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yellow, pink, and white.

Not far from the house is a traditional vaulted root cellar. Its dimensions are 12'4" in length, 6'5" in width, and 6'1" in height.

8. 1869-1899; Architecture, Exploration/Settlement, Czech Ethnic.

Specific date unknown. Attributed to Jacob Sedlacek.

Significant in architecture, the Sedlacek House is a good example of the coaxial form discussed in the overview and displays historic linear expansion of such a form. It is also one of only two buildings in the survey area that utilize the same materials in the gables as those used in the end walls. The house survives in good condition exhibiting traditional Czech masonry techniques such as tapered openings, an exterior veneer, clay mortar, and a knee wall. Although now vacant, it is weather-tight and secure from excess deterioration.

The Sedlacek House is also significant in the history of Czech settlement in the state. Jacob Sedlacek came to Dakota Territory from Bohemia some time before 1888. He married the daughter of John Hakl, another early Czech Dakotan (see site # CZ 23). Like his father-in-law, Sedlacek was a prominent member of St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church and served as a parish officer for several years. Tom Sedlacek, who presently owns the farmstead just west of this site, is the grandson of Jacob Sedlacek.

Major Biographical source: Dvorak (1980), 110, 118, 125, 140.

10. Acreage: less than one acre. Scale: 1:24,000.
Quad.: Tabor. UTM: 14/ 606800/ 4754210.

This property is bounded by imaginary lines that connect to form a rectangle centered on the rectangular house. Each line lies 5 feet from each wall of the rectangular house. The site is located in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 94 North, Range 58 West, in Bon Homme County.

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SITE PLAN OF FARMSTEAD CONTAINING CZ 24 ON REVERSE SIDE

