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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Mauseth, Peter, House
other names/site number CD-WT-N-63

2. Location

street & number 703 North Maple not for publication
city, town Watertown vicinity
state South Dakota code SD county Codington code SD 029 zip code 57201

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____	_____ objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:
Historic Resources of the North End
Neighborhood, Watertown, SD

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. See continuation sheet.

[Signature] 11/16/88
Signature of certifying official Date

South Dakota SHPO
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register. [Signature] 1/3/89
 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:)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other: Late-Victorian Cottage

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concretewalls Brick

roof Wood Shinglesother Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

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The Peter Mauseth House is a picturesque late-Victorian Cottage constructed of brick masonry. The two-story soft Mellette brick structure rests on a quartz foundation that has been covered with a stucco-like concrete veneer. Sheathed with historic wooden shingles, the roof is of an irregular plan with gable ends defining the axial sides and a jerkinhead gable roof line delineating the main entrance facade. Shed roof lines provide contrast on the twin dormers. The original, shallow, shed porch is supported by a slender column with attached wood railing, and forms the main entrance to this home. A more recent porch addition is appointed with a gable roof line. An original chimney constructed of brick rises from the center of the roof, while partial remains of another brick chimney are located in the southwest gable end.

Providing contrast to the brick, vertical clapboard siding covers the jerkin-head and gable ends, with slim ribbons of dart molding emphasizing the baselines. The dart molding pattern is repeated on the porch and as a bay window accent. Oranamental bargeboard defines the roof lines, while heavy wood brackets provide decoration for window treatments.

Fenestration includes the use of round-headed window openings accented by radiating voussoirs on the upper story, and rectangular, elongated windows in bay arrangements on the main story. Providing variety, Italiante window openings capped by jack arches are clustered around the porch area. The windows are single and double sash and vary from two-over-two to four-over- four lights. The wooden surrounds are intact and in good condition.

The house is in good condition. The only notable modern alteration is the removal of a large rectangular porch, which has been replaced by small gable-end entry with steps.

To the rear of the house is a modern storage shed with of plywood construction and a slightly-pitched gable roof. (non-contributing)

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1885

Significant Dates

1885

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See continuation sheet

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

Specify repository:

Codington County Historical Society

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property Less than one acre

UTM References

A 14 649100 4974350
 Zone Easting Northing

C

B
 Zone Easting Northing

D

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries of the property are contained within the legal description: South one-half of Lot 5 and all of Lot 6, Block 18, Syndicate Addition, City of Watertown, Codington County, South Dakota.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the parcel that has historically been associated with the property.

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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Codington County Historic Preservation Comm. date September 15, 1988

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Under Criterion C of the National Register Criteria, the Peter Mauseth house is significant in the area of architecture, because it is an excellent example of late-Victorian Cottage as built in the North End Neighborhood of Watertown, South Dakota in the late 19th Century. Built for Watertown's first furniture manufacturer Peter Mauseth, the house was constructed with brick from the Watertown Brick Company. Under the South Dakota Historical Preservation Plan the property relates to the following historic context: IV. Permanent Rural and Urban Pioneer Settlement, D. Urban Settlement, 2. Residential living.

The Mauseth House was built for Peter and Caroline Mauseth in 1885. They purchased the land from the initial platters of Syndicate Addition in 1885 for \$1,000. In a recorded agreement, dated 1889, the Mauseths authorized William McIntyre, pioneer land developer, to sell their home, to "present its merits to the public and persons likely to purchase" at a cost of \$4,000. McIntyre never found a buyer, since the Mauseths transferred title to the property to the Merchant's Bank of Watertown in 1893 for \$4,500. The home was sold at a sheriff's sale in 1897 to Charles Kreger, early real estate agent.

Architecturally, the house is a vernacular adaptation of popular Victorian themes exemplified in the cottage form. It is similar to a home illustrated by Plate X in Palliser's Model Homes (1878), which employs a shed-roofed porch, similar stick work and fenestration, and a shed dormer. The Pallisers describe the property as "the most charming Cottage we have ever seen" (Pallisers Model Homes, 1878, 44). Stylistic features of the Mauseth House include a picturesque, informal, asymmetrical street facade complimenting an informal floor plan and an irregular roof plan. Additional highlights of the structure include the Eastlake and Stick Style decorative elements and the bay window arrangements.

The first recorded brick residences in Watertown date from the 1870's. Arthur C. Mellette, first Governor of South Dakota, and the last territorial governor, was part owner of the Watertown Brick Company. This soft brick, locally termed "Mellette Brick", was used in construction of the Mauseth House, which is one of the few remaining example of this local material.

Situated on a picturesque corner lot, surrounded by shade trees, the Mauseth House is a fine example of the "charming cottages" referred to in popular Victorian architectural literature. In terms of

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ornamentation, fenestration, and exterior finish, the house remains remarkably unchanged from its original appearance and is an outstanding example of 19th Century housing in the city.

The period of significance for the nominated property does not extend beyond its date of construction in 1885.

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PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

1.

Peter Mauseth House

(Historic Resources of the North End Neighborhood, Watertown, SD)

703 N. Maple, Watertown, Codington County, South Dakota

by Rolene Schliesman

August 1987

Neg.: South Dakota Historical Preservation Center

East facade, camera facing west

Photo No. 1

2.

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East and south facades, camera facing northwest

Photo No. 2

3.

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Shed, camera facing west

Photo No. 3