

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

State Inventory No. 09-00701

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 Arns, Fred and Mary, House

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

**2. Location**

street & number 317 3<sup>rd</sup> St 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) 39 Lot(s) S 1/2 Lots 1 & 2

**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

Historical Architectural Data Base Number

Waverly's NW & SE Neighborhoods Historical & Architectural Survey

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)

07E Bungalow/Craftsman

foundation 10A Concrete Block

walls (visible material) 05E Aluminum

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)

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | A | Property is associated with significant events.                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | B | Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | C | Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | D | Property yields significant information in archaeology or history. |

County Bremer  
City Waverly

Address 317 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW

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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*  
1930  check if circa or estimated date  
*Other dates, including renovation*  
1927 - 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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## 7. Description

This single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1935 according to Bremer County Assessor records. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built during the 1920s and 1930s. Property transfer records show Mary Sitzer transferring the property to Mary Arns in March 1927. The 1927 Sanborn Map shows this property still vacant but by 1931, the telephone directory lists Fred Arns at this address. Mary and Fred resided here until they died in 1945 and 1946, respectively. Public records suggest that sometime between 1928 and 1931 or ca. 1930 is a more likely construction date for this house.

This 2-story frame house is an example of a Bungalow/Craftsman Style, Side-Gable Roof house form. The house has a rock-faced concrete block foundation with medium-width clapboard-style steel siding. A broad, moderate-pitched side-gable roof has gable roof attic dormers centered on the front and rear roof slopes. The roof has wide eaves lined by knee-braced brackets at the purlins of the gable ends, the dormer, and the porch roof. The house has an enclosed front-gable roof porch spanning most of the front façade. It has a matching concrete block foundation and steel siding on the walls with vertical metal stick work in the tympanum. Craftsman Style windows with three vertical lights above a tall single light fill the porch above the closed balustrade. The entrance is at the south edge of the front façade.

Fenestration throughout the house includes grouped, paired and single 4/1 double-hung windows of various sizes. On the south façade, a shed-roofed rectilinear bay window has three 4/1 window units. The attic dormer has a pair of horizontal sash with five vertical lights in each. A detached frame 1-story garage is located at the rear of the property west of the house. It has a moderate-pitched hipped roof, double-bay overhead door, and matching siding. The building was constructed in 1927 according to Assessor records but more likely dates from ca. 1930 when the house was built. The garage is considered noncontributing because of modern day alterations including the overhead door and siding.

Alterations: siding (undated); garage changes (undated).

## 8. Significance

The Fred and Mary Arns House at 317 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW built in ca. 1930 is an example of a Bungalow Style, Side-Gable Roof 2-story house form. 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 list Mary Sitzer transferring this property to Mary Arns in March 1927. The 1927 Sanborn Map shows this property still vacant but by 1931, the telephone directory lists Fred Arns at this address. Mary and Fred resided here until they died in 1945 and 1946, respectively.

After Fred and Mary passed away, the house was transferred to Gustav and Emma Niemeyer. Renetta Niemeyer, their daughter, also resided here from 1943 to the 1950s. No occupations were identified for the Niemeysers.

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9. Sources

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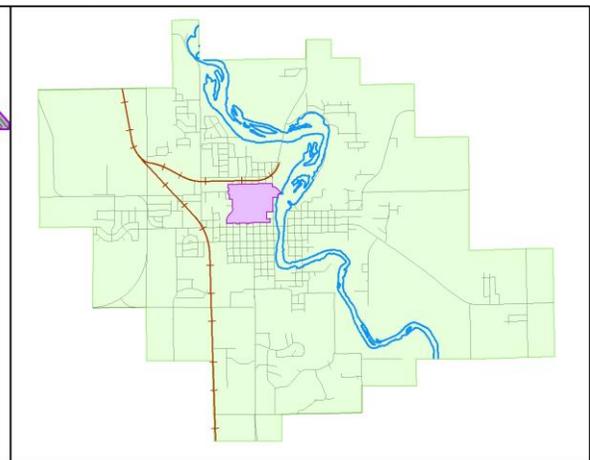
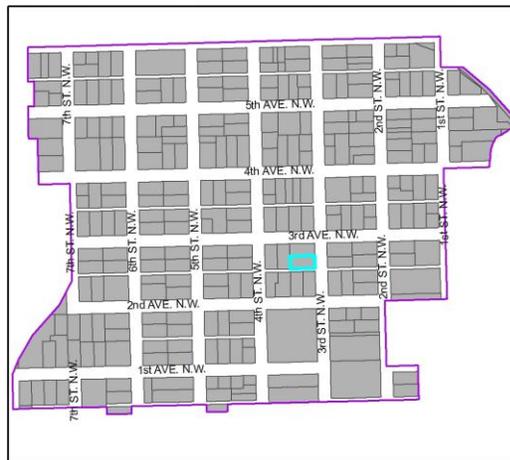
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.

**317 3rd St NW  
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**Photographs:** 317 3rd St NW, looking southwest and northwest, Marlys Svendsen, Svendsen Tyler, Inc., photographer, 11/15/2011.



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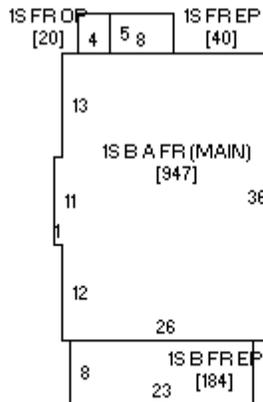
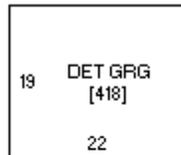
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Additional Information:

Floor plan, 317 3rd St NW, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0902109003&index=0&size=0>; accessed 1/8/2013.



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