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**National Register of Historic Places
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**Broadway-Phelps Park Historic
District (Amendment)**

Name of Property
Winneshiek, Iowa
County and State

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Explanation of the Amendment

This amendment to a previously listed National Register Registration Form is being filed under "Section VI. Amending National Register Forms" of National Register Bulletin: How to Complete the National Register Registration Form.

This Nomination is being amended to revise the contributing resource listing on continuation sheet, item number 4, page 3, building number 30, Weiser Carriage House (608 W. Broadway)

1. Change address of Weiser Carriage House to (609 West Main Street).
2. Weiser poultry house to be added as a contributing resource to the district and listed as building number: 51) Weiser poultry house at Weiser Carriage House property.
3. Weiser poultry house to be listed as number 51 on the district sketch map.
4. Weiser poultry house retaining wall to be added as a contributing resource to the district and listed as structure number: 52) at Weiser Carriage House property.
5. Weiser poultry house retaining wall to be listed as number 52 the district sketch map.

At the time this Historic District was listed the poultry house and poultry house retaining wall was inadvertently left out of the nomination.

The current structures retain the essential elements of original construction and have not been altered significantly since their erection.

Narrative Statement of Significance

Weiser poultry house is a rare example of a poultry house designed in the Second Empire Style.

H.S. Weiser commenced to build his new residence in spring of 1872 and completed it in 1873. The poultry house, part of Weiser's property, is a solid brick double wythe masonry construction with an American bond.

Characteristics of Second Empire found in the Weiser poultry house:

The double-pitched mansard-style roof is the principal characteristic identifying the poultry house as Second Empire. The pitch of the lower roof has a concave silhouette with a wide, unelaborated overhang at the cornice level. The top level is flat with zero degrees pitch.

As late as 1986, a cupola surmounted the flat section of the roof, but has since been removed and stored. The mansard roof is clad with wood shingles applied in a straight, horizontal pattern. Window openings are arched but have window frames with straight surrounds; surrounds are unelaborated.

In the early 1990s, Hubert Bolson, from Decorah, who was in his late 70s or early 80s spoke about the Weiser property and referred to the building as a chicken house. Hubert was quoted "When I was young, I did chicken chores for the Weisers after school and that's where they kept their chickens." He then pointed out the two small square openings near each of the corners that were level with the ground and said that they were entrances/exits for the chickens during the daytime and that they were

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closed at night to protect the chickens from four-legged marauders.

Residual material left on the interior walls indicate lath and plaster with whitewash or lime paint overcoat application on all walls and ceiling. The floor was a poured concrete with no reinforcement.

The poultry house represents continuity of architectural design imposed on the Carriage House property applied to an agricultural building.

A concrete retaining wall of approximately 124'x4' comprised of large washed river rock and lime/cement supports the north wall of the poultry house and runs the frontage length of boulevard.

Major Bibliographical Sources

Alexander, W.E., History of Winneshiek County, Iowa, First Edition, 1882:
Reprinted by Moneek Press, Decorah, IA. 1972

Hubert Bolson interview, quotes and descriptive characteristics recorded and developed by Elizabeth Lorentzen, Broadway – Phelps Park Historic District architectural historian and educator, circa 1990.

