

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: ~~Nomination~~ *removal*

Property Name: Building at 205 DeMers Ave.

Multiple Name: Downtown Grand Forks MRA

State & County: NORTH DAKOTA, Grand Forks

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Pending List: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of 16th Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of 45th Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Weekly List: 3/15/2005

Reference number: 82001316

Nominator: State

Reason For Review:

Accept     Return     Reject     Date

Abstract/Summary  
Comments:

*removed*

Recommendation/  
Criteria

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_ Control Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No    see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.

NORTH DAKOTA CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY

Base Data Form

- 25
1. County Grand Forks, North Dakota 2. Site Number JR23
  3. Site Name (s) Building at 205 DeMers Ave. (Downtown S.F. MRA)
  4. Type of Resource: A. Archaeological  Historical  Architectural  Paleontological   
B. District  Site  Building  Structure  Object
  5. Map Reference: USGS Quad. Grand Forks, N. Dak-Minn, 7.5' 1963 (photorevs'd 1979)
  6. Location: 205 DeMers Avenue Sec. 3 T 151 N / R 50 W  
Plat: Original Townsite Block 25 Lot 5, Auditor  
UTMG: A. 14.647200.5309680. B. \_\_\_\_\_ Resubdivision  
C. \_\_\_\_\_ D. \_\_\_\_\_ of Lots 1 & 2
  7. Access: visible  
Location: the south side of DeMers Avenue between the City Center Mall's vacated block on Third St. and the Third St. Ring Road  
Acreage: less than one acre  
Verbal boundary: lots listed above, roughly 25 X 50 feet
  8. A. General description of site: this is a three-story, flat-roofed, brick commercial structure of rectangular plan. The west wall of the building adjoins a one-story commercial building on the west. The other three elevations are entirely visible. The north (main) facade is set back the width of the sidewalk. The east wall overlooks an alley, and the back (south) wall overlooks a parking area. (Cont.)  
B. Condition of site: Fair
  9. Owner's name/address: Sam S. & Evelyn G. Silverman 1122 Walnut St.
  10. Occupant's name/address: \_\_\_\_\_ GF 58201
  11. Historic Register value: Nat.  State  Untd.  None  On Reg.  In District  District  Multiple Resource
  12. Open to public: Yes  No  13. Preservation Underway: Yes  No
  14. Endangered by: Nothing
  15. Survey Project: Title Hist. and Arch. Survey of C.F., ND Director Norene and Joe Roberts  
Other surveys in which included none
  16. Recommendations: being nominated to NRHP in MRN: Historic Resources of downtown Grand Forks, North Dakota (Partial Inventory: Historic and ARchitectural Properties)
  17. Environment: Elevation \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest Water: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Distance \_\_\_\_\_ Direction \_\_\_\_\_  
Soil conditions: \_\_\_\_\_  
Soil Texture: \_\_\_\_\_

Ground Cover: \_\_\_\_\_

Terrain: \_\_\_\_\_

18. Local contact person or organization: \_\_\_\_\_

19. Photos: No B/W X Color Prints Slides Comments/ID code \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Print: Roll 2 ,Frame 24

