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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC ******
Stephens - Lucas House

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
123 North Nicollete

--- NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

CITY, TOWN
Pierre

--- VICINITY OF

No. 2

STATE
South Dakota

CODE
046

COUNTY
Hughes

CODE
065

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

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

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
R. H. Lucas

STREET & NUMBER
123 North Nicollete

CITY, TOWN
Pierre

--- VICINITY OF

STATE
South Dakota

57501

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hughes County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Pierre

STATE
South Dakota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
South Dakota Historic Sites Survey

DATE
April 1976

--- FEDERAL STATE --- COUNTY --- LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
Historical Preservation Center

CITY, TOWN
Vermillion

STATE
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 Stephens-Lucas House, built in 1905, is a two and one-half story Dutch Colonial. It has a cross gambrel roof with wood shingles of two varieties. The house sets on a polychrome cut stone foundation and utilizes white painted clapboard and shingles for facing. The house is on a corner lot and has a well kept and landscaped lawn. Also, the dwelling is directly across the street from the state capitol. The only alterations are a small 1928 rear addition and screened-in porch added on in 1955.

There are many elements of this house that enhance the overall appearance. Most important is a spacious open porch with four Doric columns that rest on stone foundations. It also has a heavy wood railing and many slatted balustrade. The right portion of the front facade has a bay window while the main door is just slightly off to the left of the house's central axis. Another prominent feature is an oriel that appears between the first and second stories.

The fenestration on the front facade involve the bay window, a smaller square window to the left of the front door. The second story has three rectangular windows grouped at the center with a spherical muntin window just above them. The pattern is repeated in the other upper portions of the house. The windows are two sashed and double hung.

A single stack chimney appears at the center of the structure. Also, the 1925 rear addition is only one story tall and done in sympathy with the structure's overall design.

Interiorly, the house has ten rooms, four bedrooms, and two baths with birch woodwork and hard maple wood floors. Other elements include a charming fireplace and a china closet.

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	<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 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 1905

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Stephens-Lucas House is a two and one-half story cross gambrel, Dutch Colonial, a style that was popular in South Dakota during the early twentieth century. This particular home is one of the best examples of its type in the state; this is because it has been maintained and has preserved most of its original exterior character. Therefore, the dwelling is significant architecturally as an illustration of a most appealing type of design style.

Actually, the house shows the transition from the garrish styles of the Victorian period to the refined modes of the revival of archaeological designs. This is evident with basic appearance of the house which is much more subdued than say the Queen Anne, yet having elements uncharacteristic of the Neo-classical such as high pitched roof, an oriel, and a bay window.

Only two families have occupied the house since its erection in 1905. The first was L. L. Stephens a prominent lawyer and land speculator. He was an attorney for several important clients including Standard Oil. For a short while, his son A.E. Lucas lived in the house.

Alfred E. Lucas bought the house in 1925; he was one of the founders along with Emil P. Theim of one of Pierre's oldest and most important merchandise stores. Mrs. Clara Riehe, a relative, owned the house till 1944 when Alma Visser and Robert H. Lucas bought the dwelling. He is the son of Alfred Lucas and continues to operate the family business. They have lived in the structure since 1945.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Lucas, Robert and Alma, personal interview. Pierre, South Dakota, May 6, 1976 with Scott Gerloff.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1

Longitude 100° 20' 43" 06

UTM REFERENCES

Latitude 44° 22' 07" 05

A

ZONE	EASTING			NORTHING					

B

ZONE	EASTING			NORTHING					

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Scott Gerloff, Survey Coordinator

ORGANIZATION
Historical Preservation Center

DATE
May 1976

STREET & NUMBER
USD Alumni House

TELEPHONE
605/677-5314

CITY OR TOWN
Vermillion

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. Little

TITLE Director, Historical Preservation Center

DATE May 13, 1977

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

Charles H. ...

DATE 5-26-77

ATTEST: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

[Signature]

DATE 5/26/77

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER