

# Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 38-00328  New  Supplemental

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Read the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions carefully, to ensure accuracy and completeness before completing this form. The instructions are available on our website: <http://www.iowahistory.org/historic-preservation/statewide-inventory-and-collections/iowa-site-inventory-form.html>**

• **Property Name**

A) Historic name: Mamminga Building

B) Other names: Grundy Home Bakery

• **Location**

A) Street address: 612 G Avenue

B) City or town: Grundy Center ( Vicinity) County: Grundy

C) Legal description:

Rural: Township Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Township No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Qtr: \_\_\_\_\_ of Qtr: \_\_\_\_\_

Urban: Subdivision: Original Plat Block(s): 17 Lot(s): part of 2

• **Classification**

**A) Property category:** *Check only one*

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

**B) Number of resources (within property):**

If eligible property, enter number of:		If non-eligible property, enter number of:	
Contributing	Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>	Buildings	—	Buildings
—	Sites	—	Sites
—	Structures	—	Structures
—	Objects	—	Objects
<u>1</u>	<b>Total</b>	—	<b>Total</b>

**C) For properties listed in the National Register:**

National Register status:  Listed  De-listed  NHL  NPS DOE

**D) For properties within a historic district:**

- Property contributes to a National Register or local certified historic district.
- Property contributes to a potential historic district, based on professional historic/architectural survey and evaluation.
- Property *does not* contribute to the historic district in which it is located.

Historic district name: \_\_\_\_\_ Historic district site inventory number: \_\_\_\_\_

**E) Name of related project report or multiple property study, if applicable:**

MPD title

See Iowa Site Inventory Form No. 38-00318

Historical Architectural Data Base #

• **Function or Use** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

**A) Historic functions**

02E02 COMMERCE/specialty store/bakery

02B03 COMMERCE/professional/law office

11D03 HEALTH CARE/doctor's office

**B) Current functions**

02E03 COMMERCE/specialty store/dry goods (clothing)

• **Description** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

**A) Architectural classification**

09F05 Commercial/Brick Front

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**B) Materials**

Foundation (visible exterior): 10A CONCRETE/Block

Walls (visible exterior): 03 BRICK

Roof: 15C01 SYNTHETICS/Rubber membrane

Other: 15B SYNTHETICS/Vinyl

**C) Narrative description**  **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

• **Statement of Significance**

**A) Applicable National Register Criteria:** Mark your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria

- Criterion A: Property is associated with significant events. [X] Yes [ ] No [ ] More research recommended
Criterion B: Property is associated with the lives of significant persons. [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] More research recommended
Criterion C: Property has distinctive architectural characteristics. [X] Yes [ ] No [ ] More research recommended
Criterion D: Property yields significant information in archaeology/history. [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] More research recommended

**B) Special criteria considerations:** Mark any special considerations; leave blank if none

- [ ] A: Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes. [ ] E: A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
[ ] B: Removed from its original location. [ ] F: A commemorative property.
[ ] C: A birthplace or grave. [ ] G: Property less than 50 years of age or
[ ] D: A cemetery achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**C) Areas of significance**

Enter categories from instructions

02 ARCHITECTURE

05 COMMERCE

**D) Period(s) of significance**

1953-1963

**E) Significant dates**

Construction date
1953 [ ] check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovations

**F) Significant person**

Complete if Criterion B is marked above

**G) Cultural affiliation**

Complete if Criterion D is marked above

**H) Architect/Builder**

Architect
Builder/contractor

**I) Narrative statement of significance** [X] SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED

• **Bibliography** [X] See continuation sheets for the list research sources used in preparing this form

• **Geographic Data** Optional UTM references [X] See continuation sheet for additional UTM or comments

Table with 8 columns: Zone, Easting, Northing, NAD (repeated). Rows 1, 2, 3, 4.

• **Form Preparation**

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City or Town: Coralville State: IA Zip code: 52241

• **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** Submit the following items with the completed form

- A) For all properties, attach the following, as specified in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions:
1. Map of property's location within the community.
2. Glossy color 4x6 photos labeled on back with property/building name, address, date taken, view shown, and unique photo number.
3. Photo key showing each photo number on a map and/or floor plan, using arrows next to each photo number to indicate the location and directional view of each photograph.
4. Site plan of buildings/structures on site, identifying boundaries, public roads, and building/structure footprints.
B) For State Historic Tax Credit Part 1 Applications, historic districts and farmsteads, and barns:
See lists of special requirements and attachments in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions.

**State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line**

The SHPO has reviewed the Site Inventory and concurs 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:

SHPO authorized signature: Date:

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This Iowa Site Inventory Form is being prepared for the City of Grundy Center as part of an Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) Downtown Revitalization Grant. The building is located in the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the grant project, and the owner of the building at 612 G Avenue is participating in the Downtown Revitalization Grant. The building is also located in a potential Grundy Center Commercial Historic District, and this site form provides an architectural/historical evaluation of the property as a contributing building in that potential historic district.

**7. Narrative Description**

**NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION**

This two-story, full basement, flat-roofed, brick building was constructed in 1952. The date of the original building(s) unknown. The building is located as part of a commercial, which consists of similar commercial buildings on the both sides of main street adjacent to the "Central Block" and County Courthouse. The front door opens to the sidewalk on main street. There are four windows on the upper level overlooking main street. The windows are five feet tall (not the original size) double hung windows, and limestone sills. The original windows have been partially filled in with brick. The top of the façade contains three ornate limestone decorations with a central point.

The main level façade has been altered multiple times, with the most recent remodel in the late 1970's. The storefronts feature metal framed windows and doors, with entrance doors in the center of the building.

On the interior, the space is divided to accommodate retail space on the west and a dance studio on the east. The ceilings on the west side appear to be original pressed tin. The floors on the west side appear to be original floors with Douglas Fir tongue-and-groove flooring over the subflooring and floor joist. The walls were originally brick, then plastered over, now a combination of plaster and drywall. The ceiling lights are fluorescent.

The ceilings on the east side are dropped grid and tile. The floors have a combination of carpet, vinyl tile, and wood laminate. The walls were originally brick, then plaster, now drywall. The ceiling lights are fluorescent incorporated into the grid and tile system.

On the upper level, there are four apartments. The ceilings and walls are drywall and the floors are carpet and vinyl.

*(Description taken from Downtown Revitalization Grant Survey site form dated February 2018)*

**8. Statement of Significance**

The Mamminga Building is locally significant and eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing building in a potential Grundy Center Commercial Historic District under Criteria A and C. The Mamminga Building, built in 1952, is associated with the second phase of development in the potential Grundy Center Commercial Historic District, reflecting Grundy Center's economic stability and continued investment in its historic core. Some of these later buildings replaced buildings lost to fire, others were built on historically vacant lots, and others, like the Mamminga Building, replaced older wood storefronts that had stood for half a century or more. Together, these newer historic buildings, along with historic remodeled buildings, changed the overall look of the Grundy Center commercial district that remains evident today. The Mamminga Building also reflects the history of the Grundy Center business community, as the longtime location of the popular Grundy Home Bakery from 1953 to 1988.

The building is also a good example of a Property Type V Main Street Commercial Building, according to typologies set forth in the National Register Multiple Property Document, *Iowa's Main Street Commercial Architecture* (Nash 2002). These are "later buildings added to the commercial district that reflect a continued

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economic vitality in the community. These buildings often replaced older buildings lost to demolition or fire but could also include new construction on previously vacant lots. All Type V buildings would have been remodeled or built within the period of significance, like the Mamminga Building, which was built in 1952. Although the storefront has been remodeled a number of times after the potential historic district's period of significance, the upper façade retains its simple mid-century Commercial style, fenestration, and date block at the center of the parapet reading "1952."

The period of significance is 1952-1963, from the year the Mamminga Building was completed to the end of the period of significance for the potential Grundy Center Commercial Historic District (see Iowa Site Form No. 38-00318).

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

- Ad for Grundy Home Bakery, *Grundy Register*, February 12, 1953.  
Ad for Dr. Leon Nus, Chiropractor, *Grundy Register*, November 27, 1952.  
"Baker from Ida County Rents New Mamminga Bldg.," *Grundy Register*, January 1, 1953.  
Downtown Revitalization Survey/Iowa Site Inventory Forms, February 2018.  
"Dr. Leon Nus Moves to New Mamminga Building," *Grundy Register*, November 27, 1952.  
"George Mamminga Will Put Up Two-Story Building," *Grundy Register*, March 20, 1952.  
"Grundy Bakery Now in Operation," *Grundy Register*, February 12, 1953.  
"Law Firm Moves Into Mamminga Building," *Grundy Register*, October 2, 1952.  
Nash, Jan Olive. *Iowa's Main Street Commercial Architecture*. Multiple Property Document, National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C., 2002.  
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"Work Starts Soon on Mamminga Building," *Grundy Register*, April 3, 1952.

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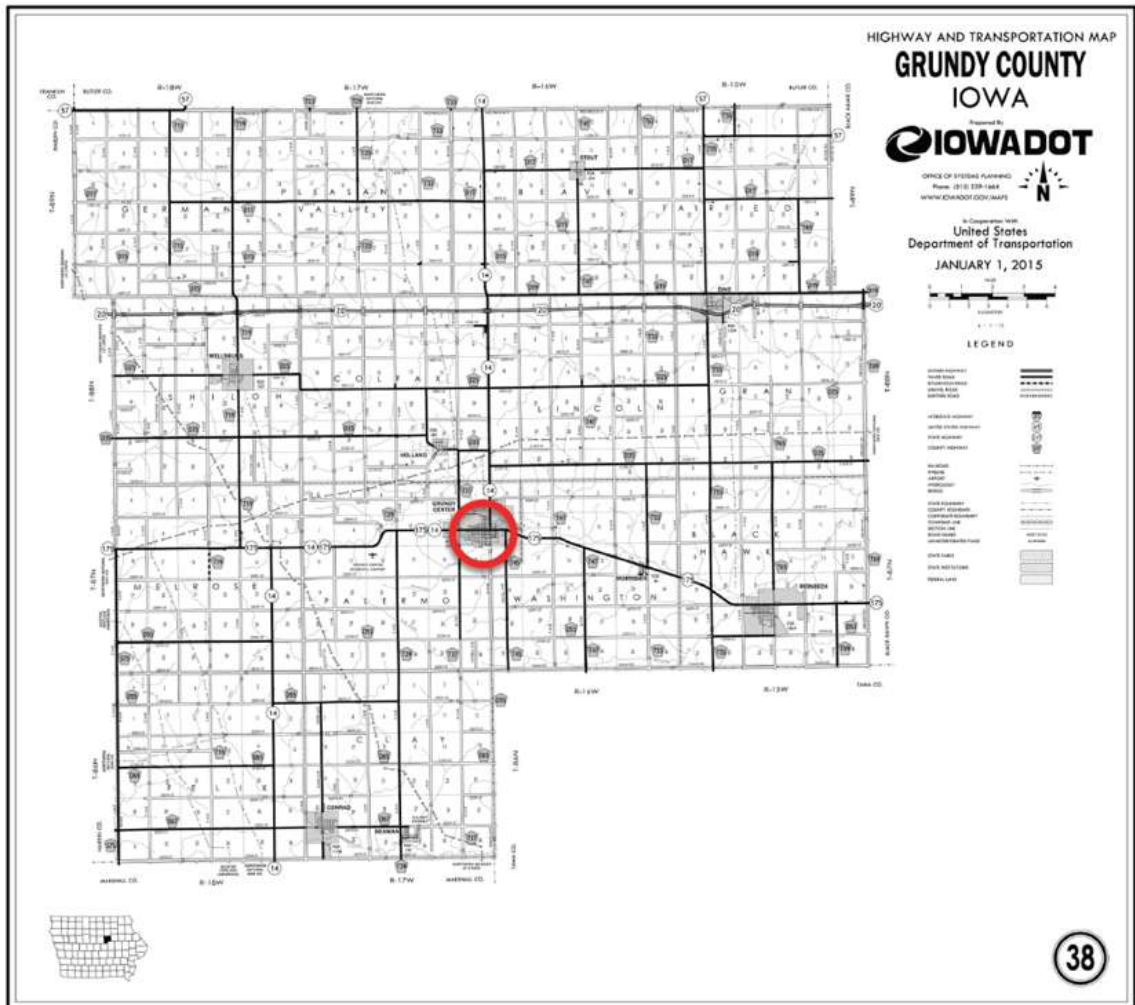
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**10. Additional Documentation**

**General Location Map**



Latitude: 42.361302  
Longitude: -92.771725

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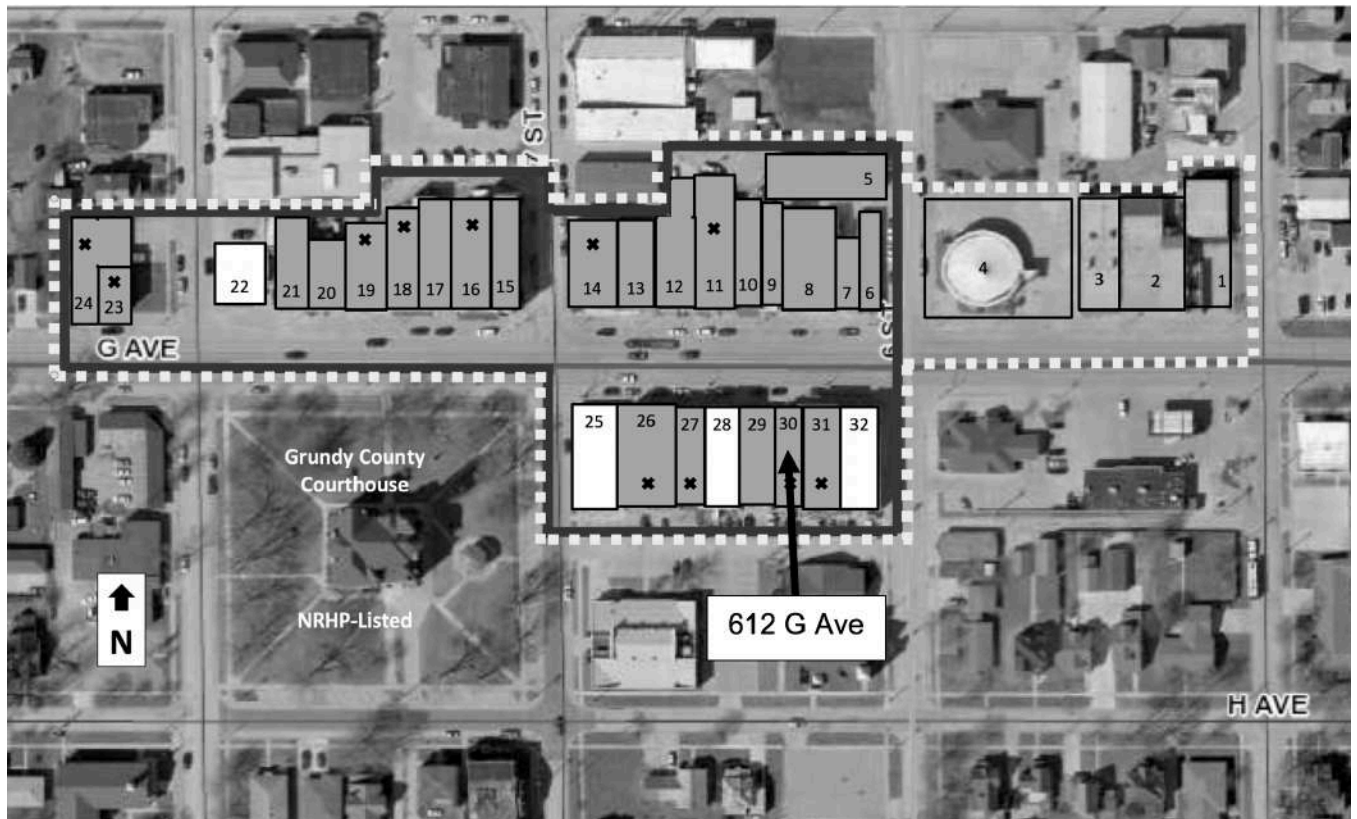
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**Location in Potential Grundy Center Commercial Historic District**



