

City of Auburn

Local Landmark Designation Application

For Staff Use Only

Building       Site       District      Approval Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Structure       Object       Multiple Property      \_\_\_\_\_

1. NAME AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other names/site number 640035469  
 Address 1122J Street  
 Historic address \_\_\_\_\_

2. PROPERTY OWNER(S) NAME AND ADDRESS

Name David and Lydia Moyer  
 Street and number 1820 Courthouse Avenue  
 City Auburn      State NE      Zip 68305  
 Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

3. NOMINATION PREPARED BY

Name/title Ryan Erickson  
 Organization Percy State College  
 Street and number 702 Monroe Street  
 City Westboro      State MO      Zip 64498  
 Phone 660-254-4221      Email ryan00-erickson09@hotmail.com  
 Date prepared 4-15-13      Signature Ryan Erickson

Name of Property \_\_\_\_\_

**4. NUMBER OF RESOURCES WITHIN PROPERTY**

Contributing	Non Contributing		Contributing resources previously listed on the National Register or Local Register
<u>2</u>		Buildings	
		Sites	<u>None</u>
		Structures	
		Objects	
<u>2</u>		Total	

**5. GEOGRAPHIC DATA**

Acreeage of property Less than 1

Property identification number 640035469

**6. BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION**

Describe boundary line encompassing all man-made and natural resources to be included in designation (general legal description or survey). Attach map delimiting proposed boundary. (Use continuation sheet if necessary)

The building is on the NW corner of the intersections of 136 highway and 75 highway. To the ~~east~~ north is Allisan Pharmacy.

**7. FUNCTION OR USE**

Historic Functions	Current Functions
<u>Bank</u>	<u>N/A, Vacant</u>

**8. DESCRIPTION**

Architectural Classification	Materials
	<u>Brick</u>

**Narrative Description**

On one or more continuation sheets describe the historic and existing condition of the property. Illustrate the following information: original location and setting; natural features; pre-historic man-made features; subdivision design; description of surrounding buildings; major alterations and present appearance; interior appearance.

Name of Property \_\_\_\_\_

**9. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

**Criteria for Significance**

(mark one or more boxes for the appropriate criteria)

- (1) Historical importance or cultural significance, or association with a significant person
- (2) Architectural and engineering importance
- (3) Geographic importance
- (4) Archeological importance

**Area(s) of Significance**

(See Attachment A for list of categories)

**Period of Significance**

1906-1912  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Dates**

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

**Significant Person(s)**

Howe and Nixon  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Cultural Affiliation/Historic Period**

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

**Builder**

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

**Architect**

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

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

Explain the significance of the property as it relates to the above criteria and information on one or more continuation sheets. Include biographical data on significant person(s), builder, and architect, if known.

**10. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.

## ATTACHMENT A – Areas of Significance for Local Landmark Designation

A particular site, structure, or area may be designated for preservation as a landmark or historical district if it has:

- (1) Historical importance or cultural significance, or association with a significant person
  - Historical importance or cultural significance, interest or value as part of the development, history, heritage or culture of the City, state or nation;
  - Associated with the life of a person significant in the past;
  - Site of an historic event, or exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, educational, social or historic heritage of the community;
- (2) Architectural and engineering importance
  - Architectural and engineering importance, portraying the historical setting or environment of a distinctive characteristic of an architectural or engineering type, period, style, or method of construction;
  - Work of a resident, builder or designer whose individual work is significant in the development of the City;
  - Contains elements of design, detail, materials or craftsmanship of distinctive quality, or which represents a significant innovation;
- (3) Geographic importance
  - Geographic importance, by being a part of or related to a city center, park or other distinctive area, which should be developed or preserved according to a plan based on a historic, cultural or architectural motif;
  - Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristic, represents an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, community, or the City; or
- (4) Archeological importance has yielded or is likely to yield information regarding the history of the area prior to the establishment of the City.

- This building was used by Charles Dana Nixon, founder of modern Auburn. He credited farmers out of his own pocketbook at times, realizing that agriculture was a necessary economic tool for making Auburn a success.



# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

Box 82554

Lincoln, NE 68501-2554

<http://www.nebraskahistory.org>

The Nebraska Historic Resources Inventory Form is used by the Nebraska State Historic Preservation Office (NeSHPO) to facilitate inventory and evaluation of the state's historic and architectural resources. Submission of the completed form accompanied by photographs, floor plans, site plans, and bibliographical sources, provides NeSHPO staff with the basis for evaluating a property's integrity and significance, and adds to the permanent record of Nebraska's historic properties.

For NeSHPO use only:
Site Number <u>640035469</u>
Submitted by <u>Ryan Erickson</u>
Date received <u>4-15-13</u>

### Instructions

Please be as detailed as possible in completing the form. Attach additional sheets or supplemental information as necessary.

### History and Significance

On a separate sheet, describe the property's importance to state or local history; this may include significant events or people associated with the property, important dates, or architectural significance. (List sources used in the Bibliography; if possible, include copies of the research material.)

### Bibliography

On a separate sheet, list published and/or unpublished sources or other information such as early photographs, maps, newspaper articles, and histories. (When appropriate, cite author, title, place of publication, date, and page numbers. If possible provide copies of sources used.)

### Photographs

Enclose current, clear photographs of the property, including representative interior shots. A minimum of two photographs is required for a single property showing all sides. For complexes, farmsteads, and landscapes, include general views as well as individual views of major buildings/structures/objects. Photos should be keyed to a site plan. See Sample Sheet.

### Floor plan (for buildings and structures)

On a separate sheet, provide a plan that indicates the location and arrangement of first-floor rooms (and a typical upper-floor plan for multi-storied buildings), including doors and windows. Also provide exterior or interior measurements. See Sample Sheet.

### Site plan

On a separate sheet, indicate the arrangement of buildings/structures/objects in their setting. Information about other landscape features such as fences, corrals, outhouses (either standing or demolished), cellars, trails, or the approximate location of demolished buildings, are also of interest. See Sample Sheet.

### Are you interested in...

...the National Register?  Yes  Please send me more information  No

Would you like to apply for listing your property on the National Register of Historic Places?  Yes  No

If yes, is the request by the current owner?  Yes  No

...financial incentives for rehabilitation?  Yes  Please send me more information  No

### Need assistance, contact us

By phone: 402-471-4787 or 1-800-833-6747

By email: [hpnshts@nebraskahistory.org](mailto:hpnshts@nebraskahistory.org)

Please submit completed forms to: Nebraska State Historic Preservation Office

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## Identification & Location

Common / Present Name The old First National Bank building

Historic Name The First National Bank of Auburn

*(The name(s) historically used or associated with the property during its period of significance. Examples: The Kennard-Ferguson House, John G. Neihardt Study, Freeman Homestead and School, Elijah Filley Stone Barn, Fairview.)*

Address 1122 J Street

City / Town Auburn

County Nemaha

Legal Description: If the abstract is unavailable, please contact your County Register of Deeds to obtain a complete legal description.

Urban 1 Lot(s) 1 Block \_\_\_\_\_ Plat Addition \_\_\_\_\_

Rural \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ Section \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

Other Legal \_\_\_\_\_

## Ownership / Biographical

Current Owner Name David and Lydia Moyer

Address 1820 Courthouse Avenue

City Auburn

State NE Zip 68305

Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Original Owner First National Bank of Auburn

Date(s) 1894

Subsequent Owners Church Howe and Nixon

Date(s) Aug. 28, 1906- Oct. 10, 1912

International Messengers \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) 2000

Terry and Yolanda Peck

Date(s) Feb. 26, 2010-Dec. 4, 2012

## Use of Property

Original use(s) Bank

Date(s) 1894-present

Subsequent use(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Current use(s) vacant

Date(s) 2013

## Construction Information

Significant dates (construction, alterations, etc.) Constructed in 1893

Architect / Engineer / Firm Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Builder / Contractor / Craftsman Joseph Conley

Do site plans, architectural drawings or other historic materials (e.g. photographs) exist?  Yes  No

If yes, describe. \_\_\_\_\_

In whose possession? \_\_\_\_\_

Are they available for copy?  Yes  No

## Form submitted by

owner – same as above

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Company / Organization Peru State College

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City Westboro

State MO

Zip 64498

Phone Number(s) 660-254-4221

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Please check if public knowledge of this property would endanger its protection.

