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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Parmley Land Office

AND/OR COMMON
Fireplace Bar**LOCATION**STREET & NUMBER
Main Street between 1st and 2nd AvenueCITY, TOWN
Ipswich

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
2ndSTATE
South DakotaCODE
046COUNTY
EdmundsCODE
045**CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTYNAME
Ipswich American Legion Club

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Ipswich

VICINITY OF

STATE
South Dakota**LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Edmunds County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

2nd Avenue

CITY, TOWN
IpswichSTATE
South Dakota**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**TITLE
South Dakota Historic Sites SurveyDATE
October 1975 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
Historical Preservation CenterCITY, TOWN
VermillionSTATE
South Dakota

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Fireplace Bar building is a one story brick and stone building. It originally had a low stonework false front, with simple stonework roof cresting set above a plain stone cornice. The doorway arch has a polished granite keystone with the date "1900" inscribed. The windows also have granite keystones.

The sides and rear have been faced with stucco. Three windows have been added on the south. As late as 1949 a sign reading "J. W. Parmley—Western Lands—Edmunds County Abstract Company" was painted on the south wall. Originally the Ipswich Opera House stood adjacent to the north. It was destroyed by a fire and explosion in 1949 and subsequently removed. The Parmley building was slightly damaged at that time and some alterations resulted.

The interior has been altered to accommodate a cocktail lounge, but it retains the original stone fireplace from the time it served as the offices of J. W. Parmley, land broker and abstractor.

This vernacular building has segmental surrounds on the east (front) facade with vertically divided transoms.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE <i>BF</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1900

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of the building is twofold. Historically, the building played a significant part in the development of Edmunds County and South Dakota. Built in 1900, the offices of J. W. Parmley, land developer, served as the scene of many land transactions, particularly until 1910. This excerpt from the town's history recounts that time:

The land boom which started in 1900 and lasted until 1910 was not a rushing boom, but just a good healthy interest in the sale of land. Many people came from Iowa in 1902 and the prospects of a very good crop gave settlers a keen interest in land sales.

The summer of 1909 was one of the boom periods and landseekers came flocking in on the trains. J. W. Parmley escorted 34 men with 8 teams and several autos out to see the land which was for sale. Mr. J. W. Parmley, Mr. Arnold and Mr. M. P. Beebe from the Bank of Ipswich were instrumental in bringing in many new settlers. Ten dollars per acre was considered a very good price for the land.

The land boom quieted down in 1910 and 1911 when the dry years started.¹

In addition to its importance to the development of the region, the building is significant by being associated with the figure of J. W. Parmley; a remarkable man of incredible energy, he was one of the early pioneers of 1883, acted as the town's first superintendent of schools, was elected to the state legislature in 1905 and 1907, studied law, was appointed County Judge, and introduced agricultural innovations to the region. He was a successful businessman and speculator, active in the affairs of the community.

In 1912 he organized the Yellowstone Trail Association which was responsible for the development of a trans-continental highway. He was president of the South Dakota Peace Society and one of the founders of the International Peace Garden on the North Dakota-Canadian border. In the cause of peace he traveled, wrote, and lectured. Until his death in 1940, he was an active, concerned citizen. His land office is one of the visible reminders of his contribution to the area.

It is one of the better period commercial buildings in Ipswich. Although vernacular in design, it does display the construction techniques of using rough cut prairie granite.

1. Ipswich "Home of the Yellowstone Trail" 1883-1958 75th Anniversary Book, ed. Earle T. Crissman (Valley City, North Dakota: Brown Lithographing Company, 1958), 23.

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 Kingsbury, George W., History of South Dakota: Its History and Its People, Vol. IV, ed. George Martin Smith. Chicago: S. J. Clarke Publishing Co., 1915.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1 acre

Longitude: 99° 1' 44"
 Latitude: 45° 26' 11"

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Larry Hoyle

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

701 Mulberry Street

TELEPHONE

(HPC/605-677-5314 Vermillion)

CITY OR TOWN

Yankton

STATE

South Dakota

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

John J. Tuttle

TITLE Director/Historical Preservation Center

DATE 15 Feb 79

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles A. ...
 DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE 3-7-79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST *William A. ...* 3-1-79

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER