

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

State Inventory No. 09-01476 New Supplemental
 Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) **09-00961**
 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 Avery-Crampton House
 other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 320 4th St SW
 city or town Waverly vicinity, county Bremer County
 Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name _____ Township No. _____ Range No. _____ Section _____ Quarter of Quarter _____
 (If Urban) Subdivision Wm. Sturdevant's Addition Block(s) 10 Lot(s) S 1/2 Lots 7 & 8

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: Contributing Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	_____ buildings	<u>2</u> _____ buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	_____ sites	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____ structures	_____ structures
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____ objects	_____ objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____ Total	<u>2</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 SW Quadrant Hist. & Arch. Survey Historical Architectural Data Base Number HADB 09-031

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)	Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>01A01 Single Dwelling</u>	<u>01A01 Single Dwelling</u>
<u>01C05 Garage</u>	<u>01C05 Garage</u>
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)	Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>09A02 Gable-Front-and-Wing, 1½-Story</u>	foundation <u>04 Stone</u>
_____	walls (visible material) <u>05E Aluminum; 10A Concrete Block</u>
_____	roof <u>08A Asphalt</u>
_____	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 320 4th St SW

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District Number 09-00961

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)

Significant Dates

Construction date
1875 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation

Significant Person

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

Architect/Builder

Architect
unknown
Builder
unknown

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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7. Description

The Avery-Crampton House at 320 4th St SW is estimated to have been constructed in 1875 according to the Bremer County Assessor's records. The house footprint is not depicted on the 1868 Bird's Eye Map, is likely shown on the 1875 atlas map, and clearly appears on the 1894 Sanborn Map. The 1885 Iowa Census shows the Thomas and Maria Crampton family residing at this address along with Anna Avery, Maria's mother. The form and design are typical for a house from the 1870s. It appears that the ca. 1875 date is accurate.

The house is an example of the vernacular Gable-Front-and-Wing, 1-story house form with a right-hand ell and porch on the front and a small gabled wing at the rear. The house has a parged stone foundation with wide clapboard-style aluminum siding covering the original wood clapboard walls of the L-shaped main portion of the house. The main house has a moderate pitched cross-gable roof with the right-hand ell filled with a low-pitched shed roofed porch that only partially fills the ell. The porch has been enclosed at an unknown date and the walls are clad in synthetic stone (Permastone®) and 1/1 double-hung windows above the balustrade height. Fenestration elsewhere includes 1/1 double-hung units widely spaced and, in the rear wing, smaller 6/6 units.

The house has an uncommon design for its detached single-car garage that opens onto 3rd Ave SW at the west end of the lot. Well-preserved rock-faced concrete block is used for the foundation and walls and a moderate-to-steeply pitched hipped roof with flared slopes and corners and a flattened peak. The overhead door has been replaced but the balance of the garage's integrity is intact. The form and material are uncommon in Waverly but likely represent the use of locally manufactured block. The Assessor's date for the garage is 1915.

8. Significance

The Avery-Crampton House at 320 4th St SW is considered a contributing resource in the Sturdevant SW Historic District. Though it has lost some integrity it retains its overall form and the property has an uncommon concrete block garage that contributes to the overall significance of this corner property. It is among the older houses in the neighborhood. The district qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a well-preserved collection of mid and late 19th century and early 20th century architectural styles and vernacular house forms located in Waverly's southwest residential neighborhood. The neighborhood developed as a middle class and working class residential district from the late 1850s through the mid-20th century.

Historical Background for Waverly¹

Waverly was established in 1853 along the Cedar River in Waverly Township located in southeastern Bremer County. It was designated as the county seat for Bremer County the same year that the county was officially organized and was formally incorporated in 1859. Like most Iowa towns established before the Civil War, growth during the early 1860s was deferred until after the war came to a close. Waverly's first railroad, the Cedar Falls and Minnesota Railroad was extended to Waverly in 1864. Eventually track was also laid for other branch lines and an electric interurban. By 1917 track for branch lines was absorbed by the Chicago and

¹ The historical background information is largely drawn from the *Waverly, Iowa: An Architectural Heritage*, (Waverly, Iowa: City of Waverly), 1977.

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Great Western Railroad and the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad. Track for the electric interurban – the Waterloo, Cedar Falls, and Northern – was laid in 1910 but usage was never as substantial as predicted.

Waverly grew in the manner typical of other Iowa county seats in the late 19th and early 20th century. Its commercial center extended along the east-west route of Bremer Avenue on both sides of the Bremer Avenue Bridge that crossed the L-shaped course of the Cedar River as it passed through the center of town. The county courthouse was located outside of the commercial area on a slight prominence at the east end of Bremer Avenue. Residential districts grew up in the four quadrants formed by the intersecting main street and river. The broad, generally flat profile of both the business district and early residential neighborhoods saw the regular occurrence of flooding resulting in the gradual replacement of most first generation frame building stock. German immigrants were among the largest ethnic group to populate Waverly during the 19th century establishing religious institutions with ethnic affiliations such as St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the northwest quadrant, St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in southeast quadrant, and the German Methodist Church.

Bremer County and its county seat of Waverly prospered during the late 19th and early 20th century becoming a retail and professional services center for Bremer County and sections of adjacent Butler County. The county's standing as the "Dairy Spot of Iowa," gave rise to a number of dairy industries including a manufacturing plant operated by the Carnation Milk Products Company for the production of condensed milk in the 1920s. Population stood at 16,300 people in 1900 before the growth rate slowed before World War I. By 1930 population topped 17,000. Expansion of a Lutheran seminary in Waverly first located in the community in 1879 through the relocation of Wartburg College to the community in 1939 was a cultural and economic stimulus for the community. Waverly continued to add a 1,000 people per decade until 1950 when the post-War boom saw growth accelerate to more than 21,000 by 1960. During the past 50 years population has slowed somewhat topping out at 23,325 in 2000.

Historical Background for the Avery-Crampton House at 320 4th St SW

The Avery-Crampton House at 320 4th St SW is located in the southwest quadrant of Waverly that includes additions platted by early Waverly settlers, Ira Sturdevant and his son William Sturdevant. The Sturdevant family moved to the unsettled area along the Cedar River in the mid-1850s. Ira received a 40-acre federal land grant based on his military service in the War of 1812. William acquired 80 acres of adjoining land to the north of his father's 40-acre parcel. In 1857 the William Sturdevant's Addition was laid out and in 1860 the Ira Sturdevant Addition was platted. This house is located on Block 10 of Wm Sturdevant's Addition. Growth remained relatively slow in these subdivisions until after the Civil War when this house was likely built.

The Avery-Crampton House is estimated to have been constructed in 1875 according to the Bremer County Assessor's records. This date is consistent with the early form and design of the house. No house appears in this location on the 1868 Bird's Eye View Map. Property transfer records show the owner of Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 in Block 10 to be was George W. Avery shortly after it was originally subdivided. He died in 1871 and the property passed to his wife, Anna. The footprint of the house appears on the 1875 *Bremer County Atlas* map and by 1885 census records show Anna residing on this parcel with her daughter Maria Crampton, her husband Thomas B. Crampton and their two children, Jessie and George. Thomas was listed as a cattle dealer in 1885 and a stock breeder in 1895 Iowa Census and 1899 city directory.

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Property transfer records show the house passing from Anna Avery by will to her granddaughter Jessie Anna Crampton in 1906. The 1913 city directory shows the property occupied by Wesley Hinmon, his wife Ella and Miss Violet Hinmon. Wes was employed as a carpenter and the family likely rented the house from Jessie at the time. On 6/26/1915, Jessie transferred the property to real estate dealers McDaniels and Giles who resold it three years later to J.B. Baker on 4/2/1918. Baker was listed in the 1924, 1926 and 1931 telephone directories as residing here. After his death, Baker's estate transferred it in 1946 to C.R. Baker, a real estate agent, who in turn passed it to Rudolph Anhalt who is shown as owning it in 1944 in transfer records. Anhalt passed it to John and Lois Rieger in 1965.

9. Sources

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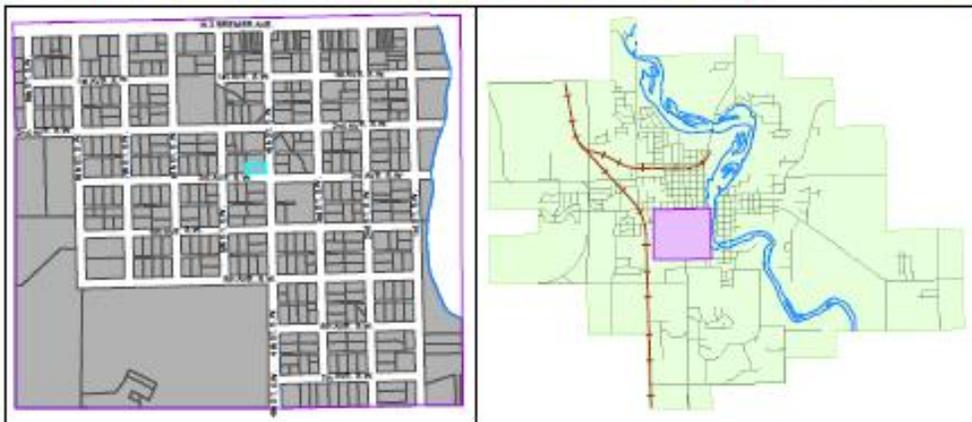
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Additional Information:

Waverly Southwest Quadrant Historical and Architectural Survey Map (Bremer County GIS Department, 3/26/2014).

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PIN 09-03-288-008



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Photographs: 320 4th St SW, looking west and northwest, **11/30/014**, Andrew Bell, Svendsen Tyler, photographer.



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Photographs: 320 4th St SW, looking north; garage looking northwest, north and northeast, **11/30/014**, Andrew Bell, Svendsen Tyler, photographer.

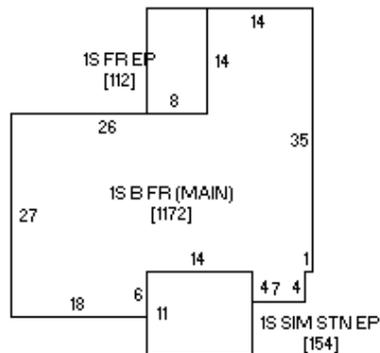
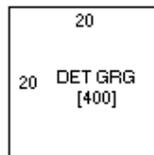


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Plan: Bremer County Assessor website photograph and map available at: <https://beaconbeta.schneidercorp.com/Application.aspx?AppID=330&LayerID=3621&PageTypeID=4&PageID=2342&Q=1215157959&KeyValue=0903288008>; accessed 6/12/2015.



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