8 X 10 Glossies: Roll 51 ,Frame 27,28,29,30

Negatives stored at: Division or Archaeology and Historic Preservation

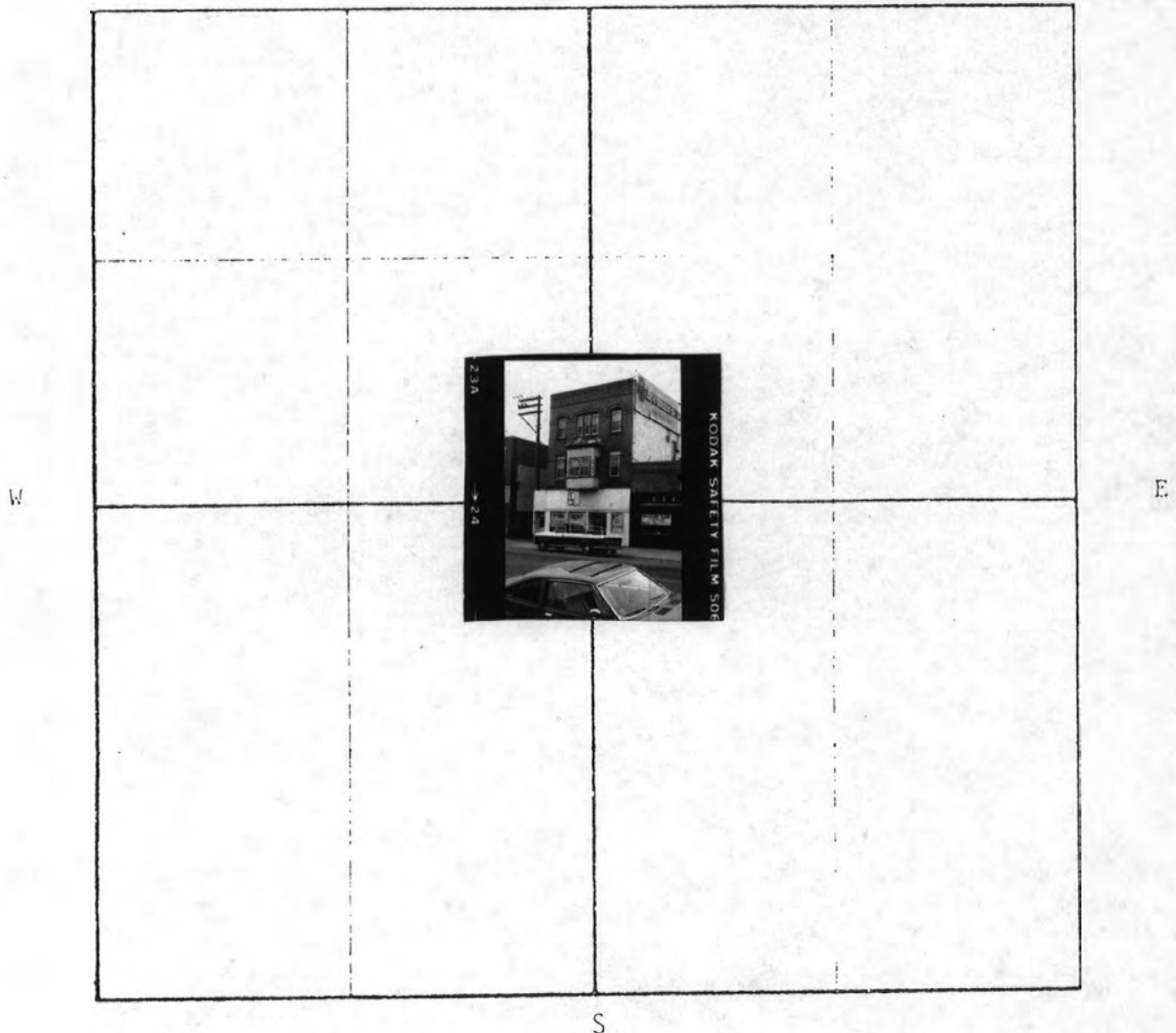
State Historical Society of North Dakota

In space below attach and identify a picture or contact print of the site.

20. Sketch Map of Site:

Scale: \_\_\_\_\_

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Recorded by: J. Roberts Date July, 1981

Revised by: Norene and Joe Roberts and Gary Henrickson Date 9/81

Historical Research, Inc. 5406 Penn Avenue S.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55419

27. Thematic category Architecture 28. Date or period 1888  
 29. Structures: Number standing \_\_\_\_\_ Number collapsed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of foundations only \_\_\_\_\_ Number of earthworks \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of basement depressions \_\_\_\_\_ No structural remains observed \_\_\_\_\_

30. Architectural/Structural Detail:  
 A. Style or design Commercial vernacular  
 B. Architect/engineer \_\_\_\_\_  
 C. Contractor/builder \_\_\_\_\_  
 D. Original use Commerce  
 E. Present use Commercial 1st floor, apartments 2nd and 3rd floor  
 F. Number of stories 3 G. Basement: Yes No Partial \_\_\_\_\_  
 H. Foundation Material \_\_\_\_\_  
 I. Wall Construction Frame  
 J. Wall Treatment Brick, 2nd story bay window has tin roof  
 K. Roof type and material Flat  
 L. Number of bays: Front 1 Side \_\_\_\_\_ M. Plan shape Rectangular  
 31. Frontage 25' 32. Distance from road 0  
 33. Number of outbuildings none 34. Description of outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

35. Changes  
 New wood frames on windows and composition board infill at top of original window openings; applied vitreolite panels to first floor shop windows and new plate glass aluminum windows.

36. Information sources/References  
 This building was constructed in 1888,<sup>1</sup> but its original commercial use is not known. Between 1892 and 1912, the first floor was occupied by a harness shop.<sup>2</sup> In 1905, the harness maker was T.J. McMullen.<sup>3</sup> By 1911-1914, harness maker Joseph Mahowald occupied this building.<sup>4</sup> (Cont.)

37. Reason for significance:  
 This building is distinctive not for its occupants but as one of two early brick-veneered frame commercial buildings which represent the first generation of substantial business blocks in the city of Grand Forks.

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Continuation form

Site Number JR23

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8.A. ...The east wall has a frame stair enclosure attached.

The first floor of the front (north) elevation of 205 DeMers Avenue has been completely remodeled in vitreolite, metal and plate glass. The second floor elevation features projecting brick drip moldings over the east and west windows. There is an apparently remodeled bay window in the center of this elevation. The third floor features projecting brick hood moldings with slightly flatter arches over the center windows than over the east and west windows. These hood moldings form a continuous banding across the elevation. Above them, varied brickwork suggests a frieze, brackets, and a dentilated cornice. The second and third story windows are six-over-one, double-hung. Aluminum storms and screens and infill have been added to the original windows. The accented window moldings, accented cornice of brick and bracketing suggest the Italianate commercial style.

All elevations of this building have brick laid in a stretcher bond. The side and rear elevations are undecorated. Windows on east and south elevations have segmented arched brick lintels and brick sills.

36. ...Between 1912-1916, the bay window was added to the second story front facade<sup>5</sup> and the building was occupied by A.K. Skinner, photographer.<sup>6</sup> During the late 1920s and early 1930s, a diamond shop and the Empress Cafe occupied the commercial space at 205 DeMers.<sup>7</sup>

## Notes

<sup>1</sup>City Assessor's description #237.

<sup>2</sup>Sanborn Insurance Maps, 1892, 1897, 1901, 1906, 1912.

<sup>3</sup>Grand Forks City Directory, Pettibone Co., 1905, p.170.

<sup>4</sup>Grand Forks City Directory, Pettibone Co., 1911, p.210; also 1914, p.207.

<sup>5</sup>Sanborn Insurance Maps, 1912, 1916.

<sup>6</sup>Grand Forks City Directory, Pettibone Co., 1916, p.234.

<sup>7</sup>Grand Forks City Directory, Polk & Co., 1928, p.310, and 1930, p.300.

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Downtown Grand Forks Multiple Resource Area  
State North Dakota

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 21. Hook and Ladder #1 and Hose Co. #2 Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 22. Grand Forks Mercantile Co. Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 23. Building at 205 DeMers Ave. Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 24. Flatiron Building Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 25. Building at 312 Kittson Ave. Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 26. Edgar Building Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 4/15/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 27. Northern Pacific Depot and Freight House Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 28. Wright Block (Neil's Block) Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 29. Lyons Garage Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 30. Dinnie Block Substantive Review Keeper Beth Grosvenor 10/26/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_



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*Building*

*at* 205 DeMers, MRN of Downtown Grand Forks, ND  
Photographer: Joe Roberts  
Summer 1981  
Negative: ND SHPO, Bismarck  
Elevation: South  
Building No. 25  
Roll 51 Frame 27





EGF

CUSTOM  
GARAGE

*Building*  
*at*

205 DeMers, MRN of Downtown Grand Forks, ND

Photographer: Joe Roberts

Summer 1981

Negative: ND SHPO, Bismarck

Elevation: East

Building No. 25

Roll 51 Frame 29



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*Building*  
at 205 DeMers, MRN of Downtown Grand Forks, ND  
Photographer: Joe Roberts  
Summer 1981  
Negative: ND SHPO, Bismarck  
Elevation: West  
Building No. 25  
Roll 51 Frame 28



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COIN STAMP SUPPLIES

**ELGFS**



*Building*

at 205 DeMers Av, MRN of Grand Forks, ND  
Photographer: Joe Roberts  
Summer 1981  
Negative: ND SHPO  
Elevation: North  
Building No. 25  
Roll 51 Frame 30

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000472

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

*substantive review*

Building at 205 DeMers Ave. (Downtown Grand Forks  
MRA)  
Grand Forks County  
NORTH DAKOTA

Working No. 9/13/82-2521  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83  
Date Due: 10/14/82 - 10/25/82  
Action:  ACCEPT 10/26/82  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*See cover form: #7, p 8; + #8, p. 17*

Recom. / Criteria Accept - C  
Reviewer Gasdenn  
Discipline Historian  
Date 10/26/82  
see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

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

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection



Linda McClelland/WASO/NPS

06/26/2009 10:04 AM

To Edson Beall/WASO/NPS@NPS

cc lbmeldinger@nd.gov

bcc

Subject Fw: question

Edson--Can you sort this out. Thanks, Linda

----- Forwarded by Linda McClelland/WASO/NPS on 06/26/2009 10:03 AM -----



"Meidinger, Lorna B."  
<lbmeldinger@nd.gov>

06/26/2009 09:27 AM

To "Linda\_McClelland@nps.gov"

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cc

Subject question

Good Morning Linda!

