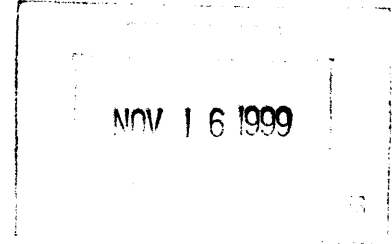


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Ashley Shanty and Privy
other names/site number Ashley Farm, Diamond A Cattle Company

2. Location

street & number RR1, Box 100 not for publication N/A
city or town Pukwana vicinity x
state South Dakota code SD county Brule code 015 zip code 57370

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property x meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally x statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jay D. Vogt
Signature of certifying official

10-22-99
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
- determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register.
- other,
(explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

Edson H. Beall 12/17/99

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

| Contributing | Noncontributing | |
|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| <u>2</u> | <u>0</u> | buildings |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | sites |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | structures |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | objects |
| <u>2</u> | <u>0</u> | Total |

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Federal Relief Construction in South Dakota 1929-1941

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cat: <u>Domestic</u> | Sub: <u>Single Dwelling</u> |
| <u>Secondary Structure</u> | <u>Privy</u> |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Cat: <u>Vacant/Not in Use</u> | Sub: _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

No Style

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation Stone, concrete

Roof Asphalt

Walls Wood

Other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or a 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)

Architecture _____
 Social History _____
 Settlement/Exploration _____

Period of Significance

1903-1940 _____

Ashley Shanty and Privy
Name of Property

Brule County, South Dakota
County and State

Significant Dates 1903
1940

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

9. Major Bibliographical References

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

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

Ashley Shanty and Privy
 Name of Property

Brule County, South Dakota
 County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than 1

UTM References
 (place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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organization date August 30, 1999

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city or town Pukwana state SD zip code 57370

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Ashley Shanty and Privy
Name of Property

Brule County, South Dakota
County and State

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Crystal Ashley
street & number RR 1, Box 100 telephone 605-778-6885
city or town Pukwana state SD zip code 57370

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:

The Ashley shanty and privy are located in the Pukwana vicinity, Cleveland Township, Brule County, South Dakota. The area is covered by gently rolling fields with shelterbelt rows protecting farmsteads and fields. The Missouri River winds its way through this fertile farmland. The Ashley ranch consists of the contributing homestead shanty built circa 1903 and a WPA outhouse. It also has non-historic buildings including a calving barn and many miscellaneous outbuildings associated with farming.

Shanty

The shanty was constructed circa 1903 and measures 16 feet by 20 feet. The shanty is situated on a rock and cement foundation, has wood clapboard siding and a wooden shake roof with one chimney. The main portion of the shanty is a gable end building with a lean-to addition on the north side. The facade of the shanty features an entry door at the southeast corner with one two-over-two window in the gable portion and one two-over-two window in the lean-to portion. There is an opening in the gable peak for a window but currently none is present. The south elevation has one two-over-two double hung window in the center of the elevation. The west elevation has one two-over-two double hung window in the lean-to addition. Finally, the north elevation has no opening or ornamentation.

The interior of the shanty is very simple. The gabled portion of the home is one room with stairs leading to the second floor room. The kitchen is located in the main portion of the homestead shanty. The home still retains its original wood windows and many of the original wall coverings.

Privy

The privy is located behind the main house and was a WPA project. The floor is marked with the date of 1940. Electricity was added to the privy in 1975. It is a simple five feet by five feet building that is clad in wood clapboards and an asphalt shingle roof. The only openings are on the east elevation and include one door and a small window opening at the eave line.

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NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Ashley Farmstead in Cleveland Township in Brule County, was originally settled in 1903 at which time H.G. and Bertha Stark were the owners. It is one of the largest intact farmsteads in the area with many outbuildings that have been moved onto the site. The shanty and privy are significant under criterion C for their architecture. The privy is also significant under criterion A for its role in social history.

The source of economic activity for the Pukwana area is mainly livestock and crop production. The Ashley Farmstead is an example of the farms that flourished in Brule County. Although Ashley's farm was comprised primarily of stockyards, they practiced diversified farming, including raising cattle, horses and crops.