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## Type / Condition

Property Condition: (check one)  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor

Category: (Enter the number in the respective category for all that apply)

1 Buildings: A *building* is a shelter for any form of human activity, such as a house, barn, church, hotel, general store, or factory.

Structures: A *structure*, such as a bridge, canal, oil well, kiln, or radio tower, is a construction for purposes other than sheltering human activity.

Objects: An *object* is a small construction, such as a statue, monument, sign, or fountain. An object can also be a previously movable item which has been fixed in place for 50 years or longer, such as a locomotive.

Sites/Landscapes: A *site* is the location of a significant event or activity, such as a park, cemetery, mine, trail, battlefield, or a pre-historic settlement.

Is there any archaeological potential (e.g. Native American artifacts, early homestead, privies)?  Yes  No

If yes, please describe:

Has the property been altered since its original construction? (additions / modifications)  Yes  No

If yes, please describe changes:

The building has been under renovation of late, the outside limestone doorway arch has been sandblasted and new windows

Has the property been moved since its original construction?  Yes  No If yes, complete the following:

Original location (address and legal description, if known):

Reason for move:

## Architectural / Landscape Data

Building / Structure / Object Information (Please check all that apply)

### Foundation

- Brick
- Concrete Block
- Concrete Slab
- Concrete Poured
- Stone
- None – on earth
- Unknown
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Structural Support

- Baled Hay
- Concrete Block
- Concrete Framed
- Concrete Poured
- Frame – Wood
- Frame – Metal/Steel
- Brick – Load Bearing
- Stone – Load Bearing
- Puddled Clay
- Rammed Earth
- Sod
- Unknown
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Exterior Walls

- Aluminum Siding
- Asbestos
- Brick
- Ceramic
- Concrete
- Horizontal wood siding
- Log
- Metal
- Shingles – Asphalt
- Shingles – Wood
- Engineered Siding
- Plywood
- OSB
- Fiberboard
- Fiber Cement
- Stone
- Stucco
- Vertical wood siding
- Vinyl Siding
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Windows

- Double Hung Sash
- Single Hung Sash
- Casement
- Fixed
- Replacement
- Aluminum
- Vinyl
- Stained Glass
- Jalousie
- Ribbon
- Glass Block
- None/Unknown
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Roof

- Asphalt Shingle
- Asphalt Roll
- Built-up
- Ceramic Tile
- Metal
- Slate
- Wood Shingle
- None – N/A
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Height

- Stories 2
- Below Ground
- N/A
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Chimney

- Brick
- Concrete Block
- Stuccoed Masonry
- Stone

### Stove Pipe

- Siding
- None
- Unknown
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Porch(es)

- Arcade
- Balcony
- Porte-Cochere
- Recessed
- Stoop
- Portico
- Verandah
- Wrap-around
- None
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**Description of Features**

**For the following three items, attach additional sheets if necessary.**

Describe other distinguishing exterior features; for example, spindlework, doors, or unique windows.

The outside is made of a red brick, there is a limestone archway above the front door, on the northwest corner of the building. To the south side of this first doorway arch there is another archway that is wider and goes around the front first story windows. there are three windows in the second story on the front of the building that also has original arches.

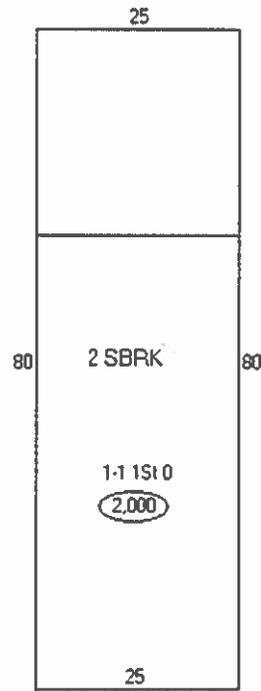
Describe interior rooms, spaces, and details; for example, mezzanines, lobbies, flooring, light fixtures, fireplaces, or woodwork. Keying information to building plans is welcomed.

