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National Register of Historic Places  
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See instructions in How to Complete National Register Forms  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Keithsburg Historic District

and/or common same

2. Location

street & number bounded roughly by Third, Jackson, Fifth and Washington Streets N/A not for publication

city, town Keithsburg n/a vicinity of

state Illinois code 012 county Mercer code 131

3. Classification

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
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4. Owner of Property

name see continuation sheet

street & number

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Mercer County Courthouse

street & number N/A

city, town Aledo state Illinois

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title see continuation sheet has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
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### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Keithsburg (1985 population 956) is located on the Mississippi River in Mercer County in northwestern Illinois. The Keithsburg Historic District includes roughly four blocks of the traditional central business district of the community. There are 15 commercial structures, one governmental building, and one social/fraternal building. Of the 17 structures, 15 contribute to the historic significance of the district. There is no federal property within the district.

Originally, the business district extended along Main Street from First Street, parallel to the River, to Fifth Street. The western boundary has been drawn to exclude vacant land, two buildings of recent construction, and two substantially altered older buildings. The eastern boundary is Fifth Street, except where it crosses over to pick up the Bettler Block (#11) and the Masonic Lodge (#10), two older structures dating from the period of significance. The northern and southern boundaries generally follow the alleys north and south of Main Street, extending only to include contributing buildings along Fourth Street.

The topography of the district is generally flat. Main Street is 75 feet wide, surfaced with asphalt paving, with concrete curbing and sidewalks. Wooden telephone poles along Main Street carry telephone lines and street lights. There is no vegetation within the district, save for a grassy vacant lot.

The district is visually and physically distinct from other areas of Keithsburg, as it is the only concentration of commercial buildings in the community. The uniformity of scale, materials, and function contribute to the distinctive character of the district. While demolitions and fires have taken their toll on the density of the built up area, the remaining structures are a cohesive whole that convey the district's historic character.

The contributing structures are one or two stories in height, with masonry load-bearing walls and cast iron storefronts. Pressed metal is used for second floor facades, cornices, and window hoods on nearly every building. The I.O.O.F. Building (#3) and the Bettler Block (#11) have metal awnings covering the storefront. Alterations to the buildings are relatively few. The most common change has been covering window openings, or infill or storefronts. In all cases, however, the affect on the integrity of the individual structure is minimal. Windows have been retained under the coverings, and the original rhythm and character of the storefronts is readily apparent.

Many of the storefronts, and all of the second floors, are vacant or used for storage. The district's traditional role as a regional shopping center has been superceded by Aledo, the county seat. Keithsburg's close proximity to the Quad Cities and Burlington, Iowa, has also affected the viability of the district.

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Owners of property: Numbers refer to district map and text.

1. Pease Building: Loren Pease, Keithsburg, IL 61442
2. Wade Building : American Shell Company, P.O. Box 1783, Knoxville, TN
3. I.O.O.F. Building (Riverboat Tavern): Ray & Judi Roberts, Keithsburg, IL 61442
4. Bushong Building: Julius Bushong Keithsburg, IL 61442
5. Blackie's Building: Julius Bushong, Keithsburg, IL 61442
6. Fish Market: Dwight Simpson, 509 W. Main, Aledo, IL 61231
7. Lions Club Building: Lester Callahan, Keithsburg, IL 61442
8. Dodson Barber Shop: Don Dodson, Keithsburg, IL 61442
9. Commercial House: Calvin White, 2404 - 31st Street, Moline, IL 61265
10. Robert Burns Lodge A.F. & A.M.: Robert Burns Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M.,  
c/o Frederic Sherif, Keithsburg, IL 61442
11. Bettler Block (Pinger's Grocery): William R. Pinger, Keithsburg, IL 61442
12. Griffith Home Supplies: Clement Griffith, Keithsburg, IL 61442
13. Keithsburg Medical Clinic: Mayor Henry Swank, City of Keithsburg, City Hall,  
Keithsburg, IL 61442
- 14.a. Wilson Building: Sally Wilson, Keithsburg, IL 61442
- 14.b. Henderson Building (Stewart Recreation): Julie D. Weeks, Keithsburg, IL 61442
15. Citizen's State Bank (Antique Store): Clarence & Doris Whitesell,  
Keithsburg, IL 61442
16. Old City Hall: Julie D. Weeks, Keithsburg, IL 61442
17. Reeder Building: Chery Reeder, Keithsburg, IL 61442

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Representation in Existing Surveys:

Illinois Historic Structures Survey: Mercer County

October 1972

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency  
Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62701

X state

Illinois Historic Landmarks Survey: Mercer County

June 1974

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency  
Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62701

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The Commercial House, 5th and Main streets, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 9, 1983.

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LIST OF CONTRIBUTING AND NON-CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES

Of the 17 buildings within the Keithsburg Historic District, 15 have been defined as contributing to the historic significance of the district. These buildings date from the period of significance, and are compatible in age, scale, materials, design, and function. The 2 non-contributing buildings (#6 and #8) were constructed after 1950. The numbers refer to the district map.

1. Pease Building: c. 1915, Loren Pease, builder

Description: one-story rectangular brick commercial building with no significant detailing.

Original use: drugstore operated by Loren Pease

Current use: storage

2. Wade Building: 1893, Leander Wade, builder

Description: Two story brick building with highly detailed metal cornice and elaborate window hoods. The original storefront includes transoms with colored glass. Originally part of a larger block, the east half of the building was demolished in the 1960's, leaving the Wade Building as an independent whole.

Original use: Leander Wade's livery and wagon making business

Current use: storage

3. I.O.O.F. Building: 1893, I.O.O.F. Lodge #20, builder

Description: Identical to the Wade Building, with the same cornice and window hoods. The large plate-glass windows in the original storefront have been infilled with wood and smaller windows. A metal awning covers the storefront, and may be an original feature. A similar awning appears in a 1908 photo of the building.

Original use: Dry goods store on first floor, Odd Fellows Lodge Hall on second floor

Current use: Riverboat Tavern

The charter for the I.O.O.F. Lodge #20 was granted in 1856. The Lodge no longer meets here, and the second floor lodge hall is closed off.

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4. Bushong Building: c. 1900, builder unknown

Description: Two one story frame buildings connected by a frame addition, to form one L-shaped structure  
Original use: unknown, but for many years it was used as an automobile showroom and garage.  
Current use: storage

5. Blackie's Building: 1894, builder unknown

Description: Small, rectangular, one story brick building with a decorative brick cornice. A small frame shed addition is on the north side of the building and houses a cafe. The storefront was remodeled in 1984 with the addition of two picture windows flanking the central entry.  
Original use: grocery store  
Current use: tavern and cafe

6. The Fish Market: 1954, Dwight Simpson, builder

This building was built as a gas station, and was operated by various companies over the years, including Shell Oil. It was converted into a fish market in 1985. This building does not contribute to the historic significance of the district.

7. Finch Building: 1884, builder unknown

Description: A two story brick building with two storefronts. Each half of the building has a decorative brick cornice. The west half has a Palladian-like window on the second floor, while on the east half, the central arched window is flanked by two square headed windows separated by brick pilasters. Both storefronts have been remodeled, although the east storefront retains its original structure and configuration.  
Original use: dry goods store, restaurant  
Current use: senior citizen's center (west), Lion's Club (east)

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8. Dodson Barber Shop: 1984, Don Dodson, builder

This small frame structure does not contribute to the historic significance of the district.

9. Commercial House: 1849, Matthew Patterson, builder

The Commercial House was listed on the National Register on May 9, 1983.

10. Robert Burns Lodge A.F. & A.M. #113: 1854-59, Robert Burns Lodge, builder

Description: Two story brick building. Low pitch hipped roof, eaves supported by simple brackets. Classical entry and entry porch were added shortly after 1900.

Original use: Masonic Lodge

Current use: Masonic Lodge

The Robert Burns Lodge #113 was founded in 1850.

