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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Fantle, William J., House
other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 1201 Douglas N/A not for publication
city, town Yankton N/A vicinity
state South Dakota code SD county Yankton code 135 zip code 57078

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> objects
			<u> </u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: N/A
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official [Signature] Date 8/25/89
Federal Preservation Officer, Department of Justice
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official [Signature] Date 3-14-1989
State or Federal agency and bureau SHPO South Dakota

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register. Beth Boland 10/10/89
 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 _____

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Government/Correctional Facility

Domestic/Single Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Prairie School

Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete

walls Concrete

roof Terracotta

other N/A

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The William J. Fantle house is situated on the northwest corner of Douglas Avenue and 12th Street in north-central Yankton, approximately one-half block north of the former Yankton College campus. It is a two-story dwelling with tiled, hipped roofs and exterior walls of white-glazed cement brick with deeply-incised mortar joints. The house is informally massed, with an irregularly-shaped, though primarily rectilinear, main block and a one-story rear extension; overall dimensions are approximately 60' x 45'. A porte-cochere with flat, decked roof, is built off the north end, through which the driveway passes to a garage at the rear of the lot.

The main entrance to the house is subsumed within a recessed porch, approximately 10' x 15', which is contained with a slightly projecting hipped-roofed pavilion at the northeast corner. Fenestration on all elevations is functionally, rather than symmetrically, arranged, the dominant feature being the grouping of windows (casements and 3/1 double hung sash) in bands of varying height and length. A central emphasis is achieved by placement of a large, slightly projected Chicago-type window at first story level, shaded by a slant roof supported on large brackets. It is capped by a pair of round-arched dormers. A large cement brick chimney rises from the roof ridge beside the southernmost dormer.

On the interior, the first floor displays a relatively open plan, the front section occupied by a long living room and, at the southeast corner, a sunroom with ceramic tile floor. The wall between the sunroom and living room is almost completely filled by back-to-back fireplaces with tall mantelpieces of dark red tapestry brick. Both living room and dining room (the latter located to the rear) are finished with high oak wainscoting and oak floors. A built-in china closet (dining room) and bookcase (living room) feature doors with leaded glass in simple geometric patterns. The remainder of the first floor is occupied by a modern eat-in-kitchen, a bedroom with full bath, and a small den.

The second floor is reached by wide stairs oriented perpendicular to the main axis of the house. It contains five bedrooms and a small den, arranged along a double-loaded corridor. All bedrooms and the den have oak floors.

The dwelling is in excellent condition, and the principal alterations appear to have been confined to the kitchen, first floor bedroom, and baths.

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Located a few yards west of the house, and built approximately at the same time, is a single-story two-stall garage (contributing). Rising from a brick foundation and partially raised basement, its walls are constructed of the same material as the house. It is capped by a pyramidal roof covered with asphalt shingles. It is equipped with its own historic steam heating system. A brick lean-to addition projects from the west facade. Modern overhead doors have been installed. Except for the roof shingles, which need replacement, the garage is in excellent condition.

The back yard slopes toward the alley on the west. A three-foot-high concrete retaining wall with a concrete stair divides the yard along a line parallel with Douglas Avenue and the alley.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1917-18

Significant Dates

1917-18

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Linhoff, Peter J., Architect

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The William J. Fantle house, estimated to have been built in 1917-18, is evaluated as meeting National Register Criterion C, the relevant historic context, as set forth in "South Dakota Historic Contexts: Historical and Architectural Resources," being V.A.3 "Depression and Rebuilding/Changing Urban Patterns/Residential Changes (1893-1929)". As indicated in that document, this period in South Dakota history saw major changes in the design of urban residential architecture, both in style and in form. A prominent example of this development was the introduction and widespread adoption of the Prairie and Craftsman styles in the construction of early 20th century neighborhoods. These styles disseminated not only through traditional architectural sources but through catalogues for plans and "ready to assemble" dwellings. The significance of the Fantle house, designed by Peter Linhoff of St. Paul, Minnesota, is contained in the dwelling's ability to convey distinctive characteristics of the Prairie/Craftsman styles, here expressed in a residence specifically built for a successful Yankton businessman. Notable among these characteristics are the overall impression of horizontality expressed by the long facade and low hipped roofs with their broad eaves, the grouping of windows in bands, and the interpenetration of interior and exterior space evidenced in the treatment of the entrance and the extensively-glazed sunroom. The principal space of the interior, with its open plan, lavish use of oak for floors and woodwork, the over-scaled mantelpieces, built-in units and leaded-glass doors, further reinforces the Prairie/Craftsman themes so clearly introduced on the exterior.

This house was built for William J. Fantle (1870-1945). Fantle came to Yankton in 1893 from St. Paul, where he had worked in millinery and in a retail business operated by his father, Charles. In October, 1893, William Fantle and his brother, Moses, opened the Fantle Bros. "dry goods house" in the Janousek building on 3rd Street between Broadway and Cedar. Subsequently, the firm relocated to a building owned by John McElroy, where the store remained until a fire in 1902. In 1903, Fantle Bros. located at the southeast corner of 3rd and Walnut, where it was to remain.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Frederick Schnauber and Richarde Schnauber to William J. Fantle, July 1, 1916, filed Sept. 20, 1916. Lots 13,14,15,16, Block 7, Tripp & Harris Addition (on file at Yankton County Courthouse, Yankton).
Charles Hall Dillon, executor to William J. Fantle, Sept. 30, 1916, filed same date. Lots 17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24, Block 7, Tripp & Harris Addition.
William J. Fantle to Carrie E. Fantle, wife, Nov. 21, 1918, filed same date. Lots 13, 14,15,16,17, Block 7, Tripp & Harris Addition.
Carrie Fantle to Yankton College, March 12, 1946, filed same date, Lots 13,14,15,16,17, Block 7, Tripp & Harris Addition.
Yankton County Historical Society, History of Yankton County, South Dakota. Dallas: Curtis Media Corp., 1987, p. 537.
Original architectural rendering of William J. Fantle House, undated, in possession of Yankton College, Yankton, S. Dakota.
Yankton County in Dakota Territory Centennial Year, Dakota Territory Centennial, Inc., 1961.

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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

Specify repository:

Yankton Federal Prison Camp

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property less than one acre

UTM References

A 14 631330 4748800
 Zone Easting Northing

C _____

B _____
 Zone Easting Northing

D _____

Quad.: Yankton; Scale: 1:24000.

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Verbal Boundary Description

Lots 13,14,15,16, and 17, Block 7, Tripp & Harris Addition to the City of Yankton.

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Boundary Justification

The lots contained in the described tract are those on which the house and associated yard and garage now exist, and are those historically associated with the dwelling.

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11. Form Prepared By

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In July, 1916, William Fantle purchased four lots at the southeast corner of Block 7 of the Tripp & Harris Addition, platted in 1887, and in September of that year acquired the remaining 8 lots on Douglas Ave. between 12th and 13th streets. It is estimated that the house was erected between these dates and November, 1918, when Fantle's wife, Carrie, was given a joint interest in the five lots on which the house is located. William Fantle died on September 17, 1945, and the following March his widow sold the house to Yankton College. From that time until closing of the college in 1984, the house was used as the college president's residence. In 1988, the Federal Bureau of Prisons acquired the college property for use as a minimum security prison camp. The main body of the campus (listed on the National Register in 1982 as Yankton College Historic District) has been renovated for use as a correctional facility. Currently, the Fantle House serves as a residence for the prison superintendent.

The period of significance of the nominated property does not extend beyond its construction date in 1917-18.

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1201 Douglas Avenue, Yankton, Yankton County, South Dakota
by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
January 1989
Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
East facade, camera facing west
Photo No. 1

2.
Fantle, William J., house
1201 Douglas Avenue, Yankton, Yankton County, South Dakota
by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
January 1989
Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
East facade, camera facing west
Photo No. 2

3.
Fantle, William J., house
1201 Douglas Avenue, Yankton, Yankton County, South Dakota
by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
January 1989
Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
East facade, garage, camera facing west
Photo No. 3

4.
Fantle, William J., house
1201 Douglas Avenue, Yankton, Yankton County, South Dakota
by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
January 1989
Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
South facade, garage, camera facing north
Photo No. 4

5.
Fantle, William J., house
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by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
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Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
West facade, camera facing east
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6.

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by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
January 1989
Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
South facade, camera facing northeast
Photo No. 6

7.

Fantle, William J., house
1201 Douglas Avenue, Yankton, Yankton County, South Dakota
by Douglas Sall (Photographer)
January 1989
Neg.: Federal Prison Camp, Yankton, South Dakota
Southeast facade, camera facing northwest
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