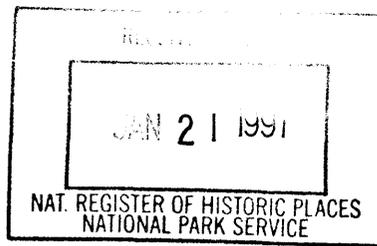


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**

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 "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories 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.

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1. Name of Property

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historic name First State Bank of Hazel

other names/site number Farmers State Bank of Hazel

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2. Location

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street & number on Main Street not for publication
city or town Hazel vicinity
state South Dakota code SD county Hamlin code 057 zip code 57242

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

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

Jay D. Voyt 01-06-97
Signature of certifying official Date

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

name of property First State Bank of Hazel county and state Hamlin County, South Dakota

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register Edson H. Beall 2/26/97
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register
 See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register

removed from the National Register

other (explain):

[Signature] Signature of Keeper Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

name of property First State Bank of Hazel county and state Hamlin County, South Dakota
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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Commerce Sub: Financial institution

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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Commerce Sub: Financial institution

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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Late 19th and Early 20th Century American

Movements: Commercial Style

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation stone

roof wood

walls brick

other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance
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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.
- 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)

Commerce
Economic
Architecture

Period of Significance 1901-46

name of property First State Bank of Hazel county and state Hamlin County, South Dakota

Significant Dates 1901

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
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.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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(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

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

Name of repository: South Dakota State Historical Society, Pierre, South Dakota

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing
1 14 628060 4957240 3
2 4
 See continuation sheet.

USGS Map Hazel, SD

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title Layne J. Saathoff, David W. Johnson, and Michelle C. Saxman-Rogers SHPO Staff
organization Farmers State Bank date March 1, 1996
street & number P O Box 128 telephone (605) 873-2261
city or town Estelline state SD zip code 57234

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Additional Documentation
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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)

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

name Farmers State Bank (David Johnson)

street & number P O Box 128 telephone (605) 873-2261

city or town Estelline state SD zip code 57234

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Physical Appearance

The First State Bank Building in Hazel is a one-story brick, rectangular shape, flat roof commercial building representative of early twentieth century commercial building. The bank is located on a corner lot on the Main street. It features an exposed stone foundation on the west and south sides. The exterior brick used on the west and south sides of the building is a tan color and the exterior brick used on the East and facade (north) sides is a red color. The facade features two granite stone belt courses.

The facade and the east elevation feature a pair of cottage-style fixed-light windows and three round smaller windows on the upper level of the building. The building's cornice is on a False-front supported by brick. The facade and east elevation have two brick belt courses and a decorative brick cornice with dentils. Both the round and cottage-style window openings are the original window openings dating from the time of construction in 1901. The cottage windows were replaced at an unknown time with glass block, but in 1995, the glass block was removed and replaced with thermal-pane windows that are in the cottage two fixed light style. The cottage-style window and the entrance are accented by a brick lintel with a granite stone keystone. Below the lintel of the entrance is a stone transom with a decorative iron work over the main entrance. The recessed entrance features two marble columns. The columns feature Corinthian capitals and bases. A new glass door has been installed in the recessed entrance.

On the interior, the first floor consists of large, open space with three main areas; customer service, work area, and office area, which are consistent with the original floor plan (See attached floor plans). The customer service area features an oak teller line with frosted glass, a rose-colored marble toekick and a teller window service area. Below the teller window is decorative wooden festoon scrollwork. This teller line came from the neighboring community of White, SD when a similar bank building was destroyed in the early 1990s. The original oak woodwork has been preserved in its original location. The original floor was hardwood. It was covered with linoleum at an unknown date. In 1995, one-inch by one-inch inlaid tile was put down in the customer service area in a green on white checked pattern. The original pressed metal decorative ceiling was cleaned and painted. The metal ceiling features a spiral/loop pattern design consistent with commercial buildings of the early 1900s. Hanging lamps were installed in 1995 from the ceiling with a globe-style that closely represents the style of the early 1900s. The original ornate steel vault door remains in its original location. It features pilasters with Corinthian capitals, dentils, and a broken pediment with an urn motif. A basement is accessed from the main level through a stairway. The basement is used for storage. A sump pump was installed in 1995 to solve a water penetration problem.

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The bank underwent an extensive restoration in 1995. The owners removed a lowered ceiling to expose the original metal ceiling. The exterior brick was repointed with mortar that closely matches the original color and texture. The glass block windows were replaced to match historic photos.

Statement of Significance

The First State Bank of Hazel was constructed in 1901. The bank is significant under criterion A for its contribution to commerce and economic development in Hazel, South Dakota. Hazel is a rural community whose primary source of economic activity is agricultural. Rural banks of this type were critical for the economic stability of this community and conservatism. Local economic issues allowed this small facility to weather the economic misfortune of the Great Depression, an era which caused the closure of many of banks. This facility maintains its historical presence and continuity in the community by still functioning as a bank. The bank has survived because it has earned the trust of the community.

The bank is also significant under criterion C for its architecture. The bank is a representative example of an early 20th century commercial building. The building is a well-preserved example of a bank for a small rural community. The bank is the only remaining architecturally intact commercial building in Hazel.

Historical background

The agricultural economic growth in the early 1900s was dependent on a reliable source of credit as well as a secure depository. This one-story Victorian style bank building was constructed to serve those purposes. The bank opened for business in 1901 and has been serving the community and the surrounding communities' credit needs for over 95 years.

The First State Bank of Hazel was organized in August of 1901 and opened for business on September 1, 1901. One hundred shares were issued at \$100 each for \$10,000 Capital Stock. J. A. Melham, president; E. A. Syverson, vice president; E. A. Mickelson, secretary-cashier and Dr. M. Christenson, A.N. Forcht, John McLaurin and C. W. Kellogg were the share holders of the 100 shares of stock. The first year of business netted \$663.00. Capital Stock was increased to \$25,000 in August of 1909 and by 1911 assets of the bank had grown to \$157,071.00.

During the Depression and prior to the Crash of 1928-29, the bank's doors remained opened and the credit needs of the community continued to be met, despite numerous neighboring community bank failures. The bank suspended business in March 1933 pursuant to a proclamation of the Governor of South Dakota. The bank did not go under, but merely charged off approximately \$15,000 in worthless assets and permission was granted to reopen for business by the State Banking Department in 1937.

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The bank has undergone several name changes. In December of 1937, the First State Bank of Hazel became a branch of the Community State Bank of Hayti, South Dakota. The Hazel bank building continued under the Community State Bank Branch status until 1976, when the bank's name was changed to Hamlin County Bank of Hayti. The Hazel bank building continued to operate under a branch bank status. In 1992, the Hazel bank building was changed to Farmers State Bank, and continues to be used a branch bank.

The First State Bank of Hazel is also significant for its architecture as a commercial building built in the early Twentieth Century. The building features decorative brick work, two brick belt courses, a recessed front entrance with marble columns, and two stone belt courses. The bank is the only commercial building in Hazel that retains its architectural integrity.

The town of Hazel, SD has undergone a fate similar to other small rural towns. It has become a bedroom community of the larger city of Watertown, SD. Main Street business has come and gone in Hazel and today is almost non-existent. However, the bank's doors have remained open and it continues to be the cornerstone of the Hazel community, both architecturally and historically.

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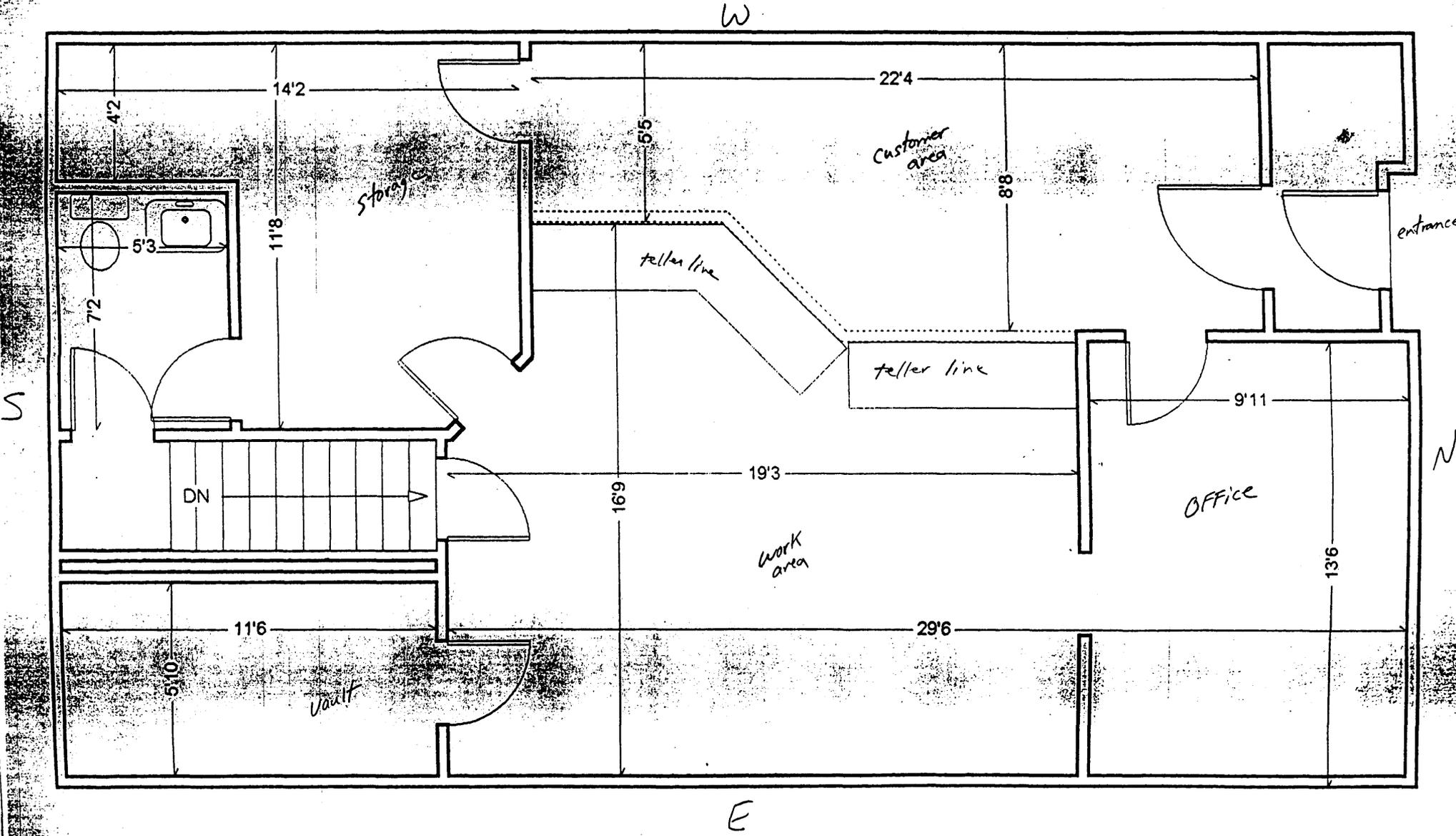
Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 1, Block 6, original plat to the town of Hazel, Hamlin County, South Dakota

Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes the entire parcel historically associated with the Farmer State Bank.

Farmers State Bank - Hazel, SD
Floor plan prior to renovation



Farmers State Bank - Hazel, SD
Floor plan after renovation

Attachment #2

