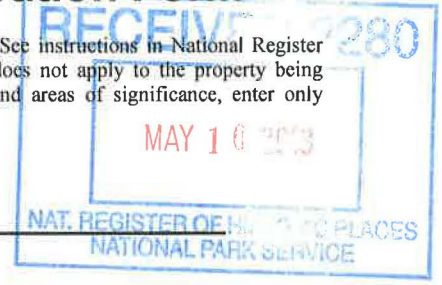


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United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# 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 National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. 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.



### 1. Name of Property

Historic name: Clark House  
Other names/site number: 32SH613, Spence Family Mansion  
Name of related multiple property listing:  
N/A  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

### 2. Location

Street & number: 322 McKinley Ave  
City or town: Goodrich State: ND County: Sheridan  
Not For Publication:  Vicinity:

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,  
I hereby certify that this x 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 x meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

\_\_\_ national \_\_\_ statewide x local  
Applicable National Register Criteria:  
x A \_\_\_ B x C \_\_\_ D

Michael E. [Signature] 5-6-13  
Signature of certifying official/Title: Date  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_ meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting official: Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title : State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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**4. National Park Service Certification**

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:)

*Joe Edson H. Beall*  
Signature of the Keeper

6.25.13  
Date of Action

**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

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**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	buildings
<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	sites
<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	structures
<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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## 7. Description

### Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Late 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Revivals: Colonial Revival

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**Materials:** (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: \_\_\_\_\_

Foundation: stone

Walls: concrete block, wood fishscale shingles in eaves

Roof: asphalt shingles

### Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

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#### Summary Paragraph

The Clark House sits on the northwest corner of the intersection of McKinley Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> Street West. A pressed concrete block retaining wall on the east and south level the lot and the walls of the residence are made of the same pressed concrete blocks. The window sills and lintels are unusual in that they are also made of concrete. Wood fishscale shingles provide ornamentation under the eaves of the cross gambrel roof of this Colonial Revival residence. Built in 1901, the residence retains much of its original character.

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#### Narrative Description

The residence sits on a corner lot that is angled slightly from the southwest to the northeast. The street sides have retaining walls of the same pressed concrete block as the house. The mortar between these blocks, the cap, and some of the blocks show deterioration. The concrete balls with pedestals at the four steps to the walkway to the front door are a different color of concrete. Four concrete steps lead up to the porch and are flanked by short concrete block walls and planters sit on those walls. The porch knee wall uses smaller rectangular concrete blocks to form a pattern with nearly square open spaces. The four columns supporting the porch roof are rough concrete blocks and the north column has started to tilt outward. A quoin of rough blocks is on the façade of the main body of the residence also. The columns and house were tuckpointed in 2007 when the Spence family purchased the home. A large single-pane window with a stained

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glass transom is a little south of center on the facade with the walk door to the north. Above the porch is a pair of 1:1 windows that were framed in to replace larger ones sometime before 1989. The filled in area has wide horizontal siding while the rest of the section has the original fishscale shingles. A horizontal cornice extends from the break in the gambrel roof across the façade to create a triangular pediment at the top. A diamond-shaped window is in this pediment. A flat board next to the eave outlines the fishscale shingles in both the pediment and lower section.

The south side of the residence has a one-story bay just west of center with a large single-pane window below a stained glass transom in the center and a 1:1 window on the angles. A matching 1:1 window is centered on the flat wall east of the bay and a small, two-lite window allows light into the basement below it. The foundation is built of granite erratic stones and is faced with concrete blocks. The window in the flat wall west of the bay has been replaced with a shorter 1:1 window but it is a wood window indicating it was likely an early replacement. The gambrel portion on this side is separated from below by a small skirt roof. A pair of 16:1 windows is centered above the skirt roof with a rosette centered in a wood starburst between the windows. Outside the window trim are wood fishscale shingles. Flat boards are above the windows, below the horizontal cornice, and along the eaves. The pediment on this side does not have a window. A small shed-roofed addition is attached to the rear and the side is flush with the wall. A walk door leads into the added mud room.

The rear or west end has the addition attached just below the skirt roof. The addition has wide lap siding with a four-lite window on the west. The addition ends in line with the south edge of the windows on the second level. A window next to the addition on the west has been framed in like the one on the south. The other window on the main level is covered with wood shutters. The design and materials of the second level and pediment on this end match that of the south side with the exception that the windows are together rather than separated by a starburst.

The north side has a 1:1 window roughly centered on the wall and second 1:1 window to the west. Both of these windows appear to be early replacements as they are wood but have a portion filled in with wood below the window. Near the east end is a square stained glass window and below that is a two-lite window in the basement. What makes the second level on this side different from that of the south is that the windows are spaced farther apart, the east one is covered by shutters, and the decoration between the windows is wood fishscale shingles.

Some changes in finishes and room layout have been made on the interior of the residence. A bedroom and bathroom were created on the main floor and there are three bedrooms and a bathroom on the second floor that have had some changes. Most of the woodwork, including trims, floors, stairs, and columns, are still extant and visible. The concrete floor of the basement has heaved and the current owners say that it has gotten worse recently.

A section of a wood privacy fence extends from the rear of the residence on the south side to the unpaved driveway at the west end. Another section of fence is along the west border of the property and is in line with the west wall of the garage. The small garage and a small shed in the northwest corner of the lot do not contribute to the historic property.

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### 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 grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Period of Significance**

1901  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Dates**

1901  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Person**

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Cultural Affiliation**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Architect/Builder**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Clark House was built by James and Mae Clark, the couple who owned the homestead that eventually became the town of Goodrich. The residence was built in 1901, the same year the land was platted for a town, and was the first residence built there. The residence is a good example of Colonial Revival architecture and the best example of that style remaining in Goodrich. The Clark House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places at the local level under Criteria C.

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**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

The area that is now Sheridan County has been characterized as harsh and treeless, only slightly touched by the Great Dakota Boom of the 1880s. Only a few settlers, primarily ranchers, came during this period. By 1890, what is now Sheridan County had no railroads or townsites. Little had changed by the time James Clark and his wife, Mae Estella Robbins, decided to homestead in what was then part of McLean County in 1899.<sup>1</sup> Originally, the homestead claim was for the Southeast quarter of Section 8, Township 146, Range 74 West. The Clarks moved to the area at the beginning of the Second Dakota Boom (1898-1915).

Shortly after the Clarks claimed the homestead, it became known that the Northern Pacific Railway was going to build a track through that area. Clark paid off the homestead claim with cash in 1901, the same year he and a man referenced only as Mr. Dudley, filed a town plat and the Clark house was built. It is likely that a deal was reached with Mr. Dudley to start a town and the cash to pay off the homestead came from this deal. Originally, the town was to be named Clark but on filing the plat, the partners discovered there were already towns named Clarke and Clark City in North Dakota so the name was changed to Dudley. Dudley was platted south of the railroad tracks in the common T pattern with lots of 25 feet in the business district and 50 feet for outlying lots. A second competing town named Goodrich was platted north of the tracks, also in 1901. Goodrich was named for F.H. Goodrich, the engineer in charge of the NPRR construction. Several sources claim there was a rivalry between the towns that was settled when the railroad built its depot south of the tracks in 1903. Businesses began to move south and the towns merged under the name of Goodrich. According to the local history, by 1976 the only original business in its original location was the First State Bank. Mclean County was split and Sheridan County created in 1908 and the village was officially organized in 1909 with a population of just over 400. The peak population recorded by the U.S. Census was 476 in 1940 and the population has declined each decade. Goodrich now has less than 100 residents.<sup>2</sup>

James Clark is mentioned as an early resident of the town but he moved to a farmstead near Hurdsfield in 1906. News articles and local histories refer to him as Jim Clark of Hurdsfield and while they mention he had an early home in Goodrich, he is not credited as being one of the early settlers in the area.<sup>3</sup> It appears he happened to own the land when the railroad came through and was not a developer or major figure in the community. His house, however, remains an important part of the history of Goodrich.

