

Site Inventory Form

State Historical Society of Iowa

(November 2005)

State Inventory No. 92-00543

New Supplemental

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

Relationship: 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 Masonic Temple

other names/site number Downtown Survey Map # DT- 120

2. Location

street & number 120-122-124 West Main

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) 08 Lot(s) 05

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

4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]

5. Classification

Category of Property (Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property

building(s)

district

site

structure

object

If Non-Eligible Property

Enter number of:

— buildings

— sites

— structures

— objects

— Total

If Eligible Property, enter number of:

Contributing

Noncontributing

1

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1

— buildings

— sites

— structures

— objects

— 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)

03A04 Social / fraternal meeting hall (Masons)

03A04 Social / fraternal meeting hall (Masons)

11D01 Health care / pharmacy

02E Specialty stores (resale, baby items, music)

02E Specialty stores (furniture, hardware, shoes, music)

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

09F05: Commercial / brick front

foundation

10B Poured Concrete

06C Classical Revival

walls (visible material)

03 Brick

roof

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)

Yes No More Research Recommended

Yes No More Research Recommended

Yes No More Research Recommended

Yes No More Research Recommended

A Property is associated with significant events.

B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.

C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.

D Property yields significant information in archeology or history.

County Washington Address 120-122-124 West Main
City Washington

Site Number 92-00543
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 1931 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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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.

Masonic Temple - 120-122-124 W. Main St - State #92-00543 - Map #15 ~ 1 contributing building (A and C)
1930-31 - Classical Revival

Historic information:

(c.1868 - construction of Everson's Opera House Block)

1930 - fire destroyed earlier building - current built and opened in 1931 - Masonic Temple on second story

120: 1931-1950s - Scott Furniture Company, 1956 - Marshall's Furniture, c.1959-1980s - Everett's Music, 1980s - West/Kurtz Music

122: early 1930s - Coast to Coast, c.1934-1940s - Widmer & Busby Clothing, also Atchison Shoe Store; 1950s - Atchison Shoe Store, 1957-1990s - Paul's Shoes

124: 1931-1990s - McDaniel Drug Store

106 N. Marion: Hampher Barber Shop (1931-1940s), 1950s - See & Arnold Barber, 2012 - Hill's Barber; 108 N.

Marion: 1931-1955 - Crull Insurance, 1956-1970s - office, 2012 - attorney; 110 N. Marion: 1931-c.1953 - T.A.

Michels - attorney, c1955-1960s - Crull

2012 - 120: Grigg Music, Golden Coast Realty; 122 - Baby Steps and More; 124: Adellya's Consignment

Architectural information:

Height: 2 story

Walls: brick veneer on block

Storefront: three storefronts - all remodeled

Windows: 1/1 windows

Architectural details: buff brick with simple Classical detail - pilasters, arches, stringcourses - "Masonic Temple" on frieze

Architect/Builder: -

Modifications: Historic: -; Non-historic: 1961 - storefront remodel for 124, 1966 - storefront remodel for 122

7. Narrative Description

The building is a two-story brick structure in the Classical Revival style. It is constructed of buff-colored brick with poured concrete trim. The primary façade faces W. Main Street to the south. A concrete cap tops the building. Below is a six row brick belt course. In the center of that belt course is a concrete name plate with the words "Masonic Temple" engraved in Roman lettering. Below that brick belt course is another concrete belt course, and then the main brick façade. A concrete belt course also divides the building's two stories. Paired brick pilasters with shared concrete capitals and bases divide the second floor façade into three bays, one above each of the three storefronts. The center window in each bay has brick pilasters on either side that continue into a tall arch above the window. The middle bay on the south elevation has two additional windows outside of this arch detail, creating a pseudo-

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Palladian window look. The windows have one-over-one-light double-hung sashes. Each of the storefronts has been remodeled/replaced at various dates.

The west facade faces N. Marion. It is divided into six bays, with the second bay from the north narrower than the other bays and consisting of the second story (Masonic Temple) entry and a stairs window. A Masonic emblem is found above this window. The other five bays have second story window details similar to the second story of the south facade. The south bay has a single centered window within the arch detail, while the other four bays have the flanking windows on either side of the center window and arch. These windows likewise have one-over-one-light double-hung sashes. The center window is wider than the side windows. The first and third bays from the north, on either side of the second story entry, have storefront configurations and retail spaces. The remaining three bays on the first story is the side of the 124 W. Main store, and three small windows are centered in the center of these bays.

8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Masonic Temple appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the Washington Downtown Historic District.

The previous building on the site was known as Everson's Block. The building was three stories tall, with three businesses located on the main floor, offices on the second and an opera house on the third. The offices served as the courthouse during the construction of the current courthouse. It later served as the Masonic Lodge. A fire destroyed the building on January 19, 1930 and the current building opened in 1931. It incorporated three storefronts on the first story and the lodge rooms on the second (tall) story.

The east storefront (120) was occupied by Scott Furniture Company upon completion of the building. They remained here through at least 1952. In 1956, Marshall's Furniture was located here briefly, then built their new store at 220 S. Iowa. Everetts Music moved here by 1959 and are listed here in the 1964 directory. West/Kurtz Music was here in 1989. Griggs Music and Golden Crest Realty are here in 2012.

Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration – July 1936 - page 83 – Scott Furniture Company – established in 1927 – in Temple Building – fire – move – then back to new Temple Building in present location – 120 W. Main – Ralph C. Scott

Evening Journal – Centennial Celebration – August 1939 - page 47 – Scott Furniture Company – north side of square – 13 years in business – Ralph Scott – furniture, linoleum, rugs, Philgas bottled gas

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, 79 – Scott Furniture Company – Miller and Sheetz – owners – north side of square – since 1926 – traditional to modern furniture - changed

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ownership in 1943 – Harold and Richard Miller bought from Scott family – Martin Sheets bought out Richard in 1951 – complete line of furniture

Bicentennial Edition, *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, page 125 – Everetts Music Company – north side of square – since 1939 - Dick Ballard – manager – music store and instrument repair

Souvenir History of Washington, Iowa 1989: 11 – Everett's Music Co – photo – owned by Bob Everetts – sold to Ralph Marshall – sold to West Music Co of Iowa City – now Dean Kurtz is part owner - since 1987

The middle storefront (122) was occupied by Coast to Coast Stores in the early 1930s, prior to moving to the west side of the square. By 1934, the clothing store of Widmer & Busby was here, as well as Atchison Shoe Store. Both are listed here in the 1935 and 1941 directories at 122. By 1952, only Atchison Shoe Store is listed here, and they were here through the end of the decade. In 1964, Paul's Shoes is listed here. They were still here in 1989. Currently it is a consignment shop: Baby Steps and More.

Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration – July 1936 - page 51 – Widmer & Busby Clothing Co – opened in November 1932 – new kind of men's clothing store in Washington – Peter Widmer – opened on May 2, 1930 – partner with Jesse Busby in 1932 – died in 1934

Evening Journal – Centennial Celebration – August 1939 - page 19 – Widmer & Busby Clothing Company – seven years in Washington – modern clothing

Evening Journal – Washington County Centennial Celebration – July 1936 - page 51 – A.E. Atchison – shoe store – opened on August 13, 1910 – 26 years

Evening Journal – Centennial Celebration – August 1939 - page 43 – A.E. Atchison – good shoes for ladies, gentlemen, and children – north side of square

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, page 105 – Atchison's Shoe Store – shoe business for last 43 years

Bicentennial Edition, *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, page 22 – Paul's Shoes – north side of square – quality shoes since 1957 – photo of storefront – black glass

McDaniel Drug Store was located in the corner (124 - west) storefront at the time of the fire in 1930. They moved back to this location in the new building in 1931. They continue to be listed here in the 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s. They were still here in 1989. It is currently Adellya's Consignment.

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, page 108 – drug stores – George L. McDaniel – to Washington in 1920 – bought interest in McElhinney drug store – bought full interest in 1926 – son and daughter Merritt and Alice in business with him

Washington Evening Journal, 60th Anniversary Edition, February 27, 1953, page 129 – George McDaniel – drug store – since 1920 – in Masonic Temple when burned in 1930 – three pharmacists – paints, photo equipment and supplies, greeting cards, stationery, cosmetics, Russell Stover's Candies

Bicentennial Edition, *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, page 51 – McDaniel Drug Store – since 1920 – change in April – bought by Larry Bartlett

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In addition to the main three storefronts along Main Street, three smaller spaces were located in the rear of the building with Marion Ave address. They included:

106 N. Marion - Hampsher Barber Shop (1932 - moved here from 108 in old building, likely here but listed at 108 in 1935 and 1941), See & Arnold Barber (1956), Berk's Barber (1973), Hill's Barber Shop (2012)

108 N. Marion – Crull Insurance (1932, 1935, 1941), Crull Insurance & Real Estate (1952), J.E. Blakeney - attorney (1956), Dr. R.Q. Eastland (1964), Marvin Tweeton Chiropractic (1973), Bell Realty (1993), Jeffery Powell - Attorney (2012)

110 N. Marion – T.A. Michels (sic) attorney (1931 – 1952), Crull Insurance (1956, 1964)

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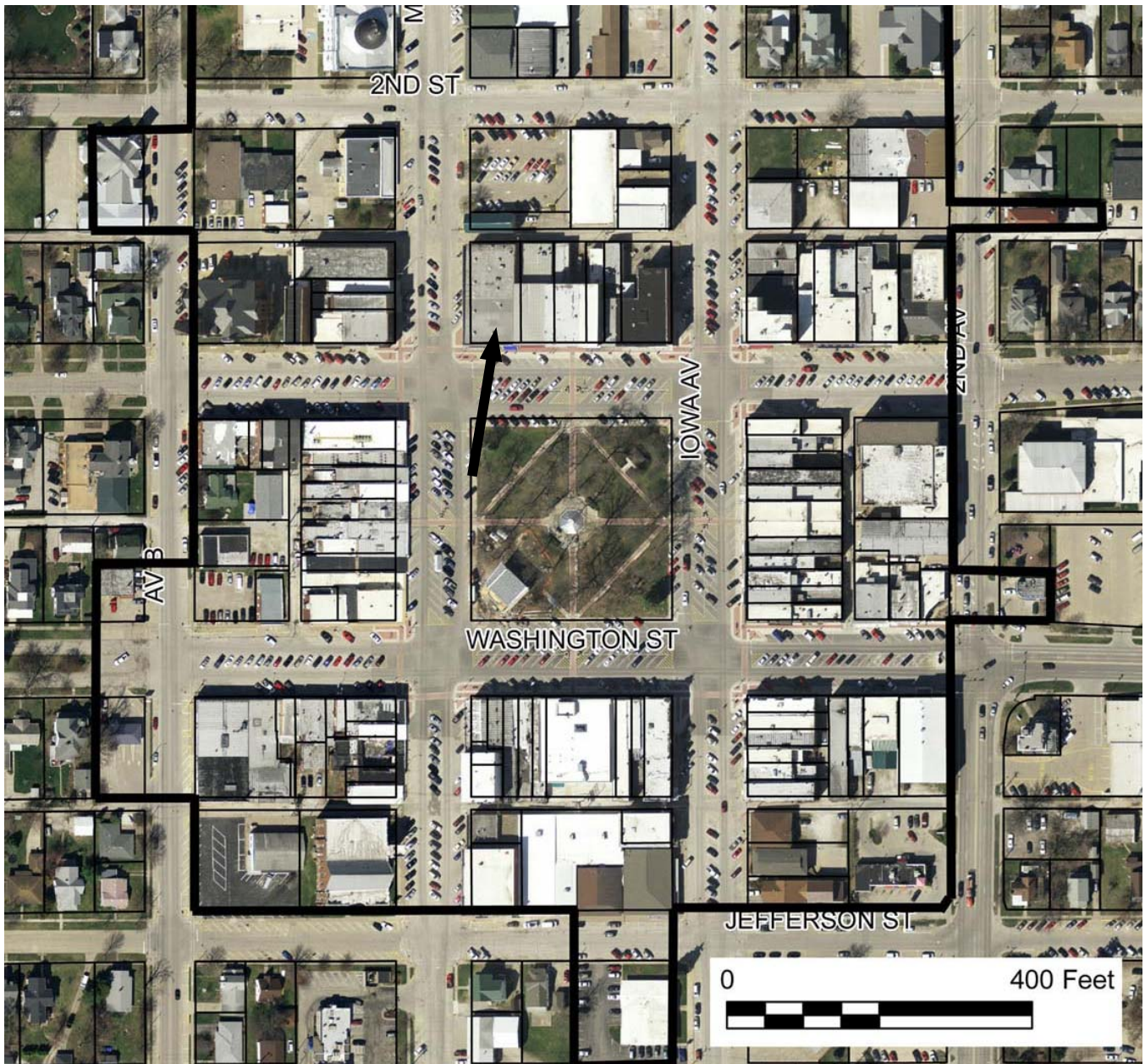
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Location map



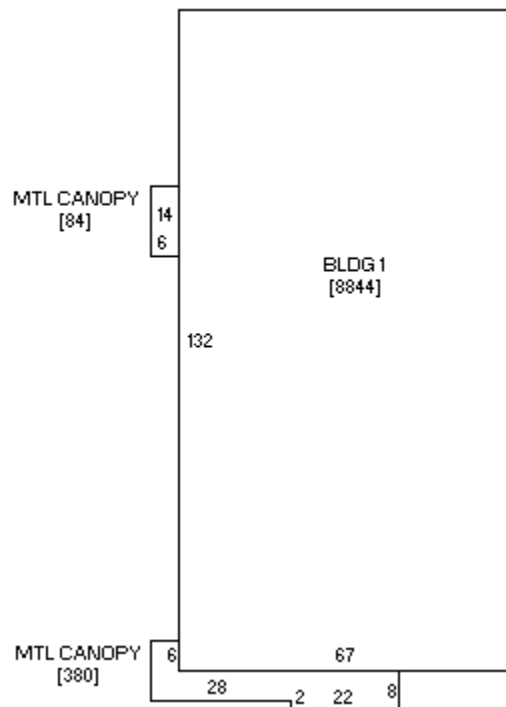
2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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Building plan (from assessor's website)



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Historic images



North side of the square in the 1940s (Patterson collection).

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Collage of 1971 photographs of building (Wagner 1971)

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Digital photographs



Photograph 92-00543-001 - West and south elevations, looking northeast (McCarley, September 20, 2011)

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Photograph 92-00543-002 - South elevation, looking north (McCarley, September 20, 2011)