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**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic First State Bank Building

and/or common Revilleo Bank Building

2. Location

street & number Main Street

N/A not for publication

city, town Revilleo

N/A vicinity of

state South Dakota

code 046

county Grant

code 051

3. 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A in process	<input checked="" 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:

4. Owner of Property

name Dakota State Bank - Revilleo Office

street & number Box 1191

city, town Milbank

N/A vicinity of

state South Dakota

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Register of Deeds

street & number Grant County Courthouse

city, town Milbank

state South Dakota

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title N/A

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date N/A

N/A federal N/A state N/A county N/A local

depository for survey records N/A

city, town N/A

state N/A

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Situated on a corner lot in the business district of Revillo, the First State Bank Building is a two-story rectangular brick structure with a flat roof and a stone foundation. The building appears today almost exactly as it did when built in 1905.

As an example of commercial Romanesque Revival architecture, its brick corbelling, corner front entrance and long rectangular windows are all intact. The corner entrance has its original double doors and is topped with a double transom. There are two other entrances: one facing Main Street which leads to the upper level, and one facing Second Avenue. Both doors are topped with a transom. The large plate glass window facing Main Street measures 6' X 13'. The rectangular windows on both the first and second levels are topped with stone lintels and are visually separated by stone pilasters.

The interior also displays many original features including its decorative vault, wrought iron teller's cage, and original woodwork and furniture on both the lower and upper levels. A skylight on the second floor is also intact.

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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1905 **Builder/Architect** E.R. Bogardus, Architect
Fred Lippert, Contractor, Mason City, Iowa

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Significant in the area of commerce, the First State Bank Building in Revillo has remained an important institution in the town of Revillo for over 80 years. The building is also architecturally significant for it is a relatively intact example of late Romanesque Revival commercial architecture as well as the one of the most prominent buildings in this small South Dakota town.(1)

The First State Bank Building in Revillo relates to the South Dakota State Plan V. Depression and Rebuilding (1893-1929) A. Changing Urban Patterns, 2. Commercial Centers in Larger Towns.

The town of Revillo was founded in 1884 - the year the Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Pacific Railroad Company (later the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railroad) extended its line from Minneapolis to Watertown, South Dakota.(2) Along its route, new towns were platted including Revillo. Several new businesses were established in Revillo including its first bank which operated out of a corner drugstore. This institution, the "Bank of Revillo", serviced the community for 40 years (1891-1931) before folding during the depression.(3)

A more successful banking venture in Revillo was Thomas Daylor's Security Bank. First established around 1902 or 1903, it became incorporated as a state bank in January of 1905. The name was changed to the First State Bank. Mr. Daylor (who also served as the first bank president) built the two-story brick building on Main Street in June of 1905 at a cost of \$3,843.00. Architect E.R. Bogardus was responsible for the plans and Fred Lippert of Mason City, Iowa served as contractor. In 1911, the First State Bank had a capital stock of \$10,000 and assets listed as \$108,087.13.(4) In 1923, the bank was closed but it reopened in 1925 as the Farmers and Merchants Bank. In 1939, it was purchased by the Dakota State Bank of Milbank which still operates the Revillo office today.

The bank building today has retained almost all of its original features including its brick corbelling, corner front entrance, and long rectangular windows. The interior still displays many original features including its decorative vault, wrought iron teller's cage, and original woodwork and furniture on both the lower and upper level. A skylight on the second floor is also intact. Old photographs of Main Street in Revillo reveal that the First State Bank Building was one of the most prominent in the town; the building remains prominent today as well.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Continuation Sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acree of nominated property Less Than One Acre

Quadrangle name Revilla

Quadrangle scale 1/ 24,000

UTM References

A 1 4 6 9 1 4 0 0 4 9 8 7 1 8 0
Zone Easting Northing

B
Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries of the property are contained within the legal description as recorded in the Register of Deeds Office, Grant County Courthouse: Lot 1, Block 14, City of Revilla, Grant County, South Dakota.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code N/A county N/A code N/A

state N/A code N/A county N/A code N/A

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Dakota State Bank - Revilla Office date October 22, 1986

street & number P.O. Box 146 telephone 605/623-4211

city or town Revilla 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 *107 Field*

title *Director, Office of History* date *1/22/87*

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

date *2/26/87*

Melrose Byers
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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¹1986 census: 158. In 1910, Revillo boasted 40 businesses; by 1986, the number diminished to 10.

²"Revillo," 100 Years in Grant County, South Dakota, 1878-1978, Grant County Historical Society, (Pierre, SD: State Publishing Co., 1979), pgs. 38-40.

³Revillo--A Century on the Prairie, Celda M. Lundin, 1984. (no publishing company listed), pg. 21.

⁴Ibid., pg. 21-22.

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