I've recently found a couple discrepancies between our working list of National Register properties and our more comprehensive database. In checking these against the NPS database I found five properties that were on our lists as having been removed from the National Register but were still on the NPS list. The copies of the requests for removal are dated 24 February 2005 but I could not find the properties anywhere on the published weekly lists for that year. My question is who I should talk to about looking into this? Or should I resubmit the requests with a letter explaining what I know of the situation?

The properties are all in Grand Forks County, North Dakota: Viets Hotel, House at 1648 Riverside Drive, Building at 205 DeMers Ave., Building at 317 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, and New Hampshire Apartments.

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Request for RN

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending  
Nominations and Related Actions

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing or related actions in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before February 26, 2005. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR part 60 written comments concerning the significance of these properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation may be forwarded by United States Postal Service, to the National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1849 C St., NW., 2280, Washington, DC 20240; by all other carriers, National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1201 Eye St., NW., 8th floor, Washington DC 20005; or by fax, 202-371-6447. Written

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or faxed comments should be submitted by April 5, 2005.

Carol D. Shull,  
Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places.

CALIFORNIA

Contra Costa County

Merrill, Charles W., House, 407 Camino Sobrante, Orinda, 05000251

IOWA

Delaware County

Kirkpatrick, Robert Round Barn, (Iowa Round Barns; The Sixty Year Experiment TR), 3342-120th Ave., Coggon, 05000252

Polk County

Universalist Church, 420 4th St., Mitchellville, 05000253

KENTUCKY

Jefferson County

Schaefer--Meyer Brewing Co., Address Restricted, Louisville, 05000255

Oldham County

Bradshaw--Duncan House, 8502 Todds Point Rd., Crestwood, 05000254

MONTANA

Gallatin County

Three Valleys State Bank, 202 Main St., Three Forks, 05000256

NEW MEXICO

Sierra County

Fort McRae, Address Restricted, Elephant Butte, 05000258

NEW YORK

Albany County

Van derzee, Cornelius and Agnietje, Van Derzee Rd., Coeymans,  
05000259

Cayuga County

Ingham, William Smith, House, 3069 W Main St., Meridian, 05000263

Columbia County

Pulver, William and Victoria, House, 2329 Cty Rd. 8, Snoderville,  
05000260

Dutchess County

St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, Leedsville Rd., N side, W of NY 41,  
Amenia Union, 05000261

Greene County

Parsonage, The, 424 Main St., Oak Hill, 05000262

Nassau County

Saint Mary's Chapel, Rushmore Ave. bet Roslyn Ave. and Glen Cove  
Ave., Carle Place, 05000270

Saratoga County

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1 Grove St., Schuylerville, 05000264

Suffolk County

Port Jefferson Village Historic District, Roughly along E. Main St.,  
E. Broadway, Grant St., High St. and South St., Port Jefferson,  
05000265

NORTH CAROLINA

Cleveland County

King Street Overhead Bridge, King St. Bet. Battleground and Railroad  
Aves., Kings Mountain, 05000268

Person County

Long, James A and Laura Thompson, House, 217 S. Main St., Roxboro, 05000267

Stanly County

Second Street Historic District, Portions of 100 and 200 blks N. Second St. and 100 blk West North St., Albemarle, 05000266

Yadkin County

Morse and Wade Building, 100 E. Main St., East Bend, 05000269

PUERTO RICO

Cayey Municipality

Rodriguez Morales, Juana, House, 7 Nunez Romeu St., Cayey, 05000257

VIRGINIA

Louisa County

Mineral Historic District, Roughly along Mineral, Louisa, Lee, Richmond, Albemarle, Pendleton, Piedmont, Old Tolarsville, S. Cecilia, et al, Mineral, 05000271

WISCONSIN

Wood County

Marshfield Senior High School, 900 E. Fourth St., Marshfield, 05000272

A request for REMOVAL has been made for the following resources:

NORTH DAKOTA

Grand Forks

Building at 205 DeMers Ave., (Downtown Grand Forks MRA), 205 DeMers Ave., Grand Forks, 82001316

Building at 317 S. 3rd St., (Downtown Grand Forks MRA), 317 S. 3rd St., Grand Forks, 82001318

House at 1648 Riverside Drive, 1648 Riverside Dr., Grand Forks, 94001074

New Hampshire Apartments, (Downtown Grand Forks MRA), 105 N. 3rd St., Grand Forks, 82001332

Viets Hotel, (Downtown Grand Forks MRA), 309-311 3rd St., S, Grand Forks, 82001341

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