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Registration Form

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INTERAGENCY RESOURCES DIVISION

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determination of individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name The Sankot Motor Company

other names/site number The Sankot Garage

2. Location

street & number 807 13th Street N/A not for publication

city or town Belle Plaine N/A vicinity

state Iowa code IA county Benton code 011 zip code 52208

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David A. ...
Signature of certifying official/Title

9-17-95
Date

State Historical Society of Iowa
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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:)

(f) Signature of the Keeper <i>Guy M. Lapley</i>	Entered in the National Register	Date of Action <u>7/28/95</u>
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The Sankot Garage

Benton County, Iowa

Name of Property

County and State

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal
- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE/business

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE/business

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

No Style

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

- foundation CONCRETE
- walls TERRA COTTA
- BRICK
- roof METAL
- other WOOD
- GLASS

Narrative Description

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

See attached (Page 1)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- [x] A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
[] B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
[] C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
[] D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- [] A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
[] B removed from its original location.
[] C a birthplace or grave.
[] D a cemetery.
[] E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
[] F a commemorative property.
[] G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

TRANSPORTATION

Period of Significance

ca. 1920-1944

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

UNKNOWN

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.) See attached (Page 3)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- [] preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
[] previously listed in the National Register
[] previously determined eligible by the National Register
[] designated a National Historic Landmark
[] recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
[] recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary location of additional data:

- [] State Historic Preservation Office
[] Other State agency
[] Federal agency
[] Local government
[] University
[] Other

Name of repository:

The Sankot Garage

Name of Property

Benton County, Iowa

County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of Property Less than one acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1 15 560100 4638370
Zone Easting Northing

3 Zone Easting Northing
4 Zone Easting Northing

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification See attached (Page 4)

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title William Sankot, Owner

organization The Sankot Garage date January 5, 1994

street & number 807 13th Street telephone 319/444-2262

city or town Belle Plaine state IA zip code 52208

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name William Sankot

street & number 807 13th Street telephone 319/444-2262

city or town Belle Plaine state IA zip code 52208

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The Sankot Garage is located at 807 13th Street, which is situated on the south side of the route of the old Lincoln Highway that passed through Belle Plaine, Iowa. It is a one story, brick front building built atop a concrete foundation with side walls of clay tile and a tin covered roof. The east half of the building has wood floors and large front glass windows flanking an entry while the west half, added in 1927, contains a concrete floor, a large rollaway door for vehicles to enter, a plate glass window and two windows installed in the roof for sunlight.

Until 1937 the garage was operated by O.B., Charles, and Sid Sankot. It functioned as a place for selling Chrysler cars and car parts, rebuilding cars, providing battery operated radios, and the rebuilding and charging of batteries for autos as well as radios. Gas was also provided during the years 1920 through 1944. In 1937, F.L. Sankot purchased the garage. It was then used for repairing autos, trucks, and farm equipment, and the selling of Case and Oliver tractors and implements. William and Jerry Sankot purchased the garage in 1985. Since that time it's primary use has been for the repair of autos, trucks, farm tractors, and farm implements.

The fixtures, benches, tools, welder, office desk, chairs, and cash register are still original. The building appears to have undergone very little alteration over the years and possesses a very high level of integrity, especially for this kind of property type.

There are no extant company records regarding the usage for this company that serviced cars along the Lincoln Highway.

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The Sankot Garage is significant under Criterion A for its association with an era when paved roads made all season travel increasingly possible and services to travelers developed beside America's first transcontinental route--the Lincoln Highway. It fit a time when, although traffic was growing, highway engineers had yet to become interstate minded with their concern for straight roads, bypassing towns, widening rights - of - way, etc. and where service facilities matched the less hurried and less heavily traveled roads that connected cities and towns along the way. There the small-time methods of road-building technology found it's accompanying scale or small service garages, gas stations, and cabin courts that pressed close to the highway which passed directly through the nation's small towns, creating a landscape with its own sense of time and place. The Sankot Garage is one of the increasingly rare elements of that landscape which survives intact today.

Throughout the years the garage was a useful enterprise, which, in the peak period of the Lincoln Highway, was open 24 hours and offered all night wrecker service. It also served as a meeting place for people to meet and discuss the latest events occurring in Belle Plaine, surrounding towns, as well as those in the world generally. Townspeople still continue to meet here.

It's plans for the future remain the same as in the past.

The subject of this nomination is in keeping with the subcontext for "Tourist and Travel-Related Structures" developed by Rebecca Conard for the multiple property listing, "The Lincoln Highway in Green County, Iowa."

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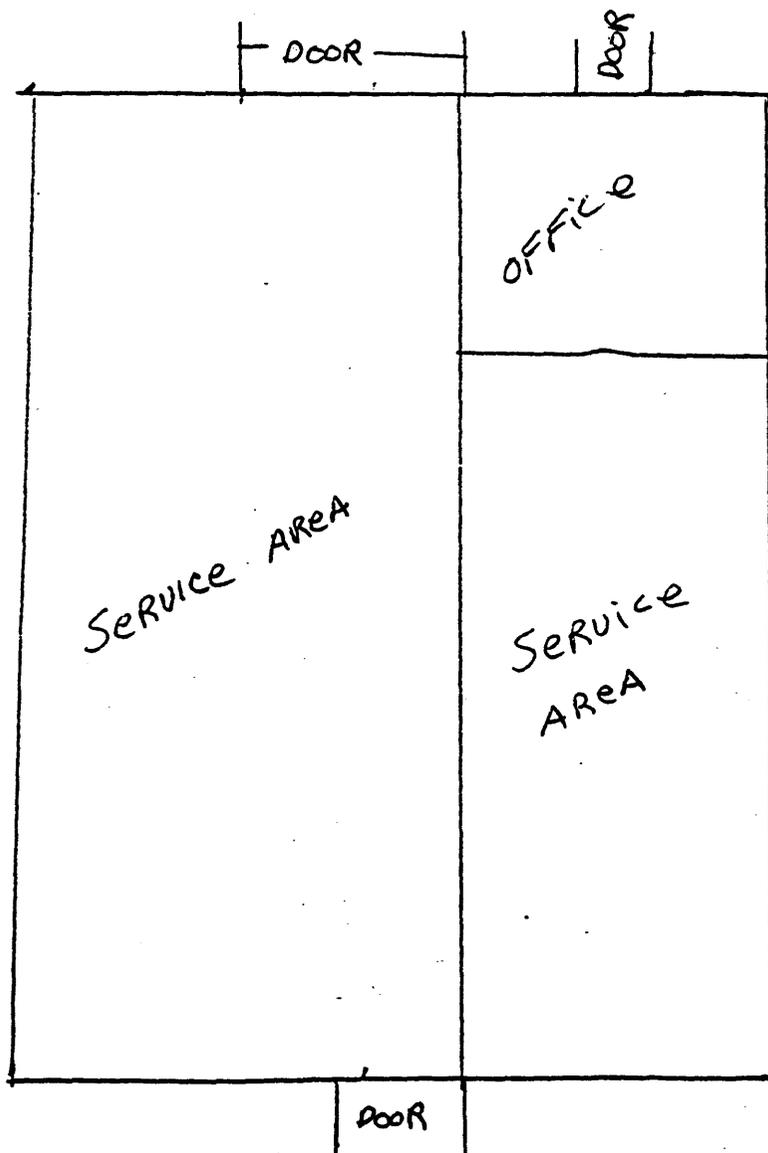
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SANKOT Motor Company FLOOR PLAN

NORTH ↑

West ←

EAST →

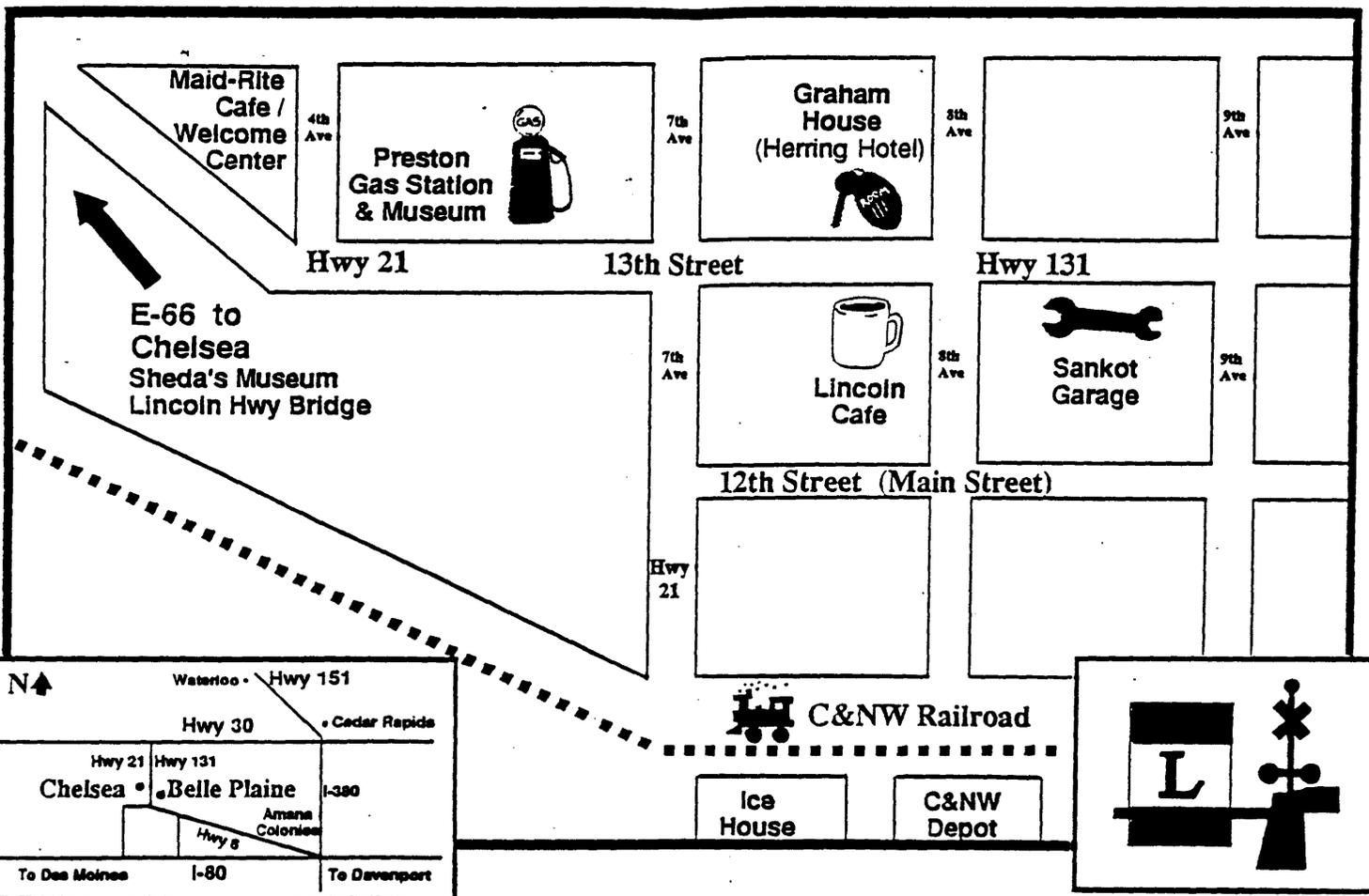


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University of Iowa Press, 1988.

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on the subject, one by Drake Hokanson and the other by Richard H. Thomas, in the
newsletter of the Office of Historic Preservation, Iowa State Historical Department.

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Verbal Boundary Description

Commencing 75 east of northwest corner of Lot One (1) Block Four (4) Hutton's Addition to Belle Plaine, Iowa, thence east 25 feet, then south 100 feet, thence west 25 feet, thence north 100 feet to beginning being part of Lot One (1) Block Four (4) Hutton's Addition to Belle Plaine, Iowa.

Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes the entire parcel historically associated with the Sankot Garage.