

Site Inventory Form

State Historical Society of Iowa

(November 2005)

State Inventory No. 92-00504

[X] New [] Supplemental

[X] Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 92-00349

Relationship: [X] Contributing [] Noncontributing

[] Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries

National Register Status:(any that apply) [] Listed [] De-listed [] NHL [] DOE

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number

[] Non-Extant (enter year)

1. Name of Property

historic name Washington Oil Company

other names/site number Sueppel's Phillips 66 Station, Downtown Survey Map # DT- 043

2. Location

street & number 125 North Iowa

city or town Washington

vicinity, county Washington

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name Township No. Range No. Section Quarter of Quarter

(If Urban) Subdivision Original Plat Block(s) 8 Lot(s) N 54' of Lot 1

3. State/Federal Agency Certification [Skip this Section]

4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]

5. Classification

Table with 3 columns: Category of Property, Number of Resources within Property (If Non-Eligible Property), and Number of Resources within Property (If Eligible Property). Rows include building(s), district, site, structure, object, and Total.

Name of related project report or multiple property study (Enter "N/A" if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).

Title Historical Architectural Data Base Number

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

13D07 Gas Station

02B04 Insurance office

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

09F Commercial Arts & Crafts

foundation 10 Concrete

walls (visible material) 06 Stucco

roof 08A Asphalt shingle

other

Narrative Description (SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" representing your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria)

- Checkboxes for National Register Criteria (Yes/No/More Research Recommended) and options A, B, C, D for Statement of Significance.

County Washington Address 125 North Iowa
City Washington

Site Number 92-0
District Number 92-00349

Criteria Considerations

- 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)

05: Commerce
02: Architecture

Significant Dates

Construction date 1922 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation

Significant Person

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

Architect/Builder

Architect

Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography See continuation sheet for citations of the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form

10. Geographic Data

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	_____	_____	2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	4	_____	_____

See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION (Submit the following items with the completed form)

FOR ALL PROPERTIES

- Map:** showing the property's location in a town/city or township.
- Site plan:** showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
- Photographs:** representative black and white photos. If the photos are taken as part of a survey for which the Society is to be curator of the negatives or color slides, a photo/catalog sheet needs to be included with the negatives/slides and the following needs to be provided below on this particular inventory site:

Roll/slide sheet #	_____	Frame/slot #	_____	Date Taken	_____
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See continuation sheet or attached *photo & slide catalog sheet* for list of photo roll or slide entries.

Photos/illustrations without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL

- Farmstead & District:** (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
- Barn:**
 - A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
 - A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
 - A sketch floor plan of the interior space arrangements along with the barn's exterior dimensions in feet.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line

Concur with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility: Yes No More Research Recommended
This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: _____

Evaluated by (name/title): _____ Date: _____

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<u>Washington Oil Company</u>	<u>Washington</u>
Name of Property	County
<u>125 North Iowa</u>	<u>Washington</u>
Address	City

This form was prepared as part of a research/survey/nomination project in 2011-2012 funded by a HRDP grant from the State Historical Society of Iowa for the nomination of the Washington Downtown Historic District. The project was primarily structured to develop the nomination for the downtown, with additional research on each building documented on an Iowa Site Inventory form. The information below is taken from the table in the August 2012 draft of the nomination, with additional information documented on the property and photographs in the following sections.

Washington Oil Company - 125 N. Iowa Avenue - State #92-00504 - Map #45 ~ 1 contributing building (A and C) - c.1922 - Craftsman gas station

Historic information:

- 1921 - Washington Oil Company opened in Washington at E. Washington then moved here - here by 1926 and through early 1930s - moved to 220 E. Washington in 1934
- 10-1934 - Leo Sueppel opened Phillips station; 1940s-50s - Sueppel's Phillips 66 Station
- 1960s - Sueppel's Cities Service
- 1970s - Suplel 66 Station
- 2012 - Farm Bureau Financial Services

Architectural information:

- Height: 1 story
- Walls: concrete block - stucco
- Storefront: -
- Windows: some 7/1 light wood windows
- Architectural details: gable-roof canopy over pumps, rafter tails, wide eaves
- Architect/Builder: -
- Modifications: Historic: 1962 - two service bay addition to south (28 by 30); Non-historic: 1996 - rear addition

