Clothiers	Clothiers
1922	Use not listed	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed	Use not listed
1959	Spurgeons	Spurgeons
	Humeston's	Humeston's
	Arrow Drug	Arrow Drug
1983	Scieszinski law firm	Arrow Drug

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Two attorneys maintained offices on the second floor for many years. (Ruth Hollingshead, local informant). A doctor's office was also here. This doctor's relocation to 12 North Clinton about 1922 hearlded the movement of medical offices from second to ground floors. (Informant interview; Ruth Hollingshead, Summer 1984).

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH (continued)

The Samuel Noble Block obtains historical significance because of its connection with The Hub Clothiers. The Hub was an Oskaloosa company that opened a branch store in Albia. A number of Oskaloosa retailers maintained branch stores in Albia during the 1900-1920 period. This phenomenon witnesses to the strong retail climate in Albia.

The Noble Block also illustrates a peculiar use of building materials. Noble's son, Ira, was a building contractor;* another son, Alvis E, was owner of a concrete block plant in Albia. Together these brothers popularized the use of cement and concrete products in Albia. (A E Noble built the Noble-Kendall House on Benton Avenue East in 1907. NRHP).

Ira Noble remodeled several buildings in Albia by applying stucco over brick exterior walls. He then scored the stucco so as to suggest stone masonry. 3 Benton Avenue East partially illustrates this technique. The building was, however, sandblasted about 1970 and painted. While the stucco remains, the scoring is non-extant.

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*Local Informant: Ruth Hollingshead (Albia, IA) w/W C Page; Winter 1983.

Source of biographical sketch: History of Monroe County, Iowa (1878); p 467.

NOBLE, SAMUEL, Vice President Monroe County Bank; born Nov. 30, 1819, in Huntingdon Co., Penn.; in 1845, came to Fairfield, Iowa; in 1849, came to Albia; engaged in general mer; chandise until 1865. In the Fa 1859, was elected County Judge this position twelve years. Has engaged in money loaning since 1 born he owns 400 acres of land in Troy vhen also property in the city. Married Sapa- Matthews in 1842; she was born 1; 1820, and died in 1845; second mar riage to Mary J. Skipler in 1849; she was born Oct. 6, 1830, in Pennsylvania; have three children—Alvis E., Ira and Ella May. Mr. N. was one of about fourteen who organized the Presbyterian Church; about 1853, soon after its organization, he became Elder of the Church, and has held the position ever since; Republican.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-5 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

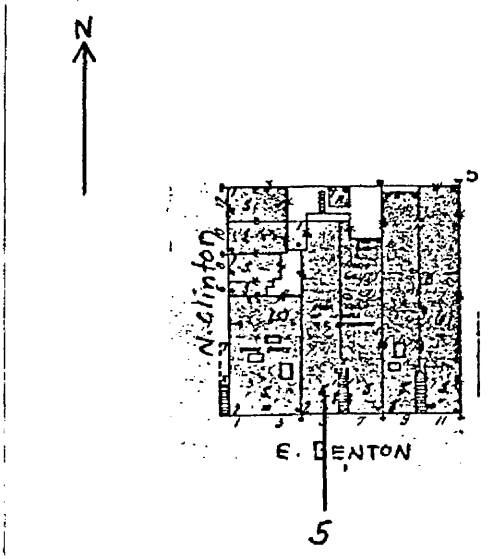
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 5 Benton Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 5 E 22' Lot 6
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** James A. and Marsha Willetts
7. **Owner(s) Address** 5½ Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Women's Clothing Store Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** circa 1890 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted red and repointed, some alterations to first floor, metal cornices first & second floors, cast hoodmolds, corbeled brick frieze.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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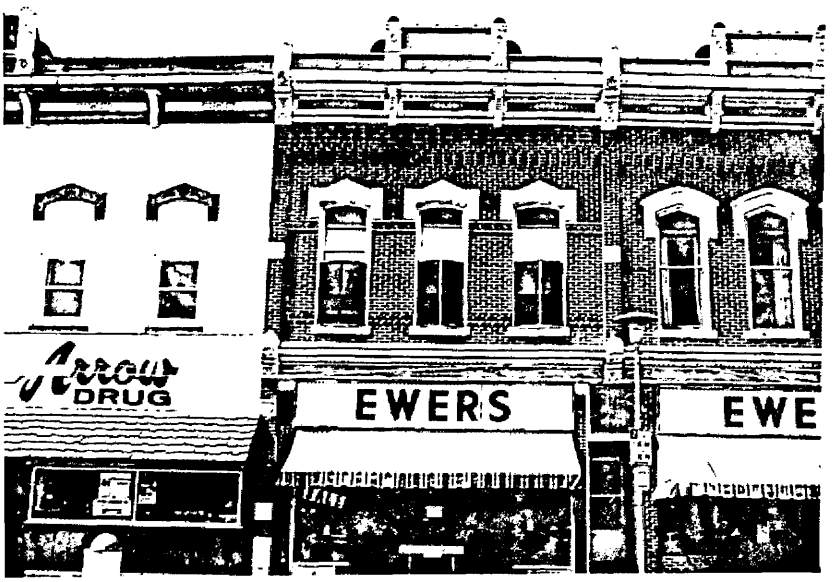

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a good example of a Type 2 building with basically unaltered second floor. The metal cornice is shared with 7 Benton Ave E, a companion structure. The cast hoodmolds have an incised Eastlake design similar to those on 3 Benton Ave E next door. An unusual detail on this building is the use of a brick stringcourse just below the hoods and just above the sills. The altered store front retains the concept of a recessed entry and is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Empty lot
1891 Two story brick double store frtont, metal cornice, central stairs. "Millinery"
1899 Same, now labeled "Moffett"
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
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   - ☐ Other _____
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   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant lot
1891	Millinery. D C Johnson Millinery (local informant, David Johnson)
1896	D C Johnson (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa).
1899	Same
1907	Johnson Millinery
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1946-1984	Ewers (informant interview; David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-7 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

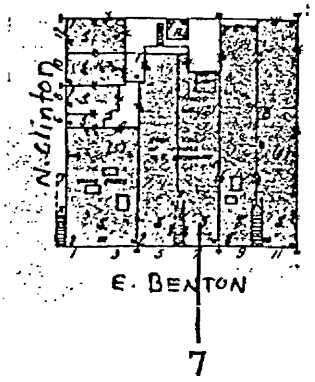
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 7 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 W 22' Lot 7
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name James A. and Marsha Willetts
7. Owner(s) Address 5½ Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Men's Clothing Store Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1890 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted red and repointed, some alterations to first floor, metal cornices first and second floors, corbeled brick frieze, hoodmolds of brick & cast stone.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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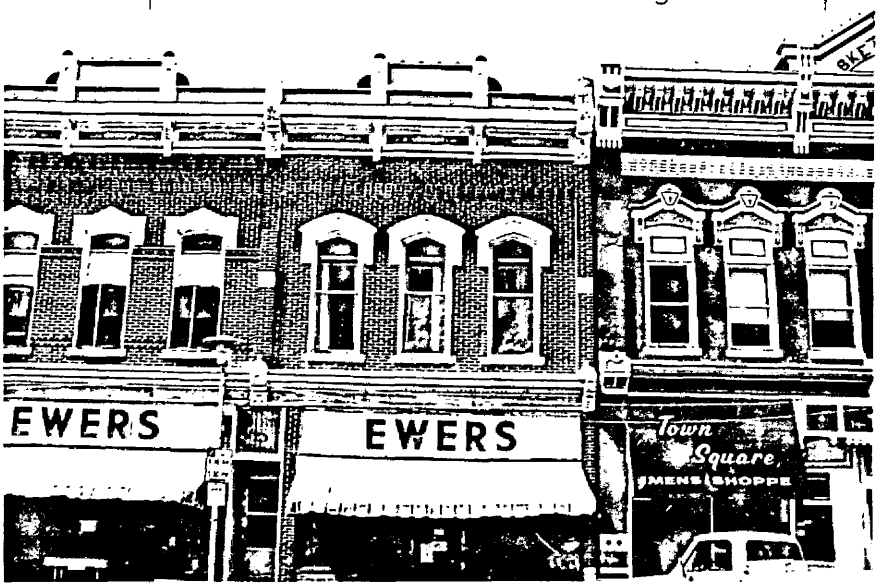

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a good example of a Type 2 building with basically unaltered second floor. It is the companion structure to 5 Benton Ave E next door and shares the pressed metal cornice and corbeled brick frieze. The hoodmolds here are simpler in design, using brick with a slightly pedimented cast hood. The altered store front retains the concept of a recessed entry and is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Empty lot
1891 Two story brick double store front, metal cornice, central stairs. "Jewelry" Shows sky-light in rear.
1899 Same, now labeled "Cal Koontz", notes photographer on second.
1907 "Jewelry"
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
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   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant
1891	Jewelry. Cal Koontz Jeweler (local informant, David Johnson)
1896	Same (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa).
1899	Same
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1946- 1984	Ewers. Ralph N Ewers purchased building from Judge D M Anderson in 1946. (Local informant, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-11 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

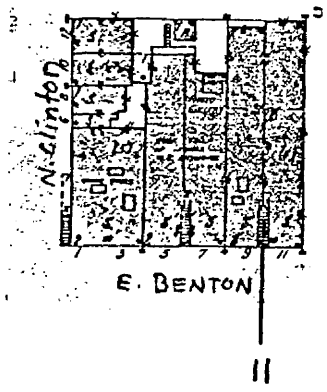
Identification

1. Site Name: Skean's Block
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 11 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 E 11' Lot 7, all of Lot 8
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Max Nicoletto
7. Owner(s) Address 221 South A Street (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Clothing Store/Tavern Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1889 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Cast iron store front w/ Corinthian columns, recessed entries, stained glass panels above, metal first floor cornice, windows have ornate cast hoodmolds (new panels at top of windows), corbeled brick frieze, pressed metal cornice w/ pediment.
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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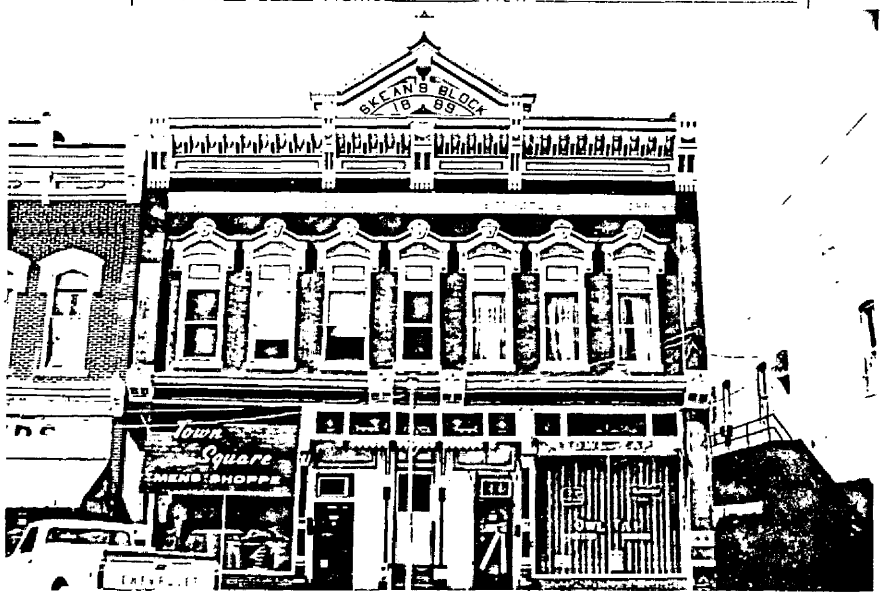

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- [x] a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is the finest example of a Type 2 building in Albia. The facade provides a rich variety of applied decorative elements. The stained glass panels above the cast iron store front are an unusual feature. The elaborate cast hoodmolds have an inner panel with an incised Eastlake design, while the outer rims have a fanciful "keystone" with embossed grapes surmounted by a sunflower. The windows are so close together the hoods almost touch, creating a rhythmical pattern across the facade. The corbeled frieze is similar to others in the district. The structure is crowned by a pedimented metal cornice. It is an impressive building with few alterations, and all of these are reversible.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- [ ] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [x] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Frame buildings, "Meat" and "Harness"
1891 Two story brick double store front, metal cornice, central staircase, West 1/2= "Boots & Shoes", East 1/2= "Grocery"
1899 Now labeled "Skean's", West 1/2= "Furniture"
1907 Same
1913 Same
1922 Both side= "Store"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
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3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Previous building. Frame. Harness east; meat west; bakery far west.
1889	Present building (pediment information)
1891	Groceries east; boots and shoes west
1896	E Skeans east; Skeans-Zook Furniture and Undertaking west
1899	Groceries east; furniture west
1913	Same
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1959	Pat's Billiards west; Humeston Furniture east. (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)



Roll 3, frame 28 Looking NW



Roll 3, frame 32 Stained Glass

Item Number(s)



Roll 3, frame 30 Pediment



Roll 3, frame 29 Hoodmolds

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-13 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

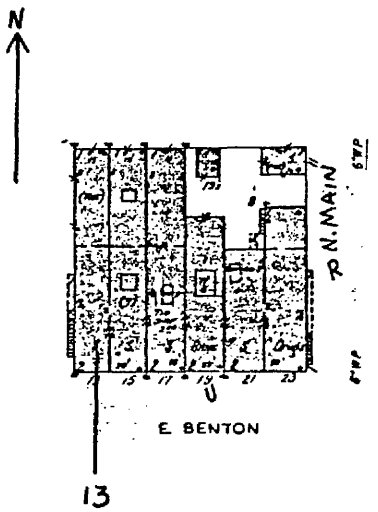
Identification

1. **Site Name**
2. **Village Town/City** Albia **Township** Troy **County** Monroe
3. **Street Address** 13 Benton Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey (Urban / Rural) Blk 5 (subdivision / township) W½ Lot 9 (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing : Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** John A. and Judith A. Johnson
7. **Owner(s) Address** (Street address) Lovilia (City) IA (State) 50150 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Real Estate/Insurance Original Commercial

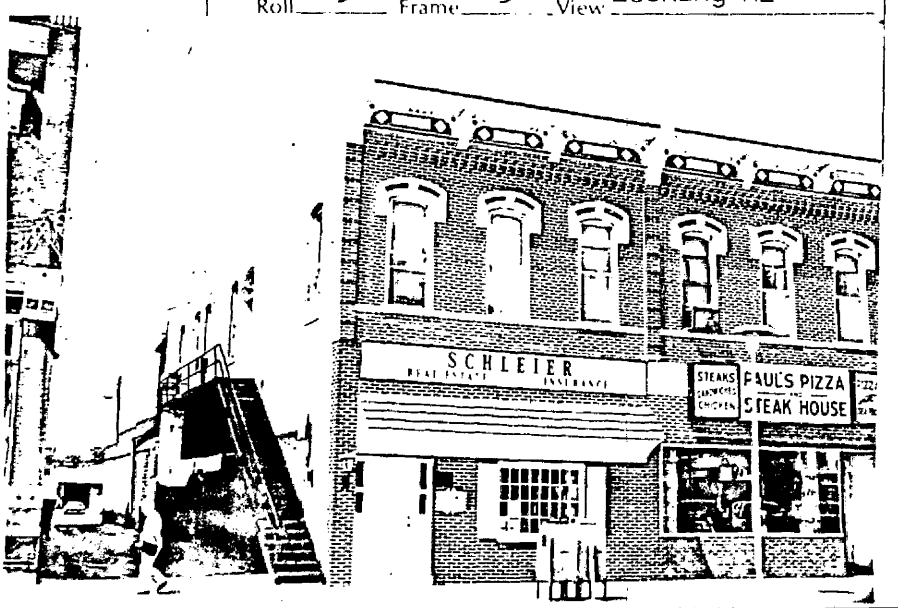
Description

9. **Date of Construction** By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Pressed metal cornice, brick hoodmolds, stringcourse at sill level. First floor facade altered w/ new door and window, veneer, pent roof.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 3 Frame 5 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is the west 1/3 of a triple store front with 17 and 21 Benton Ave E. The second floor is a good example of Type 3 building with metal cornice, corbeled brick frieze and brick hoodmolds. These hoods illustrate the second brick patterned design identified in Albia with the recessed panel. Despite the altered store front this is an important building along the north side of the Square. A more sympathetic treatment of the first floor is encouraged.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, triple store front, metal cornice, wood porch, "Dry Goods"
1891 "Boots and Shoes"
1899 Same, front porch removed
1907 "Drugs and Jewelry"
1913 "Pianos and Jewelry"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   a. _____
   b. _____
   c. _____
   d. _____
   e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