In July of 1906, Thomas and Rachel Ashley purchased two quarters of a section of land, 320 acres, from H.G. Stark for \$6,500.00. The shanty located on the Ashley property was built circa 1903. It is probable that H.G. Stark built the shanty shortly after he purchased the property. In 1906, Stark, a widower by this time, sold the land to the Ashley's. It is likely that Stark, since he did not own the property very long, did not fulfill his responsibilities mandated by the Homestead Act. The Ashley's took over where Stark left off and continued to fulfill the requirements of the Homestead Act. According to Thomas Ashley's descendants, the shanty was used as the main place of residence until the current home was moved onto the property from Kimball circa 1944. At this time, Garnard, one of the sons, moved into the main house. Rachel Ashley, the mother of Garnard, lived in the shanty until her death in 1968.

The shanty and privy are significant under criterion C for their architectural merit. The shanty was the first building constructed on the Ashley farmstead. It is a representative type, which very few remain in the State of South Dakota. A claim shanty size was typically 10 x 12 feet according to Edith Eudora Kohl's *Land of the Burnt Thigh*. These dimensions were required by federal legislation. The Ashley shanty is 20 feet by 16 feet, which exceeded federal regulations. While the Ashley's were not the original homesteaders, they did comply with many of the federal regulations that were required of homesteaders. The Ashley's were the first to utilize the land, two previous owners had done little to develop the property. Most importantly, the shanty remains on its original location. Many shanties

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that remain in the State of South Dakota have been moved around the property or moved to a different site. The interior of the shanty still has many of its original wall coverings.

The privy is significant as it was constructed as part of the WPA projects completed in the State of South Dakota. It is a standard wood frame constructed privy with a small square window that is a distinctive feature of the WPA era privies. The privy is a representative type that was once located throughout the State of South Dakota. According to the *Federal Relief Construction in South Dakota, 1929-1941 MPL*, roughly \$62 million was spent on WPA construction projects in South Dakota. Of that, only 2.8% was spent on sanitation (sanitation excludes water and sewage). The WPA era privy also meets National Register Criterion A for its association with the Depression-era federal relief programs that resulted in the construction of numerous privies between 1929-1942 for improvement of sanitary conditions in areas that were still lacking these resources.

The shanty and privy located on the Ashley Farmstead are significant for their architectural merit; the shanty because it is an early building form that remains on its original location and the privy because it was constructed in the WPA era. Under the state *Homesteading and Agricultural Context*, the shanty is significant at the state level because "homesteading is a significant event in the history of South Dakota as it was a phenomenon that led to the permanent settlement of the state." (pg. 33) The privy is also significant for social history because sanitary projects in South Dakota during the depression era only constituted 2.8% of all projects in the state.

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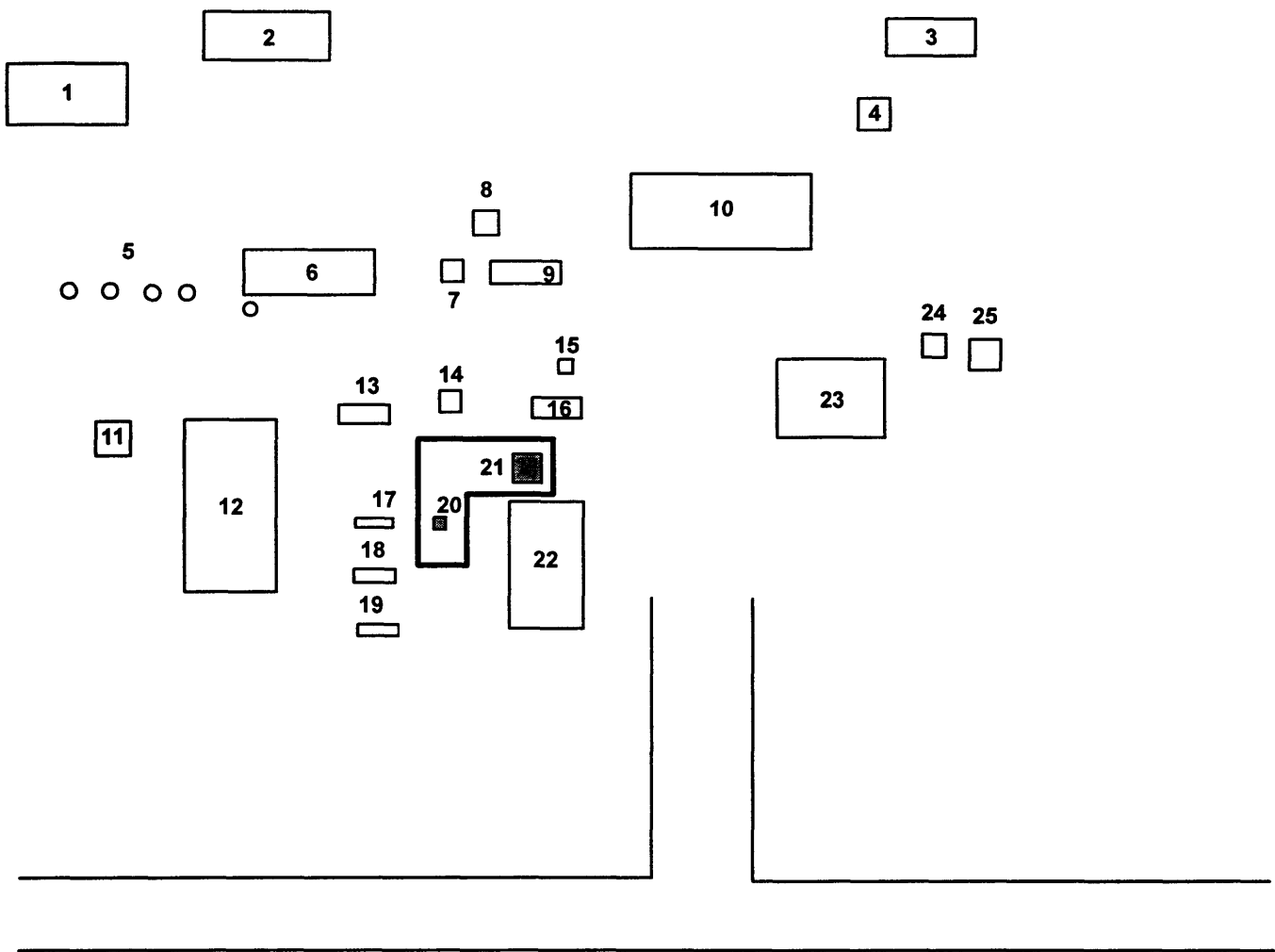
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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary is an imaginary line encompassing only the shanty and privy. Starting at a point 3 feet northeast of the northeast corner of the shanty the line runs west to a point 3 feet west of the western edge of the privy, the boundary then runs south to a point 3 feet southwest of the southwest corner of the privy, it then runs east to a point 3 feet southeast of the southeast corner of the privy, the boundary then goes north to a point 1 foot north of the northern edge of the main house, the boundary then turn east and runs to a point 3 feet southeast of the southeast corner of the shanty, the boundary then runs north to its original starting point. (See Map)

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the shanty and privy that has historically been part of the Ashley Farmstead and that maintain historic integrity. The rest of the property has been excluded based on dates of construction, the structures being moved onto the site and lack of historic integrity. See map.



- 1-Calving Barn
- 2-Hog Shed
- 3-Barn
- 4-Granary
- 5-Five Grain Bins
- 6-Hog Shed
- 7-Granary
- 8-Feeder
- 9-Chicken House
- 10-Main Barn
- 11-Sheep Shedg
- 12-Garage
- 13-Tool Shed

- 14-Garbage House
- 15-Well House
- 16-Granary
- 17-Brooder House
- 18-Playhouse/Brooder House
- 19-Garden Shed
- 20-Outhouse
- 21-Shanty
- 22-Main House
- 23-Garage
- 24-Shed
- 25-Granary

- Contributing
- Non-Contributing

Ashley Shanty and Privy Pukwana, South Dakota