

**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 Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Depot

and/or common Yankton Milwaukee Road Depot

2. Location

street & number 8th and Douglas Sts. not for publication

city, town Yankton vicinity of _____ congressional district First

state South Dakota code 46 county Yankton code 135

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

4. Owner of Property

name Yankton Cable TV, Ltd.

street & number 318 Broadway

city, town Yankton vicinity of _____ state South Dakota

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Office of Register of Deeds

street & number Yankton County Courthouse, 100 W 3rd St.

city, town Yankton state South Dakota

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title _____ has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date _____ federal state county local

depository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Milwaukee Road Depot in Yankton has been converted for use as offices for Yankton Cable TV, Ltd. The brick building, with stone and wood trim, is an elongated rectangle with the ticket offices and waiting rooms in the center, the freight rooms on the east end and a large open porch on the west end. Bay windows with the brick laid to simulate rustication marks a central office. The porch is supported by paired columns on brick pedestals. In contrast to the long, low, hip roof and broad eaves which extend several feet beyond the wall plane, the central section rises at a steeper pitch, and a chimney marks each end of this section. Plain, free style classical ornament, which was popular at the turn of the century pervades. This simplicity extends to the stone lintels and beltcourse over the watertable as well as the rusticated brick pilasters marking divisions of the building and corners. Large diamond paned upper sashes fill the windows in the bays while simple brackets support the eaves and Tuscan columns support the porch. All of these features date from the original construction and have been carefully respected during the recent remodeling/restoration of the building. There have been no significant alterations or additions.

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
	<input type="checkbox"/> invention			

Specific dates 1905

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Erected in 1905, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul passenger depot is significant in the areas of architecture and transportation. 1905 was a pivotal year for the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul rail line, as it marked the year of westward expansion across the Missouri River. The railroad had its origins in the Dakota Southern line, which came into the Yankton area in 1878. By 1880 the railroad era was established, and Yankton's steamboating economy began its decline. Bought out by the Milwaukee Road (the popular name for the C, M & SP RR), the Dakota Southern was merged with the Milwaukee-Coulsen transportation line, started in 1880 to serve the Black Hills. By 1890 the Milwaukee Road was the most expansive line in the state, spearheading western settlement. In 1905 when new rail towns were springing up across the area between the James River and the Hills, the company decided to build a new depot in one of its key cities, Yankton. Selecting from the design vocabulary of suburban domestic architecture, the company created a building of strong suburban shadings, coupled with slightly heavy, massive details to distinguish its function as a depot. This depot pre-dates most of the suburban architecture of the city, yet, it is sited at the southern edge of the neighborhood, which in twenty years would become dominated by this type of design. As such, it provides the earliest example, and perhaps source of influence, for the fine, boldly designed domestic architecture of the post World War I era in Yankton.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Miller, David. "Milwaukee Road in Central and Western South Dakota" typescript, 1980
Deed Abstract, 1904, 1980 Chicago Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company.
Karolevitz, Robert F. Yankton: A Pioneer Past. Aberdeen, SD: North Plains Press, 1972, pp. 89-91, 115, 124, 143-145.

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property 1.5

Quadrangle name Yankton

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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114	631418	4748140
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Verbal boundary description and justification

The enclosed map shows the lot lines of the property; which form the boundaries of the site. The depot is located in Lots 8, 9 & 10 of Block 8 of the Depot Addition to the City of Yankton.

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

state n/a code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Yankton Cable TV, Ltd. date April, 1980

street & number 318 Broadway telephone 605-665-8030 / HPC: 605-677-5314

city or town Yankton 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 Juanita R. Fisher date 1/27/82

title Director, Office of Cultural Preservation date

For HCRS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Abelina Byers Entered in the National Register date 3/5/82
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: date
Chief of Registration