(dark boundary = preliminary boundary of potential historic district)



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**Current Photographs**

*(photos by Jennifer A. Price, June 20, 2018)*



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**Historical Documentation**

Note: This building post-dates all Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. No historic photos of this building were found for this documentation.

**George Mamminga Will Put  
Up Two-Story Building**

George Mamminga has decided to put up a two-story building on his lot adjoining his building which is occupied by the Grundy Food Market in Grundy Center. He had the ground for the new building surveyed yesterday.

Source: *Grundy Register*, March 20, 1952

**Work Starts Soon On  
Mamminga Building**

George Mamminga has made all arrangements for the erection of a new two story building on Main street in Grundy Center adjoining his building that is occupied by the Grundy Food, the Lawless Jewelry and others. The building will be 20x80. It will not have a basement. Work is expected to start on the building within the next week or ten days if the weather permits.

Source: *Grundy Register*, April 3, 1952

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### Law Firm Moves Into Mamminga Building

The law firm of DeWolf, Goodman & Hulsman has moved their law office from above the Grundy Cafe to the new building recently constructed by George Mamminga, in Grundy Center. The back portion of the second floor was especially designed for use by the law firm.

Source: *Grundy Register*, October 2, 1952

### Baker From Ida County Rents New Mamminga Bldg.

M. G. Mamminga has rented his new building on Main Street, Grundy Center, to George A. Korando from Battle Creek, Ida county, Iowa. The new tenant is a baker and he will open a bakery here on February 1st. He and his family are now operating a bakery in Battle Creek. That town is too small to support the kind of bakery Mr Korando wishes to maintain which is the reason he is moving to a larger place.

Grundy Center has been without a bakery since the owner of the Quality Bakery moved out several weeks ago.

Source: *Grundy Register*, January 1, 1953

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**Dr. Leon Nus Moves To  
New Mamminga Building**

Dr. Leon Nus, who has maintained his office for chiropractic in the Legion building in Grundy Center, will move his office December 1st to the new Mamminga building on the south side of main street. He will have the front office on the second floor. The office has been especially designed for professional use.

Source: Grundy Register, November 27, 1952

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**Dr. Leon Nus, Chiropractor**

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Office Hours: 9 to 5 Daily. Close Thursday afternoon.  
Open Saturday Evening until 9 p.m., and by Appointment  
Located in the Upstairs Front Room of new Mamminga bldg.  
Office Phone 111. Res. Phone 223W1

Source: Grundy Register, November 27, 1952

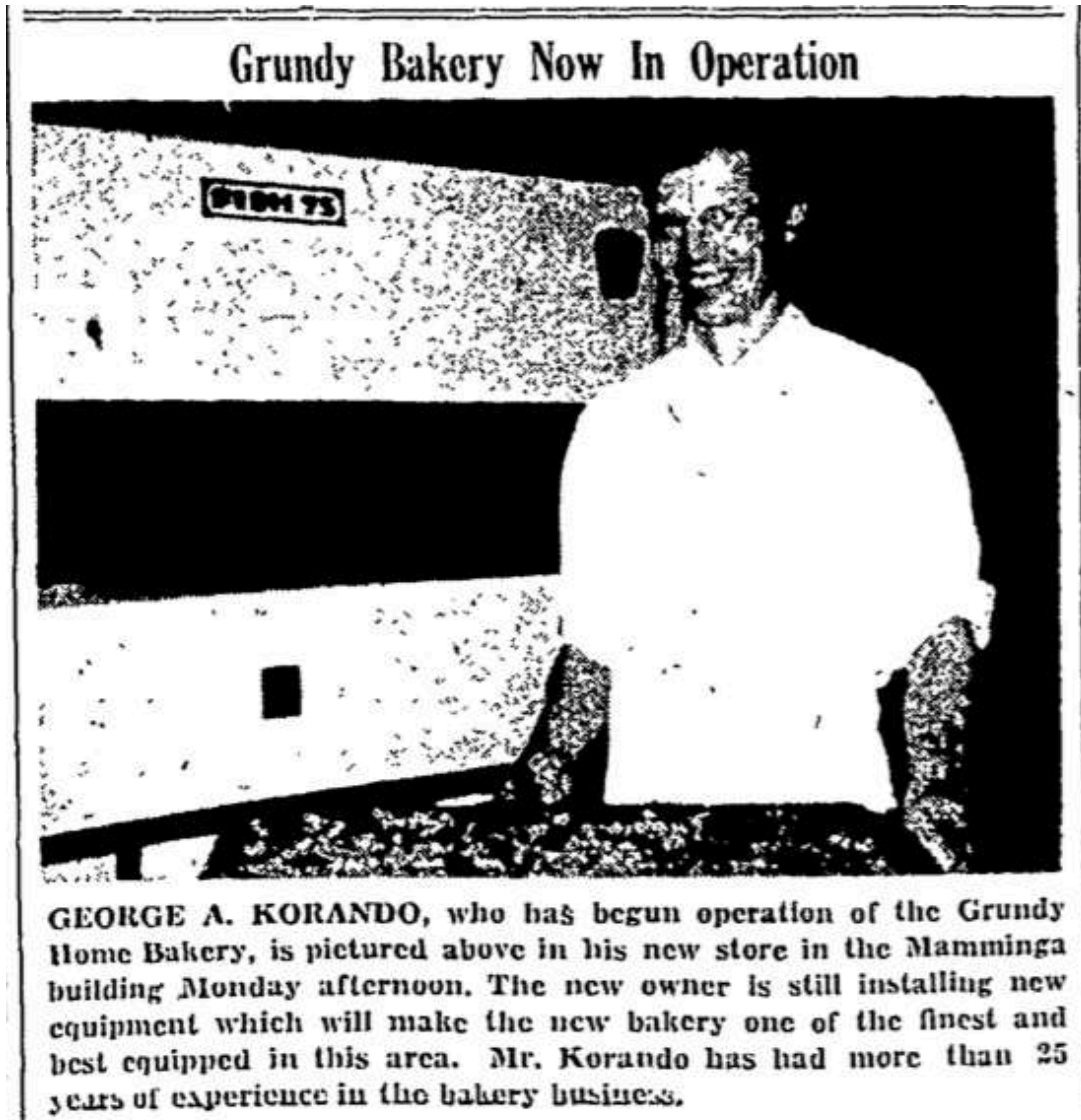
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Source: *Grundy Register*, February 12, 1953



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# *Open For Business...*

We wish to announce that we have begun the operation of our bake shop in Grundy Center, and are making all types of pastries and many varieties of bread. Your special party orders will be appreciated.

As we are still installing equipment in order to serve you better, we are not prepared yet for a grand opening of our store, but we want you to know that we are baking regularly daily and appreciate the opportunity to meet you and to be of service to you.

— ● —  
**Grundy Home Bakery**

George A. Korando

Grundy Center, Iowa