Geographical Data

Acreage of Property .35

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	15	597,904	4,795,176
2			

	Zone	Easting	Northing
3			
4			

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

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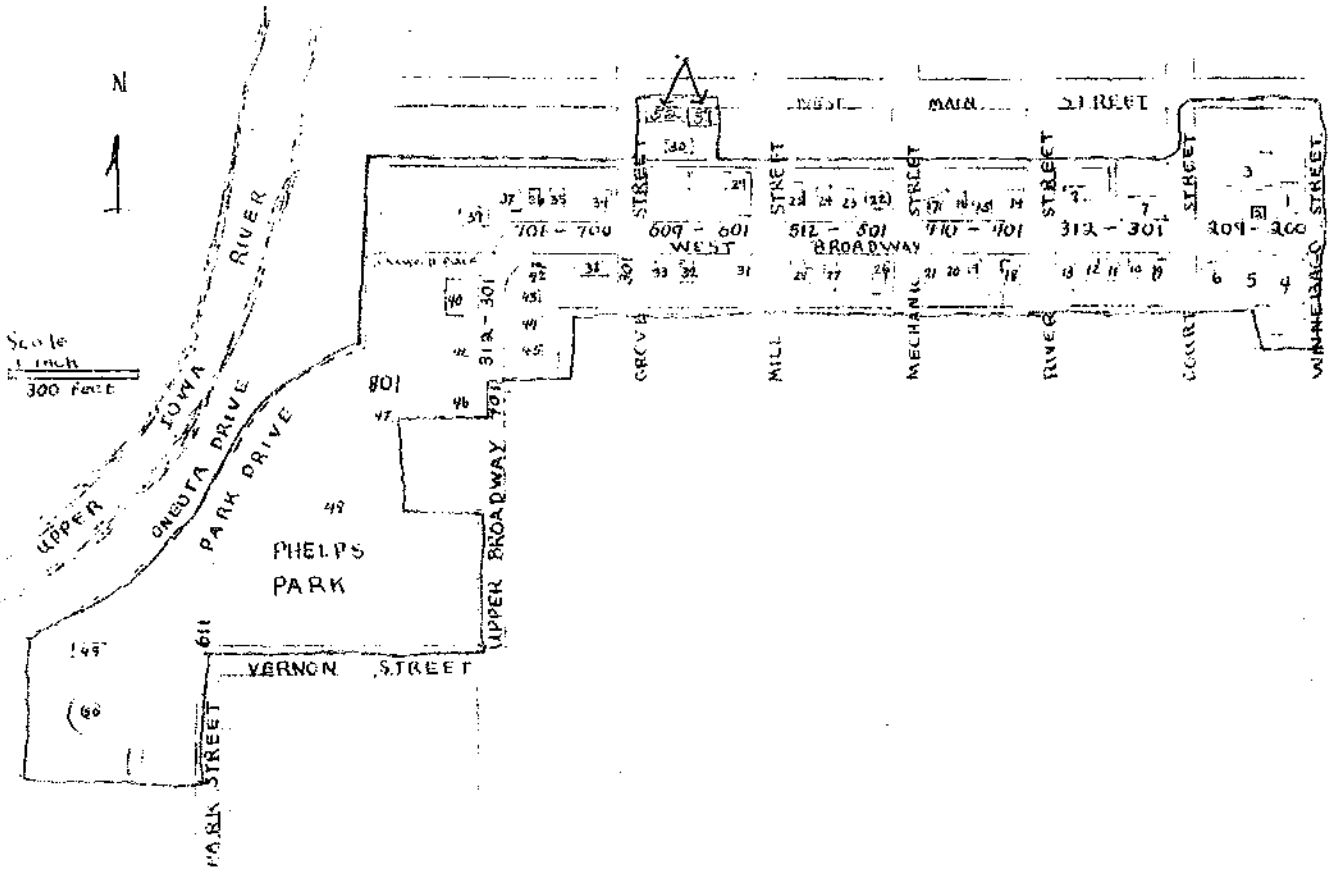
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Broadway-Phelps Park Historic District Site Map

(Arrows depicts location of Weiser poultry house, number 51 and Weiser poultry house retaining wall, number 52)



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Photographs:

Name of Property: Weiser poultry house at Broadway-Phelps Park Historic District

City or Vicinity: Decorah

County: Winneshiek

State: IA

Name of Photographer: Kevin L. Lee

Date of Photographs: May 2010

Location of Original Digital Files: 2526 173rd. Ave., Decorah, IA. 52101

Photo 0001 (IA_Winneshiek County_Broadway-Phelps Park Historic District_map#51_photo#0001)
South façade, camera facing north.

Photo 0002 (IA_Winneshiek County_Broadway-Phelps Park Historic District_map#51_photo#0002)
West elevation, camera facing east.

Photo 0003 (IA_Winneshiek County_Broadway-Phelps Park Historic District_map#51_photo#0003)
North elevation, camera facing south.

Photo 0004 (IA_Winneshiek County_Broadway-Phelps Park Historic District_map#51_photo#0004)
North elevation (right) and east elevation (left), camera facing southwest.