7. Narrative Description

The one-story structure has been refaced with stucco, but all of the major features are evident. It is a modified Arts and Crafts style gas station. A large portico supported by two, square pillars extends from the facade, historically over the pumps in front of the building. The base for the pumps remains. The portico has a gable roof with three triangular brackets and a small semi-circular multi-light window. Exposed rafter tails are found under the eaves on either side. The facade of the main side-gable section of the building has a center entry between two windows. The north window is smaller than the south window. The south window has six-over-single-light double-hung sashes. A six-over-single-light double-hung window is also located on the north and south sides of this section. To the south of the main structure is a double-bay garage addition, added in 1962. A rear addition was also added around 1996.

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8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Washington Oil Company appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the Washington Downtown Historic District. While several small gas stations are extant in the area, many have been substantially modified, and this one retains one of the highest levels of integrity.

On April 11, 1895, Albert Hayes transferred the property to Caroline Hayes, who sold the north 54' to James Casey on October 1, 1896. The 1897 map shows a livery on the north 54 feet, with an office and feed store in this two-story building on the south 22 feet of the north 76 feet. Delia Casey acquired the remaining part of Lot 2 from N.A. Crawford on March 3, 1905. The Caseys operated a livery barn here for several years. On July 15, 1918, James Casey and wife transferred the property (north 54' of Lot 1 and all of Lot 2, except 4' strip) to Martin Casey. He then sold the same property to R.L. Lytle and Carlton C. Wilson on March 2, 1920.

This gas station was then built in the next couple years, and it is shown on the 1931 Sanborn map. The Washington Oil Company opened for business at 120 E. Washington in 1921 and then moved to this new station. They are listed here in the 1926 city directory. Washington Oil Company continued to be listed here in the 1932 directory, and then they moved to 220 E. Washington. In October 1934, Leo Sueppel established his Phillips station here. The 1935 directory lists Phillips Petroleum here, and an ad for Sueppel in May 1937 notes that he sold Phillips brand fuels. Sueppel's Phillips 66 Station is then listed here in 1941, 1952, and 1956. In 1960, Leo Sueppel Jr took over the business from his father. In 1964, it is listed as Sueppel's Cities Service Station. A 1976 photograph shows it as Sueppel's 66 Station.

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, page 61 – “Washington Oil First Started in Year 1921” – first at 120 E. Washington (now Brown’s Courtesy Corner - in earlier building on site?) – some time – move to corner now occupied by Leo Sueppel’s station (N. Iowa) – then to E. Washington

25th anniversary edition, *Evening Journal*, April 3, 1926, page 13 – Washington Oil Company – N. Iowa Ave location – came here in 1921 – high quality Blue Ribbon products – two stations in Washington, one in Wayland, one in Wellman – R.J. Tanner – B.F. Bostwick – photo of station on page 17

Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration – July 1936 - page 13 – Washington Oil Company – opened in Washington in 1921 – locally owned oil company – last two years – also operate The Washington Exchange – exchange petroleum products for live stock and farm products – B.F. Bostwick and R.J. Tanner – located on E. Washington St – photo of building – appears to be 220 E. Washington?

Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration – July 1936 - page 19 – Leo Sueppel – Phillips products – station established in October 1934 – one block north of northeast corner of square (125 N. Iowa)

Evening Journal – Centennial Celebration – August 1939 - page 41 – Leo Sueppel – one block north of square on Iowa – Phillips products and Sueppel service – photo of Phillips Station

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, page 26 – “Sueppel’s Station Nineteen Years Old” – Leo Sueppel – Phillips 66 service station – corner of N. Iowa and 2nd Street – complete

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line of service for auto service – line of Phillips 66 gasolines and oils – in business since October 15, 1934 – 125 N. Iowa

Bicentennial Edition, *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, page 89 – Sueppels 66 Station – 125 N. Iowa – Leo Sueppel started in business here in 1934 – son Leo Jr took over in 1960 – same location for 42 years

9. Major Bibliographical References

City/Telephone Directories, Washington. Various publishers, various dates. Available at the Washington Public Library.

Deed Records, Transfer Books, Auditor's Office, Washington County Courthouse, Washington, Iowa.

Newspaper advertisements, various years/dates, on microfilm at Washington Public Library:

- Washington Evening Journal*
- Washington Gazette*
- Washington Press*

Sanborn Map Company. "Washington, Iowa," Sanborn fire insurance maps. Pelham, NY: Sanborn Map Company, 1885, 1892, 1897, 1902, 1909, 1917, 1931, 1943.

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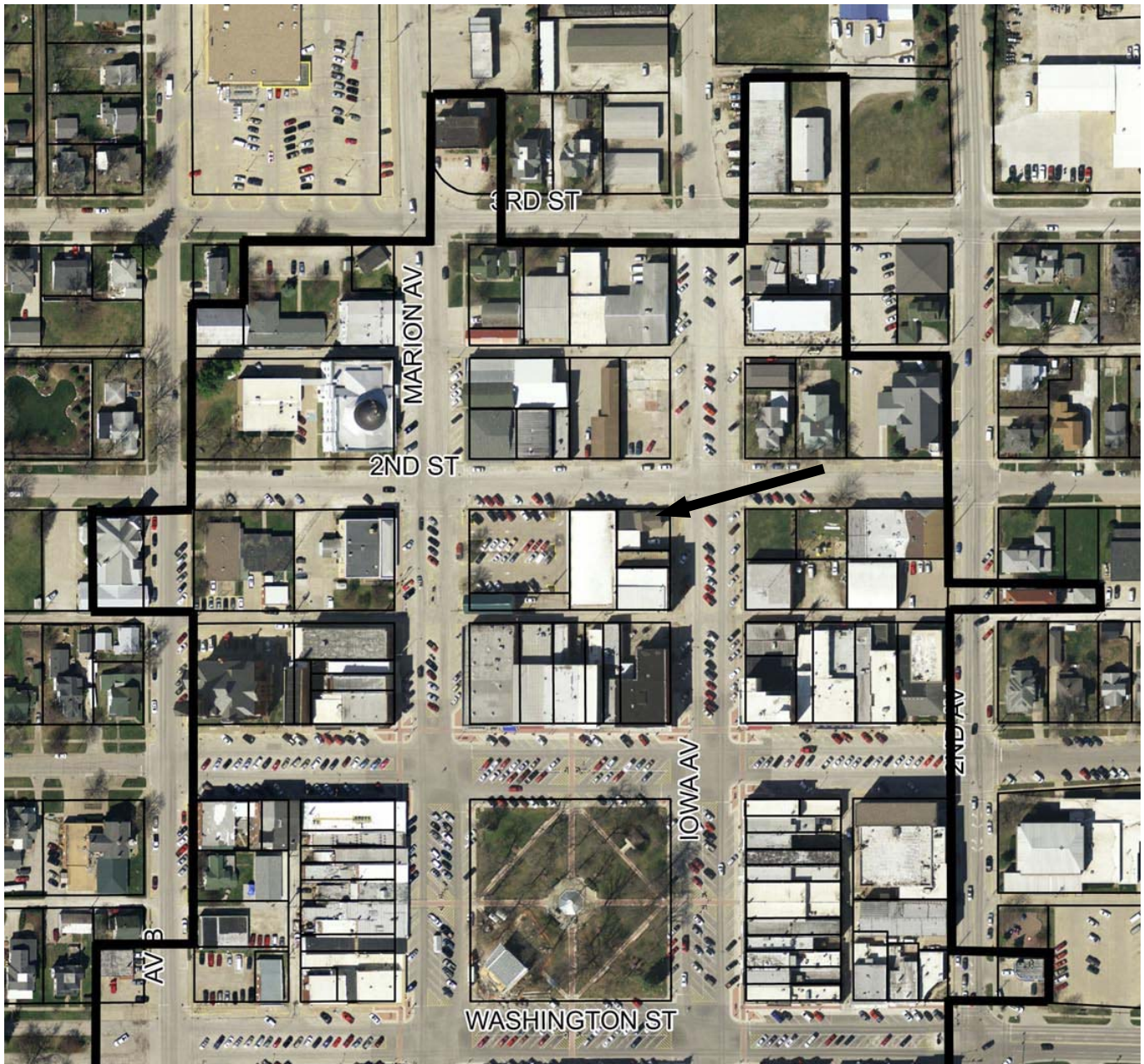
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Location map



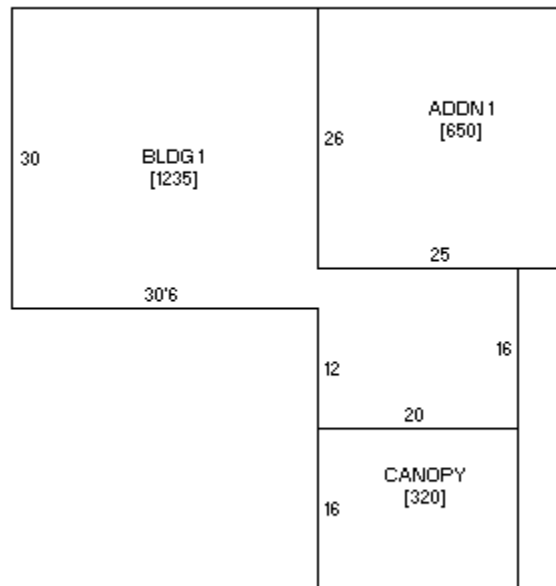
2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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Building plan (from assessor's website)



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Historic images



Washington Oil Company - *Evening Journal*, April 3, 1926, p13

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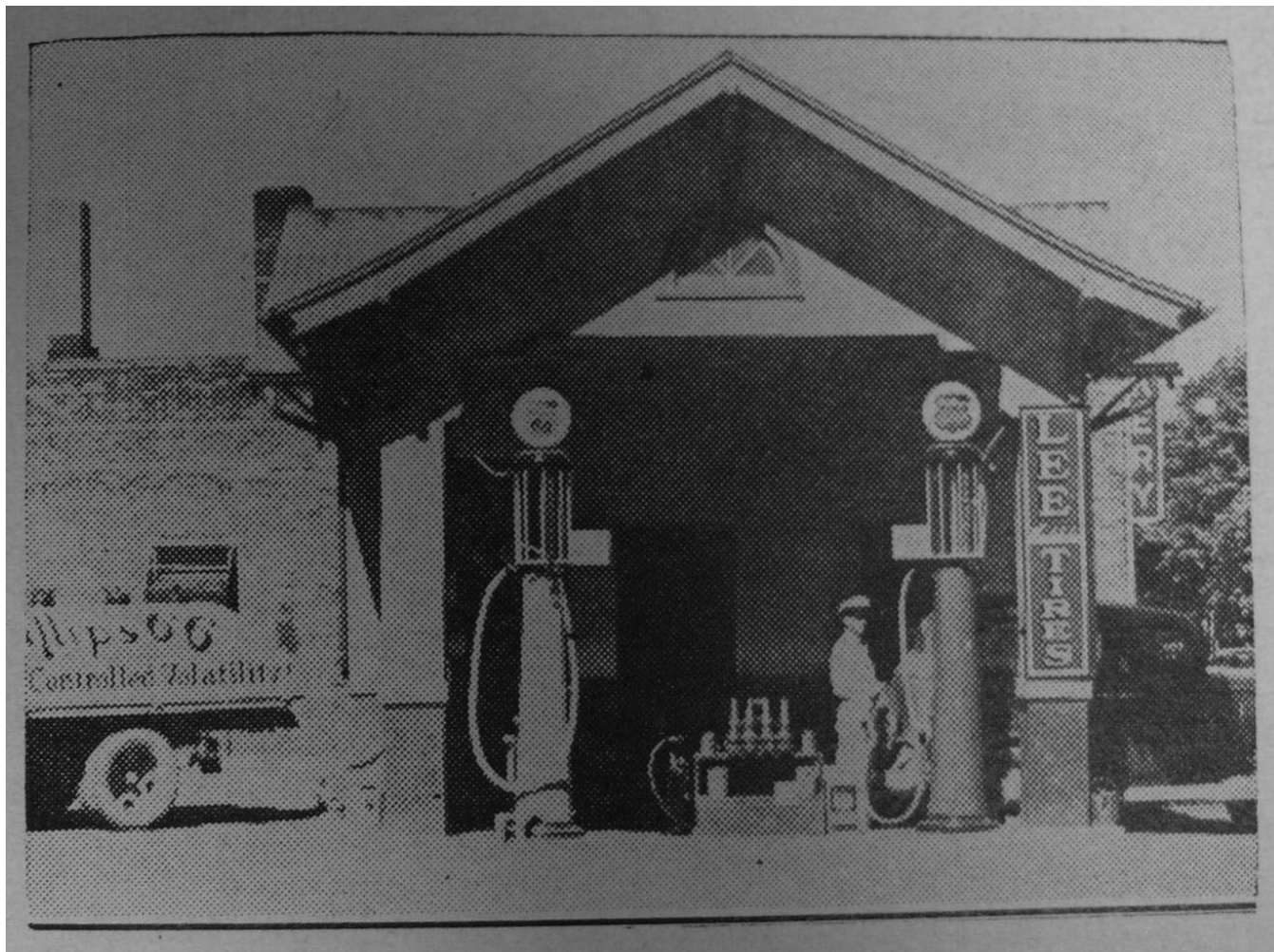
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Sueppel Phillips - *Evening Journal*, July 1936 centennial edition, p19

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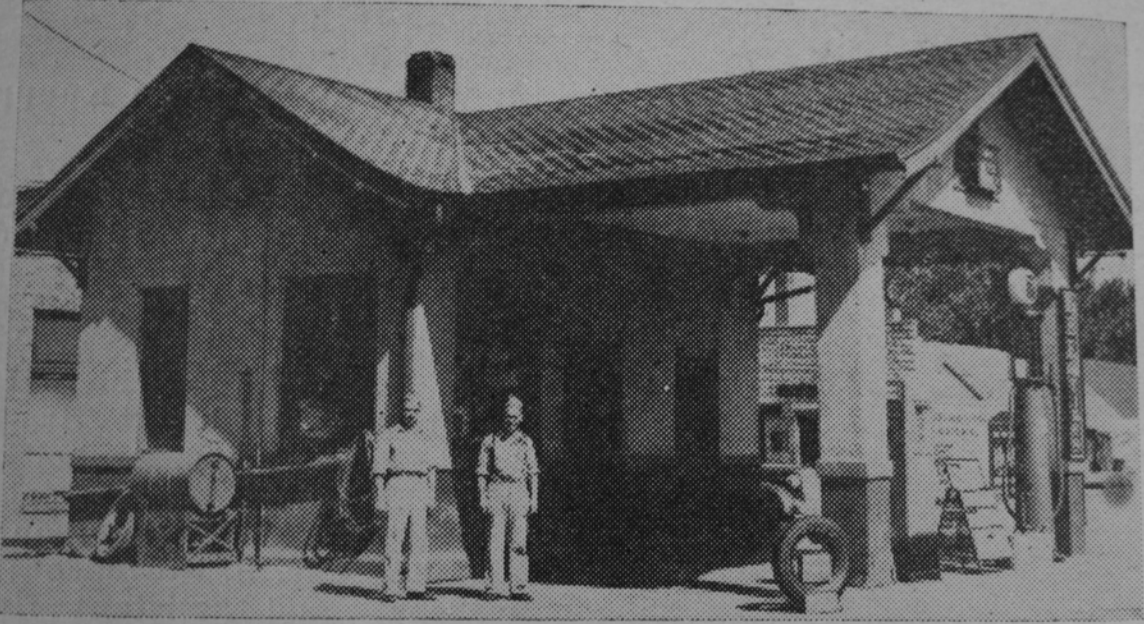
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that means more miles and more smiles for your money.



