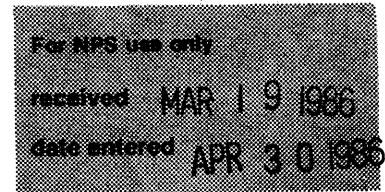


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SITE 17A

NAME Hoover Store

LOCATION South Dakota Highway 79, Hoover, East Butte Unorganized Territory, Butte County, South Dakota

OWNER James and Leona McFarland
Star Route
Newell, South Dakota 57760

CLASSIFICATION Building, private, NA acquisition, occupied, restricted access, commercial

DESCRIPTION Excellent condition, unaltered, original site

The Hoover Store (contributing), built ca. 1902, is a rectangular wood-frame structure located in the center of the community of Hoover. Hoover is situated in an open valley formed by the South Fork of the Moreau River and is surrounded by elm trees and plantings on the grounds.

A one story rectangle, the store, is covered in stucco that is painted tan with dark brown trim and has a false front that hides the low, sloping, metal covered gable roof from view. A porch supported by five round wooden posts spans the front elevation below the false front. The shed-roof of the porch is covered with composition shingles. An oversized door, the entrance to the store is flanked by large plate glass windows and another door and double hung window to the north are located in the front elevation. The south elevation has one double-hung window in the east end. The east (rear) elevation has two doors, one in the store and the other in the living quarters, and one double-hung window. The north elevation has two sets of paired windows. Red brick chimneys rise from both the north and south sides of the roof.

The store measures 40 feet in length by 32 feet in width, with the front porch six feet in width, it extends across the entire 32 foot front facade of the store.

The interior of the store is divided into two sections: the retail section and the residential section. The store is a large open room with the original shelving, cabinetry and softwood floors. The walls have a plaster finish. An old Mairon woodstove is still located in the center of the store. Living quarters run the length of the building's north side.

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store. Northeast of the store is a gabled roof frame outbuilding covered with brick patterned, pressed tin.

SIGNIFICANCE 1900-Present, architecture, commerce, ca. 1902

The Hoover store is architecturally significant to Butte County and Hoover as a fine example of a turn-of-the-century country store complete with a false front and pot bellied stove. In the area of commerce, the store is the only service center on a 70 mile stretch of South Dakota Highway between Newell and Reva to remain in operation since the early settlement of the region. With the exception of a few years when it was closed in the early 1970s the store has been in continual operation since its founding.

Founded in 1905, Hoover was a small town and post office in Butte County located about 30 miles north of Newell. The population was seventy five in 1911 and there were twenty-seven businesses operating in town. These included two banks, the First State Bank and the Security Banking and Trust Company; two hotels, one owned by J.W. Hoover and the Winchester Hotel run by Mrs. Joe Roberts; a pool hall and restuarant owned by the Arpan Brothers and A.E. Longpre, who also published the Moreau News; three general stores, the Cheesman Mercantile Company, the Range Mercantile Company and a general merchandise run by R.M. Williams; a blacksmith, S.W. Russell; a drugstore operated by Frank G. Schwartz; two jewelers and a livery, feed and sale stable. There were several service oriented businesses such as an acutioneer, carpenters, milliner, photographer, and shoemaker. In addition, there was a Presbyterian Church.

The store is in excellent condition and exceptionally maintained. The interior features much of the original woodwork in an exemplary condition.

QUADRANGLE NAME Hoover, South Dakota UTM REFERENCE 14/636000/4996700

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000 ACREAGE Less than one acre

PHOTO REFERENCE NUMBER

The site is bounded by a set of imaginary lines that extend ten feet from the the outbuilding north of the store that intersects at the northeast corner of the site and extends south ten feet east of the frame garage. Thence from the southeast corner along an imaginary line ten feet from the garage in a westerly direction to an imaginary line that runs north south ten feet from the front of the store until it forms the northwest and southwest corners of the site. The Hoover store is located in the SE quarter of the SE quarter of Section 4 Township 13 North Range 7 East.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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