

YANKTON COUNTY SURVEY

NAME Simonson Farmstead

LOCATION NE 1/4, SW 1/4, Section 22, T94N, R55W

OWNER Robert Karolevitz

ADDRESS R.R. 1
Mission Hill, South Dakota 57046

DESCRIPTION The Simonson Farmstead house is a 1½ story structure with gambrel and gable roofs. It was built in two sections: the gabled section about 1890, and the gambrel section, built perpendicular to the original design, in 1906. The building has a cast concrete foundation, beveled wood siding, and three single stack chimneys. The front facade (gambrel section) features a pseudo-colonial door surround and three shed dormers in the upper half-story. All upper sashes of the windows have leaded glass and entablature surrounds. The south facade has an open porch with turned columns under a gable wall dormer. The farmstead also includes a gambrel barn, chicken brooder, chicken house, corn crib, and machine shed. These were all built in 1929 after a tornado destroyed the original out-buildings.

STYLE Vernacular; Neo-Dutch Colonial **DATE** 1890 (est) and 1906

SIGNIFICANCE The Simonson Farmstead is important in three areas: architecture, agriculture, and settlement. Architecturally, it is one of the finest examples of the Neo-Dutch Colonial influence in the resource area, added to the visibly-older original section. Agriculture and settlement are important because the farmstead itself reflects the growth and development of both categories within the resource area. The rebuilding of the out-buildings after their destruction by a tornado captures the determination of the homesteader during the development of Yankton County.

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BOUNDARIES The nominated property is located 1200 feet north of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Line on the east side of the gravel road on which Berkley school is situated.

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