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<sup>1</sup> Granger & Kelly, *Denhoff, Goodrich, Martin, and McClusky: North Dakota Cultural Resource Survey Final Report 1988-1989*, 13-14.

<sup>2</sup> Williams, *Origins of North Dakota Place Names*, 283.; Granger & Kelly, 15-20.

<sup>3</sup> "Goodrich was Named After Railroad Surveyor." *The McClusky Gazette*, September 20, 1940 special edition.; *The McClusky Gazette*, July 21, 1955 special edition.; Wills, Jim ed. *Sheridan County Heritage '76: a Bicentennial Project*.



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### 9. Major Bibliographical References

**Bibliography** (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

“Goodrich was Named After Railroad Surveyor.” *The McClusky Gazette*, September 20, 1940 special edition.

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#### 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 # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # \_\_\_\_\_

#### Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University

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Other  
Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned):** \_\_\_\_\_

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### 10. Geographical Data

**Acreeage of Property** less than one

#### UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or  NAD 1983

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|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Zone: 14 | Easting: 415088 | Northing: 5258481 |
| 2. Zone:    | Easting:        | Northing:         |
| 3. Zone:    | Easting:        | Northing:         |
| 4. Zone:    | Easting :       | Northing:         |

**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property.)  
Lots 10, 11, and 12, Block 8, City of Goodrich.

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The current three lots are what were originally retained for the residence after Clark sold the rest of his homestead for the town.

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### 11. Form Prepared By

name/title: Lorna Meidinger, Architectural Historian  
organization: State Historical Society of ND  
street & number: 612 E Boulevard Ave  
city or town: Bismarck state: ND zip code: 58505  
e-mail: lbmeidinger@nd.gov  
telephone: 701-328-2089  
date: February 2013

### Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

### Property Owner

name/title: Michael and Tammy Spence  
organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
street & number: 322 McKinley Ave  
city or town: Goodrich state: ND zip code: 58444  
e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
telephone: 701-884-2024

### Photographs

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Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

### Photo Log

Name of Property: Clark House  
City or Vicinity: Goodrich  
County: Sheridan State: ND  
Photographer: Lorna Meidinger  
Date Photographed: 20 February 2013

East southeast, facade  
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South southwest, side of the residence facing the street  
Photo 1 of 4