11. Bettler Block: 1888, Henry Bettler, builder

Description: One story brick building with a cast iron storefront and a metal cornice. There were originally two storefronts; the east storefront was enclosed when the building was converted to Pinger's Supermarket. The west storefront is substantially original.

Original use: Bettler's grocery store

Current use: Pinger's Supermarket

12. Griffith Block: 1884, builder unknown

Description: Similar to the Bettler Block, the Griffith block is a one story brick building with a decorative metal cornice. The cornice detailing includes simulated brick coursing and sunbursts. There are four separate storefronts, all which have been incorporated into Griffith's Home Supply store. Two of the storefronts are substantially original; typically, the large plate-glass panals have been covered with wood and smaller windows installed. A shake shingle mansard obscures much of one storefront.

Original use: Each storefront had a different occupant, including a dentist, a dry goods store, and the Marshall Telephone

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Company. John Pinger's original grocery store was also located here.

13. Keithsburg Clinic: 1880, builder unknown

Description: Two story brick building. A pressed metal facade on the second story is highlighted by a bay window. Single windows flanking the bay have been covered over. Likewise, the storefront has been infilled, but the structural columns are intact and exposed.

Original use: unknown

Current use: medical clinic

14. Henderson Building: 1880, Robert Henderson, builder

Description: A double building of three bays each. Two story brick, with metal cornice and window hoods. Both storefronts have colored glass transoms. The west storefront is intact; the east storefront has had its windows infilled.

Original use: Dry goods store/bakery

Current use: Recreation center (west)/storage (east)

15. Citizen's State Bank: 1880, Front remodeled c. 1914, builder unknown

Description: The front half of the building was remodeled c. 1914 in a classical design Giant pilasters support a modest brick and stone cornice with "Citizens State Bank" carved in stone. Stone also surrounds the main entry, which supports its own stone bracketed cornice. The west side reveals the original 19th century design elements, principally the pressed metal window hoods on the 2nd floor.

Original use: Dry goods store, bank

Current use: antique store

Citizen's State Bank closed in 1933 as a result of the Depression.

16. Old City Hall: 1913, builder unknown

Description: Two story brick building with pressed metal cornice with "City Hall" enscribed. Double wooden garage

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doors open out on the first floor.  
Original use: City hall and fire station  
Current use: storage  
The city government moved to new offices in 1981.

17. Elliott Building: 1914, builder unknown

Description: One story brick commercial structure.  
Storefront has been altered:  
Original use: grocery and meat market  
Current use: Ceramics manufacturing business

## 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
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**Specific dates** 1847-1915 **Builder/Architect** various

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Keithsburg Historic District is representative of a small town commercial district from the turn of the century. The high quality of the structures within the district reflect the importance of Keithsburg as a regional commercial center during the period of significance.

The first white settlers to what would become Keithsburg were the Vannetta brothers, John and Benjamin, who opened a woodlot at that location in 1827 to sell fuel to passing steamboats. The Vannetta's sold their holdings in 1835 to Robert Keith, and moved across the river to Iowa.

Robert Keith was born in Scotland, and worked for a time as a traveling book salesman in England and Ireland. he emigrated to the United States in 1835, moving to the newly christened Keith's Landing in 1836. He platted the town of Keithsburg in 1837, hoping to establish it as an important trading center on the Mississippi. Despite the fact that the Black Hawk War of 1832 had removed the threat of Indians, settlement in Keithsburg was slow. By 1846, only 6 families had taken up residence. Keithsburg's fortunes changed, however, when it was selected as the Mercer County seat in 1847.

The arrival of the county government sparked a period of rapid growth. New businesses were attracted to the community, and its position as a regional marketing area was strengthened. Log buildings were replaced by new commercial structures. Matthew Patterson, in 1849, constructed his brick residence at the corner of 5th and Main, it later was converted into the Commercial House Hotel. Work began on the Masonic Lodge in 1854, although scarcity of funds caused it to be built in stages.

Although the county seat was removed to Aledo in 1857, Keithsburg continued to prosper. River traffic was still an important factor in its development, with packet steamers regularly docking at the landing. With the arrival of two railroad lines, these important transportation links enabled Keithsburg to serve as an important grain and livestock market and distribution center for the surrounding agricultural community. The businesses that located in the district catered to the farmers from the surrounding area, including ones

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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# 10. Geographical Data

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Quadrangle name Keithsburg, IL

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UTM References

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

see continuation sheet

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	1. Michael Ward, Local Government Services Coordinator
	2. Mona Parsons
organization	1. Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
	2. Yellow Banks Heritage Association date January 1986
street & number	1. Old State Capitol
	telephone 1. 217/785-4512 2. 309/374-2544
city or town	1. Springfield 62701
	Keithsburg 61442 state Illinois

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title Director, Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

date 3/18/86

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

*for*

Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the National Register

date 5/8/86

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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from Iowa, who traveled to Keithsburg by ferry.

By 1900, Keithsburg could boast of an electric light plant, a waterworks system, concrete walks, a newspaper, and a telephone company. By 1914, its population of over 1,500 was second only to that of Aledo, the county seat.

As is typical of most small Illinois communities, Keithsburg's traditional role as a regional market has been superceded by larger communities. The automobile has taken the place of the town's traditional transportation links, the river and the railroads. Consequently, the commercial district has diminished in size and importance. What remains, however, conveys the traditional character of a prosperous business district.

CONTEXT: Keithsburg can best be compared with its neighbors to the north and south, New Boston and Oquawka. All three developed during the same period, are located on the Mississippi River, and served at one time as county seats (Oquawka remains the Henderson County seat).

New Boston (1985 pop. 731), like Keithsburg, was an early center of population in Mercer County. It served as the county seat prior to its removal to Keithsburg and Aledo; hence its commercial district never developed to the extent of these two communities. The character of Main Street in New Boston is defined by small, one story frame buildings, with few brick buildings or two story structures. Alterations to these buildings are also more extensive, affecting the integrity of the area.

Oquawka (1985 pop. 1,533) prospered due to its position as a county seat. Its central business district is, however, surprisingly small. The concentration of significant historic structures is confined to one half block, but these do not possess the quality of design or integrity found in Keithsburg.

The Keithsburg Historic District is, therefore, the best representative example of a small town commercial district to be found among these Mississippi River communities.

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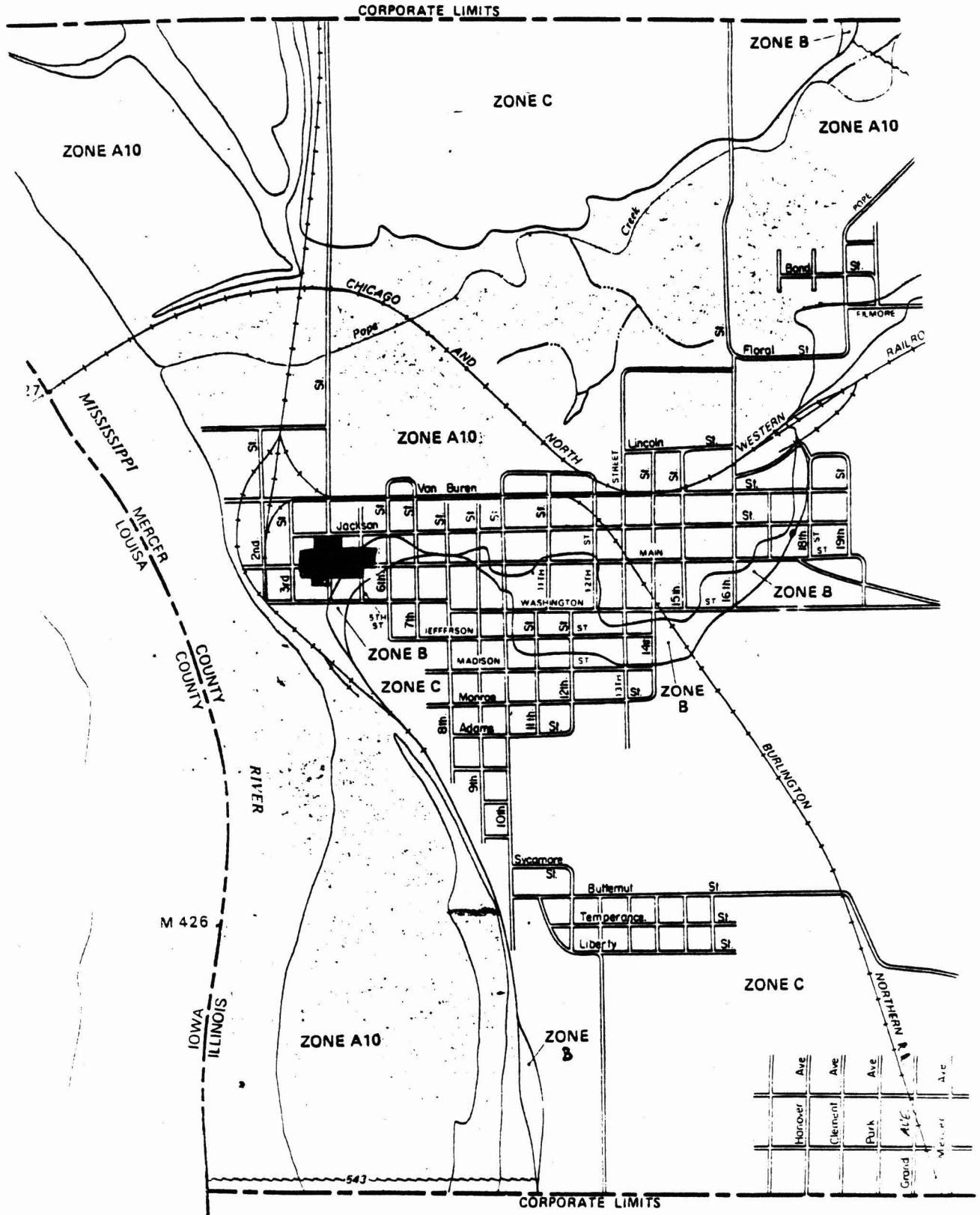
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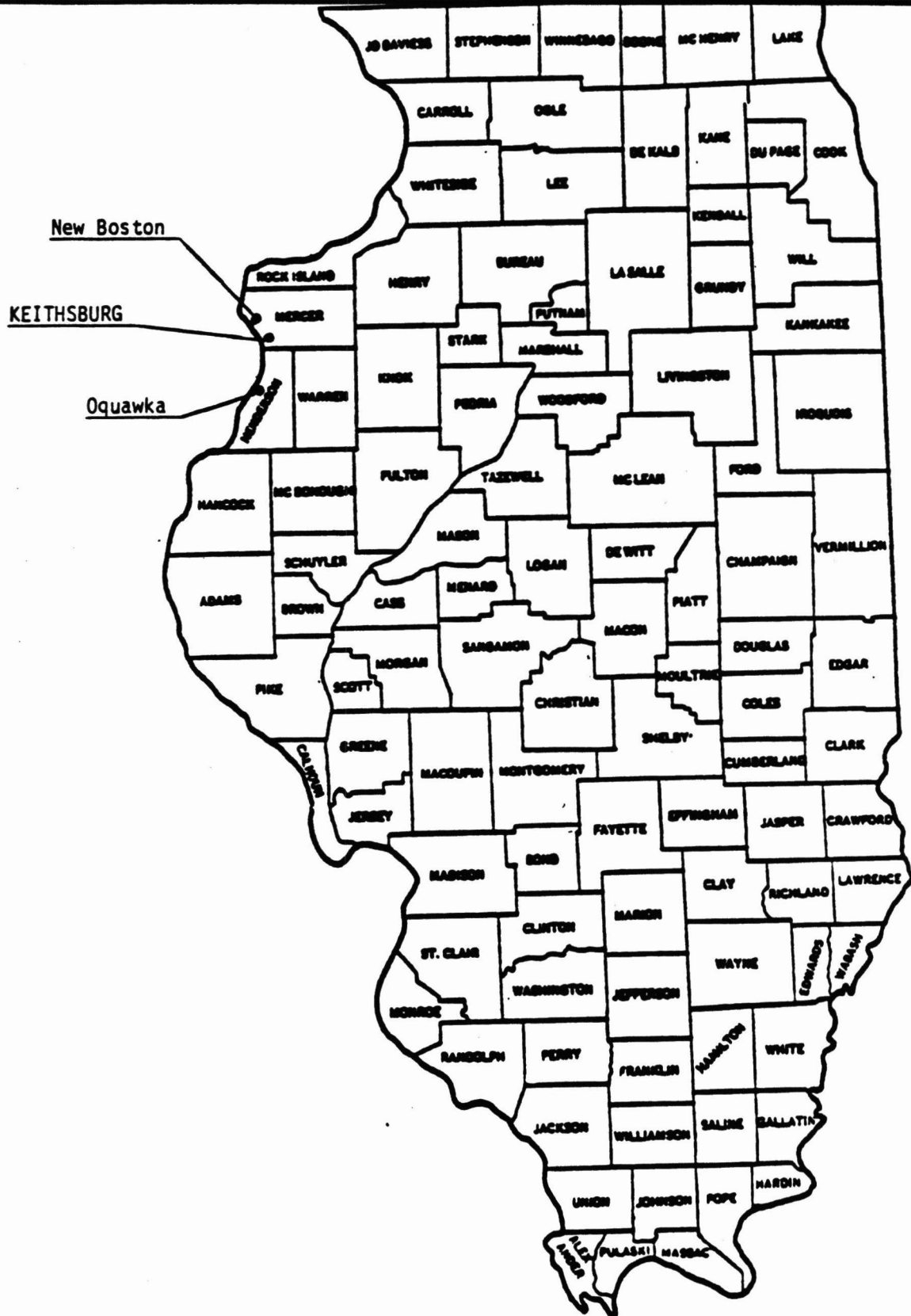


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CONTRIBUTING

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Date Due: 5/1/86 - 5/19/86  
Action:  ACCEPT 5/8/86  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

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- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

<b>Condition</b>	<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
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- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection





Keithsburg Historic District

Keithsburg, IL

Michael Ward

October 1985

IL Historic Preservation Agency

view looking west on Main Street from

Fifth Street

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Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
view of Main Street looking east from 3rd  
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GRIFFITHS

GRIFFITHS

CLOSING  
CUT  
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DEPARTMENT

RESTORATION  
CLINIC  
FOR CHURCH

Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
south side of Main between 3rd and 4th Sts.  
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Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
north side of Main, west of 5th  
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WADE

1892

For Sale  
2 Buildings + House  
House located at 17304 Mall  
\$700000  
1319-392-8155

Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
Wade Building (No. 2 on map)  
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Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
I.O.O.F. Building (No. 3 on map)  
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ESTABLISHED  
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Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
Finch Building (No. 7 on map)  
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BEVLER

BLOCK

HILLMANN'S CORNED  
Bacon & Sausages  
**169** **239**  
C.C. Lb.

C&H  
SUGAR  
**149**

WHOLE  
CORNED  
Bacon & Sausages  
**49** **129**  
C.C. Lb.

**PINGER'S**  
FOOD  
CENTER



Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
Bettler Block (No. 11 on map)  
#8 of 13



Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
Robert Burns Lodge (No. 10 on map)  
#9 of 13



GRIFFITH'S

GRIFFITH'S

CAUSING THE  
BEST  
FURNITURE  
DEPARTMENT

TRIPPLE

The Original  
**GRIFFITH'S**  
FURNITURE

AMOCO

Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
Griffith's Block (No. 12 on map)  
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KEITHSBURG  
CLINIC  
374 2202

KEITHSBURG  
CLINIC  
100-1100  
N. 10th St.



Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL

Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency

October 1985

Keithsburg Clinic (No. 13 on map)

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Keithsburg Historic District

Keithsburg, IL

Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency

October 1985

Citizen's Bank/Henderson Building

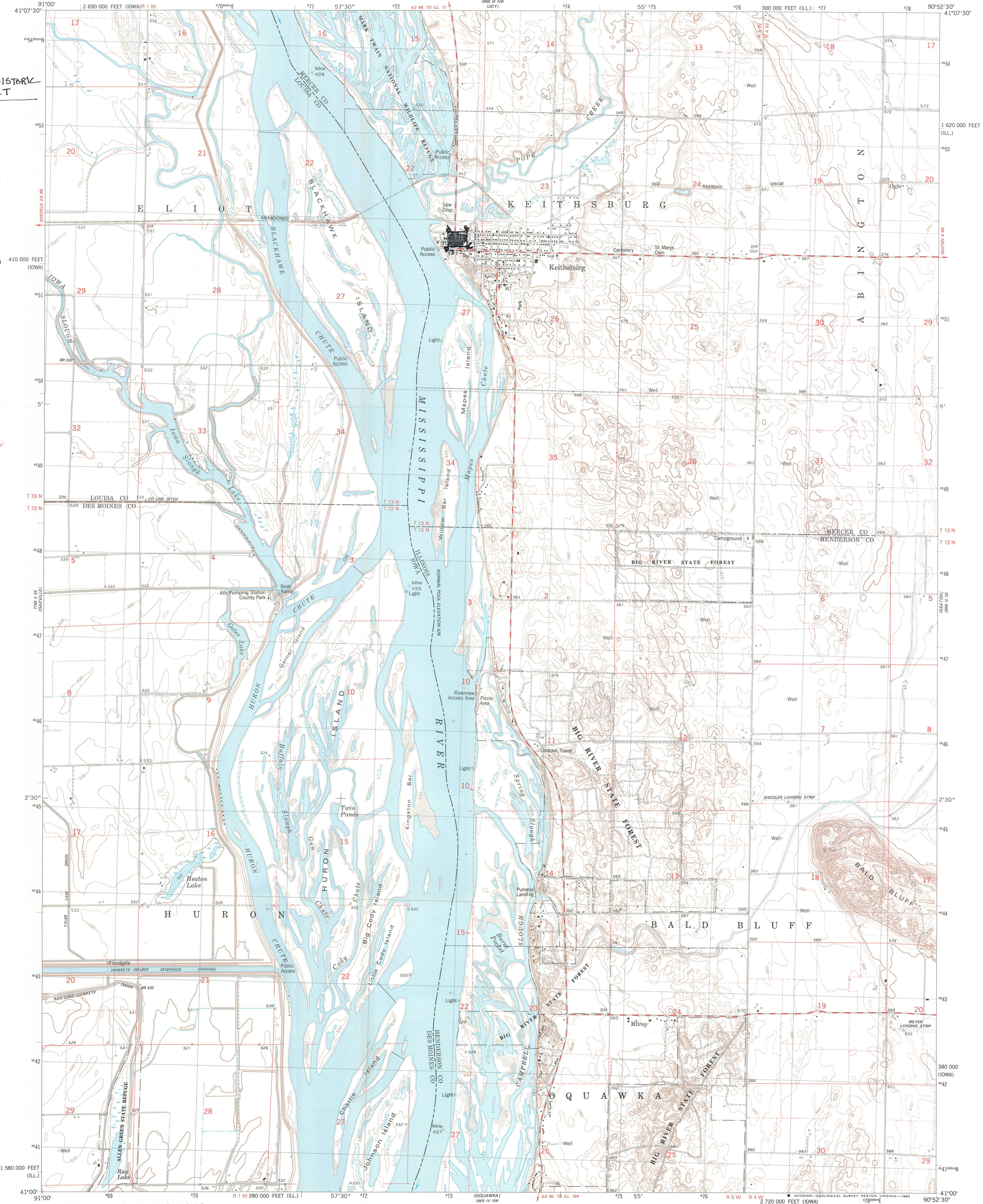
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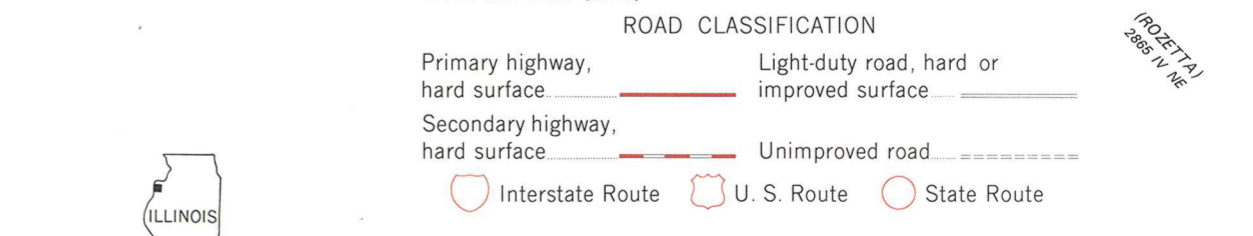
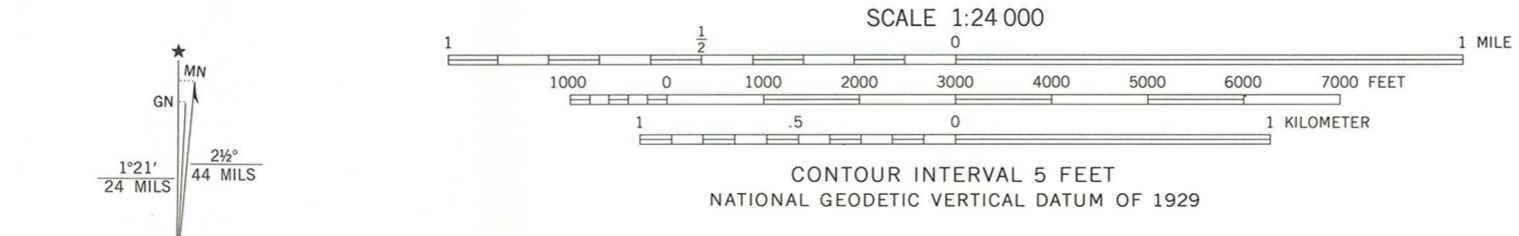


Keithsburg Historic District  
Keithsburg, IL  
Michael Ward, IL. Hist. Pres. Agency  
October 1985  
City Hall (No. 16 on map)  
#13 of 13

KEITHSBURG HISTORIC DISTRICT  
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B: E 672 900  
N 4551 870  
C: E 672 900  
N 4551 700  
D: E 672 710  
N 4551 700



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SW/4 KEITHSBURG 15' QUADRANGLE  
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March 31, 1986

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Beth Grosvenor  
National Register Program  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
1100 L. Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Beth:

Enclosed please find the nomination form, photographs, and USGS maps for the following properties considered at the March 14, 1986 Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Council meeting and signed by the Illinois State Historic Preservation Officer:

Aurora Watch Factory  
Barrington Historic District  
The Blackstone Hotel  
Conrad, John, House  
Hyde Park Apartment Hotels  
Hyde Park-Kenwood Boundary Extension  
Jeffery-Cyril Historic District  
Jersey County Courthouse  
Keithsburg Historic District  
Lakeview Historic District Boundary Extension  
Lemont Methodist Episcopal Church  
Stone Arch Bridge  
Tiger-Anderson House  
Wright, Dr. Charles M., House

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ann".

Ann V. Swallow  
Assistant National Register  
Coordinator

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Enclosures

P.S. Due to the weight of the nomination forms I have sent these in two packages.