

**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 Andrew Kuehn Warehouse

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 401 North Phillips Avenue not for publication

city, town Sioux Falls vicinity of congressional district First

state South Dakota code 46 county Minnehaha code 099

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

4. Owner of Property

name Arnold E. Murray

street & number 333 North Phillips Avenue

city, town Sioux Falls vicinity of state South Dakota 57102

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Minnehaha County Courthouse, Register of Deeds

street & number 415 North Dakota Avenue

city, town Sioux Falls state South Dakota

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Old Courthouse and Warehouse District Survey Gary Olsen, Tom Lubeck, surveyors
has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date Summer 1979 - Summer 1980 federal state county local

depository for survey records Historical Preservation Center

city, town Vermillion state South Dakota

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Andrew Kuehn Warehouse building is rectangular in shape and has, along its north facade, a smaller, rectangular-shaped three-story addition. Constructed of rough-faced or rusticated cut quartzite, the structure is four stories in height. Three bays along the principle facade, the warehouse has eight bays along the south. Blank along the north facade, the rear facade is four bays, the addition has an arrangement of one and four bays on its front and exposed side. A heavy stringcourse above the windows and the large arched openings create a separate base of the first floor. The windows above are much smaller, more regularly placed and on the fourth floor, have semi-circular arches. Those windows on the front facade are grouped in pairs. A decorative stone cornice separates the facade from the parapet which hides the shed roof. The doors and windows have all been altered in a largely unobtrusive manner. Used as a warehouse for many years, the building was abandoned and recently restored for use as apartments and offices.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input 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 1903

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Erected in 1903, the Kuehn Warehouse is significant in the areas of architecture and commerce. Representative of the second phase of construction in the old courthouse district, the Kuehn building is a simple, industrial version of a Richardsonian Romanesque structure. Beginning in 1889, with the construction of the new courthouse, the area around Main, Phillips, 6th and 5th Streets became the new wholesale business and governmental center for the city of Sioux Falls. Andrew Kuehn became an important figure in the history of the area in 1900 when he located his wholesale grocery business in the Blauvelt building. Sioux Falls was recovering from a depression at that time and revival was spurred on by the convenient location of the Milwaukee Road depot and tracks which were laid along Phillips. Kuehn helped bring new investors into the area and in 1903 erected his own building at Phillips and 6th, across from the depot. This simple, bold structure interprets the vocabulary of the Romanesque style in an industrial manner, using the large arches as almost the only decorative feature on the main facades. The form and purpose of the buildings is clearly revealed.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Gary Olsen, Old Courthouse and Warehouse Historic District, National Register nomination

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than one

Quadrangle name Sioux Falls, East

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification The lot lines of the property form the boundaries of the site which is located in Lots 10-11, Block 31 of the Brookings and Edmunds Addition to the City of Sioux Falls.

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

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Carolyn Torma

organization Historical Preservation Center date 17 November 1980

street & number USD, 216 East Clark 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 Jennifer R. Fishburne November 23, 1980

title Director, Office of Cultural Preservation date

For HCRS use only	
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
<u>Wilson H. Brauhorn</u>	date <u>2.25.82</u>
Keeper of the National Register	
Attest:	date
Chief of Registration	