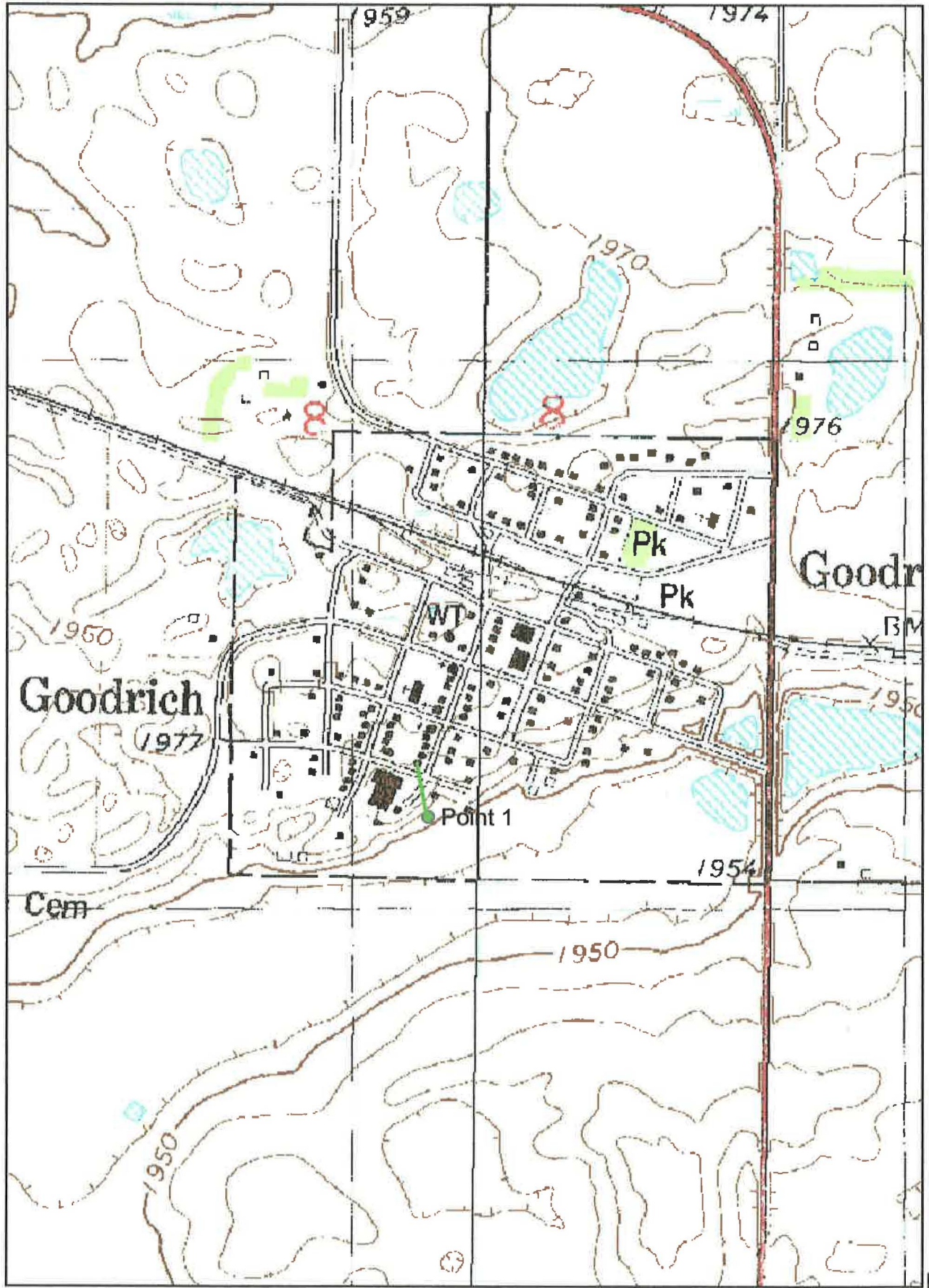
West, rear of the residence  
Photo 1 of 4

Northeast, side of the residence and the porch  
Photo 1 of 4

**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement:** This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 460 et seq.).

**Estimated Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Clark House  
NAME:

MULTIPLE  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: NORTH DAKOTA, Sheridan

DATE RECEIVED: 5/10/13 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/07/13  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/24/13 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/26/13  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 13000453

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT  RETURN  REJECT 6.25.13 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Entered in  
The National Register  
of  
Historic Places**

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_ DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



To: Keeper, National Register of Historic Places  
From: Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr./ Lorna Meidinger  
Date: 8 May 2013  
Subject: National Register Nomination

The following materials are submitted on this 8th day of May 2013, for the nomination of the Clark House to the National Register of Historic Places.

- 1 National Register of Historic Places nomination form on archival paper
- Multiple Property Nomination form on archival paper
- 4 Photographs
- 1 USGS map(s)
- Sketch map(s)/figure(s)/exhibit(s)
- Pieces of correspondence
- 1 Other: Photo cd

COMMENTS:

- Please insure that this nomination is reviewed
- This property has been certified under 36 CFR 67
- The enclosed owner objections        do        do not constitute a majority of property owners.
- Other: