

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC NAME: Pipestone County Courthouse COUNTY: Pipestone
 CURRENT NAME: Same CITY/TWP.: Pipestone
 LEGAL DESC.: Courthouse square, Sweet's Addn. bounded on the south by a line drawn west from the south side of 4th Street SE ADDRESS: Third St. between South Hiawatha and South 2nd Ave.

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| CLASSIFICATION: | CONDITION: | SIGNIFICANCE: | THEME/S: |
| Building <u>X</u> | Excellent <u>X</u> | Local <u>X</u> | Primary <u>Architecture</u> |
| Structure _____ | Good _____ | State _____ | Secondary <u>Government</u> |
| Object _____ | Fair _____ | National _____ | Others _____ |
| District _____ | Deteriorated _____ | | |

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| OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: | Yes <u>X</u> No _____ Restricted _____ | PRESENT USE: |
| VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: | Yes <u>X</u> No _____ | Courthouse |
| OCCUPIED: | Yes <u>X</u> No _____ | |

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| DATE CONSTRUCTED: | 1900 | ORIGINAL USE: | Courthouse |
| ORIGINAL OWNER: | Pipestone County | ARCHITECT/BUILDER: | George S. Redmon |

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| OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: | Pipestone County | ACREAGE: | Less than one acre <u>3</u> |
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| LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: | | UTM REFERENCE: | 14 / 715046 / 4874850 |
| FORM PREPARED BY: | Thomas Harvey | | Pipestone South, Minn.; 1:24,000 |
| DATE: | March 1979 | | |

DESCRIPTION:

The Pipestone County Courthouse is a basically rectangular plan with two slightly projecting bays at either end of the front facade, and projecting entrances on all sides. The front bays have small pediments over central windows. A highly decorated square tower set into the center of the front facade is topped by a dome and a figure of a woman gazing north over the city. The roof of the main block of the building is hipped. Two chimneys are offset to the left and right of the building's center. The four level building has a raised basement marked by contrasting stone. Construction is of rock-faced Sioux quartzite with contrasting belt courses and decorative columnar elements on all facades. The style of the building is Beaux Arts. The interior is natural wood, with only modest updating of utilities.

A 1978 addition to the rear of the courthouse was handled well. The red brick and concrete structure has a low profile, single story. It is attached to the 1900 courthouse by a glassed walkway.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The county courthouse is significant for its architectural merit and as the seat of local government. It is the most elaborately designed building in the county and is the most outstanding example of local use of quartzite stone.

The building sits on a square donated by D.H. Sweet, who platted the addition to the town that surrounds the courthouse block.

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REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002121

STATE: Minnesota

COUNTY: Pipestone

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Pipestone County Courthouse

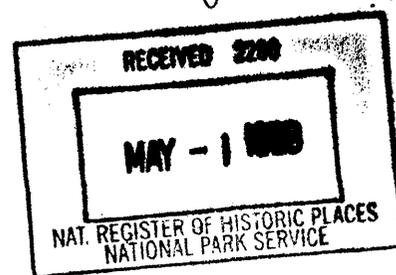
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS: 416 S. Hiawatha

COMMENTS: Address Correction

p. pipestone county MRA



Ian R. Stewart
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

4/24/98
Date

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Pipestone County Courthouse
NAME:

MULTIPLE Pipestone County MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, Pipestone

DATE RECEIVED: 8/18/04 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/01/04
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002121

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

___ACCEPT ___RETURN ___REJECT _____DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Accepted

RECOM./CRITERIA *Accept*
REVIEWER *Edson Beall* DISCIPLINE *Historic*
TELEPHONE _____ DATE *10/1/04*

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

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Pipestone County Courthouse

Name of property

Pipestone Co., MN

County and State

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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Pipestone County Courthouse

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002121

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Pass, George

COMMENTS: The architect of this building is George Pass of Mankato, MN.

Pipestone County Star, 9 June 1899



Britta L. Bloomberg
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

8/13/04
Date

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Name of multiple property listing (if applicable)

National Register Number: 80002121

Architect: Pass, George

Builder: Redmon, George S.

Britta L. Bloomberg
Britta L. Bloomberg, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Minnesota Historical Society

12/2/08
Date