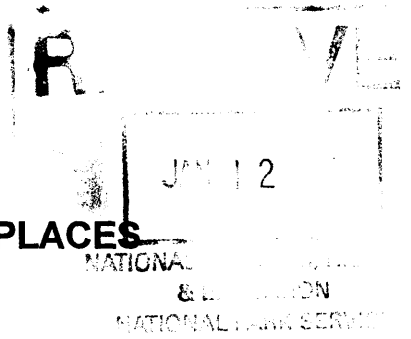


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**

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 C. E. and Bertha Fowler House
other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 316 SE First Ave not for publication N/A
city or town Watertown Vicinity N/A
state South Dakota Code SD County Codington code 029 zip code 57201

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jay D. Vogt
Signature of certifying official

01-09-2001
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:)

for
 Signature of the Keeper Edson H. Beall Date of Action 2/9/01

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>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Objects
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Total

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

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling
Secondary structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Late 19th and 20th Century Revivals: Mission

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation Stone
Roof Asphalt
Walls Brick

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

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Period of Significance

1914

Significant Dates 1914

Significant Person N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Hockman & Schweiger- Architect

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: South Dakota State Historical Society, Pierre, SD

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one

UTM References

(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See continuation sheet

Map: Watertown East

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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city or town Pierre state SD zip code 57501

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)

C. E. & Bertha Fowler House
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Property Owner

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

name Donna Block
street & number 316 SE First Ave telephone _____
city or town Watertown state SD zip code _____

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The Fowler house is situated on a corner lot with the main façade facing First Avenue and the west elevation off the alley. The historic nature of the house dominates the block as most of the buildings in the area experienced modernization in the 1970s. The C. E. and Bertha Fowler house expresses the elements of a Mission Style House. It is a two-and-one-half-story brick house resting on a rusticated stone foundation. A parapet on the side gable features a front facing Mission shaped dormer. The dormer has a quarter-circle windows.

The front façade features a dormer, an overhanging eave with brackets and a full width porch. Below the eaves is the second floor windows, featuring three evenly spaced one-over-one double hung windows. The main floor of the building features the full width porch with four brick columns. The porch retains its historical winter storms twenty-over-one windows and door enclosure. Upon entering the porch, the main entrance is directly across from the porch entrance. On either side of the entrance features a transom window.

The east elevation features little ornamentation. The first floor features two windows, one is a small rectangular stain glass window located on the south side of the east elevation. The other window is a large casement window. The second floor has three one-over-one windows. The center window is smaller than the other two. The half story features a centered arch window with an arched keystone brick lintel. Located on either side of the center window are lunette quarter circle windows.

The rear elevation features an overhanging eave with brackets and a line of decorative brickwork below. Two one-over-one windows on the second floor are located on the east half of the elevation. The first floor has a transom stain glass window and a milk door centered on the wall near the foundation. The rear entrance is located underneath the porte-cochere.

The porte-cochere has three brick columns, a flat roof with an overhanging eave, and dentils. A casement window with keystone brick lintel is located underneath the porte-cochere. The north section of the west elevation has a casement window with a keystone brick lintel on the first floor and two one-over-one double hung window with a keystone brick lintel on the second floor flanking the oriel window. An oriel window and the basement door are located between the porte-cochere and the north windows. The oriel window has three stain glass windows with stain glass transoms, an overhanging eave, and simple metal brackets at the bottom. These brackets service a dual purpose, one as a decorative molding for the basement door and as supports for the window.

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The half story features a centered arch window with an arched keystone brick lintel. Located on either side of the center window are two lunette windows.

The interior of the Fowler house has experienced very little alterations. The wood floors are covered with carpeting. A colonnade with leaded glass bookcases separates the front parlor and the dining room. The dining room has a beautiful wood built-in buffet. The kitchen was remodeled circa 1950. Upstairs features three bedrooms, a bathroom, and a sitting area. A staircase lead up to the half story.

A non-contributing garage is located on the rear of the property.

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Statement of Significance

The C. E. and Bertha Fowler house located near the uptown district of Watertown. Mostly modern houses surround it. This area experienced revitalization in the early 1960s and 70s. The houses are either ranch style or resided in aluminum during this time. Only a few houses in this area retain their historic material. Watertown main concentration of intact houses is in the North End neighborhood. The C. E. & Bertha Fowlers house is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C. It is an example of a Mission style House.

Mission is characterized by mission shaped dormer or roof parapet; commonly with red tile roof covering; wide overhanging eaves; wall surfaces usually smooth stucco; arcaded galleries. California was the birthplace of the Mission style. The earliest were built in the 1890s and by 1900 the style was headed eastward. Most Mission style houses were built in the early 20th century and date from 1905-20.

Historical background

Settlement began in Codington County in 1871. The arrival of the railroad in 1873 to Watertown sparked continued growth through the Dakota Boom. It was during this period that the City of Watertown was elected the county seat of Codington County. Another important role for the city development was the relocation of the U. S. Land Office in 1880. Arthur C. Mellette received the appointment as register of the Land Office. Mellette constructed a house in the North End Neighborhood in 1883. This construction signaled a new pattern of growth for the city. Before this house was constructed, most houses were located in the original plat of the city and around the railroad tracks.

The owners and operators of Fowlers Meat Market, C. E. and Bertha Fowler, built the house in 1914. The Fowlers took advantage of the recent availability of mass-produced bricks in South Dakota. Bricks previously used in Watertown were manufactured in the area, however the bricks were more expensive and of poorer quality than bricks from other locations.

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Maurice Hockman along with Schweiger, designed the C. E. Fowler House. Hockman was a native of Frankfort, Clinton County Indiana. He arrived in Watertown in March 1902. The Codington County Heritage Museum has a one Hockman & Saunders blueprint. By 1910, he is practicing with a partner named Schweiger as Hockman & Schweiger. Hockman's work had a direct impact on to the condition of the streetscapes of Watertown. Forty-three of Hockman 67 buildings in South Dakota were in Watertown.

The Fowler house exhibits several characters defining features of a Mission Style House. The main feature would be the Mission style dormer on the main façade. The wide overhanging eaves and roof parapets are also excellent features of the style.

The C. E. & Bertha Fowler House retains a high degree of architectural integrity and has only a few interior alterations. Few examples of this building type remain in South Dakota with a high degree of architectural integrity. The house remains an example of a Mission Style House and is therefore eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C.

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Verbal Boundary Description

W' 75' of Lots 1, 2, 3 of Block 13 of the Original Plat Addition

Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes house, the garage and the surrounding property. It coincides with the legal description of the tract of land historically set aside as the grounds.