

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

State Inventory No. 09-00905

New Supplemental

Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 09-00962

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 Pothast, Henry A. and Pauline, House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 420 3rd St SE

city or town Waverly

vicinity, county Bremer

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name _____

Township No. _____

Range No. _____

Section _____

Quarter of Quarter _____

(If Urban) Subdivision Original Town

Block(s) FR 8

Lot(s) S 50' Lot 3

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

Enter number of:

— buildings
 — sites
 — structures
 — objects
 — Total

If Eligible Property, enter number of:

Contributing Noncontributing

2 — buildings
 — — sites
 — — structures
 — — objects
2 — 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 MPD

Historical Architectural Data Base Number

09-028

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

01A Single Dwelling

01C05 Garage

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

01A Single Dwelling

01C05 Garage

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

09A06 Hipped Roof, 2-Story (American Four-Square)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

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)

- 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
1920 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation
1920- 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: _____

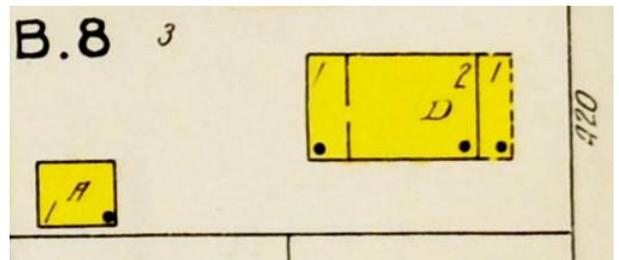
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7. Description

This 2-story single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1920 according to Bremer County Assessor records. Henry Pothast acquired the parcel from Amelia Schlutmeyer in September 1919 several years after her husband died. In March and April, 1920 newspaper accounts discuss Pothast building a new house on S. Harmon Street (3rd Street SE). Together, this information confirms a construction date of 1920 for the house.

The Pothast House is an example of a vernacular Hipped-Roof 2-story house form that was popularly known as the American Four-Square in the years before and after World War I. It has a moderate pitched hipped roof with wide eaves and a hipped dormer centered on the front slope. A broad front-gable roof porch spans the full front façade with steps offset on the north half. The house and original garage are depicted in the 1927 Sanborn Map (at right).



The Pothast House has a rock-faced concrete block foundation with light pink mortar and wide aluminum clapboard-style siding on the walls covering the original narrow wood clapboard. The front porch has matching siding in the tympanum and a dark reddish brown brick used for construction of full height piers at the outer corners and a closed balustrade and foundation. The same brick is used for the balustrade for the wide concrete steps. A concrete cap finishes the brick balustrade and along the steps, it has a curved design. Like the house foundation, the porch brickwork has pink mortar. In 2012 the front porch has wood framed screen panels.

Fenestration includes various sized 1/1 double-hung windows in singles and pairs. On the front façade a pair of small windows is in the dormer while widely spaced large units are on the upper level. On the first floor, the feature group includes a cottage window with leaded lights in the upper sash and narrow 1/1 double-hung units placed on each side, all to the left of the entrance. On the south façade, a rectilinear hipped roof oriel has a group of three windows – a cottage window with six vertical lights in the upper horizontal sash and narrow 1/1 double-hung units to either side. On the north façade, a single light horizontal sash is in the front hallway. Elsewhere double-hung windows are asymmetrically and widely spaced.

The house has a detached 1-story single-bay garage located southwest of the house and accessed from 3rd Street SE via a long driveway on the south side of the house. Built in 1920 according to Bremer County Assessor records, it has a moderate-pitched, flared hipped roof with the original narrow wood clapboard siding retained. Both the passage door and overhead door have been replaced.

Alterations: porch screening (undated); aluminum siding (undated); garage changes (undated).

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8. Significance

The Pothast House is an example of a vernacular Hipped-Roof 2-story house form that was popularly known as the American Four-Square in the years before and after World War I. Many examples built around the country were derived from pattern books and design services. The house was part of the main wave of homebuilding in the neighborhood that extended from the 1880s through the years following World War I. Its owners, Henry and Pauline Pothast, built the house in 1920. The house qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource in the historic district under Criteria A and C. The garage is also considered contributing.

According to property transfer records, Amelia Schlutsmeier sold this parcel to Henry (Heinrich) Pothast on September 29, 1919 several years after husband, Fred, died. On March 19, 1920 the *Bremer Independent* announced Henry's plans to build a new house on S. Harmon Street (3rd Street SE) for himself and his wife, Pauline. Construction of the house was part of a series of new houses built along the west side of the 400 block of 3rd Street SE between 1917 and 1924; several involved the replacement of earlier structures. The Pothasts resided here for several decades with Pauline dying in 1938 and Henry passing away in 1946. Both are buried in St Pauls Cemetery in Waverly.

9. Sources

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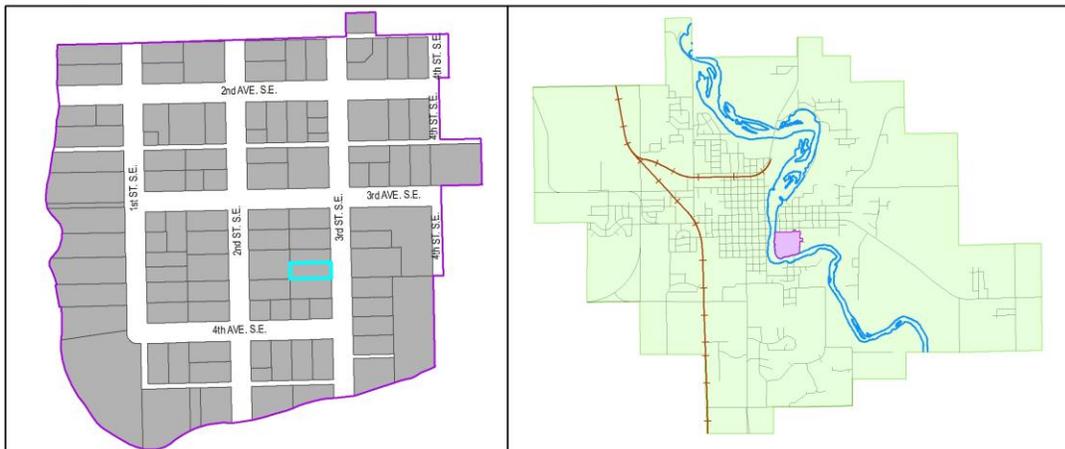
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.

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Photographs: 420 3rd St. SE, looking northwest and southwest, Marlys Svendsen, photographer, 11/3/2011.



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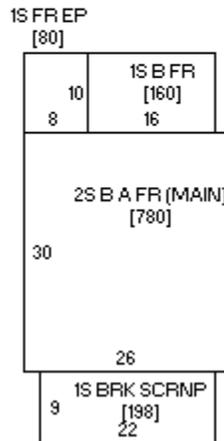
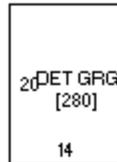
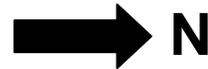
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Floor Plan: Bremer County Assessor's website; available at: <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0902190007&index=0&size=0>; accessed 3/14/2012.



Sketch by www.camavision.com