CONTINUATION SHEET

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Dry goods
1888	Abe Goodman clothier (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County)
1891	Boots and shoes
1896	Abe Goodman (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa)
1899	Same
1913	Pianos and jewelry
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1959	Frank Parry Insurance (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959)
1983	John Schleier Insurance

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
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Site Number 68-002-17 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

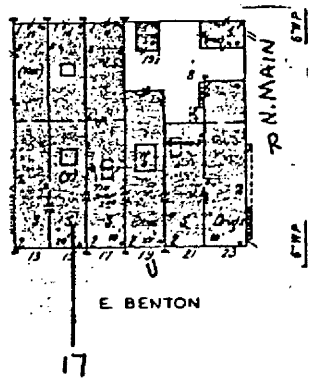
Identification

1. **Site Name** W.H. Kreger Building
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 17 Benton Ave E
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 5 E 16½' Lot 9, W 11' Lot 10
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Paul and Loula Boosalis
7. **Owner(s) Address** Indianola IA 50125
   (Street address; City; State; Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Restaurant Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** By 1886 Architect Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Pressed metal cornice, brick hoodmolds, stringcourse at sill level. First floor facade altered w/ new door and window, veneer.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why? Interior damaged by fire in early 1984, currently undergoing rehabilitation.
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 33 View Looking NW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is the center 1/3 of a triple store front with 13 and 21 Benton Ave E. The second floor is a good example of Type 3 building with metal cornice, corbeled brick frieze and brick hoodmolds. These hoods illustrate the second brick patterned design identified in Albia with the recessed panel. Despite the altered store front this is an important building along the north side of the Square. A more sympathetic treatment of the first floor is encouraged.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick triple store front, metal cornice, wood porch, "Restaurant"
1891 Same, "Photographer" on second
1899 "Restaurant and Bakery", one story brick rear addition, porch removed
1907 "Confections" with "Ice cream mfg." in rear
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

CONTINUATION SHEET

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Restaurant
1891	Same
1892	W H Kreger Bakery (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa).
1899	Restaurant and bakery
1913	Confectionery
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1959	The Blue Bird Cafe (Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County).

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

W H Kreger agressively pursued trade with the mining camps. He sent sales representatives to the camps on a regular, weekly basis and took orders for his ice cream and bakery products. These were then delivered to miners' families by horse wagon. Kreger based his operation at 17 Benton Avenue East. He maintained a popular soda fountain and bakery shop at this location and also processed his products in the rear. Kreger bought annually tons of country produce from the surrounding farm community to manufacture his ice cream and baked goods. (Oskaloosa Herald; Editorial; 23 April 1955).

Iowa Site Inventory

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Site Number 68-002-21 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

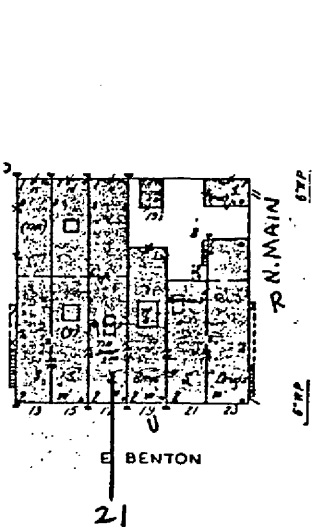
Identification

1. Site Name Seaman & Clark Building
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 21 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 E 22' Lot 10
   (Urban, Rural) (subdivision township) (block range) (parcel section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing : Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Dwight and Idhona Whisler
7. Owner(s) Address 21 Benton Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Plumbing & Heating Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted gray and repointed, brick hoodmolds, stringcourse at sill level. Metal cornice removed, recessed entry, new door and windows.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 2 Frame 32 View Looking N



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements.)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is the east 1/3 of a triple store front with 13 and 17 Benton Ave E. The second floor retains the original corbeled cornice, brick hoodmolds, and stringcourse. Loss of the metal cornice is more distracting than the altered first floor. Restoration of the cornice would make this a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story brick triple store front, metal cornice, wood porch, "Grocery"
1891 Same
1899 "Hardware", single story brick rear addition, porch removed
1907 "Hardware", "Tin shop" on second
1913 Same
1922 Same
1933 "Store", "Tin shop" on second

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
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   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

Iowa Site Inventory
Division of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
26 E. Market St., Iowa City, Iowa 52240

Site Number 21 Benton Avenue East

CONTINUATION SHEET

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Grocery
1891	Same
1899	Same
1908	Long Brothers 5¢ and 10¢ Variety (local informant, David Johnson)
1909	Darby and Wood Hardware (local informant, David Johnson)
1913	Tin shop
1919- 1937	Darby and Wood Hardware (local informant, David Johnson)
1922	Hardware and tin shop
1933	Same
1937- k966(?)	Darby hardware (local informant, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-23 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

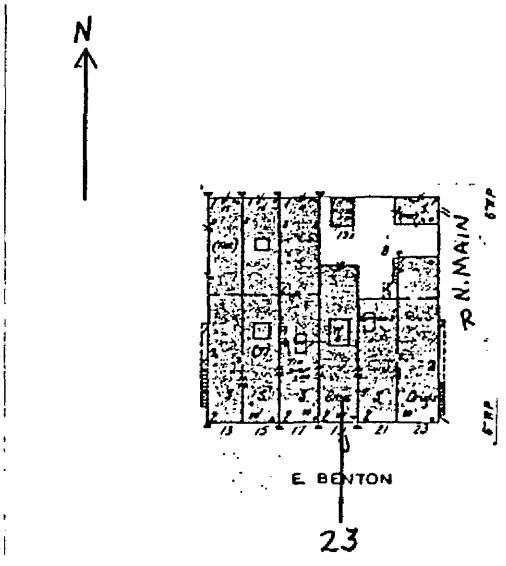
Identification

1. Site Name IOWA BANK BUILDING
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 23 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 Lot 11, part of Lot 12
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name First Iowa State Bank, c/o Robert Kaldenberg
7. Owner(s) Address 25½ Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Bank Original Bank

Description

9. Date of Construction 1922 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☒ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Light gray ashlar limestone veneer
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Colossal composite pilasters, full entablature with dentils, parapet above cornice, pedimented entrance, balustrade on second floor, new window grates on first.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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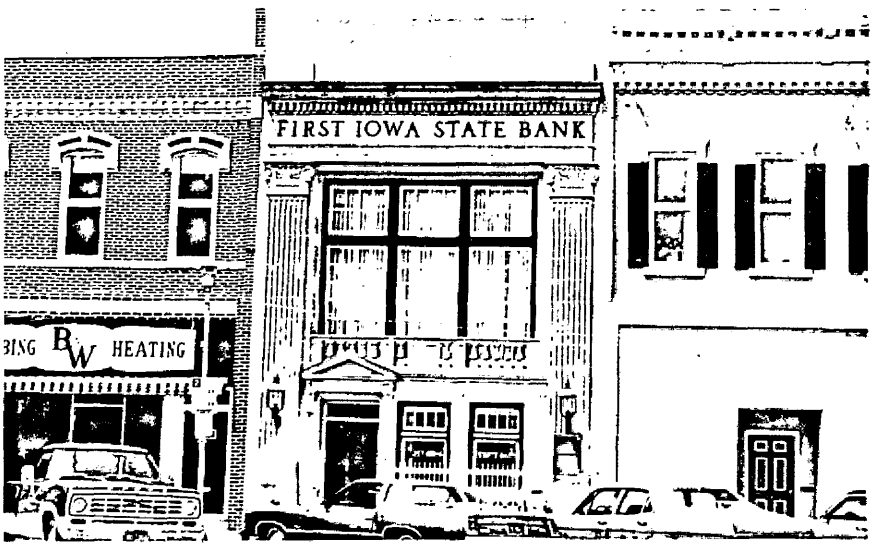

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- [x] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

This Type 5 building is almost a text book example of bank design from the first quarter of the twentieth century. The most significant feature is the monumentality of this narrow neo-classical structure. The two story pilasters provide a contrast to the horizontal quality of neighboring late nineteenth century buildings which emphasized first floor store fronts, a decorative second floor, and an elaborate cornice. Despite this contrast the building works well visually in the district because it reflects the building material and decorative elements of the courthouse across the street.

The only distracting factor is that the parapet of this stone building has been painted to match the cornice on the adjoining bank building. This is reversible.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- [ ] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [x] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick (west 1/3 of triple store front), metal cornice, "Jewelry" on first floor, "Office" on second
1891 and 1899 Same
1907 "Cigar and News"
1913 Same
1922 Two story brick, approx. 20-25' deeper, fire wall on each side, "Bank"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

The Albia Union, April 1922 (N.D.), "Iowa Trust & Savings is planning a new building where Porter Bros. is."

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Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - [ ] County Resource File
   - [ ] Windshield Survey
   - [ ] National Register
   - [ ] Grants-In-Aid:
   - [ ] Determination of Eligibility
   - [ ] Review and Compliance Project:
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other

2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

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Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

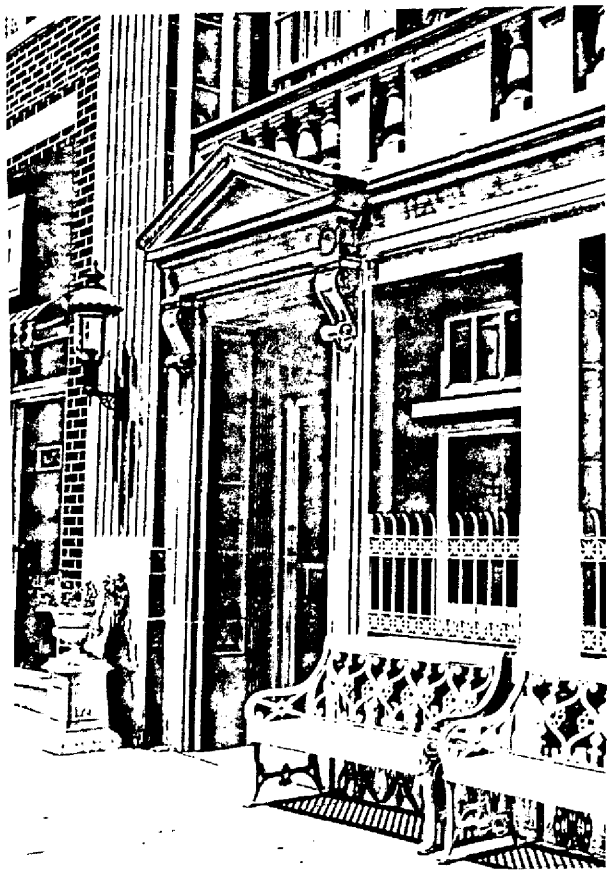
1886	Jewelry
1891	Same
1899	Same
1913	Cigars and News; Porter Brothers
1922	Old building removed, new bank building constructed. "Iowa Trust and Savings building new building where Porter Brothers is." (Weekly Albia Union; April 1922).
1933	Same

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)



AD-3, frame 13



AD-3, frame 11



AD-3, frame 12

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-25 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

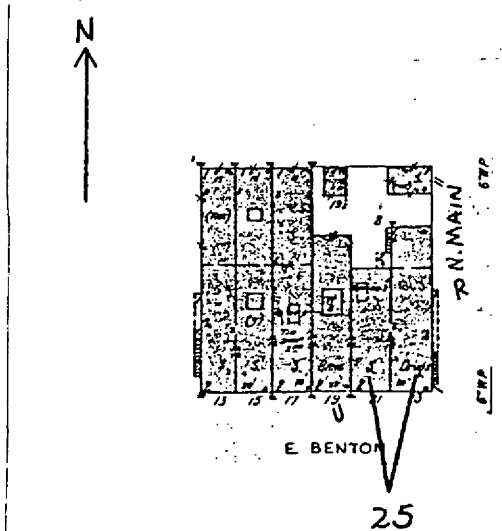
Identification

1. Site Name J C MORRISON BLOCK
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 25 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 Part of Lot 12
   (Urban: / Rural:) (subdivision / township) (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel / section of a section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name First Iowa State Bank, c/o Robert Kaldenberg
7. Owner(s) Address 25½ Benton Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Bank Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1875** Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when? new facade installed in 1894##
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted gray, altered first floor both primary & secondary facades, oriel window on east elevation (1913-22), pressed metal cornice, corbeled frieze, cast hoodmolds.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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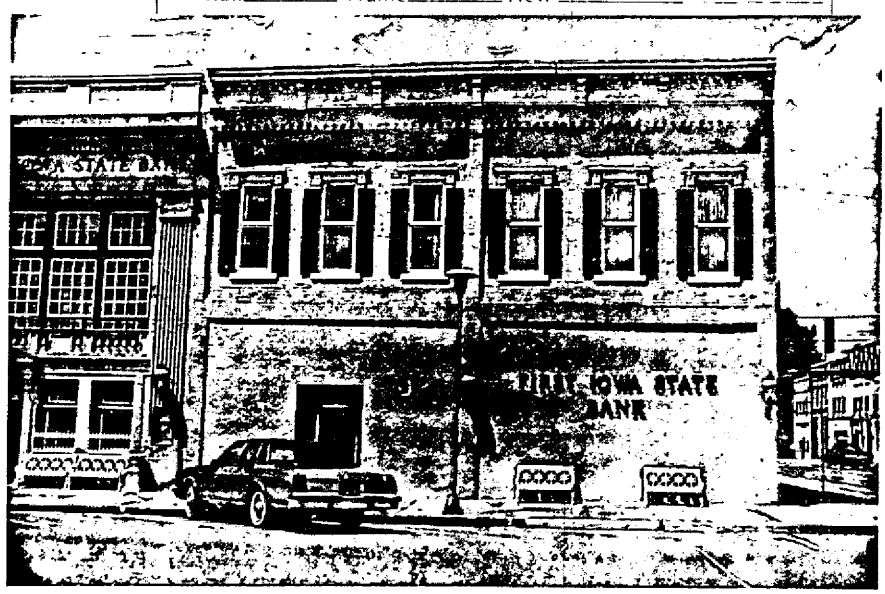

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The second floor of this structure retains original character and is a good example of Type 2 design. The pressed metal cornice is typical of others in the community. The cast hoodmolds are of the simplest design. The oriel on the east elevation is not original, but its date is unknown. The bricking in of the store fronts is intrusive. Restoration of the first floor would make this a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice across three store fronts, exterior wooden stairs. West 1/2= Stationary & Organs (Office 2nd); East 1/2=Drugs (Office 2nd)
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 West 1/2= Wallpaper & Books
1913 West 1/2= Office
1922 West 1/2= Store; East 1/2= Drugs, single story brick wing to rear
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

EAST ROOM

1869	Present building constructed by J C Morrison for drug store. (Weekly Albia Union; September 1869).
** 1875	Present building in place (Andreas Illustrated Atlas; p 243).
1886	Drugs
1891	Drugs
##1894	New fronts put on Morrison's; M W Duncan's; William & Heiserman's. (Weekly Albia Union; 7 April 1894).
1899	Drugs
1911	Armstrong & Simon Drugs
1913	Same
1922	Drugs
1933	Same
1934	Brawdy Drugs. Marion Brawdy purchased store from Chet Armstrong. Mr Brawdy ran the drug store until his death and Mrs Brawdy continued it until about 1979. Mr Brawdy had worked in this store since 1915. (Local informant, David Johnson).
1979	Bank

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

WEST ROOM

	1869	East Room built; possibly west room built at same time, but latter without documentation.
**	1875	Present building in place. (A T Andreas; Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa; p 243.
	1883	Alph Koontz "new" jewelry in Morrison's Block. (Weekly Albia Union; 22 March 1883).
	1886	M W Duncan, stationery; 2nd floor, organs
##	1894	New facade installed. (Weekly Albia Union; 7 April 1894).
	1896	M W Duncan in business 9½ years (Hickenlooper; History of Monroe County, Iowa; p 300.
	1899	Same
	1912	Duncan
	1913	Office
	1922	Use not listed
1926-	1940	Dearinger and Tatman, ciga store. (Local informant, David Johnson).
	1933	Use not listed.
1940-	1959	Tatman's cigar store (local informant, David Johnson).
1959-	197?	Tatman's (local informant, David Johnson).
	1984	Bank

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-103 Benton Ave E
District Name
*Map Reference #

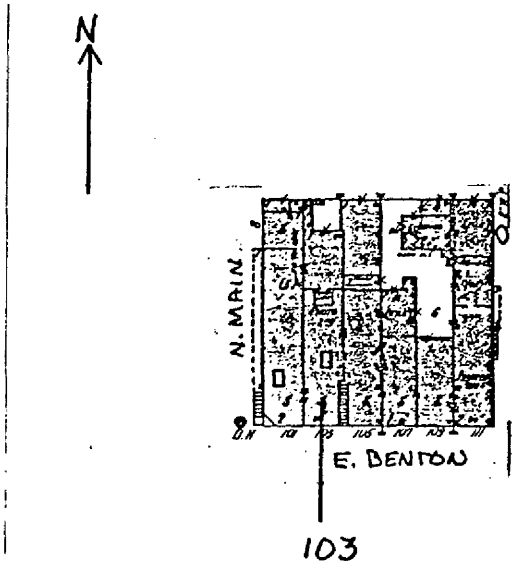
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 103 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 E½ of W 22' Lot 5
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Donald E. Carr
7. Owner(s) Address 103 Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present CPA Office/Insurance Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted yellow, brick veneer on first floor, new windows & door, shingled canopy, cast metal hoodmolds, pressed metal cornice sans pediment.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 15 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a good example of Type 2 design with the second floor retaining the original cast metal hoodmolds, corbeled brick frieze, and pressed metal cornice. Alterations to the first floor detract but would not be intrusive if the canopy was removed.

This site should be viewed as a companion structure to 10 N. Main and 105 Benton Ave E.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice across three store fronts, this is the center 1/3. First floor= Grocery; Second floor= Academy (with 105 Benton Ave E)
1891 Same, but Academy is no longer on second.
1899 Same
1907 Grocery
1913 Books
1922 Store
1933 Store

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d
   - e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Grocery (1st fl); Academy (w/105 Benton Avenue East) 2nd fl.
1891	Grocery
1907	
1913	Books
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1959	Teitel's clothing started in 1909 by Elias Teitel. Men's and ladies' ready to wear. Mr Teitel was joined by his sons and daughters and continued until Charlotte Teitel's death in 1980. (David Johnson, local informant).
1980	Don Carr (David Johnson, local informant)

Sources unattributed refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

A fire in 1984 seriously damaged the second floor of this building. The Iowa State Bank bought the building to insure preservation of the facade.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-105 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

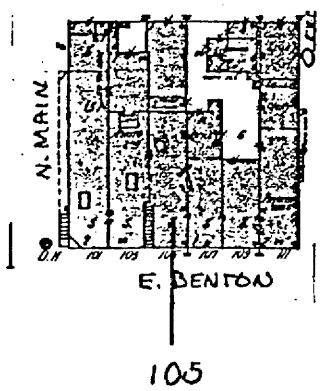
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 105 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 E 22' Lot 5
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Ray Avera
7. Owner(s) Address 5100 60th Street E Bradenton Florida 33508
   (Street address; City; State; Zip)
8. Use: Present Doctor's Office Original Commercial

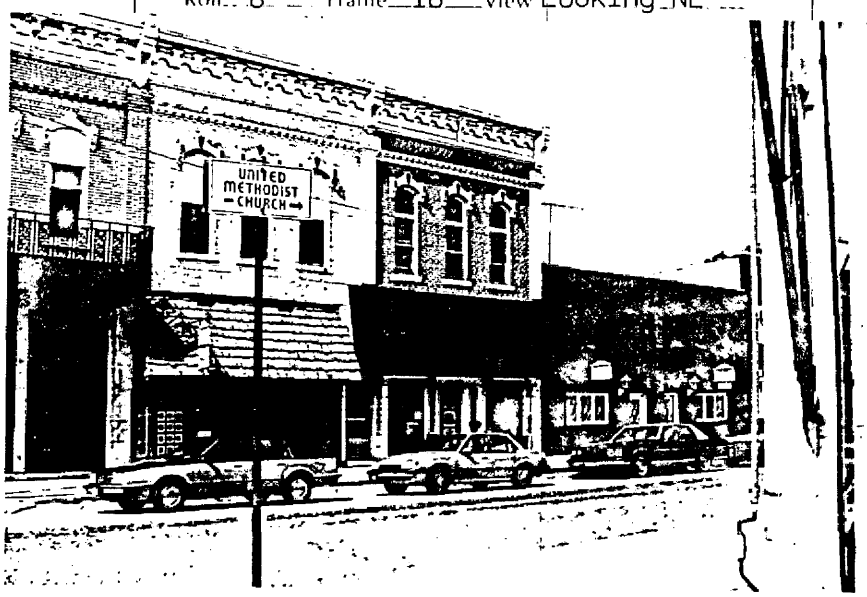
Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Painted and repointed, cast metal hoodmolds, corbeled brick frieze, pressed metal cornice sans pediment, cast iron columns remain, altered storefront w/ pent roof.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
    Roll 6 Frame 16 View Looking NE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

The second floor is a good example of Type 2 design with metal hoodmolds, corbeled frieze and pressed metal cornice. These elements all match those on the buildings at 10 N. Main and 103 Benton Ave E. The alterations to the first floor appear reversible as the cast iron store front is in place. Recommend removal of pent roof.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice across three store fronts, this is the east 1/3. First floor= Vacant; second floor= Academy (with 103 Benton Ave E)
1891 First floor= Hardware; second floor= Photographer
1899 General Store
1907 Restaurant
1913 Restaurant
1922 Store
1933 Store

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Vacant Store (1st fl); Academy (w/103 Benton Avenue E) (2nd fl)
1891	Hardware (1st); Photographer's Studio (2nd)
1899	General Store
1907	
1913	Restaurant
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1952-70	Nick's (David Johnson, local informant)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-107 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

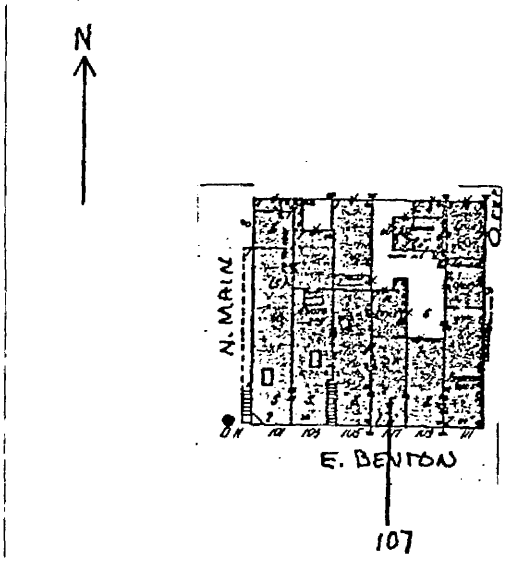
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 107 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey (Urban, Rural; subdivision township) Blk 6 (block range) Part of Lot 6 (parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Robert W. and Dorothy Larson
7. Owner(s) Address 111½ Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Office Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1891-99 Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other Veneer on facade.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Facade totally altered 1970-73.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 18 View Looking N



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Originally this was a typical example of a Type 6 building, half of a single story double store front with a shared metal cornice.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story frame building
1891 Same
1899 One story brick double store front, metal cornice, "Meat"
1907
1913 "Grocery"
1922 "Store
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Local Informant: Robert Larson w/Molly Naumann; 14 November 1983. Establis date of facade alterations.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

For Office of Historic Preservation Use Only

1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.
3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Furniture
1891	Meat
1899	Meat
1907	
1913	Grocery
1922	Not listed
1933	Not listed

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-109 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

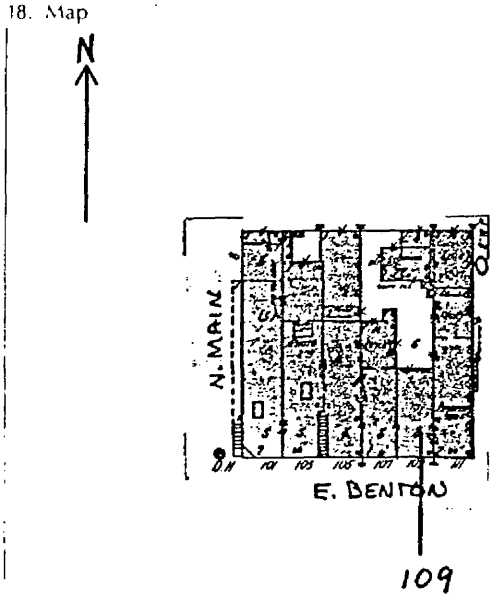
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 109 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 Part of Lot 6
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Robert W. and Dorothy Larson
7. Owner(s) Address 111½ Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Office Original Commercial

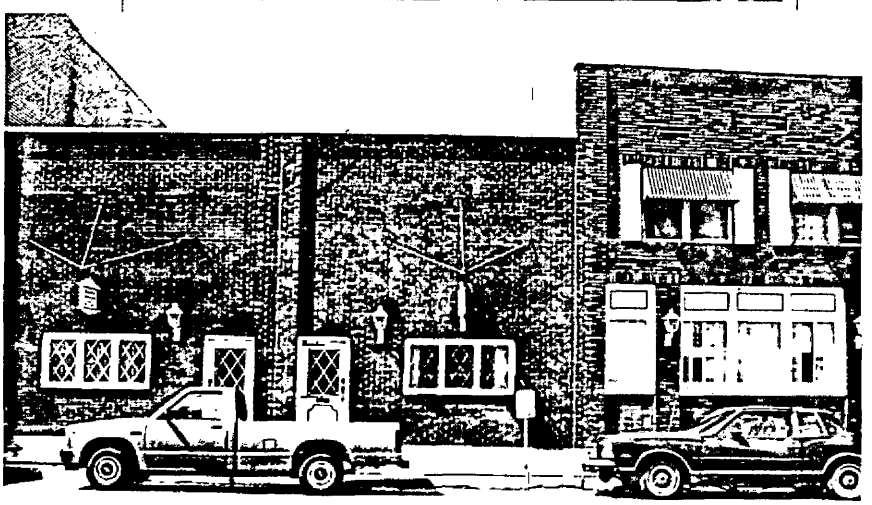
Description

9. Date of Construction 1891-99 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Veneer on facade.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Facade totally altered 1970-73.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 19 View Looking N



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Originally this was a typical example of a Type 6 building, half of a single story double store front with a shared metal cornice.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Two story frame building
1891 Same
1899 One story brick double store front, metal cornice, "Printing"
1907
1913 "Barber"
1922 "Cleaning"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Local informant interview: Robert Larson w/Molly Naumann; 14 November 1983. Established date of facade alterations.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Furniture
1891	Carpenters
1899	Printing
1913	Oswald the Tailor
1922	Dry Cleaning Hufford to 1956 (local informant, David Johnson).
1933	Dry Cleaning

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-111 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

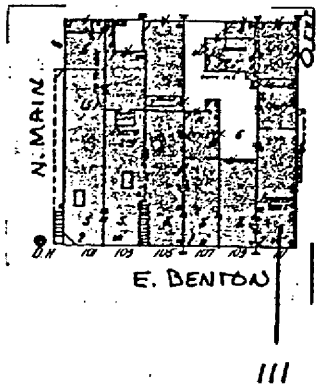
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 111 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 Part of Lot 6
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Robert W. and Dorothy Larson
7. Owner(s) Address 111½ Benton Ave E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Newspaper Office Original Newspaper Office

Description

9. Date of Construction 1927 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Veneer on facade
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Facade altered 1970-73
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 20 View looking N



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Non-contributing, but scale and building material keep it from being intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Interview with Robert Larson, retired publisher of The Albia News, 14 Nov 1983. W/Molly Naumann.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984

Address _____ Telephone _____

Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
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   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
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   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Building vacant; 1-story
1891	Blacksmith
1899	Blacksmith & machine shop
1913	Printing
1922	Printing (building is still 1-story)
1933	Printing

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-115 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

KING OPERA BLOCK

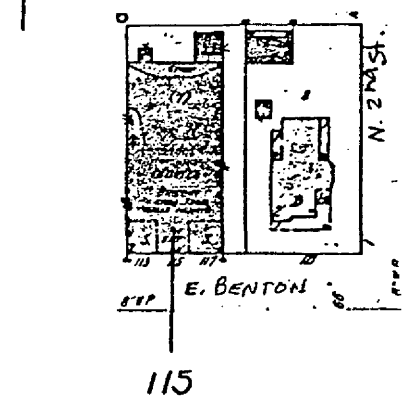
1. Site Name
2. Village Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 115 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 6 Lot 7
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Adrienne Alford Moser; Majorie Alford Geneva, 115½ Benton Ave E, Albia
7. Owner(s) Alfred M. Pabst, 204 B Avenue W, Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Theater Original Vaudeville and Movie Theater

Description

1902/03 (1922 facade)

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other White enameled brick
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Concrete capped parapet w/ ball finials, windows banded in groups of four, multi-light vertical top sash, vertical siding on two store fronts, marquee.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statement

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure-individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a circa 1922 facade on the original 1902-03 structure. The use of white enameled brick follows the pattern of Type 5 buildings with an interest in color on the surface of the facade. Tri-partite facade is typical of theater design allowing space for small shops on each side. The design of the windows is consistent with the 1922 remodeling. Note the ball finials are a similar detail to those found on the courthouse and are shown in historic photos of the original facade. This structure is a subdued example of Type 5 design.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☒ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Frame dwelling
1891 Same, "Office"
1899 Same
1907 Two story brick, balcony, stage, "King's Opera House"
1913 Same
1922 Two story brick, altered roof design, "King's Theater"
1933 "Movies"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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1902/03 The theater is built. "Mr Elton Payton of Centerville is leasing new King Opera House as soon as contractor Young can turn it over."

Source: The Tuesday (Albia) Union; 24 February 1903.

This building clearly illustrates commercial real estate as an investment. Dr. King had only one child. He put his money into this opera house as an investment.* His home was directly east at 121 Benton Avenue East.

"...Dr. S. M. King, seeing the need for a more modern opera house or theatre (than the Perry Block), built the King Theatre, more readily accessible to receive the long props of scenery carried by the road shows and to accomodate the better class of theatrical productions. This had a large stage and was on the ground level and had a seating capacity more suited to the population and events of the time. Later this became a movie house and has survived as such to the present. Graduates of fifty or so years ago remember holding their class plays in this edifice."#

Entertainment was an important part of miners' lives, and Welsh miners brought with them a love of vocal music. The Welsh also continued in Monroe County the Eisteddfodd festivals of their homeland.

"Another event most worthy of a place in this field of entertainment is the Eisteddfodd, coming from the Welsh coal fields. We know that wherever there are Welshmen we have music, especially vocal music--for the Welsh past-time is gathering in groups and singing--pouring out their souls in musical strains. Monroe county and neighboring counties had many, many Welsh miners and they all liked to sing. Thus the Eisteddfodd became a celebration at Thanksgiving.

"Large choruses, soloists, quartettes, duets, trios in fact,

any mining camp which did not have its share of Welsh singers missed much.

"Albia, Hiteman, Oskaloosa, What Cheer, Mystic and a score of other places would assemble their groups and practice for weeks to compete for the prizes offered. The writer can remember the King Opera House filled to overflowing with music lovers seeking to hear the best in vocal renditions in the various vocal competitions. It was a prized feature when a community could attract such competition and enterprise."#

Judges for the Eisteddfodd would frequently come from Chicago. (Ruth Hollingshead, informant). The last festival was held in the King Opera House in 1920 and this was also the last such festival in Monroe County.

Fire damaged the King Opera House, probably in the early 1920s. The damage was contained within the interior primarily. It was rebuilt in the present form with white glazed brick facade. "...fine gray brick, with a main entrance floor of mosaic marble, six exists and stage dimensions 30x56 feet." The stage was reputedly large enough to accomodate "horses, cattle, and threshing machines should the acts demand it." **

Roy Albert had purchased this theater from Dr King. When the building burned, it was uninsured. The commercial success of the theater is witnessed by its reconstruction. Among those opera houses mentioned in the above article, only Albia and What Cheer remain extant increasing the historical significance of both.

FOOTNOTES

* Ruth Hollingshead, Albia, Iowa; Informant Interview; Winter 1983.

\# "CQN," (name not given); "Eisteddfodd of Welsh Miners, Opera House Treasured Memories of Albians;" Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959; p 42.

** Iowa Writers' Project (WPA); History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1940; p 67. Unclear if description refers to original or rebuilt house; however gray brick refers, probably, to original building.

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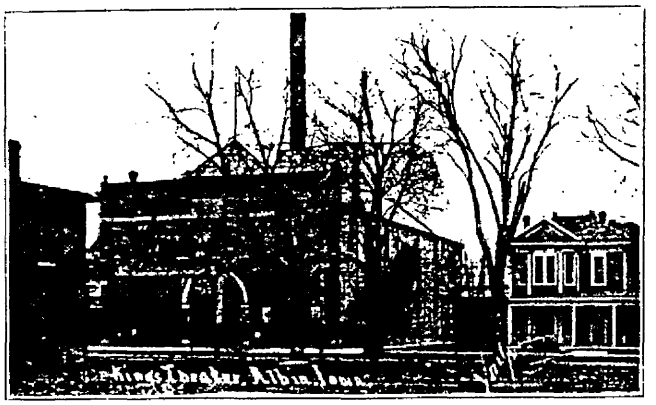
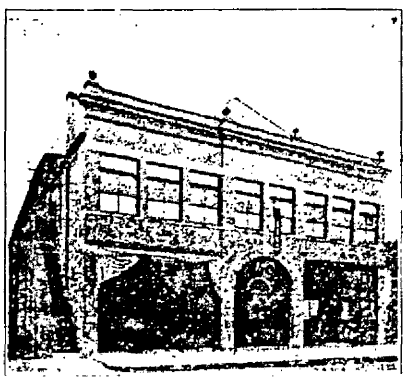


"Kings Theater" circa 1911. Dr King's residence is also pictured on the right. The theater's great stage loft was not rebuilt.

Source of antique image: Albia, Iowa; Albia Chautauqua Association; 1911; n p.



Source of circa 1908 antique image: Albia of Today; Albia Business Men's Association; 1909; p 4. The Albia Business College was also housed in this building in the room on second floor with facade windows.

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Site Number 68-002-115 Benton Ave E

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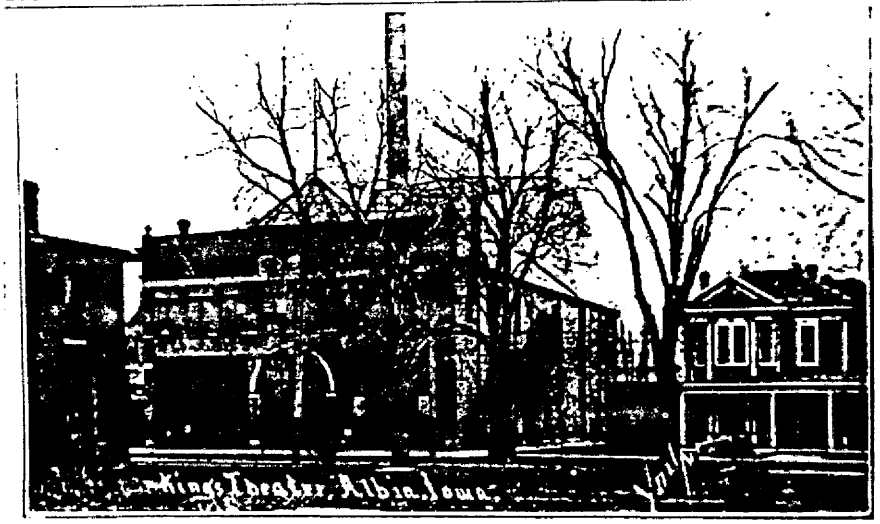

View from 1911
AD-2, frame 19

King Theatre.



AD-3,
frame 9



AD-3,
frame 10

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Site Number 68-002-116 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

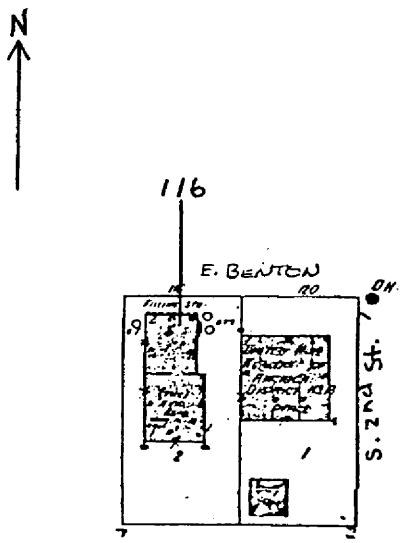
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 116 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 Lot 2
   (Urban/Rural) (subdivision/township) (block/range) (parcel/section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Dave D. and M. Carol Ward
7. Owner(s) Address 116½ Benton Avenue E (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Barber Shop/Residence Original Residence

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 ? Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☒ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick has been painted gray. First floor windows enlarged, additions to the south and east.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 10 View Looking S



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Altered Italianate residence.
Non-contributing in a commercial district.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 1 1/2 story brick dwelling w/ frame porch across front.
1891 and 1899 Same
1907 Two story brick dwelling
1913 and 1922 Same
1933 "Filling Station" and addition to rear "Auto Repair"

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Site Number 68-002-120 Benton Ave E
District Name
Map Reference #

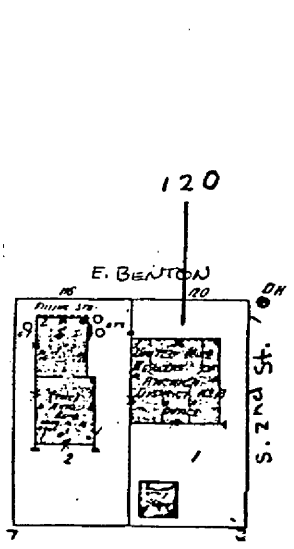
Identification

1. Site Name United Mine Workers of America District 13 Hall ("Miners Temple")
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 120 Benton Ave E
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 7 Lot 1
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Albia Community School District
7. Owner(s) Address (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Albia Comm. Schools Admin. Office Original U.M.W Hall

Description

9. Date of Construction 1914 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☐ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other Rusticated random ashlar foundation
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Cast concrete water table, stringcourse, cornice, parapet cap. Columns flanking entrance are also concrete. Wide corbeled brick cornice. Garage door on west ele.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☒ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 6 Frame 8 View Looking S



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- [x] a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a very good example of Type 5. The simplified neo-classical design with symmetrical facade and columns flanking the entrance has a feeling of monumentality despite its relatively small size. This is enhanced by the high stone foundation and heavy corbeled cornice. The formal appearance of the building is in keeping with its original use as the United Mine Workers of America District Hall. Like other Type buildings in the community cast concrete is used for the decorative elements on this brick structure. There are very few alterations and these are not intrusive. This is representative of a small scale publ building of the period.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- [ ] a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- [x] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886-1907 Frame Dwelling
1913 Empty lot
1922-1933 Brick U.M.W District 13

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date,

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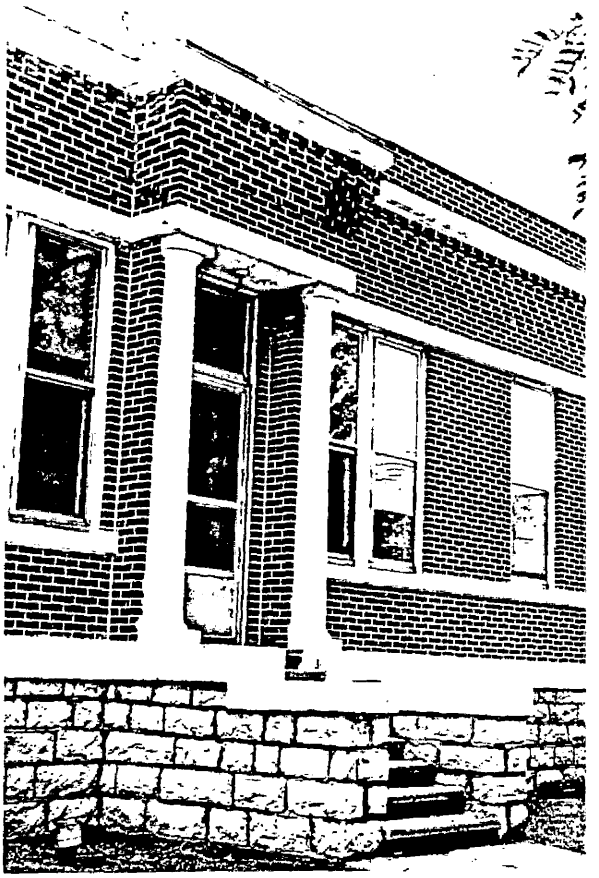

Front Entrance
AD-3, frame 8 Looking SW



Rear View
AD-3, frame 7 Looking NE

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Dwelling
1891	Dwelling
1899	Dwelling
1907	Dwelling
1913	Vacant Lot
1922	UMWA District 13 Hall, "Miners Temple"
1933	Same

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Dr Powell lived in the dwelling mentioned in the fire insurance maps. When he built his new house directly east, his son moved into 120 Benton Avenue East. (Ruth Hollingshead, Albia, IA; local informant). The younger Mr Powell sold the property to the United Mine Workers.

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Site Number 68-002-23 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 23 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 4 N 22' Lot 1, part Lot 2
   (Urban, Rural; subdivision, township; block, range; parcel, section; subparcel, ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Columbian Club, an Iowa Corporation
7. Owner(s) Address 23 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present K of C Hall Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1894## Architect, Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Cast iron columns. Brick painted red. Door and windows filled in with board and batten (reversible), metal cornice removed.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

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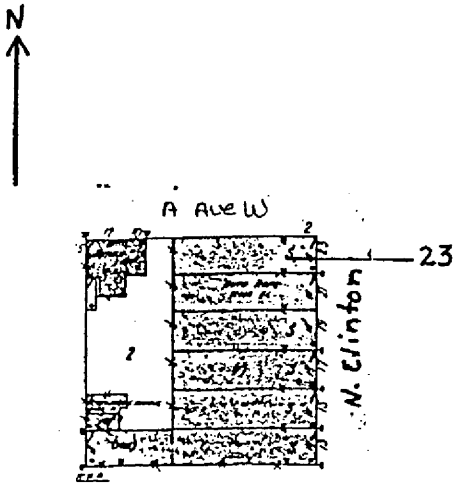

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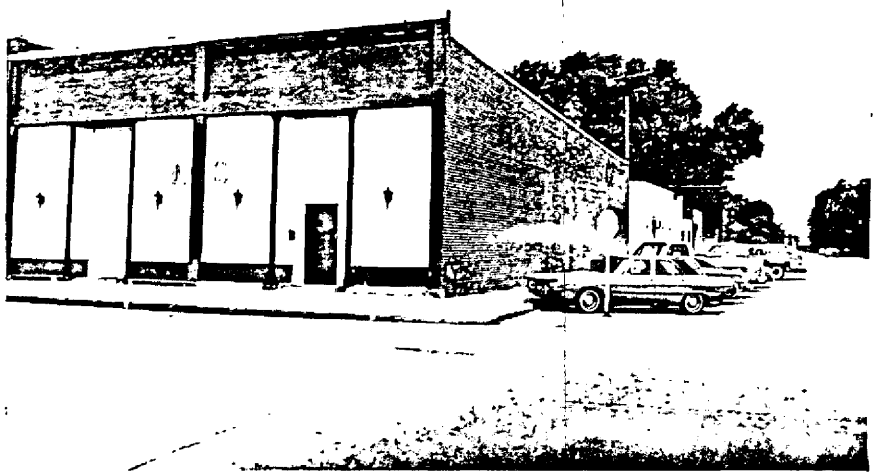

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- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is a good example of a Type 6 building. Alterations which have been made are reversible. This is a contributing structure because it is representative of its typs and it illustrates business expansion north along Clinton.

This was built as a companion structure to 21 N. Clinton next door and the two should be viewed together.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 M.E. Church (brick)
1891 Same
1899 Single story brick, metal cornice, "Restaurant"
1907 "Printing"
1913 "Grocery"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

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COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

	1886	Methodist Episcopal Church on lot.
	1891	Same
##	1894	"Foundation being laid for new building where old M. E. Church was." (Weekly Albia Union; 14 April 1894).
	1899	Restaurant
	1907	Printing
	1913	Grocery
	1922	Use not listed
	1933	Use not listed
?-	1953	Cebuhar's Store (local informant, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

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Site Number 68-002-21 N. Clinton
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3. Street Address 21 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 4 S 22' of N 44' Lot 1, part Lot 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel / ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Columbian Club, an Iowa Corporation
7. Owner(s) Address 23 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present K of C Hall Original Commercial

Description

1894##

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
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13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
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15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
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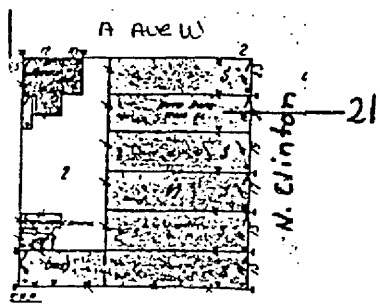

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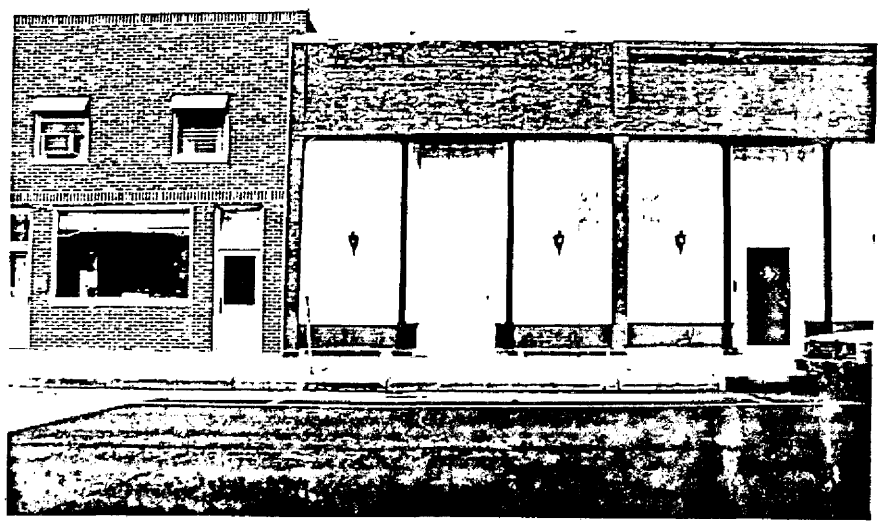

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

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- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 M.E. Church (brick)
1891 Same
1899 Single story brick, metal cornice, "Grocery"
1907 "Second Hand Store"
1913 Same
1922 "Store"
1933 "Auto Repair"

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   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

	1886	Methodist Episcopal Church on lot.
	1891	Same
##	1894	"Foundation being laid for new building where old M. E. Church was." (Weekly Albia Union; 14 April 1894).
	1899	Restaurant
	1907	Printing
	1913	Grocery
	1922	Use not listed
	1933	Use not listed
?-	1953	Cebuhar's Store (local informant, David Johnson)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

	1886	Methodist Episcopal Church on lot.
	1891	Same
##	1894	"Foundation being laid for new building where old M. E. Church was." (Weekly Albia Union; 14 April 1894).
	1899	Grocery
	1907	Second hand store
	1913	Second hand store
	1922	Use not listed
	1933	Auto repair
1950-	1959	Abby's Produce (local informant, David Johnson)

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-19 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

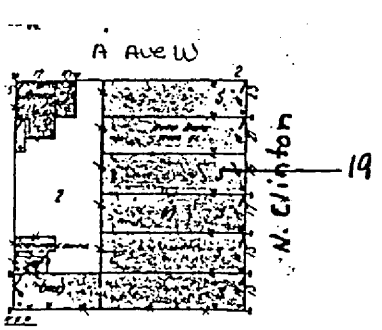
Identification

1. Site Name
2. **Village/Town/City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 19 N. Clinton
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 4 S 22' of N 66' Lots 1 and 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel: ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. **Owner(s) Name** Marvin M. and Coleen A. Kruse
7. **Owner(s) Address** 19 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Residence Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Totally altered fenestration, brick veneer on facade.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 4 Frame 8 View Looking NW



Significance

Indicate sources of information for all statements

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This was originally a Type 6 building but it has been totally altered.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

1886 Frame dwelling
1891 Same
1899 Empty lot
1907 Single story brick, "Restaurant"
1913 "Furniture"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.

3. Photo Images

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Frame dwelling
1891	Restaurant
1899	Grocery
1907	Restaurant
1913	Furniture
1922	Hardware
1933	Use not listed

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-17.N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

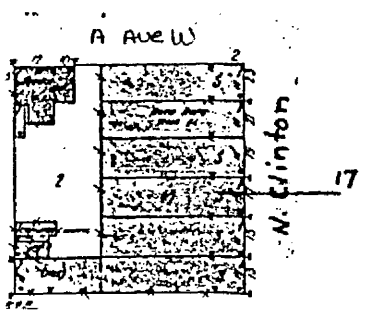
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 17 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 4 N 22' of S 66' Lots 1 and 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Monroe County Home Health Association, a Corporation
7. Owner(s) Address 17 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Senior Citizen Center Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Modern brick veneer on lower level. Metal fascia evident above windows. Paneled brick frieze.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 4 Frame 7 View Looking W



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Alterations to this Type 6 building make it non-contributing but it is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Single story frame building
1907 Single story brick, "Grocery"
1913 "Cigar Factory"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

A Phillips Grocery in 1908 (local informant; David Johnson)

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Organization _____

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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Former building; millinery
1891	Restaurant
1899	
1907	Grocery
1913	Cigar factory
1922	Use not listed
1908	A Phillips Grocery (David Johnson, local informant)
1929-59	Cassie's Cafe (David Johnson, local informant)

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-15 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

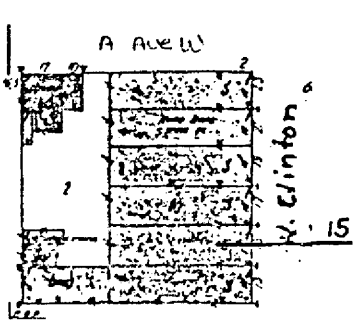
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 15 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 4 N 22' of S 44' Lots 1 and 2
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision / township; block / range; parcel / section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Paul and Carol J. Kausalik
7. Owner(s) Address 15 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1907 Architect, Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick has been painted red and repointed. Brick on lower facade is new veneer. Shake shingle awning. Paneled brick frieze.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 4 Frame 6 View Looking NW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Alterations to this Type 6 building make it non-contributing but it is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Frame building
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 Single story brick, "Drugs"
1913 "Clo. Cleaning and Tailor"
1922 "Store
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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1908 George W Reel Druggist; 1918 Iowa Cleaners; 1959 Iowa Cleaners. (local informant; David Johnson).

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   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Item Number(s)

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Agricultural implements; former building
1891	Same
1899	
1907	Drugs (1908 Goerge W Reel, Druggist) (David Johnson, local informant)
1913	Cleaners (1918 Iowa Cleaners) (David Johnson, local informant)
1922	Use not listed
1933	Use not listed
1918-59	Iowa Cleaners

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Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-22 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

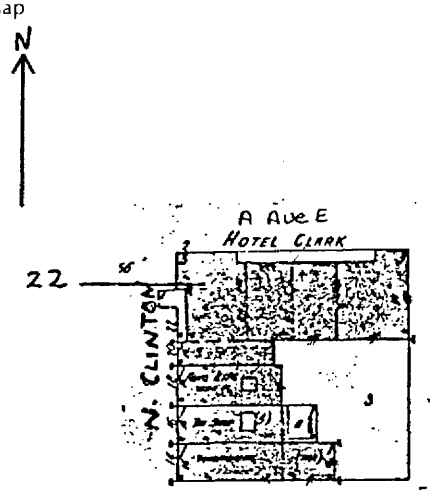
Identification

1. Site Name Hotel Monroe
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 22 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 N part of N½ Lots 3 and 4
   (Urban/Rural) (Subdivision/township) (block/range) (parcel/section) (subparcel ¼ section or ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Walter LaVerne McDanel and Dorothy McDanel
7. Owner(s) Address 22 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Apartments Original Hotel

Description

9. Date of Construction By 1886 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Yellow brick veneer
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☐ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    No date for application of veneer over original red brick.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 7 View Looking SE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Photos from 1908 and 1911 show this to have been a typical Type 2 building with pressed metal Italianate cornice and decorative cast hoodmolds. The original architectural design of the building was lost when the yellow brick veneer was applied.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Three story brick, frame porch, "Cramer Hotel"
1891 Same
1899 "The Monroe"
1907 Same, but with addition to the east
1913 Same
1922 "Stevens Hotel"
1933 "Hotel Clark"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance maps 1886-1933

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Organization _____

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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
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   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1869 Cramer House (hostelry). George Cramer came to Albia in 1850 and established in 1867 a frame hotel. In 1869 he built a 3-story, brick hotel on the present site. This building occupied three store lots.

Antique photograph pictures building with "Cramer House/ 187? (unclear)" painted on pediment.

Source Historical Sketch Book of Albia and Monroe County 1859-1959; p 61. Reproduces antique image.

"Directory of Monroe County;" History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1878; p 462. Mr Cramer's sketch reproduced below.

> **CRAMER, GEO. P.,** proprietor of Cramer House; born March 16, 1834, in Pennsylvania; in 1850, came to Jefferson Co., Iowa; thence to Des Moines; Dec. 31, 1850, came to Albia; engaged as clerk in Wilson's dry goods store; in 1861, returned to Fairfield, Iowa; in 1862, to Washington, Iowa, and engaged in purchasing horses for the Government, which he continued during the war; in 1866, engaged in the circus business, which he continued till 1869; in 1867, built his present hotel, and has been engaged in this business ever since. Married Rachel Webb April 6, 1856; she was born Dec. 4, 1840, in Indiana; have three children—Anna, Emma and Willie, aged respectively 21, 18 and 15. Republican.

1883 "New Cramer House to be built." The Italianate style building, mentioned above, destroyed by fire. Weekly Albia Union; 22 March 1883.

1886 Cramer House (present building w/o east addition)

1891 Cramer House (present building w/o east addition)

1899 The Monroe Hotel (present building w/o east addition)

1907

Item Number(s)

1913	The Monroe Hotel (w/east addition & covered entry on North Clinton)
1922	Stevens Hotel (present building)
1933	Hotel Clark

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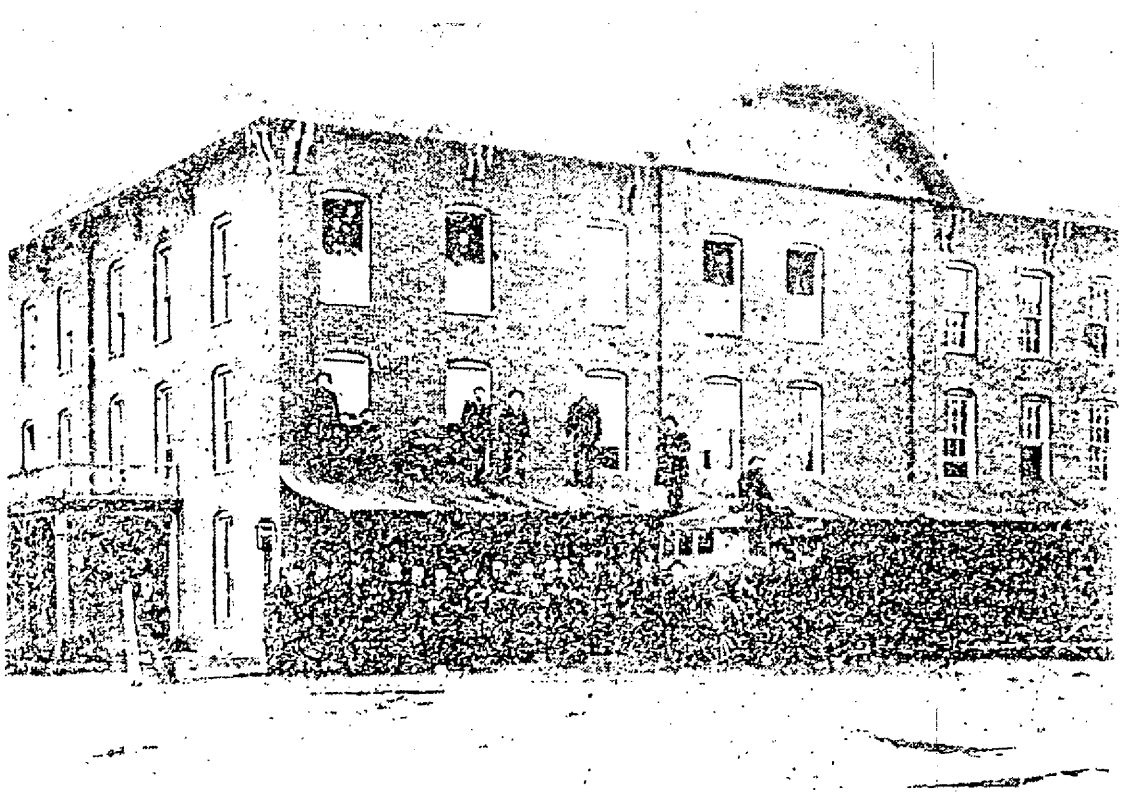
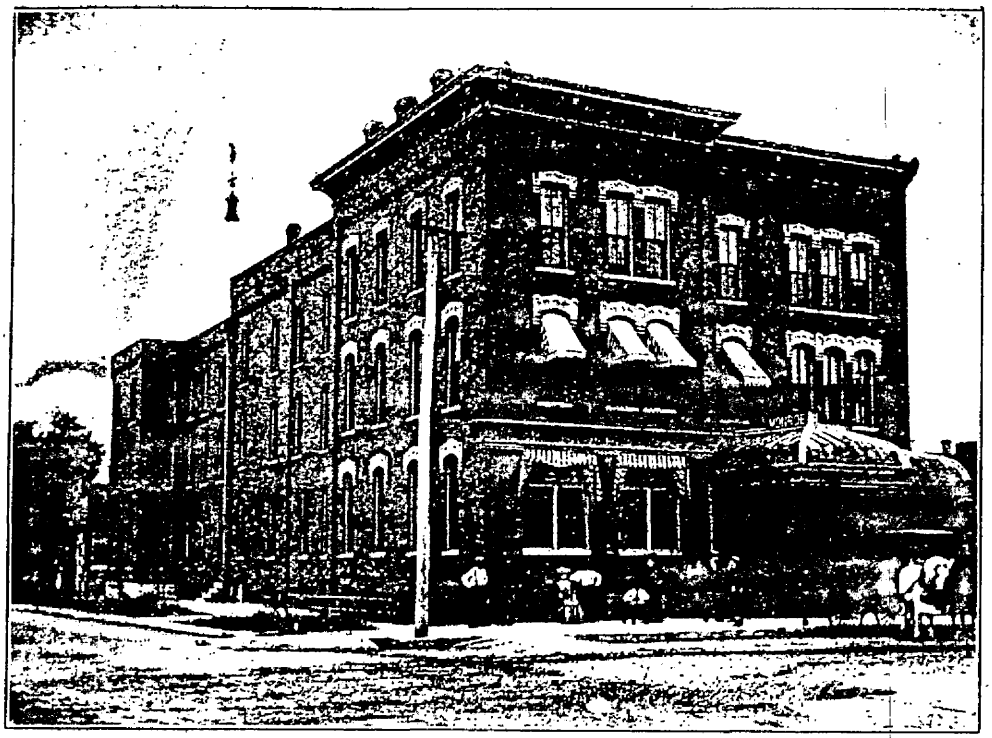


Cramer House circa 1880. Historical Sketch Book of Monroe County, Iowa; 1959; p 61. This building was contructed in 1869 (History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1878; p 462). Destroyed by fire in 1883.

Item Number(s)



The New Monroe Hotel, Albia, Iowa, John C. Stevens, Proprietor

Circa 1908. Source of antique image: Albia of Today (Albia Business Men's Association); 1908; n p. The photo pictures the building with the unimpaired integrity of the 1883 building.

Iowa Site Inventory

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Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-20 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

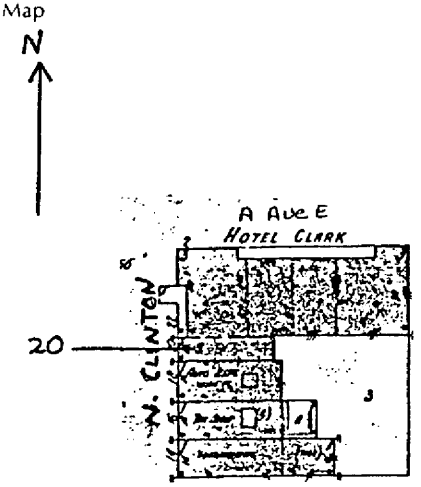
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 20 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey (Urban/Rural, subdivision/township) Blk 5 (block/range) S part of N½ Lots 3 and 4 (parcel/section, subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Walter LaVerne McDanel and Dorothy McDanel
7. Owner(s) Address 22 N. Clinton (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Restaurant Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1922-33 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
☐ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
Windows and door altered, vertical siding applied above them.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 13 View Looking E



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Building material and scale are consistent with the two buildings immediately south. Not intrusive, but not a contributing structure.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Shown for first time on 1933 Sanborn.

This building served as a coffee shop for some time after World War II. (local informant; David Johnson)

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Organization _____

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   - ☐ National Register
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   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____

2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
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   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-18 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

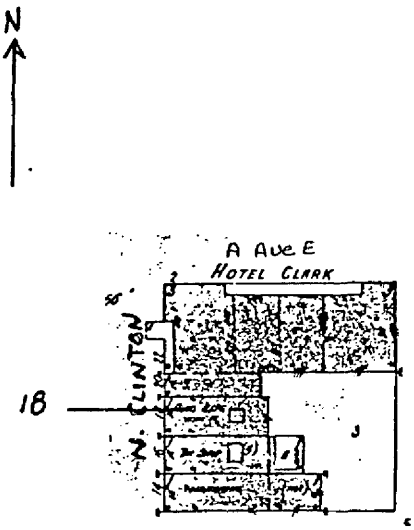
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 18 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 N 22' S½ Lots 3 and 4
   (Urban Rural / subdivision township / block range / parcel section / subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Lorin Kemp, c/o Patricia E. Tully
7. Owner(s) Address Rt. #1 (Street address) Eldon (City) IA (State) 52554 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Vacant Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1885 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☐ fair ☒ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Veneer on lower facade. Cast concrete course above the windows.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☐ no ☒ yes—if so, why? Interior gutted by fire Spring 1984.
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 14 View Looking SE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This originally was a joint site with 16 N. Clinton next door. Condition makes it non-contributing.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☐ b. Contributing structure
- ☒ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Single story brick, "Meat"
1891 "Restaurant"
1899 Same
1907 "Saloon"
1913 "Vacant"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Auto repair"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Meat market
1891	Restaurant
1899	Restaurant
1913	Vacant building
1922	Use not listed
1933	Tin shop
Spring 1984	Gutted by fire.

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for date indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-16 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

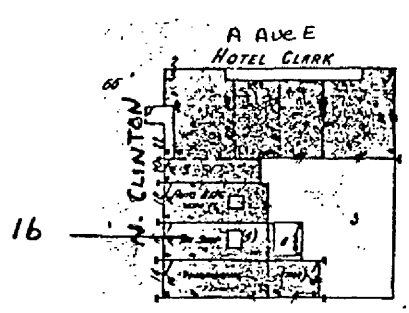
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 16 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 Center 22' S½ Lots 3 and 4
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Harold L. Mick
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1885 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Original door and window frames have been filled in, south elevation covered with wood siding, facade brick painted gray. Metal cornice removed.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 15 View Looking SE



Significance (Indicate sources of information for each statement)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is one of four similar Type 6 buildings along this side of N. Clinton. This is the only one which is not stucco covered, but it does have the rounded corners on the door and windows. It is representative of small commercial buildings of the period.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 One story brick, "Barber"
1891 "Millinery"
1899 "Hand printing"
1907 "Restaurant"
1913 Same
1922 Same
1933 "Tin shop"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   a. _____
   b. _____
   c. _____
   d. _____
   e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

1886	Barber shop
1891	Millinery shop
1899	"Hand printing"
1913	Restaurant
1922	Restaurant
1933	Tin shop

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for date indicated.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-12 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

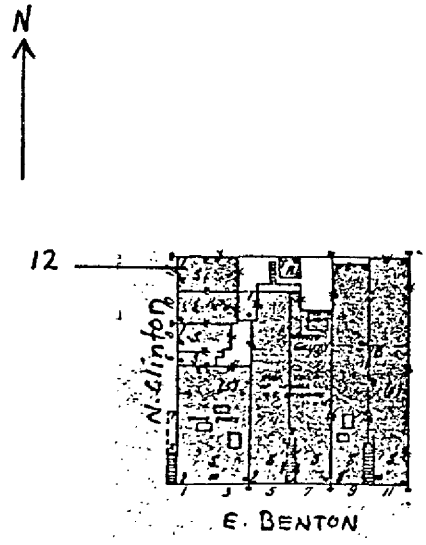
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 12 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 N part N 40' Lot 5
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Paul E. Twedt and Patty J. Twedt
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1885 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick veneer under the windows. Metal cornice removed.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other Brick sidewalk in front.

18. Map



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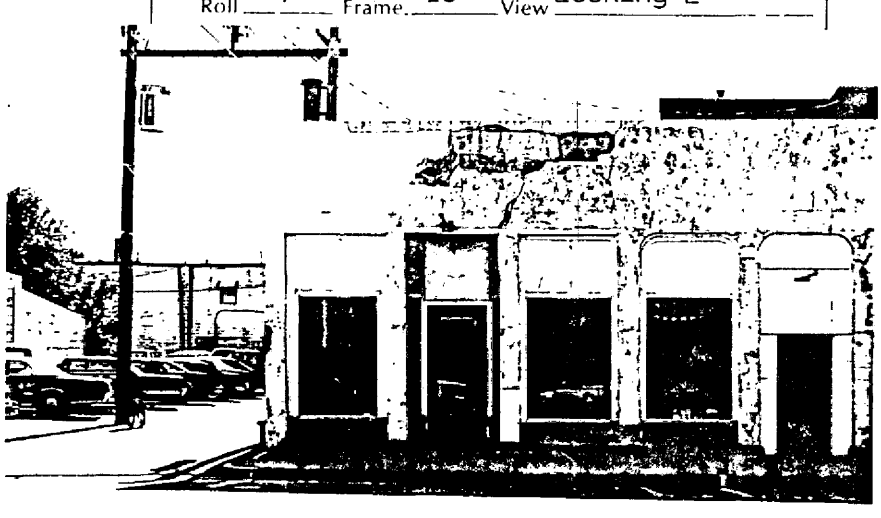

Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

This is one of four similar Type 6 buildings along this side of N. Clinton. 12 N. Clinton is the only one which does not feature rounded corners on the windows and doors. However, it is identical in other ways and dates to the same period as 10 N. Clinton next door. While not architecturally outstanding these are representative of small commercial buildings of the period.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 One story brick, "Barber"
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 "Vacant"
1913 "Office"
1922 "Doctor's Office"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

The stucco applied to this building is possibly the product of Ira Noble, a local building contractor. He seems to have employed the material in the facade alteration circa 1910 of his father's building (3 Benton Avenue East). This latter building abuts these on North Clinton.

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Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
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   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

This building obtains interest in regard to medicine and its practice as a commercial pursuit. The medical doctor who established his office here by 1922 (Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, 1922) had previously practiced from his office on the second floor of the Samuel Noble Block (3 Benton Avenue East).

Medical doctors, attorneys, dentists, and other professionals traditionally located their practice on the second floors of commercial rooms. Patients and clients were obliged to walk up.

The medical office at 12 North Clinton represents the first doctor's office in Albia located on a ground story. (Informant Interview; Ruth Hollingshead; Albia, IA).

As other professionals followed suit, the second floor rooms were converted into apartment dwellings. Until World War I, these second floor rooms were atypically dwellings.

Albia witnesses another development in this regard. Since the 1970s, professionals have again moved into the second floor rooms. This time the professionals have done so by rehabilitating some rooms into luxury apartments for their own residences.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-10 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

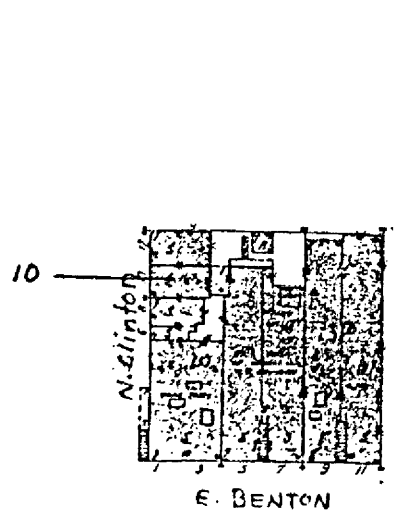
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 10 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 5 S part N 40' Lot 5
   (Urban / Rural) (subdivision / township) (block / range) (parcel / section) (subparcel / section or ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Paul E. Twedt and Patty J. Twedt
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Commercial Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction circa 1885 Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Windows and doors have rounded corners. Altered doorway, brick veneer under windows. Metal cornice removed.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other Brick sidewalk in front.

18. Map



19. Photo
    Roll 7 Frame 17 View Looking E



[redacted]nificance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is one of four similar Type 6 buildings along this side of N. Clinton. They have a common window/door design with rounded corners at the top and three of these structures have been covered with stucco. While not architecturally outstanding they are representative of small commercial buildings of the period.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 One story brick, "Office"
1891 Same
1899 "Jewelry"
1907 "Tailor"
1913 "Vacant"
1922 "Restaurant"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

The stucco applied to this building is possibly the product of Ira Noble, a local building contractor. He seems to have employed the material in the facade alteration circa 1910 of his father's building (3 Benton Avenue East). This latter building abuts these on North Clinton.

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid: _____
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project: _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
   - ☐ Other _____
2. Subject Traces
   - a. _____
   - b. _____
   - c. _____
   - d. _____
   - e. _____
3. Photo Images _____

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-1 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

1. Site Name Miller-Loeb Block
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 1 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 N 22' Lot 1
   (Urban / Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Sylvia Lorraine Rosenthal, 220 Washington Ave W, Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) Max B. Loeb, 2818 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50300
   (Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Clothing Store Original Commercial

Description

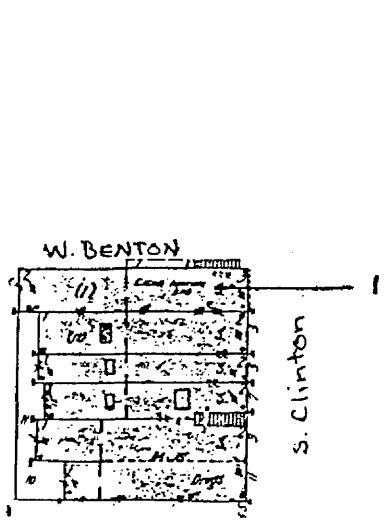
9. Date of Construction By 1869 ## Architect Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?

Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:

Painted red and repointed, large wooden scroll brackets, cast metal hoodmolds and sills, two story rear wing by 1886, original store front replaced in 1902.* Star anchor irons on north elevation, diamond anchor irons on rear wing.

16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 1 Frame 5 View Looking SW



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20 **Architectural significance**

☒ a. Key structure-individually may qualify for the National Register

☐ b. Contributing structure

☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is an outstanding example of Type 2 design and features the only extant wooden cornice in the community. The large rounded scroll brackets are paired on both the primary and secondary facades. The round arched pediment features a small identification panel (present one is not original). The distinctive feature of this building is the design of the hoodmolds. Those on the primary facade are very elaborate with a luxuriantely foliated motif. No other examples of this type of hoodmold have been located in southern Iowa. The cast sills on consoles have a similar design. The hoods on the secondary facade are smaller and slightly pedimented, but also feature a foliated motif. The original triple arched store front with cast iron elements was replaced in 1902. Though the present store front is not original, it is not intrusive.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register

☒ b. Contributing structure

☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Three story brick, wooden cornice, "Clothing", "Office" on second, "Hall" on third, two story rear wing "Photographer" on second, exterior stairs

1891 Same

1899 Same, but rear wing shows "Hall" on second

1907 "Clothing", "Lodge Hall" on third

1913 "Clothing, Boots & Shoes", "Lodge Hall" on third

1922 "Store". "Cigar Mfg." on second

1933 "Store", "Cigar Mfg." on third

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

The Friday (Albia) Union, 24 Jan 1902, p 1, c 1, Item about new store front.

Albia of Today. Albia Business Men's Assoc. Des Moines: Western Pub. Bur., 1908.

Andreas, A.T. Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa. Chicago: Andreas Atlas Co., 1875, p 243.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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Address Telephone

Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property

☐ County Resource File

☐ Windshield Survey

☐ National Register

☐ Grants-In-Aid:

☐ Determination of Eligibility

☐ Review and Compliance Project:

☐ Other

☐ Other

☐ Other

2. Subject Traces

a.

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c.

d.

e.

3. Photo Images

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

This building was probably erected in 1868 by Henry and Lewis Miller. The building was certainly in place by November 1869. Listen to a Quit Claim Deed which conveys:

> "The third or upper story (commencing at the third floor), of the brick building, situated on the North part of Lot No. One (1), Block No. Nine (9) according to the First (1st) Survey of the Town of Albia, together with the right of passage way to the said upper story as now used...Provided, however that the said trustees of Monroe Lodge No. 81, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and their successors in office shall at all times keep the roof of the said third or upper story in good repair to prevent any damage by leakage to the grantors..."
>
> Lewis Miller, Peggy Ann Miller, his wife, Henry Miller, his wife, to George Hickenlooper, John R Duncan and D Crozier, Trustees in Trust for Monroe Lodge No. 81, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Albia, Iowa, and their Successors in Office.
>
> Monroe County Recorder's Office; Deed Record N-176. Dated 2 November 1869; filed 3 November 1869.

In winter 1881/82 the rear addition of the building was completed. (District Court of Iowa; Monroe County; Answer of Acheson Bros.; filed 25 November 1882).

This building becomes involved in the insolvency of the Monroe County bank as ownership was held by its officials. Ely Oppenheimer leases the first story of the building 16 September 1875 for two years. (Monroe County Recorder's Office; Lease; Deed Record, X-276; dated 16 September 1875; filed 1 February 1878). Max Loeb leases the building 1 March 1882 (Monroe County Recorder's Office; Lease; Deed Record H2-38; dated 1 March 1882; filed 1 April 1882).

Max Loeb purchases the building 30 December 1911 (excepting the third story). (Monroe County Recorder's Office; Warranty Deed; dated 30 December 1911; filed 11 January 1912).

Courtesy Graham Abstract Company
Albia, Iowa

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

"Simon Oppenheimer came to the Albia-Chariton area in the late 1860s and started a clothing business. He was joined by his brother-in-law Max Loeb who later leased the building at 1 South Clinton and renamed the business 'Loeb's.'

"The business was a men's clothing store in the early days and carried a full line of men's and boys' clothes and shoes. Mr Loeb was joined in the store by his sons, Wallace, Jack, Gene, and Elmer. After Max Loeb's death in 1912, the sons continued to operate the business. Elmer Loeb was the last surviving son and in 1937 he was joined by his wife Matte in operating the store. Women's clothing was added at this time. In 1949 Louis J Rosenthal and his wife Sylvia Loeb Rosenthal came back to Albia to take over the women's department of the store. Upon the death of Elmer Loeb in 1957, the Rosenthals continued to operate the store. In 1974 Mr Rosenthal died and Sylvia closed out the men's department. She continues to operate the ladies' department."

Research: David Johnson, Local Informant

The Miller-Loeb Block played an important role in altering the commercial perspective of Albia from the east to the west/northwest side of the Albia Square. The design of the building set a standard for other commercial buildings to emulate. As a commercial enterprise, Loeb's represents a fine tradition of family business.

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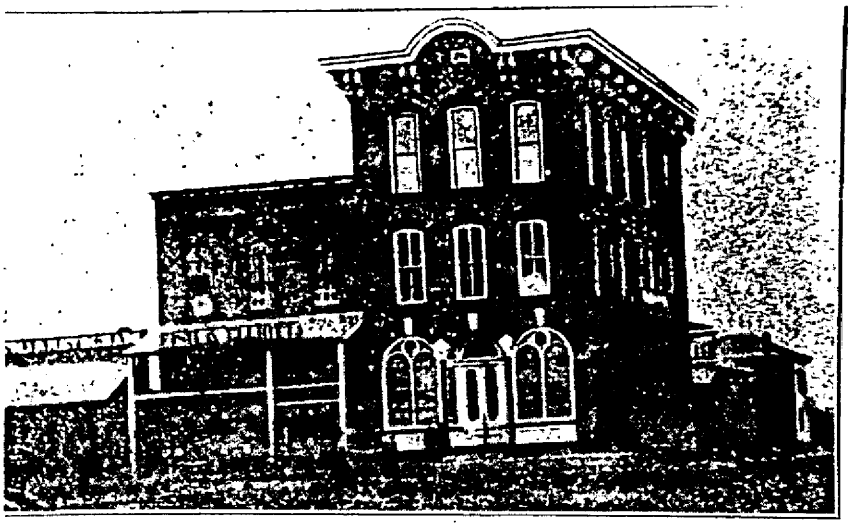


View of West Side of Public Square, 1870.

