

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC NAME: Gerber Hospital and Garage

COUNTY: Pipestone

CURRENT NAME: Dieltz House and Garage

CITY/TWP.: Jasper 80002/19

LEGAL DESC.: Lots 1,2, & E. 16' of 3,  
Block 4, Original Plat

ADDRESS: 120 E. Wall Street

**CLASSIFICATION:**

Building X  
Structure \_\_\_\_\_  
Object \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_

**CONDITION:**

Excellent X  
Good \_\_\_\_\_  
Fair \_\_\_\_\_  
Deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE:**

Local X  
State \_\_\_\_\_  
National \_\_\_\_\_

**THEME/S:**

Primary Architecture  
Secondary Medicine  
Others Social History

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes \_\_\_ No X Restricted \_\_\_  
VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes X No \_\_\_  
OCCUPIED: Yes X No \_\_\_

PRESENT USE:  
Residence

DATE CONSTRUCTED: c.1913

ORIGINAL USE: Hospital

ORIGINAL OWNER: Louise M. Gerber

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Dale and Rosemary Dieltz ✓  
Jasper, MN 56144

ACREAGE: Less than one acre x

LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.:

UTM REFERENCE:  
14 / 709340 / 4858300

FORM PREPARED BY: Thomas Harvey  
DATE: March 1979

Jasper, Minn.-S.D.; 1:24,000

**DESCRIPTION:**

The Dieltz house is a two-story rectilinear plan building located on a corner lot on the main street in Jasper. The Sioux quartzite construction is unusual in what is a basically stick style house. The frame roof has stick style elements: a gentle pitch, broad gables, projecting eaves supported by diagonal struts, and projecting rafters. A frame porch roof, now removed, continued the stick style theme. Low-pitched, wide dormers are on each side of the roof. The stone construction, of locally quarried material, makes a striking building. The raised basement has lunette windows along both sides. Arches of alternating, contrasting stone frame the windows. Contrasting stone coursing runs around the building above and below the first floor windows. The gable end entrance is offset to the west. The interior dates from 1939, when the hospital was converted to a private residence. The garage in the rear of the house is of similar style and was built at the same time.

**SIGNIFICANCE:**

The Dieltz house is significant primarily for its substantial and unusual architecture. It is one of several quartzite residences in this town noted for its quarries. Most of the residences are plain in design. This structure, like a nearby stone bungalow, has special merit.

It is unusual also in that it was built as a hospital. It was not until 1939, that S.D. Sacks, a local merchant, converted the building into a residence.

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