

**Site Inventory Form**  
**State Historical Society of Iowa**  
 (November 2005)

State Inventory No. 09-00696

New  Supplemental

Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 09-00621

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 Douglas, William and Harriet, House

other names/site number \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Location**

street & number 616 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW

city or town Waverly  vicinity, county Bremer

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

(If Urban) Subdivision Harmon & LeValley Add. Block(s) 58 Lot(s) Lot 6

**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)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

If Non-Eligible Property		If Eligible Property, enter number of:	
Enter number of:		Contributing	Noncontributing
—	buildings	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
—	sites	—	— sites
—	structures	—	— structures
—	objects	—	— objects
—	Total	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> 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 Waverly's NW & SE Neighborhoods Historical & Architectural Survey

Historical Architectural Data Base Number 09-028

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

01A Single Dwelling

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01C05 Garage

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**7. Description**

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

07A03 Side-Gable, 1-Story

foundation 04 Stone

walls (visible material) 09 Asbestos

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)

- 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 archaeology or history.

County Bremer  
City Waverly

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**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)

02 ARCHITECTURE

**Significant Dates**

Construction date  
1865  check if circa or estimated date  
Other dates, including renovation  
1960 - garage

**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

**11. Form Prepared By**

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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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Douglas, William and Harriet, House

Bremer

Name of Property

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616 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW

Waverly

Address

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## 7. Description

This single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1890 according to Bremer County Assessor records. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built earlier during the 19th century. Property transfer records show William Douglas acquiring the parcel in 1869 from Jane Marshall and her husband. The 1868 bird's eye view map of Waverly (at right) shows a building that is likely the Douglas House. The 1885 Iowa Census records show renters Cady and Carrie Murray at this address further confirming the building's construction by this time. With this information and the general design of the house, a date of ca. 1865 is considered more likely for this house.



This 1-story frame house is an example of a vernacular Side-Gable, 1-Story house form. The house has a parged stone foundation with asbestos shingle siding on the walls. The house has a moderate-pitched side-gable roof with narrow eaves. A gabled entrance hood supported by knee brace brackets is over the centered entrance on the south facade. A patio on the east façade has a flat roof supported by metal poles. Fenestration throughout the house includes single 1/1 double-hung windows of various sizes.

A detached frame 1-story garage is located at the rear of the property north of the house. It has a moderate pitched front gable roof, matching wide clapboard-style synthetic siding, and an overhead door facing east along the alley. The building was constructed in 1960 according to Assessor records. The garage is considered noncontributing because of its age in relationship to the primary building.

Alterations: asbestos siding (undated); window replacements (undated); garage (1960); covered patio (undated).

## 8. Significance

The William and Harriet Douglas House at 616 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW was built in ca. 1865 and is an early example of a vernacular Side-Gable, 1-Story house form. It appears that the house was used as a rental property during some of its life. The house qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the historic district under Criterion C and the garage is considered noncontributing.

Property transfer records show William Douglas acquiring the parcel in 1869 from Jane Marshall and her husband. By the mid-1880s the house was occupied by Carrie and Cady Murray, unemployed. Later records show this parcel transferred to A.G. and Maude Clewell in ca. 1908 and to Mary Woodring and her husband the following year. In the 1913 city directory, Leroy Remington and his wife Vena resided here. Though no employment was listed at that time, Leroy previously worked as a laborer.

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9. Sources

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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.

**616 3rd Ave NW  
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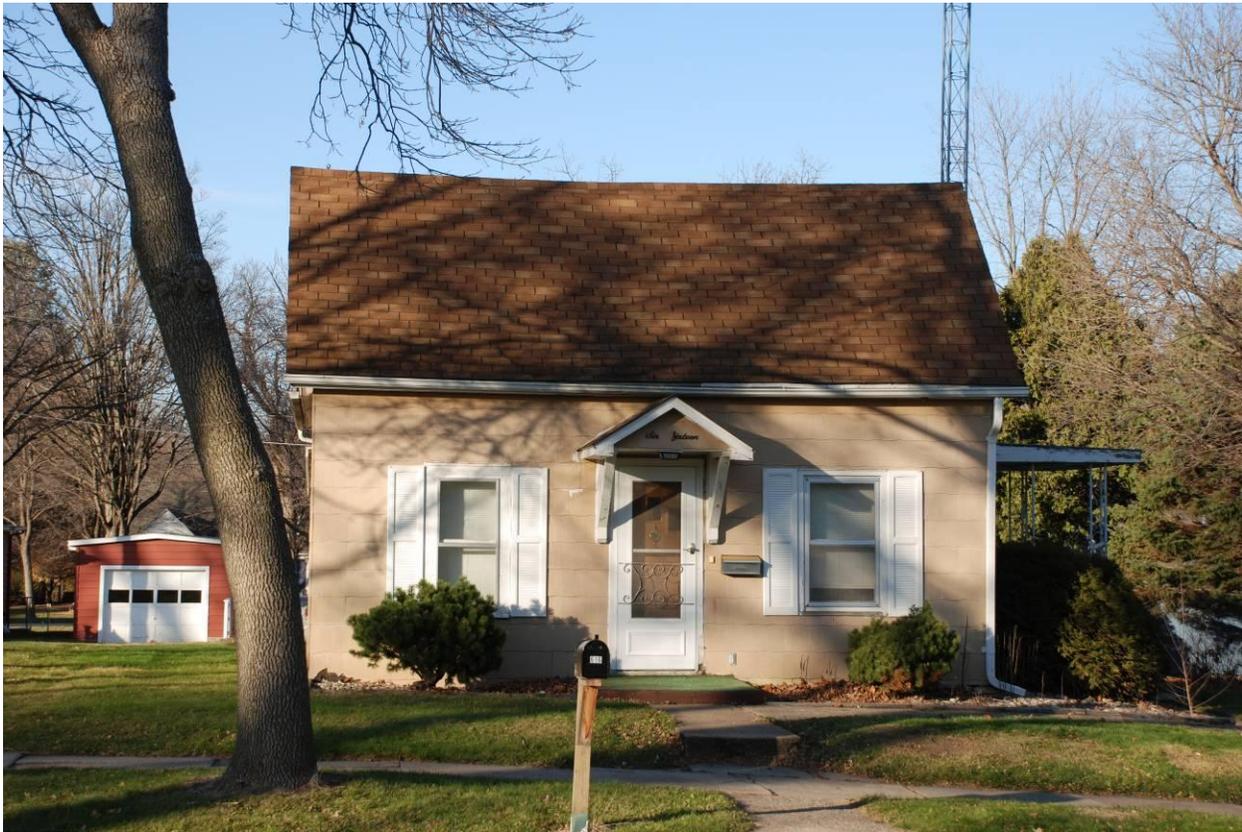
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**Photographs:** 616 3rd Ave NW, looking north and northeast, Marlys Svendsen, Svendsen Tyler, Inc., photographer, 11/15/2011.



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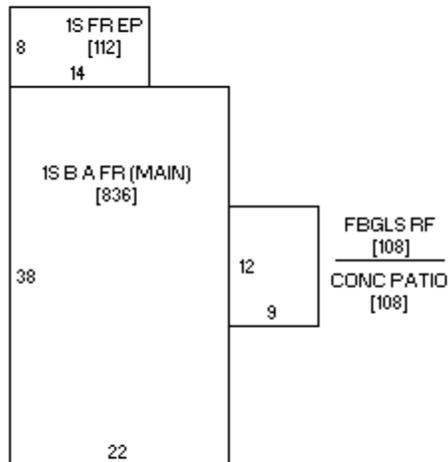
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Additional Information:

Floor plan, 616 3rd Ave NW, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0903232007&index=0&size=0>; accessed 12/31/2012.



Sketch by [www.camavision.com](http://www.camavision.com)