



**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 How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. 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. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name E.B. Bobb House
other names/site number NA

2. Location

street & number 501 East 4th Street not for publication N/A
city or town Mitchell vicinity N/A
state South Dakota code SD county Davison code 035 zip code 57301

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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 ___ nationally ___ statewide x locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jay D. Vogt 09-16-2002
Signature of certifying official Date

South Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

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Davison County, South Dakota
County and State

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 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:)

for
Signature of the Keeper Elsa H. Bobb Date of Action 10/31/02

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

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic	Sub: Single Dwelling
Secondary Structure	Garage
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic	Sub: Multiple Dwelling
Secondary Structure	Garage
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone
roof Wood Shingle
walls Wood Clapboard

other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

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 a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture _____

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Period of Significance

1907-1908

Significant Dates 1907
1908

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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

Name of repository: _____

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than 1 acre

UTM References

(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1	<u>14</u> Zone	<u>578961</u> Easting	<u>4840184</u> Northing	3	<u> </u> Zone	<u> </u> Easting	<u> </u> Northing
2	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	4	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

E.B. Bobb House
Name of Property

Davison County, South Dakota
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Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Lindsey Sailer
street & number 501 E 4th St telephone _____
city or town Mitchell SD zip code 57301

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The E.B. Bobb House is located in the city of Mitchell, Davison County. It is located in a residential neighborhood. The house was constructed from 1907-08 in the Colonial Revival style.

The two and one-half story house is clad with wood clapboards and has a quartzite foundation. The house consists of a rectangular gable roof main section with a two-story hipped roof section on the rear. The east elevation has a porte cochere.

The façade (north elevation) has full width one story porch. Seven smooth columns and two smooth pilasters support the shed roof of the porch. Six steps lead to the entry door with sidelights and transom at the northwest corner. To the west of the entry is a small rectangular stain glass window. To the east of the entry is a cottage window. The second floor has two one-over-one double hung windows. The third floor has a group of three one-over-one double hung windows. The gable peak has a square louvered vent.

The gable roof portion of the west elevation has three stained glass windows that follow an interior staircase. At the southern corner of the gable portion is a two story bay window. Each side of the bay window, on both the first and second floor, has a one-over-one double hung window. The bay is topped with a gable roof dormer. In the peak of the gable is a small one-over-one double hung window. The hipped roof portion of the west elevation has tripartite window on the first floor. The center is a cottage window with narrow windows flanking the main window. The second floor has a one-over-one window on the second floor.

The south elevation has a one story addition at the southeast corner. The addition has a one-over-one double hung window and an entry door. To the west of the addition is a one-over-one double hung window. The second floor has three one-over-one double hung windows and a square stain glass window. At the southeast corner of the second floor is an entry door which leads to a balcony. The gable portion of the south elevation has two square louvered vents in the peak.

The east elevation has a porte cochere at the northeast corner. Under the porte cochere is a one-over-one double hung window on the first floor. The remainder of the first floor from north to south includes a cottage window, an entry door, and one-over-one double hung window. The second floor has a one-over-one double hung window to the north of the bay window. Each of the three sides of the bay window has a one-over-one double hung window. To the south of the bay window, is a smaller one-over-one double hung window. The gable roof portion of the east elevation has three, small, one-over-one double hung

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windows. The only non-historic alteration to this elevation is a one story enclosure to give access to the basement of the house. It is located adjacent to the historic entry door. This small addition has a door and small square fixed pane window.

Interior:

Interior decorative details include a grand staircase leading to the second floor, oak trim and pocket doors.

Garage:

The garage has a hipped roof and is sided with wood clapboards. The west elevation has two overhead garage doors. The north elevation has three four paned windows and an entry door at the northeast corner. Located in the center of this elevation is a gable dormer with no openings.

Statement of Significance

The E.B. Bobb House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C as it is an excellent example of the Colonial Revival style of architecture in South Dakota. It exhibits many distinctive characteristics of the Colonial Revival style. The E.B. Bobb House continues to provide a sense of architectural appeals that made it noteworthy in the early 1900's.

The E. B. Bobb House is located in Mitchell, a town of approximately 13,800 people in the James River Valley in southeastern South Dakota's Davison County. Mitchell was founded during the summer of 1879 when the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul, one of South Dakota's two most extensive rail systems, pushed a line westward from the South Dakota-Minnesota border to the Missouri River. The present site of Mitchell, just west of the James River, was acquired during the spring of 1879 by John D. Lawler, a real estate investor and the son of a Milwaukee Road stockholder who had advance notice of the Milwaukee Road's planned route. Lawler and the railroad company platted Mitchell in July of 1879 and began selling lots to the public in September. A regional U.S. land office was moved to Mitchell from Sioux Falls during September of 1880. The office served ten counties of eastern South Dakota and brought thousands of pioneers into the community to file land claims.

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The Milwaukee Road was constructed through Mitchell in 1880 and reached Chamberlain on the Missouri River in 1881. Mitchell was named for the president of the railroad and, with this christening, began a long history as an important railroad community. In 1884 the Milwaukee Road opened a division headquarters and maintenance shop in Mitchell and became one of the city's largest employers. The Milwaukee complex evolved from a 14-stall roundhouse into an extensive collection of tracks and shops which spread along the southern side of the tracks. During the same period, the Milwaukee also built a major north-south branch line through Mitchell, which was dubbed the James River Branch. This line linked Mitchell with Aberdeen to the north in 1881 and with Scotland and Yankton to the south in 1886. The Milwaukee Road built westward from Chamberlain on the Missouri River in 1905, connecting Mitchell with West River towns such as Presho in 1905 and Murdo in 1906, and with the Black Hills in 1907.

The E. B. Bobb House is designed in the Colonial Revival Style. The Colonial Revival style is identified by an accentuated front door with a decorative pediment; a symmetrically designed façade with a central door, windows with double hung sashes. The Bobb House falls into a subtype of the Colonial Revival style as it has an off-center door, a treatment which was highly uncommon.

The Colonial Revival style was a common occurrence throughout the country for domestic architecture but its subtypes were not. The E. B. Bobb House exhibits classical elements of the Colonial Revival style as well as the rarer subtypes. It is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C for its architectural style.

Bibliography

Architectural History in South Dakota. South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office, 2000.

McAlester, Virginia and Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses.* New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2000.

Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 6 & W10 feet of Lot 5, Block 33 in Mitchell, Davison Co, South Dakota.

Verbal Boundary Justification

The boundary all the property associated with the building.