

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: South Dakota	
COUNTY: Faulk	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
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1. NAME

COMMON:
Major John A. Pickler Homestead

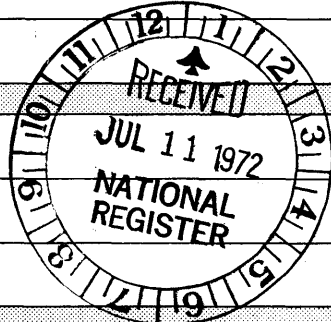
AND/OR HISTORIC:
Pickler Project

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Tamworth Township

CITY OR TOWN:
Faulkton

STATE: **South Dakota** CODE: **40** COUNTY: **Faulk** CODE: **049**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <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 (Specify) <u>not in use</u>

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. Alice Frad Carkuff (2/3 equity, see Note A. under Description)

STREET AND NUMBER:
501 1st Avenue, S.E.

CITY OR TOWN: **Aberdeen** STATE: **South Dakota** CODE: **40**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Register of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER:
Faulk County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: **Faulkton** STATE: **South Dakota** CODE: **40**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
South Dakota Historic Sites Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: **1971** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
South Dakota Historic Preservation Program

STREET AND NUMBER:
W. H. Over Dakota Museum, University of South Dakota

CITY OR TOWN: **Vermillion** STATE: **South Dakota** CODE: **40**

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The house is essentially a frame structure containing eighteen rooms, some on an upstairs split level. It has a three-story tower. Architectural style follows the Richardsonian characteristics of shingling massiveness and irregular spacing found in many late 19th Century homes.

Construction took place over a period of several years beginning in 1882 in the form of a claim shanty. Evidently as Major Pickler prospered, his house grew, but it is improbable that more than two major additions were made due to the split level, single beam construction supporting one whole wing of the house. Exact dates of construction have not been found.

Some of the original furniture, most of the books, and some of the pictures owned by Major Pickler are still inside.

Note A. (See Item 4., first page.)

In 1932, the Pickler residence was inherited by Alice Frad (Carkuff), Lois Frad (Bull), and William A. Frad, all grandchildren of Alice and John Pickler. To facilitate possible restoration, William Frad deeded his 1/3 to Alice Frad (Carkuff). Mrs. Bull will also cede her portion to Mrs. Carkuff if restoration is accomplished. Her address is 1110 N. Lincoln, Aberdeen, SD.

Mrs. Carkuff has the only monetary investment in the premises and is able to furnish all tax receipts and checks for taxes and repairs back to 1932.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **original structure built in 1882**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

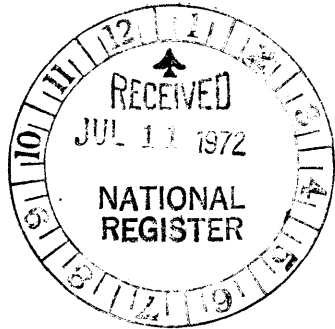
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Major Pickler and his wife, Alice Alt Pickler, are deeply involved in the history of South Dakota. They came to the area from a position of prominence in Iowa where Major Pickler was already a member of the Iowa Legislature. When South Dakota became a state in 1889, Major Pickler was a member of the Territorial Legislature at Bismarck. He was appointed Congressman-at-large with Mr. Pettigrew to the Fifty-first Congress, being regularly re-elected to the Fifty-second, Fifty-third, and Fifty-fourth Congresses. In a sense, the Picklers provided a bridge between the politics of the Territorial period and that of early statehood.

Alice Pickler was a notable influence on the Women's Suffrage movement in this area.

Their home became a stopping place for persons crossing the Dakotas. Among visitors to the homestead were Theodore Roosevelt and Susan B. Anthony. Distinguished local visitors were numerous.



MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Ellis, C. H., The History of Faulk County, Faulkton, SD: Faulkton Record, 1909, pp. 267-281.

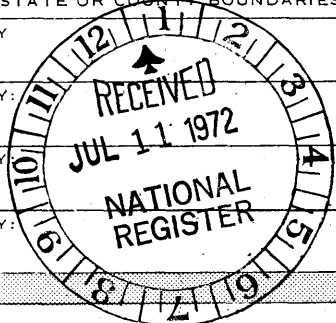
10. GRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	° ' "	° ' "		40	07	39
NE	° ' "	° ' "		99	07	28
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **8 acres**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Mr. Paul Putz, Researcher

ORGANIZATION: **South Dakota Historic Preservation** DATE: **11-15-72**

STREET AND NUMBER:
W. H. Over Dakota Museum, University of South Dakota

CITY OR TOWN: **Vermillion** STATE: **South Dakota** CODE: **40**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Dr. James E. Gillihan
 Title State Liaison Officer
 South Dakota Historic Preservation
 Date 12-7-72

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert H. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 4/11/73
 ATTEST:
[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date 4.3.73