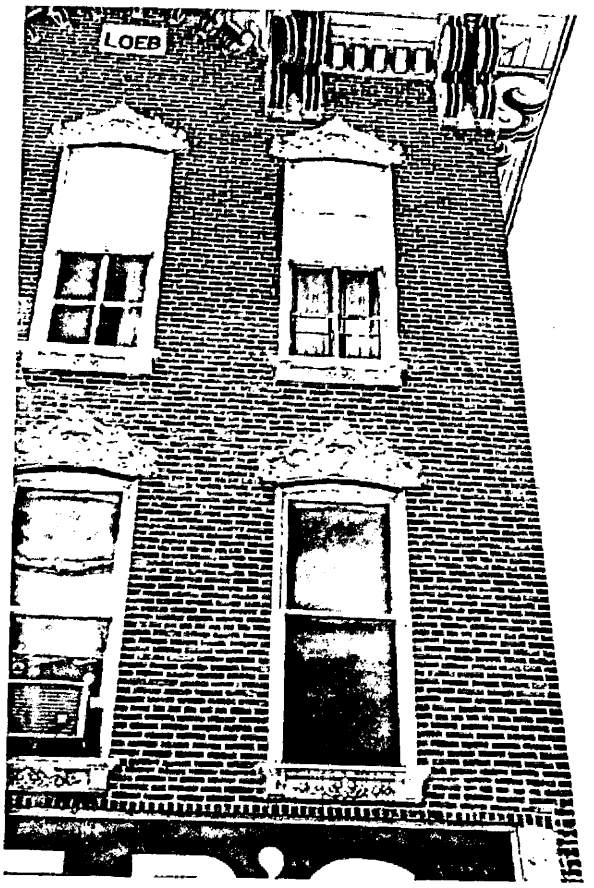
Illustration from Albia of Today (1908)

AD-2, frame 5

These two brick buildings helped anchor the west/northwest portion of the Albia business district as premier commercial section of mid-Nineteenth Century Albia.



AD-2, frame 31



AD -2, frame 30

Iowa Site Inventory

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Iowa State Historical Department
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Site Number 68-002-6 N. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

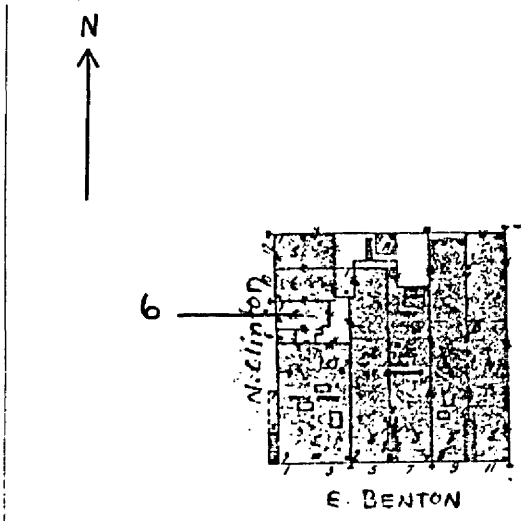
Identification

1. Site Name
2. Village/Town/City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 6 N. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk N part S 92' Lot 5
   (Urban, Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Paul E. Twedt and Patty J. Twedt
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Vacant Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1899-1907 Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☐ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☒ stucco
    ☐ other Coursed to imitate stone.
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☐ good ☒ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Window partially covered with board and batten, brick veneer below window. Round corners at top of windows. Recessed entrance. Metal cornice removed.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other Brick sidewalk in front.

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 7 Frame 18 View Looking E



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is one of four similar Type 6 buildings along this side of N. Clinton. They have a common window/door design with rounded corners at the top and three of these structures have been covered with stucco. While not architecturally outstanding they are representative of small commercial buildings of the period. 6 N. Clinton dates a few years after the others but was built as a companion structure in terms of design.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:
1886 Empty lot
1891 Same
1899 Same
1907 One story brick, "Barber"
1913 Same
1922 Store
1933 Store

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

The stucco applied to this building is possibly the product of Ira Noble, a local building contractor. He seems to have employed the material in the facade alteration circa 1910 of his father's building (3 Benton Avenue East). This latter building abuts these on North Clinton.

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Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   a.
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.

3. Photo Images

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-3 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

Identification

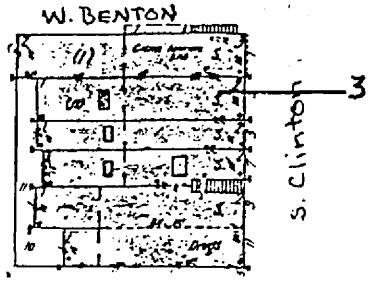
1. Site Name FISH & ELLIOTT/DUNCAN BUILDING
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 3 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 N 11' Lot 12, S 11' Lot 1
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Laura Duncan
7. Owner(s) Address 4024 Grand Ave (Street address) Des Moines (City) IA (State) 50300 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Gift & Book Store Original Commercial

Description

Probably 1869##

9. Date of Construction Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other White enameled brick
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when? Facade alteration 1912
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Recessed entry, brick pilasters, second floor windows have panels at top, metal cornice with modillions, stepped parapet, concrete cap.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo
    Roll 1 Frame 12 View Looking W



Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

The 1870 photo of the Miller-Loeb Block, and photos as late as 1911 show this as a Type 1 arcaded building. However, the facade as it exists today has significance as a good example of Type 5. It illustrates the interest in the surface of the facade through the use of white enameled brick, and has simple neo-classical details in the pilasters and metal cornice with modillions. The minimal alterations are reversible, and the store front appears to be original to the early twentieth century remodeling.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, wooden cornice, "Hardware"
1891 "Hardware", "Tin shop" on second, single story rear wing "Warehouse"
1899 Same
1907 Same
1913 Metal cornice, "Wallpaper"
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933

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Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other

2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.

3. Photo Images

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

This building was already constructed in 1869 (Fish and Elliot advertise "in the new brick" 2 September 1869; Weekly Albia Union).

Homer and Scott Duncan maintained a hardware business at this location for many years.

"In 1912 Mark W Duncan and his wife Minnie Early Duncan purchased this building and remodeled it, changing the windows and covering the entire front with white glaze brick. Mr and Mrs Duncan began this business in 1887 on the north side of the square in the building now occupied by First Iowa State Bank. The store was owned and operated by Mr Duncan until his death in 1945. At that time the store became a corporation owned by Miss Laura Duncan and others. It continues to operate in the same location with the same owners today--97 years after the business was started."

Research: David Johnson, Local Informant

The Duncan Building and the Miller-Loeb Block were built almost if not all at the same time. Together with the Perry-Townsend Block, Phenney Building, Moon Building, and National Bank Block, this building altered the focus of the Albia commercial district from an easterly to a west/northwesterly direction in the late 1860s/early 1870s.

As a commercial enterprises, Duncan's represents a fine tradition of family business.

John Duncan began at this site in 1871 (History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1878; p 463).

Iowa Site Inventory

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Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-7 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

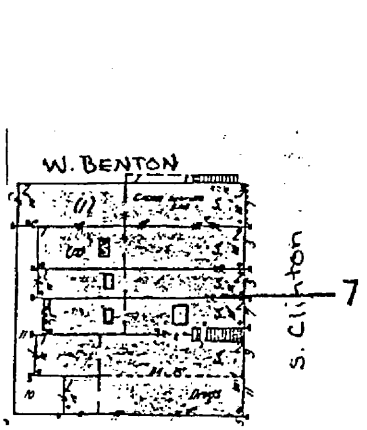
Identification

1. Site Name WILLIAM MOON & SON/JAMES PHENNEY BUILDING
2. Village Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 7 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 N 16' Lot 11, S 22' Lot 12
   (Urban: Rural; subdivision township; block range; parcel section; subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Name Harold L. and Gloria M. Mick
7. Owner(s) Address Route #5 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. Use: Present Appliance & Furniture Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1874## Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Brick painted gray, cast hoodmolds, rope molding on inside of windows, corbeled brick frieze, pressed metal cornice. First floor store front altered with red brick veneer, new doors and windows, vertical siding above display windows.
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all items)

20 **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible-intrusion

This is a good example of a Type 2 building with its pre-fabricated architectural elements. The second floor appears unaltered except for paint (even the window frames and sashes may be original). The cast hoodmolds are typical of the period and the metal cornice has a simple denticulated design. The second floor of this building is significant enough to over-ride the alterations to the first floor.

This is one of the four impressive Type 2 buildings along Clinton which set the standards for commercial architecutre in the community.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice, North 1/2= "General Store", South 1/2= "Grocery", "Printing" on second
1891 North 1/2= "Dry Goods", single story wing to rear, South 1/2= Same
1899 Same, but "Printing" not noted
1907 North 1/2= "Dry Goods", South 1/2= "Grocery", "Cigar Mfg." on second
1913 Same, but "Cigar" not noted
1922 "Store"
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
2. Subject Traces
   a.
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   c.
   d.
   e.
3. Photo Images

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

NORTH ROOM William Moon & Son Building

This two-story, brick building was built by William N Moon and Son in 1874. It was constructed at the same time the Perry-Townsend Opera Block and the James Phenney Building. All three buildings were to share one stairway to the second floor. To undertake this activity, a deed record survives:

> "said parties design erecting business Buildings during the present year on the said respective parcels of land so owned and are desirous of having one entrance stairway and hall to be used in common so that each of the parties hereto may have ingress and egress to and from the upper room in the building that may be constructed by them respectively."
>
> Monroe County Recorder's Office; Deed Record N-580; dated 8 April 1874; filed 9 April 1874.

This deed record also stipulates that the stairway will be 6' wide. Actual measurements of the building in July 1984 confirmed compliance with the agreement.

From 1936 to 1957 the Albia Hy-Vee operated in both north and south rooms.

This building together with the Perry-Townsend Opera Block, Phenney Building, Duncan Building, and National Bank Block altered the focus of the Albia commercial district from an easterly to a west/northwesterly direction in the late 1860s/early 1870s.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

SOUTH ROOM James Phenney Building

This two-story brick building was built by James Phenney in 1874. It was constructed at the same time the Perry-Townsend Opera Block and the William Moon and Son Building. All three buildings were to share one stairway to the second floor. A deed record (filed 9 April 1874) is cited above which outlines terms of this agreement.

Mr Phenney later moved his grocery store to the north side of the square. William Moon and Son then opened north and south rooms and operated a grocery in the south and a dry goods store in the north room.

Between 1936-1957 the Albia Hy-Vee Food Store operated their business in both rooms.

The building has housed Mick's Furniture Store since 1970.

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Site Number 68-002-9, S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

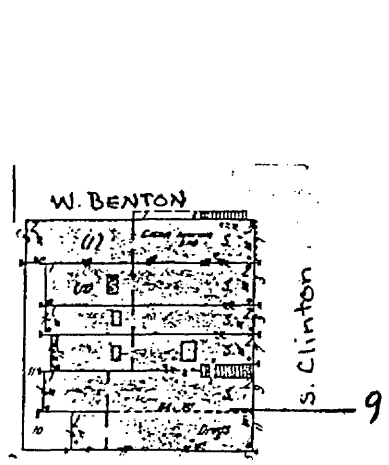
Identification

1. Site Name Perry-Townsend Opera Block
2. Village/Town City Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. Street Address 9 S. Clinton
4. Legal Location First Survey Blk 9 Lot 10, S 11' Lot 11
   (Urban/Rural; subdivision/township; block/range; parcel/section; subparcel/¼ section of ¼ section)
5. UTM Location: zone easting northing ; Acreage
6. Owner(s) Jim J. & Norma Jean Garwood, 13 5th Ave E., Albia, IA 52531
7. Owner(s) Lowell H. & Shirley H. Williams, 403 North 9th St., Albia, IA 52531
   (Street address; City; State; Zip)
8. Use: Present Drugs/Clothing Original Commercial

Description

9. Date of Construction 1874 ## Architect/Builder
10. Building Type:
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. Exterior Walls: ☐ clapboard ☐ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other Name and date on pediment are modern
12. Structural System: ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. Condition: ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. Integrity: ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Cast iron store fronts (pilasters & fascia), round arched windows with cast horseshoe shaped hoodmolds set in pilastered panels, corbeled frieze with deep brick patterned fireze above, pressed metal cornice with round arched identification pediment. Alterations to store fronts may be reversible.
16. Is the building endangered? ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. Surroundings of the building: ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



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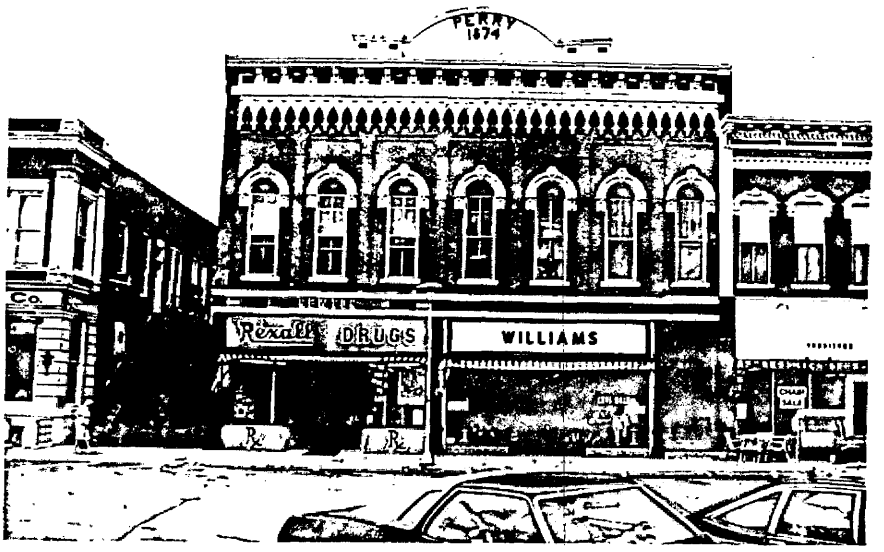

Significance

(Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- [x] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

This is a fine example of an elaborate Type 2 design. The cast horseshoe-shaped hoodmolds are typical of Italianate design and feature foliated garlands and acanthus leaves. Rope molding surrounds the sash. The decorative brickwork is notable, the pilasters and corbeled frieze as well as the arched frieze above (white paint makes it much more pronounced than it would have been originally). The metal cornice is fairly simple in design, but becomes more impressive with the addition of the pediment. The south elevation along the alley has round arched windows and a brick cornice that is both corbeled and paneled. Though alterations have been made to the store fronts, the recessed entries have been retained and it appears that all of the cast iron elements remain.

This is one of the four impressive Type 2 buildings on Clinton which set the standards for commercial architecture in the community.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- [x] a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- [ ] b. Contributing structure
- [ ] c. Not eligible/intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, metal cornice, North 1/2= "Clothing", South 1/2= "Drugs" "Opera House" on second
1891 Same
1899 Same, now "Perry Opera House"
1907 North 1/2= "Racket", South 1/2= "Drugs'
1913 Same
1922 North 1/2= "Store", South 1/2= "Drugs"
1933 Same

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Andreas, A.T. Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa. Chicago: Andreas Atlas Co., 1875, p. 329 has illustration of W.B. Cousin's Drug Store, p. 243 is "Bird's Eye View of Albia", locates drug store on this site.

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Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
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   - [ ] Windshield Survey
   - [ ] National Register
   - [ ] Grants-In-Aid:
   - [ ] Determination of Eligibility
   - [ ] Review and Compliance Project:
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other
   - [ ] Other

2. Subject Traces
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Item Number(s)

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

This two story building was originally part of the Perry Opera House built in 1874 by Judge John S Townsend and T B Perry, Senior, his law partner. Perry later became widely known in the Iowa legislature and state politics. He came to Albia in 1853 to study law with Judge Townsend. Outgrowing their original law office after forming a partnership, Perry and Townsend purchased land from one of the town's early merchants, William Moon who had a grocery and dry goods store in the same half block. Perry later acquired the Townsend interest in the building. After the King Opera house was built in 1903, the Perry Building's second floor was divided into apartments. It remained in the Perry family until 1959 when the north half was purchased by Elmer Williams whose clothing store has been in that location since 1924.

Research: David Johnson, Local Informant

Monroe County Recorder's Office (Deed Record N-580, dated 8 April 1874) contains an agreement concerning the construction of this building.

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

SOUTH ROOM

1870	Detar and Robb; frame,1-story building
1874	W D Cousins, Drugs
1886	Drugs
1891	Drugs
1895	Drugs; G R Carden and Company
1899	Same

Item Number(s)

SOUTH ROOM (continued)

1907	Mitchem & Symes (beginning circa 1905)
1913	George D Miller drugs
1922	Drugs
1933	Drugs
1952	Love Rexall Drugs

NORTH ROOM

1886	Clothing
1891	Clothing
1893	Globe Clothing house
1899	Same
1907	Mitchem & Symes
1913	
1924	Williams Clothing
1933	
1952	Williams Clothing

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

Charles A Dunham of Burlington, Iowa might have designed this building. T B Perry employed him to design his home (1877/78; 212 Benton Avenue East) in Albia. Dunham also worked in Albia during his apprenticeship to A G Bassett. Bassett's architectural office designed the 1858 Monroe County courthouse.

Perry believed in investing capital in real estate. He was probably the largest land and property owner in Albia.

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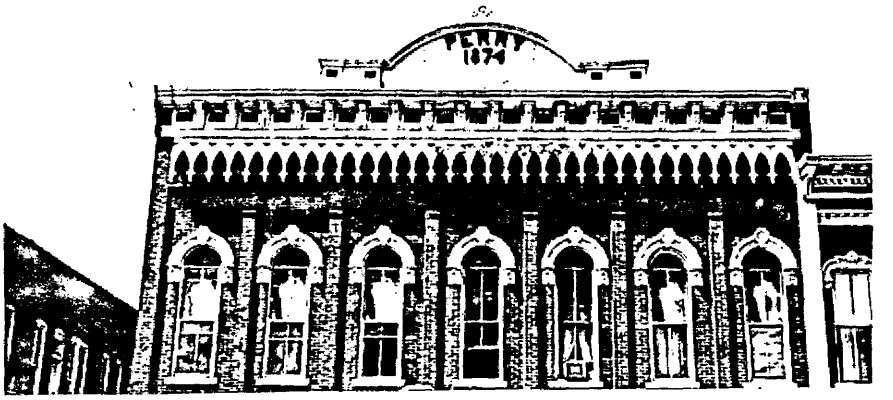

AD-2, frame 33 Looking W

Four finials on pediment non-extant.



AD -2, frame 32 Looking W

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
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Site Number 68-002-13 S. Clinton
District Name
Map Reference #

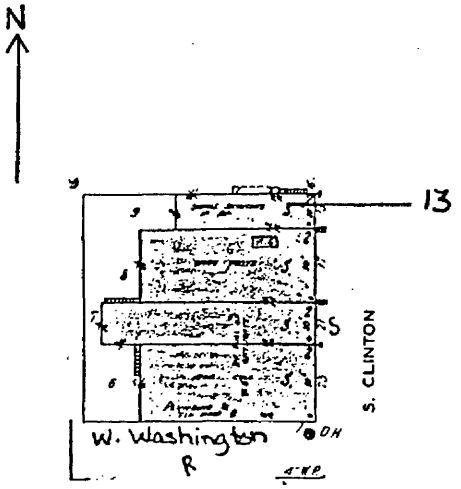
Identification

1. **Site Name** ALBIA STATE BANK BUILDING
2. **Village Town City** Albia Township Troy County Monroe
3. **Street Address** 13 S. Clinton
4. **Legal Location** First Survey Blk 9 N 21' Lot 9
   (Urban: subdivision; Rural: township) (block) (range) (parcel) (section) (subparcel ¼ section of ¼ section)
5. **UTM Location:** zone ____ easting ____ northing ____ ; Acreage ____
6. **Owner(s) Name** Patricia A. and Dennis F. Graham
7. **Owner(s) Address** Route #3 (Street address) Albia (City) IA (State) 52531 (Zip)
8. **Use:** Present Realty & Abstract Company Original Commercial

Description

9. **Date of Construction** By 1886** Facade alteration followed 1903 fire##
10. **Building Type:**
    ☐ single-family dwelling ☐ industrial ☐ other institutional ☐ religious
    ☐ multiple-family dwelling ☐ educational ☐ public ☐ agricultural
    ☒ commercial
11. **Exterior Walls:** ☐ clapboard ☒ stone ☒ brick ☐ board and batten ☐ shingles ☐ stucco
    ☐ other
12. **Structural System:** ☐ wood frame with interlocking joints ☐ wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
    ☒ masonry load-bearing walls ☐ iron frame ☐ steel frame with curtain walls ☐ reinforced concrete
    ☐ other
13. **Condition:** ☐ excellent ☒ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated
14. **Integrity:** ☒ original site ☐ moved—if so, when?
    Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
    Stone veneer first floor, brick pilasters w/ cast concrete capitals, cast egg and dart on second floor lintels, denticulated cornice w/ egg and dart above.
15. **Related Outbuildings and Property:** ☐ barn ☐ other farm structures ☐ carriage house ☐ garage ☐ privy
    ☐ other
16. **Is the building endangered?** ☒ no ☐ yes—if so, why?
17. **Surroundings of the building:** ☐ open land ☐ woodland ☐ scattered outbuildings ☐ densely built-up ☒ commercial
    ☐ industrial ☐ residential ☐ other

18. Map



19. Photo Roll 1 Frame 18 View Looking SW



Significance (indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. **Architectural significance**

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible/intrusion

Like 3 S. Clinton this is a Type 5 facade on an earlier building. It is representative of the influence of the courthouse on commercial design in the district. The stone store front works well with the brick above, though the painted pilasters now give more of a vertical emphasis than it originally had. The simple egg and dart motif of the lintels is repeated on the cast concrete cornice. The north elevation along the alley retains the original segmental arched windows and corbeled brick cornice. This is a good example of a Type 5 building.

21. **Historical Significance** Theme(s) COMMERCE

- ☐ a. Key structure individually may qualify for the National Register
- ☒ b. Contributing structure
- ☐ c. Not eligible intrusion

Sanborn information:

1886 Two story brick, wooden cornice, exterior stairs, "Millinery", "Office" on 2nd
1891 "Clothing"
1899 "To be bank", same size, same wooden cornice
1907 "Bank", same size, cornice now metal
1913 Same
1922 Same
1933 "Store"

22. **Sources** (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps 1886-1933
Albia of Today. Albia Business Men's Assoc. Des Moines, IA: Western Publicity Bureau, 1908-09.

Prepared by Naumann and Page Date July 1984
Address Telephone
Organization

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property
   - ☐ County Resource File
   - ☐ Windshield Survey
   - ☐ National Register
   - ☐ Grants-In-Aid:
   - ☐ Determination of Eligibility
   - ☐ Review and Compliance Project:
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
   - ☐ Other
2. Subject Traces
   - a.
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.
3. Photo Images

COMMERCIAL THUMBNAIL SKETCH

This business was organized by H H Trimble of Keokuk as the Albia State Bank about 1890.* The building burned in 1903. There has always been a barber shop downstairs in the basement.

1870	Frame building; antique image; Albia 1911 Chautauqua; n p.
1886	Millinery; present building
1891	Clothing
1899	Bank
1902	Bank
1903	Albia State Bank burns (local informant)
1908	Albia State Bank
1913	Bank
1922	Bank
1933	Use not listed

Unattributed sources refer to fire insurance maps for dates indicated.

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* "Albia State Bank, south side of Square; in business six years." Hickenlooper, George; History of Monroe County, Iowa; 1896; p 303).

Sometime between 1896-1899 Albia State Bank moved to this building from the south side of the square.

In the 1930s this bank consolidated into the First Iowa State Bank.

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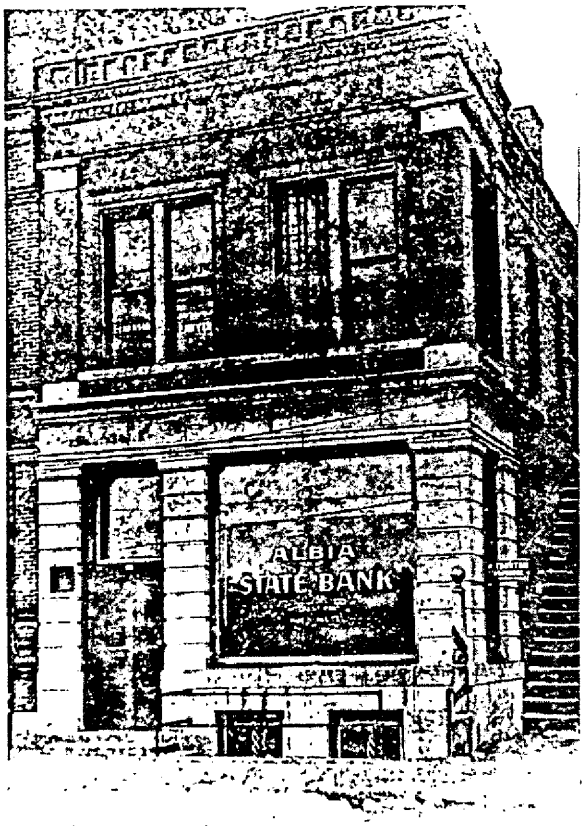

Illustration from Albia of Today (1908-09)
AD-2, frame 3

Shows building with facade alteration as reconstructed following 1903 fire.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: Albia Square and Central Commercial Historic District

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: IOWA, Monroe

DATE RECEIVED: 11/21/00 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 1/05/01
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 85000007

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL:	N	DATA PROBLEM:	N	LANDSCAPE:	N	LESS THAN 50 YEARS:	N
OTHER:	N	PDIL:	N	PERIOD:	N	PROGRAM UNAPPROVED:	N
REQUEST:	N	SAMPLE:	N	SLR DRAFT:	N	NATIONAL:	N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

✓ ACCEPT ___RETURN ___REJECT _____DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Accepted

RECOM./CRITERIA accept

REVIEWER Dean Beall DISCIPLINE Historian

TELEPHONE _____ DATE 12/28/00

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

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Albia Square & Central Commercial Historic District
(Revised evaluation of 102 South Main Street)
Monroe County, Iowa

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this _X_ nomination ____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property _X_ meets ____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide _X_ locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Patricia Ohlenkamp PSHPO 11-17-00

Signature of certifying official Date

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

State or Federal agency and bureau

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In my opinion, the property ____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

_____ _____

Signature of commenting or other official Date

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State or Federal agency and bureau

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4. National Park Service Certification

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I, hereby certify that this property is:

____ entered in the National Register _____
___ See continuation sheet.
____ determined eligible for the National Register _____
___ See continuation sheet.
____ determined not eligible for the National Register _____
____ removed from the National Register _____

____ other (explain): _____

_____ _____

Signature of Keeper Date of Action

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5. Classification

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Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
65	27	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
65	27	Total

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification

LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS/Classical revival

EXPLANATION OF THE AMENDMENT

This amendment to a previously listed National Register Registration Form is being filed under "Section VI. Amending National Register Forms" of National Register Bulletin: How to Complete the National Register Registration Form, using alternative #1 listed on page 71. Alternative #1 requires submission of "continuation sheets with the new information and an explanation of the amendment."

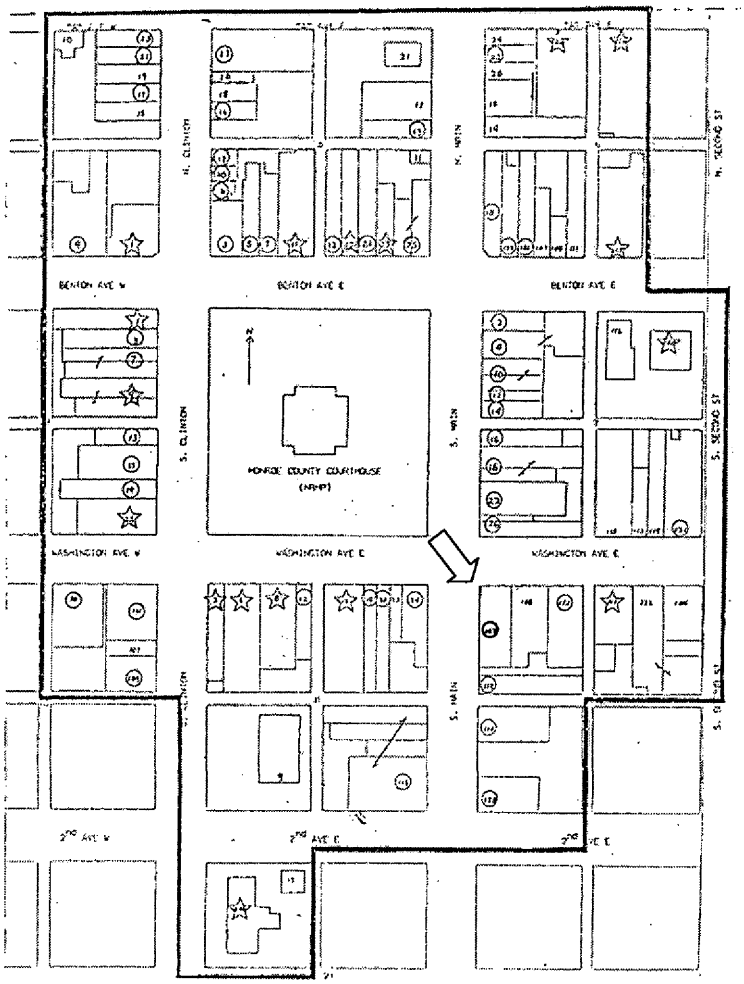
This nomination is being amended to revise the evaluation of a previously noncontributing building. At the time this historic district was listed, the two story painted brick and stone building was identified as potentially contributing, if the first floor was restored. "Restoration of the first floor façade would make it a contributing structure."

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The renovated building at 102 South Main Street, Albia, Iowa, Monroe County has been returned to natural brick and stone masonry. The Early Twentieth Century style metal storefront, the "historic" corner plan and column details, as evidenced by archival images, have been rebuilt. Aluminum storm windows have been removed, the repair of some and sympathetic replacement of the balance of windows, with wood sashes helps to preserve the original appearance of the windows, both inside and out. Doors and millwork reflect the last details found to be in evidence in upper areas.

Albia Square & Central Commercial Historic District
Site Map

(Arrow depicts location of Renovated 102 South Main Street)



ALBIA SQUARE AND BUSINESS DISTRICT
Albia (Monroe County) I...

KEY: 15 Site Number (Address)

Key Structure

(143) Contributing Structure