

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

**State Inventory No. 09-00723**  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 Munstermann, August H. and Emma, House

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

**2. Location**

street & number 205 4<sup>th</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 Addition Block(s) 33 Lot(s) N 87' of Lot 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)	Number of Resources within Property	
	If Non-Eligible Property Enter number of:	If Eligible Property, enter number of:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	_____ buildings	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> district	_____ sites	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____ structures	_____ structures
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____ objects	_____ objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____ Total	<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)

01A01 Single Dwelling 01A03 Single Dwelling w/ attached garage

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification** (Enter categories from instructions) **Materials** (Enter categories from instructions)

09A01 Front-Gabled Roof, 2-story foundation 16 Clay Tile (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

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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  
1936  check if circa or estimated date  
Other dates, including renovation  
Attached garage – 1970

**Significant Person**

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

**Architect/Builder**

Architect

Builder

Ebert, George

**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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city or town Sarona state WI date 9/2013  
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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 1938 according to Bremer County Assessor records. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built during the 1930s and early 1940s. The property was transferred to A.H. Munstermann in June 1936 from William Schoof, a Bremer Co. farmer. A newspaper account in the *Bremer County Independent* 6/3/1936 references construction of the house with a front page photo on 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW. George Ebert was identified as the contractor for the house. Therefore, a construction date of ca. 1936 is more consistent with public records for this dwelling.

This frame dwelling is an example of a vernacular Front-Gabled Roof 2-story house form. The house has a clay tile block foundation with wide clapboard-style aluminum siding on the walls. The house has a moderate-pitched front gable roof with medium-width eaves and shed roofed wall dormers on the east and west slopes. The originally enclosed entrance porch has a low-pitched front-gable roof, matching tile block for the foundation, and is placed off-center on the front façade. Fenestration for the porch and house includes a single and paired 3/1 double-hung windows with vertical lights in the upper sashes. The feature window group set beneath the front gable includes three flat-topped 3/1 units with two shorter and smaller windows flanking the center unit. Each of the dormers have adjoining pairs of 3/1 windows and the front entrance door of the porch is flanked by single 3/1 units. In 1970 according to Assessor records, the current double-bay side-gabled garage was attached on the east façade. This location was where the earlier detached single-bay garage was originally built.

Alterations: siding, undated; attached garage, 1970.

## 8. Significance

The August H. and Emma Munstermann House at 205 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW was built in ca. 1936 and is an example of a vernacular Front-Gabled Roof 2-story house form. The house qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the historic district under Criteria A and C.

According to property transfer records, William Schoof, a Bremer Co. farmer, transferred the property to A.H. Munstermann in June 16, 1936 from. A newspaper account in the *Bremer County Independent* 6/3/1936 references the house and Munstermann with a photo of the building on 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW under construction. The house is similar in form and design to the Minnie Bohls House built five years earlier a block away at 307 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW. August H. Munstermann and his wife Emma resided here briefly with the house passing to Emma in 1939 following August's death. She sold the property in March 1941 to Sophie Pipho, another widow, who resided here throughout her life. She died in 1969 and the house passed to Elmer Mensching and his wife Ella from her estate in 1971. The couple held the property until their deaths in 1990 and 1991.

## 9. Sources

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

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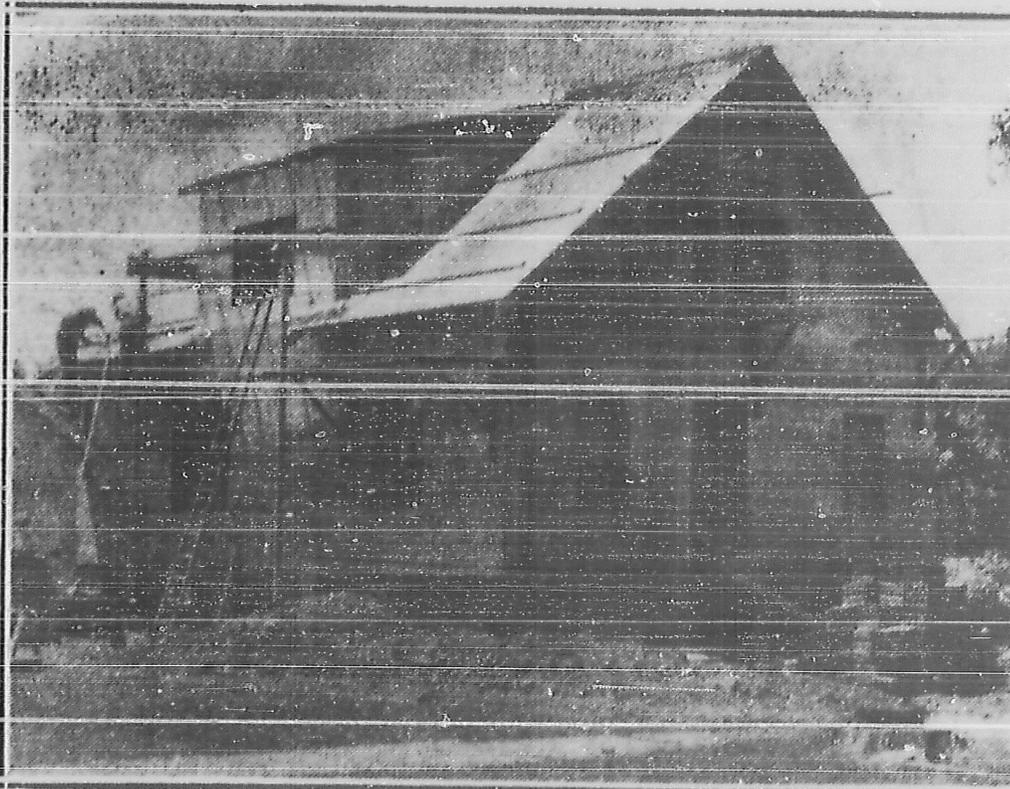
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Historic Photograph/Newspaper Account: front page story from *Bremer County Independent*, 6/3/1936, p1.

## MUNSTERMAN HOME UNDER WAY



—Independent Democrat Photo.

Construction work is being rushed on the home being constructed for A. H. Munsterman on Fourth Ave. N. W., just west of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Schoof.

This photo shows the house as it appears from the northeast; yet to be constructed is a 7 by 13 sun porch at the front of the home. Mr. Munsterman's lot, which he recently purchased from Mr. Schoof, includes the already completed garage shown at the left. Geo. Ebert is the contractor.

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**Photographs:** 205 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, looking southwest and southeast, Marlys Svendsen, Svendsen Tyler, Inc., photographer, 11/15/2011.



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**Photographs:** 205 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, looking southwest, Justine Zimmer, IHSEMD, photographer, 4/23/2009.



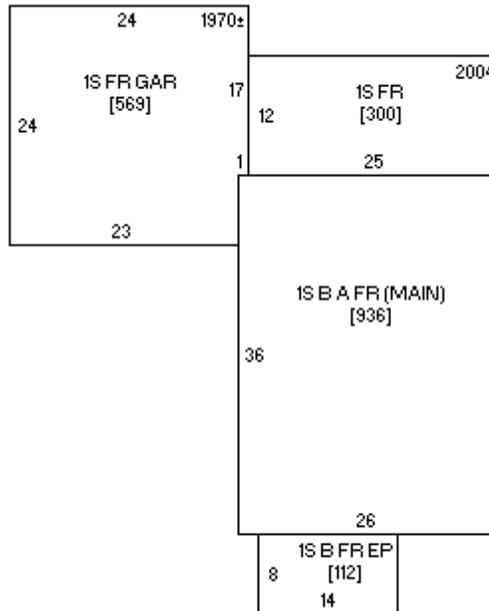
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**Floor plan**, 205 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0902106002&index=0&size=0>; accessed 2/27/2013.



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