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## 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 "NATION of Experimentations, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcate ones 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 <u>Dr. Tarbell House</u> other names/site number <u>N/A</u>

#### 2. Location

street & number304 Second Ave SE					r	not for p	_N/A			
city or town		Waterto	wn						Vicinity	N/A
state	South	Dakota	Code	SD	county	Codington	code	029	zip code _	57201

#### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this  $\begin{bmatrix} X \end{bmatrix}$  nomination  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$  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  $\begin{bmatrix} X \end{bmatrix}$  meets  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$  does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$  nationally  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$  statewide  $\begin{bmatrix} X \end{bmatrix}$  locally. (\_\_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Gay D. Voat Signature of certifying official

<u>04-27-200</u> | Date

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SD SHPO 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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oxes as apply)

- X building(s)
- **-**, District

Site

- Structure
- Object

# Number of Resources within PropertyContributingNoncontributing

1	0	Buildings
0	0	Sites
0	0	Structures
0	0	Objects
1	0	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register <u>0</u> Name of related multiple property listing <u>N/A</u>

#### 6. Function or Use

**Current Functions** (Enter categories from instructions)

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Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

### 7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

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

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

 Foundation
 Stone

 Roof
 Asphalt

 Walls
 Wood – clapboard, shingles

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.
- X 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
Period of Sig	nificance
-	1904
	1904

Dr. Tarbell House		Codingt	on Co., South Dakota
Name of Property		County an	d State
Significant Dates	1904		
Significant Person	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**

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

Name of repository: South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office, Pierre, SD

### 10. Geographical Data

Acre	age of P	roperty _	Less than one acre				
	<b>Referen</b> additional		nces on a continuation she	et.)			
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Map	: Waterto	wn East			See o	ontinuation 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

name/title M	iche	le C. Saxman				
organization	Sou Offi	th Dakota State Historic Preserva	ation	date	November 22	2, 2000
street & numb	er	900 Governors Dr		telephone	605-773-62	.96
city or town	Pie	re	_ state	SD	zip code	57501

#### **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)

#### **Property Owner**

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

name	name Eugene Mielitz								
street & n	umber _ 304 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave SE		tele	phone	605-886-0891				
city or tow	m Watertown	state	SD	zip code	57201				

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The Dr. H. A. Tarbell House is located on the edge of the uptown district of Watertown. Houses surround the Tarbell house share a similar construction date. However, most of the houses have experienced alterations in recent years. Most of the buildings have had artificial siding placed on them. Other buildings have had new windows and large additions.

The Tarbell House is a Colonial Revival Style house with asphalt shingled hipped roof. The building rests on a stone foundation and sided with clapboards. Hipped roof dormers are located on the side elevations. A sensitive garage addition was added to the west and rear elevation. Most of the windows in the house are one-over-one windows. Symmetry is a very important feature in the Colonial Revival style, the house main façade exhibits this feature. The fenestration openings have very simple wood sills and lintels.

The front (north) elevation features a center two-story cantered bay window capped by a pediment. A porch surrounds the bay on the first floor. The porch features four simple round columns toped with a flat roof. The gable end has an oval window and shingles. A frieze and a cornice are located below the pediment with a garland element. The second story of the bay features a center door and a one-over-one window on either side. The first story has the main door in the center with a one-overone window on either side. A pair of one-over-one windows are located on the second story on either side of the bay. A cottage style window with leaded glass transom is located on either side of the bay on the first floor.

The east elevation has a hip roof dormer with clapboard siding and a pair of fixed diamond casement windows. The second story has three windows. The south window is a one-over-one window. A slight off center window is a one-over-one window. The windows still have a four-light storm window. A one-over-one window is located near the north corner of the second floor. Below the north window on the first floor is a one-over-one window. A one-story gable projection is located just off center. The north elevation of the projection has a door with a one-over-one window on the east elevation. The last one-over-one window is located near the south corner of the house.

The rear (south) elevation features two one-over-one windows on the second floor. The west elevation has a hip roof dormer with clapboard siding and a pair of fixed diamond casement windows. Two one-over-one windows are located on the second floor. Below the windows is a pent roof for the side porch. Two round columns on the northeast corner of the porch supports the porch roof. Even with the porch and under the pent roof is a ribbon of three one-over-one windows. Projecting from

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rear elevation is the garage addition. The two stall garage has a hip roof attached to the south elevation.

The interior exhibits most of its original elements. Woodwork remains intact through the house. The trim is very simply. A colonnade with leaded glass bookcases separates the front parlor and the dining room. The kitchen was remodeled circa 1950.

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Statement of Significance

The Dr. Tarbell house located near the uptown district of Watertown. Most of the historic houses that surround it have experienced revitalization in the early 1960s and 70s. The houses are resided in aluminum during this time. Only a few houses in this area retain their historic material. Watertown main concentration of intact houses is in the North End neighborhood. The Dr. Tarbell house is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C. It is an example of a Colonial style house.

Colonial Revival is characterized by an accentuated front door with a decorative pediment supported by pilasters or extending forward and supported by slender columns to form an entry porch; doors commonly have overhead fanlights or side lights; facade show symmetrically balanced windows and center door; windows with double hung sashes; windows frequently in adjacent pairs. This was a dominant style for domestic building throughout the country during the first half of the 20th century.

#### Historical background

Settlement began in Codington County in 1871. The arrival of the railroad in 1973 to Watertown sparked continued growth through the Dakota Boom. It was during this period that the City of Watertown was elected the county seat of Codington County. Another important role for the city development was the relocation of the U. S. Land Office in 1880. Arthur C. Mellette received the appointment as register of the Land Office. Mellette constructed a house in the North End Neighborhood in 1883. This construction signaled a new pattern of growth for the city. Before this house was constructed, most houses were located in the original plat of the city and around the railroad tracks.

The Dr. Tarbell house constructed for the young family of Dr. Hervey A. Tarbell on which was then Warner Avenue. Eight Thousand dollars was spent erecting the building. The house was built in 1904 and served for many years as the family home and as a medical office. The house served Tarbell family until the death of Anna Gleason Tarbell, the wife of H. A. Tarbell in 1941.

Dr. Hervey A. Tarbell moved his medical practice to Watertown, South Dakota in 1890. He established a large practice and helped establish the Watertown Hospital. The doctor also served as the county physician and coroner. For a few short years Dr. H. A Tarbell shared the drug store

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business with his brother Oliver H. Tarbell. He sold his interest in the business to focus on his medical career.

The Dr. Tarbell House retains a high degree of architectural integrity and has only a few interior alterations. The house remains an example of a Colonial Revival Style House and is therefore eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C.

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#### **Verbal Boundary Description**

First Railway Addition Block 22, less E 56', N 90' of lots 7 & 8.

#### **Boundary Justification**

The nominated property includes house and the surrounding property. It coincides with the legal description of the tract of land historically set aside as the grounds.