

Site Inventory Form
State Historical Society of Iowa
 (December 1, 1999)

State Inventory No. 70-00981 **New** **Supplemental**
 Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.)_ Relationship: Contributing Noncontributing
 Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries
 National Register Status: (any that apply) Listed De-listed NHL DOE
 Review & Compliance No. _____
 Non-Extant (enter year) _____

1. Name of Property

historic name Sieg Auto Parts Building
 other names/site number Hahn Produce Building; Field Site #: FS-003

2. Location

street & number 305 West Mississippi Drive
 city or town Muscatine vicinity, county Muscatine
 Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name _____ Township No. _____ Range No. _____ Section _____ Quarter of Quarter _____
 (If Urban) Subdivision Original town Block(s) 9 Lot(s) E 1/2 Lot 4

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> building	_____ 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 Historical and Architectural Survey and Evaluation of the Downtown Commercial District Historical Architectural Data Base Number 70-013

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions) 02E- Commerce / Specialty Store
Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions) 02F02- Commerce / Marketplace

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) 09F05- Brick Front
Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
 foundation _____
 walls 03- Brick
 roof 08B- Rolled Asphalt
 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.
 Yes No More Research Recommended B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
 Yes No More Research Recommended C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
 Yes No More Research Recommended D Property yields significant information in archaeology or history.

County Muscatine Address 305 W. Mississippi Site Number 70-00981
City Muscatine District Number _____

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)

05: Commerce

Significant Dates

Construction date 1946 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates _____

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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city or town Muscatine state IA zip code 52761

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 non-contributing 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. Narrative Description

The Sieg Auto Parts Building, now known as the Hahn Produce Building, is a one story, four bay, wire-cut brick structure built on a hill. The rear, one-story section, is located at a higher elevation, creating a secondary façade for the building. The brick is running bond and wire-cut, except for the cornice and frieze, and some replacement brick on the west side. The non-historic entry with a transom window is flanked by a large window on either side. A smaller window is found between a large window and the garage door entry on the east end of the façade. The cornice and frieze is soldiered coursed, with metal tracing on top. There is a flat parapet leading to the façade of the rear section. The west side of the building includes two windows; one larger square shaped, one smaller rectangular shaped, both with glass block. Some brick has also been replaced on this west elevation (from wire-cut to smooth texture).

This “upper level” façade includes six multi-light industrial windows; this is an original part of the building. The frieze in this upper level is metal traced like the lower level. There are two chimneys; one on each side. The back of the building includes two windows with three-over-three-light double-hung configuration. There is also a modern single-door entry, and a modern loading entry. The brick in the back has also been largely replaced/covered by concrete block.

There is also a metal outbuilding in back with a concrete foundation.

8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Sieg Auto Parts building may be individually eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A, though not B or C. However, it does appear to be a contributing building in a potential downtown district.

This building was built in 1946 as Sieg Auto Parts, which it continued as until 1981. Sieg Auto Parts was a wholesaler and jobber in the auto parts business, and was the only wholesaler and jobber in the auto parts business in Muscatine at that time. This was one of a number of buildings that were constructed in Muscatine in the 1930s and 1940s to meet the growing automotive market. Unlike the other buildings, however, that were often built as garages, as well as suppliers of auto parts, Sieg was built solely as an auto parts store, the first one in Muscatine. The last listing in city directories for Sieg Auto Parts was in 1995, on Second Avenue. Further contextual research on the automotive industry in Muscatine and the associated buildings is needed to further evaluate this building within this historic context. With this research, this building may be individually eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A.

However, this building appears to be a contributing building to a downtown district. It falls into one historic context identified for the district: “20th century Business and Industry.” A portion of this context focuses on the new types of businesses that appear in the first half of the 20th century, particularly those

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associated with automobile industry. This is one of several wired brick buildings in this potential district and the architecture is typical of this period and type of use.

After Sieg Auto Parts moved from here in 1981, it was Melon City Auction from 1982 to 1987, and from 1987 until 1989 it was Melon City Antiques Mart. In 1989 it became Hahn Produce, and has remained so to the present time.

9. Major Bibliographical References

City Directories, Muscatine. Various Publishers, 1935-Present. Available at the Musser Public Library.

Sanborn Map Company. "Muscatine, Iowa," Sanborn fire insurance maps. Pelham, N.Y: Sanborn Map Company, 1946. Accessed online at: sanborn.umi.com

Location Map



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Plan (from assessor's office)

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30	ADDN 1 [1800]
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60	BLDG 1 [3600]

(front)

Photograph of building (digital image)