Describe the landscape and setting. For an individual building, describe immediate surroundings and landscape features. For farmsteads or rural complexes, describe each building and their relation to other buildings and their surroundings. For urban structures or parks, describe the surrounding street(s) or commercial area(s).

The building stands on the southwest corner of the intersection of J and central streets. To the north and connected to this building is Allison Pharmacy. Diagonally to the southeast is the Hetzel building, the old Opera house. Directly across the street sits Bulldog Realty.



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-- Denotes common wall.

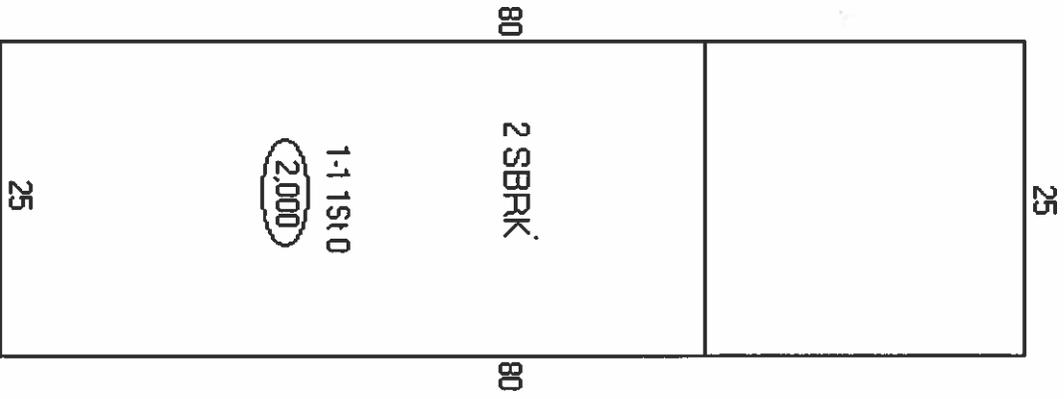
The old First National Bank building was a necessary part of Auburn's beginning success as a town. When Nixon and Howe (the men credited with the founding of Auburn through the consolidation of the towns of Sheridan and Calvert) took over ownership and management of the bank in 1906, they lent money from their own pocket books when necessary to farmers to bolster the agricultural economy that they knew was necessary for the survival of Auburn. The building is now unused, having renovations done in the past year.

This building is owned by David and Lydia Moyer. The buildings' width x depth is 25'x80' ft. The building's total value is \$7,720 compared to when the First National Bank bought it in 1912 for \$800. This building was built by a man named Joseph Conley in 1892. 1122 has a back access as shown below. There used to be a turret attached to the southeastern side of the structure but was taken down in 1961. The bank was one of many that went broke in 1929 with the advent of the depression. This building also had a public bathroom in the basement that could be reached by the stairway in the middle picture.



# 1122 J ST BASIC WALL PLAN

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# THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK- A KEY TO AUBURN'S EARLY SUCCESS

Auburn may not have a more important building than this one- the First National Bank.

Charles Dana Nixon and Church Howe, men who headed the consolidation of Sheridan (north Auburn) and Calvert (south Auburn) ensured the success of the modern city, by co-founding the First National Bank. They realized the importance of farming and lent credit to farmers in the area to ensure the industry and thus the town's success. At times even, this money would come directly from Mr. Nixon personally. Without this passion for the town, Auburn as we know it may not have come to be. He also had Courthouse Avenue built, which without this connection of north and south Auburn, this project could not have included so much property in the city that it currently does.



# A THANK YOU

To

- Margaret Engles
- Janet Kirkendall Nixon
- Joe Ingersoll
- Pam Allison
- Sondra Westenburg and daughter
- Mac and Vicki Erisman
- Auburn City Library
- Nemaha Co. Clerk and Assessor

