

**United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

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

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



**1. Name**

historic E. G. Barnum House

and/or common Key Residence

**2. Location**

street & number 205 Van Buren NA not for publication

city, town Winner NA vicinity of congressional district

state South Dakota code 46 county Tripp code 123

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	NA in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property**

Robert and Jeanette Key

street & number 205 Van Buren

city, town Winner NA vicinity of state South Dakota

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Register of Deeds

street & number Tripp County Courthouse

city, town Winner state South Dakota

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title NA has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

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## 7. Description

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**Condition**

excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered  
 altered

**Check one**

original site  
 moved date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance**

The E. G. Barnum House is a cube-shaped structure built of concrete. Two stories in height, the house has a hipped and bellcast roof, parapet dormers, and simple arts and crafts details. Built in 1911, the House appears to have been adopted from several plans published in William Radford's Cement Houses and How to Build Them, 1908.

The floor plan uses elements of 8020 on the first floor, which carries through to the exterior fenestration; the second floor uses 8141 for the plan and fenestration. A three-bay division is used on all sides. Details, such as the dormers, are derived from 8043, and the porch from 8141. The plan includes four rooms, with a small nook in the large hallway; this was remodeled by the owners into a closet, which blends unobtrusively with the rest of the woodwork. On the interior, the woodwork is maple-stained in the arts and crafts style. Two ornate fireplaces decorate the parlor and master bedroom respectively.

On the exterior, the cast of the molding boards is still visible on the wall surface, and all details, such as window casements and water table, are made of concrete. The only substantial alteration to the exterior is the porch, which was closed in and made into an all-weather room by the present owners.

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

**Specific dates** 1911 **Builder/Architect** NA

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

Significant as one of the first residences erected in Winner, as well as an example of early concrete residential architecture, the E. G. Barnum House was built by one of the town's founding fathers.

The Barnum House is a curious example of concrete construction in that it appears to have been poured into shaped board molds. A more common method of concrete construction is block masonry. The present owners of the Barnum house have made a few slight alterations, but the house remains intact, just as it was erected in 1911. Built in 1911 for E. G. Barnum, the house was erected the same year Winner incorporated as a municipality. The town itself had been plotted the previous year. Tripp County was then in the midst of a land sales boom; one million acres of reservation land had been opened for private sale in 1908. Winner became the major town in the county, and among its prominent businessmen was E. G. Barnum, who also erected a two-story brick bank. In the April 16, 1912 election, the second municipal election, E. G. Barnum was elected mayor. His major contribution as mayor was his development of the water supply from springs south of town. He also is known for his anti-gambling campaign.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

- Lynch, Willard, et al, ed. 50th Anniversary of Winner, South Dakota 1909-1959. Winner, South Dakota: Sodak Printers, 1959.
- Maule, Robert J. "A History of Tripp, South Dakota." M.A. Thesis, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota, 1954.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property One Longitude 99° 50' 10" Latitude 43° 20' 15"  
Quadrangle name No USGS map in this area Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_  
UMT References Tripp County Map .5" equals 1 mile

A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing		
C	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
G	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	H	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Verbal boundary description and justification** The lot lines of the property form the boundary of the side, which is located in the South 85 feet, Lots 4, 5, 6, Block 35, First Addition, of the town of Winner, South Dakota.

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

state	code	county	code
<u>NA</u>			
state	code	county	code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Carolyn Torma  
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street & number University of South Dakota telephone (605) 677-5313  
city or town Vermillion 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

*[Signature]*

title Director, Office of Cultural Preservation date 12/10/82

For HCRS use only

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

*[Signature]*  
Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the  
National Register

date 1/27/83

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration