

Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00370 New Supplemental

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

Non-extant Year: _____

Read the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions carefully, to ensure accuracy and completeness before completing this form. The instructions are available on our website: <http://www.iowahistory.org/historic-preservation/statewide-inventory-and-collections/iowa-site-inventory-form.html>

• Property Name

A) Historic name Harry and Belle Montgomery House (#1)

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-052

• Location

A) Street address: 409 W. Washington Boulevard

B) City or town: Washington (Vicinity) County Washington

C) Legal Description:

Rural: Township Name: _____ Township No.: _____ Range No.: _____ Section: _____ Quarter: _____ of Quarter: _____

Urban: Subdivision: Addition to Washington Block(s): 4 Lot(s): 2

• Classification

A) Property category: *Check only one*

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

B) Number of Resources (within property)

If eligible property, enter number of:		If non-eligible property, enter number of:	
Contributing	Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>	Buildings	<u>1</u>	Buildings
—	Sites	—	Sites
—	Structures	—	Structures
—	Objects	—	Objects
<u>1</u>	Total	<u>1</u>	Total

C) For properties listed in the National Register:

National Register status: Listed De-listed NHL NPS DOE

D) For properties within a historic district:

- Property contributes to a National Register or local certified historic district.
- Property contributes to a potential historic district, based on professional historic/architectural survey and evaluation.
- Property *does not* contribute to the historic district in which it is located.

Historic district name: West side residential historic district Historic district site inventory number: 92-00350

Name of related project report or multiple property study, if applicable:

MPD Title

Historical Architectural Data Base #

Architectural and Historical Survey of the "west side" residential neighborhood in Washington 92-013

• **Function or Use** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Historic functions

B) Current functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

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01C05: Domestic / garage

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• **Description** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Architectural Classification

B) Materials

06B: Colonial Revival

Foundation (visible exterior): 04: Stone

walls (visible exterior): 09: Asbestos

Roof: 08A: Asphalt shingles

Other: _____

C) Narrative Description **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

● **Statement of Significance**

A) Applicable National Register Criteria: *Mark your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria*

- Criterion A: Property is associated with significant events. Yes No More research recommended
 Criterion B: Property is associated with the lives of significant persons. Yes No More Research Recommended
 Criterion C: Property has distinctive architectural characteristics. Yes No More Research Recommended
 Criterion D: Property yields significant information in archeology/history. Yes No More Research Recommended

B) Special criteria considerations: *Mark any special considerations; leave blank if none*

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

C) Areas of Significance

Enter categories from instructions

Community planning and development

D) Period(s) of significance

E) Significant dates

Construction date

1903 *check if circa or estimated date*

Other dates, including renovations

F) Significant person

Complete if Criterion B is marked above

G) Cultural affiliation

Complete if Criterion D is marked above

H) Architect/Builder

Architect

Builder/contractor

I) Narrative statement of significance **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

● **Bibliography** *See continuation sheet for the list of research sources used in preparing this form*

● **Geographic Data** *Optional UTM references* *See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments*

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

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

● **Form Preparation**

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City or Town: Washington State: Iowa Zip code: 52353

● **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** *Submit the following items with the completed form*

A) For all properties, attach the following, as specified in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions:

- 1. Map** of property's location within the community.
- 2. Glossy color 4x6 photos labeled** on back with property/building name, address, date taken, view shown, and unique photo number.
- 3. Photo key showing each photo number on a map and/or floor plan, using arrows next to each photo number to indicate the location and directional view of each photograph.**
- 4. Site plan** of buildings/structures on site, identifying boundaries, public roads, and building/structure footprints.

B) For State Historic Tax Credit Part 1 Applications, historic districts and farmsteads, and barns:

See lists of special requirements and attachments in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions.

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

The SHPO has reviewed the Site Inventory and concurs 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: _____

SHPO authorized signature: _____

Date: _____

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Narrative Description

This is a two-story frame Colonial Revival house built on the south side of W. Washington Boulevard in 1903. The house sits on a cut stone foundation, and is clad with asbestos shingle siding. The flared hip roof is covered with asphalt shingles, and it terminates in a platform with a historic brick chimney located at the center of the roof. There are five dormers with conical roofs and metal finials, two on the north/front side of the roof, and one on each of the other three sides. Decorative brackets are located under the eaves on all four sides of the house. A full front porch spans the façade. The windows are wood with wood surrounds and aluminum storm / screens, and most are flanked by vinyl shutters. There is a one-story frame addition at the rear of the house with a screened porch attached to the addition. At the south end of the lot, there is a historic garage with a contemporary garage addition.