Here's the Station—Phillips Headquarters

LEO SUEPPEL

1 Block N. of Square—On Iowa

Leo Sueppel station - *Evening Journal*, August 1939 centennial edition, p41

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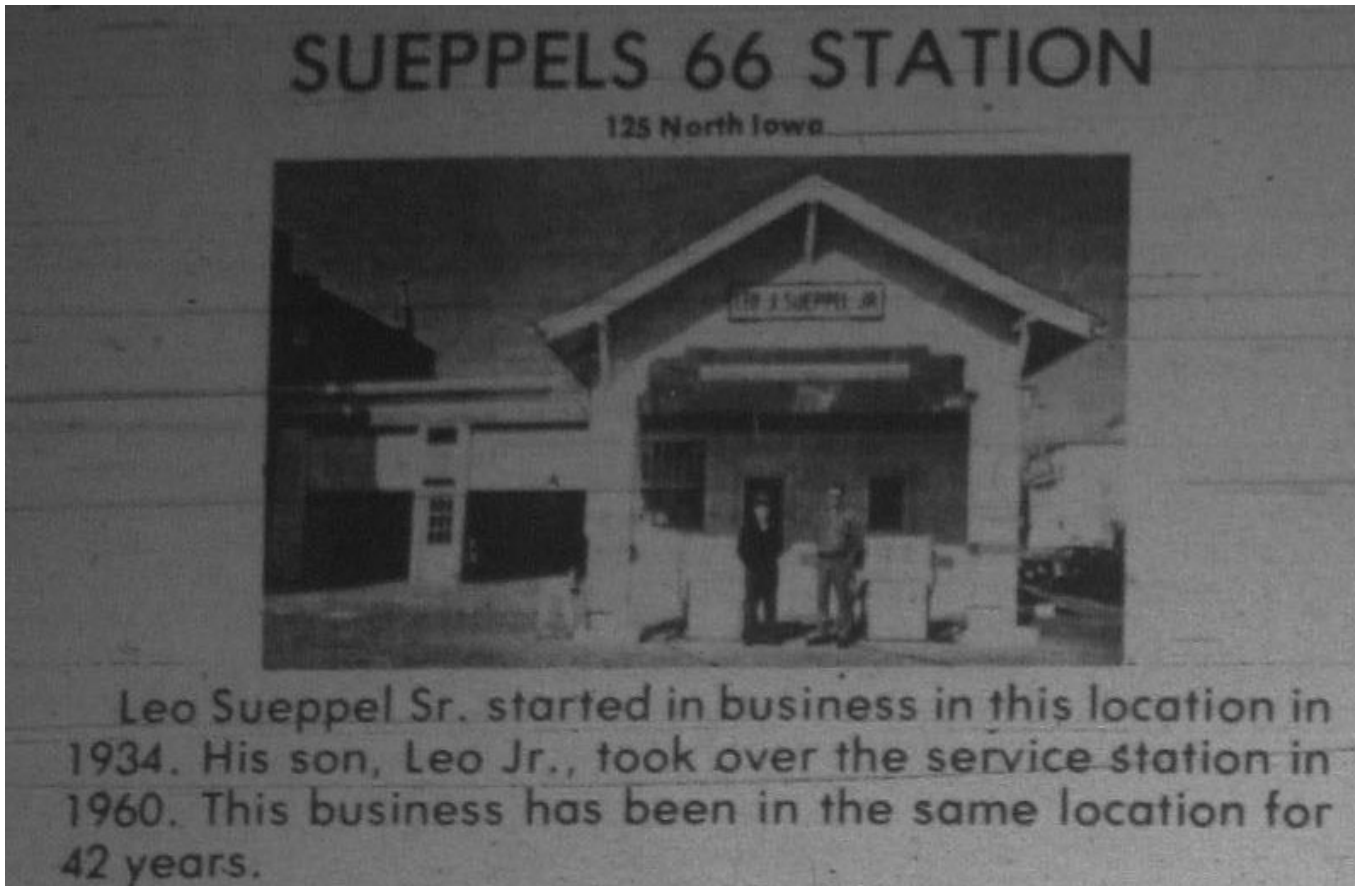
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Leo Sueppel Jr. station - *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, p89

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Digital photographs



Photograph 92-00504-001 - East and north elevations, looking southwest (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00504-002 - Detail on east elevations, looking southwest (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00504-003 - East elevation, looking west (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00504-004 - North elevation, looking south (McCarley, September 20, 2011)