The façade, the north elevation, has a full front porch with a gable pediment centered above the wood entry steps. The porch floor is wood, and the hip roof is supported by round wood columns. There is decorative trim within the gable of the pediment, and along the fascia of the porch just below the roof. There is a decorative steel fence across the front of the property at the sidewalk, and the same fencing has been used for a porch railing. Metal railings flank the porch steps. The historic wood front door has a window in the upper half of the door, with a full length window in the steel storm / screen door. There is decorative trim for the lintel of the door. To either side of the entry on the first story, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters. On the second story, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters above each of the first story windows. Above the entry, there is a smaller one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters. On the roof, there are two vinyl clad dormers, each with one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window. The roof of each dormer is a gable-front style until it reaches the front of the dormer, where it becomes an octagon shaped cone with a decorative metal finial consisting of a center shaft with a ball on top, and four wire and metal cone shaped 'flowers' dangling from the arched wires.

The east elevation has a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters toward the right/front/north side of the elevation. Centered on the left/rear/south half, there is a larger window composed of a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window in the center, flanked by two narrower one-over-one-light double-hung wood windows. The whole unit of three windows has vinyl shutters. On the second story, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters above the front/north first story window, and another one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters centered above the set of three windows. Just to the right of this second window is a small one-over-one-light double-hung wood window. There are two two-light wood basement windows, one under each of the first story windows. There is a dormer on the center of the roof on this side identical to the front dormers.

The west elevation is divided by a centrally located ground level entry sheltered by a small wood shed roof with wood bracing. The entry has a steel door. Above the entry, between the first and second stories, there is a fixed leaded glass window. On the front/north/left portion of the house, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung wood window with vinyl shutters on each story. On the rear/right/south portion, there is another one-over-one-light double-hung wood window on the first story, but this window is smaller than typical for this house and has no shutters. There is a one-over-one-light double-

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hung wood window with vinyl shutters on the second story. There are two two-light basement windows, one under each of the first story windows. There is a dormer on the center of the roof on this side identical to the front dormers.

The south elevation, the rear of the house, has a one-story, gable-roof, frame addition across most of the width of the house. It sits on a poured concrete foundation with a brick pattern, is clad with wide siding identical to the house, and has asphalt shingles on its gable roof. The east elevation of the addition has a triple vinyl casement window located toward the left/rear/south side of the elevation. It has three fixed transom windows above the casement windows. The west elevation also has a triple vinyl casement window located in the center of the elevation, with an entry just to the left of the windows. The entry has a wood stoop and steps leading down to the yard. The south elevation of the addition is covered with a frame screen porch which has screen panels on all three sides, and an entry with a matching wood stoop and steps on the west side of the porch.

The garage is located at the south end of the lot with access from the alley. It consists of an older frame, gable-front building with an attached side-gable double-car garage. The 1931 and 1943 Sanborn maps show a garage in this general location. The gable-front portion has board and batten siding on the north elevation, and a four-light wood window in the gable. The west elevation of the older garage has corrugated steel siding and no fenestration. The south elevation of this building has a single aluminum garage door located to the right of center, and this side of the garage is clad with vinyl siding, matching the garage addition to the east. The garage addition to the east has a side gable roof with asphalt shingles, vinyl siding, and a concrete foundation. The double-car aluminum garage door faces the alley to the south. There is an entry on the north side of this garage, and a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window to the left of the door. The east elevation has a centered one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window. The garage is counted as a non-contributing building in the potential historic district.

Narrative Statement of Significance

The Harry and Belle Montgomery House appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the potential "west side" residential historic district in Washington. The house was built during the period of development in the early 20th century of the neighborhood with large homes for successful Washington businessmen. The house is a good example of a Colonial Revival home, retaining several original features of this style. It is one of only four houses of this style in the neighborhood.

The house may be individually eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C for its architecture. The home has several unique architectural features, however the later siding has also impacted its historic integrity. Further evaluation of the interior of the house, and further comparison to other Colonial Revival homes in town would solidify this determination. The house does not appear to be individually eligible under Criteria A or B.

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History / research summary of property (chronological order, by owner/period):

The east 64 feet of Lot 2 was transferred from S.A. White to Belle F. Montgomery on July 5, 1902. The *Washington Press* followed the construction with short quips, including, on July 30, 1902, "The old Lamphere house east of Add. White's took a ride to Highland Park. First outing it ever had. Built in '58." Transfer records show A.J. Lamphere purchased Lot 2 some time before 1867 when transfer records began to be dated, and the 1894 Atlas of Washington map shows a different, smaller house on this lot. In August 1902, the *Press* notes, "Harry Montgomery is having a perfect Jupiter Pluvius of a time getting in his house foundation," but the following May, the *Press* reported, "Harry and Mrs. Montgomery had a gay new house-warming last week, reception in the afternoon, cards in the evening." The 1903 city directory's listing for Harry Montgomery, living at 409 W. Washington St., includes his wife Belle and a daughter Lucille, and he works as a clerk. He is listed also in the 1908 telephone directory. The 1910 census describes the family at 413 W. Washington as Harry Montgomery, age 38, his wife Belle, age 35, daughter Lucille, age 12, and Retta M. Hahn, age 25 and single, a lodger. The 1910-11 city directory confirms the information, adding that Montgomery is in real estate. The 1917 county directory lists the family here as Harry Montgomery, hardware, living at 413 W. Washington Street with his wife Belle and Lucille, a student, and Harry A. Montgomery sold the property to W.H. Brinning on October 15, 1919, and a couple weeks later he bought the new Craftsman house at 619 W. Jefferson, at the west end of this neighborhood. The family moved here, where they lived into the 1950s.

W.H. Brinning bought this property on October 15, 1919. The 1920 census lists the family at 413 W. Washington as William Brinning, home owner, age 48, a retired farmer, his wife Grace E., age 32, and a one and a half year old daughter Elinor.

Brinning transferred the property to George Teas on April 30, 1921. The 1926 telephone directory has a listing for George Teas Horse Shoeing Shop at 106 W 2nd St., and for George Teas living at 527 W. Washington St. The 1930 census lists George S. Teas, age 64, blacksmith and home owner of a property worth \$6,000, and his wife Mary, age 58. (The listing is numbered 410, but is between houses with addresses of 404 and 415 W. Washington, and there is another listing for the owner of the property at 410 W. Washington, so the house number appears to be an error.) The 1932 telephone directory has a listing for George Teas at 409 W. Washington. The estate of George Teas transferred ownership of the property to Mary Teas on September 25, 1935. The city directory for that year lists Mrs. Mary Teas, widow of George, living at this address. She appears again in the 1941 city directory, listed as Mrs. Mary Teas, widow of George, a housekeeper and home owner, living at the same address. The 1940 census lists Mary Teas, age 68, a widow, living at 409 W. Washington and owning property worth \$4,500.

Mary Teas, widow, sold the property to W.W. and Catherine Jarrard on February 26, 1946. The 1952 telephone directory has a listing for W.W. Jarrard at 409 W. Washington. He is also listed in the 1954 city directory index, and the telephone directories continue to list him here through 1962. The property was transferred from W.W. Jarrard to Katherine Jarrard, wife of the grantor, on December 23, 1958. The city directory of 1964 lists Walter W. Jarrard, farmer, and his wife Katharine living here, and those listings continue through 1976 with only one change. In the 1967 directory, Jarrard is listed as retired.

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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)

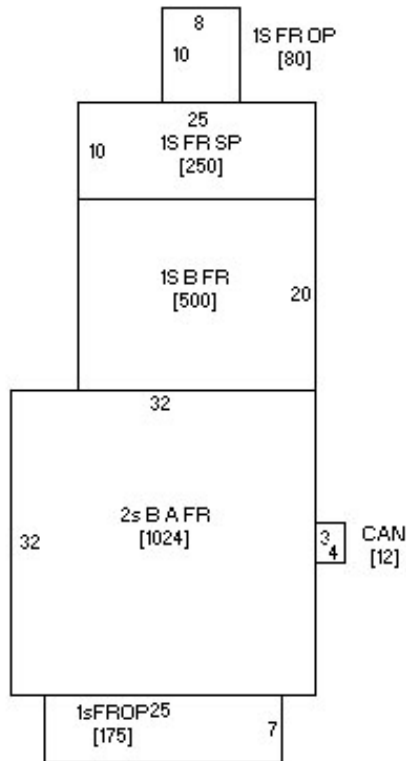


Photo from assessor's website



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Photograph 92-00370-001 - House, looking southwest (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00370-002 - House, looking southeast (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00370-003 - House, looking north (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00370-004 - Garage, looking north (December 2014)