

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic Tufveson House

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 426 Fourth Avenue NW NA not for publication

city, town Minot NA vicinity of

state North Dakota code 38 county Ward code 101

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

**4. Owner of Property**

name Rick D. Larson

street & number 426 Fourth Avenue NW

city, town Minot NA vicinity of state North Dakota

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Ward County Courthouse

street & number 315 SE 3rd

city, town Minot state North Dakota

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title NA has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date NA  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records NA

city, town NA state NA

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" 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

The Tufveson House is a 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -story wood frame building with truncated hipped roof and three gable peaks. Although it is basically massive and simple in appearance, its Victorian influence is manifested through use of cut fieldstone foundation, decorative shingled gable ends, and wrap-around single-story porch. The porch features a paneled porch skirt, turned balustrade and newel posts, Italianate post brackets, tongue-and-groove floor, and beadboard ceiling. Six large beveled glass fixed-frame windows are located (one at each floor level) on the facade, east, and west elevations. A paladian window surrounded by decorative shingles nestles into the facade gable. Simple one-over one double-sash windows are found throughout the remaining elevations. Two of the four original entrance doors have not been replaced. They are solid-core paneled oak with carved festoons and beveled lights. The hardware is brass.

The interior window and door trim, ceiling moldings, and baseboards are oak with egg-and-dart motif. The floors are of maple. The hardware is brass with egg-and-dart motif. The entrance/receiving area has a large, handsome oak staircase leading to the second floor. On the main floor, the receiving area opens into a south parlor. This parlor leads into a second parlor or sitting room. A morning room and a formal dining room adjoin the sitting room. A half-bath has been built into a small butlers' closet under the main stairway, adjacent to the sitting room. The kitchen is next to the formal dining room, and a steep, narrow servants' stairway leading to the second floor is located between the kitchen and morning room.

Two formal bedrooms with adjoining parlors are located on the second floor. A bathroom, central hallway, and third bedroom (maid's room) complete the second floor plan. An outside entrance leads to the porch roof. A spacious attic occupies the third floor, and the basement has several storage areas, including a cold storage room.

The Tufveson House grounds are formally landscaped and front onto the Souris River. A small cement fish pond, contemporary with the house, is stocked with goldfish. The house and grounds are part of a district of five stately early Twentieth Century mansions with formal yards and gardens.

Although the house has retained much integrity of design and materials, some alterations have taken place over the years. During the 1940's and 1950's, the house was converted into apartments, and a single-story shed-roofed addition on poured concrete foundation was attached to the rear elevation. The addition is sheathed with clapboards and cornerboards to match the house. Also during the 1940's, the facade entrance and reception area staircase were removed, and some rooms were remodeled. In the 1960's, a two-stall garage was moved onto the site and installed on poured concrete footings. The garage has a hipped roof with exposed rafter ends, shiplap siding and cornerboards, and paneled folding doors. A single-stall, flat-roofed, clapboard-sided garage has also been attached to the rear elevation of the house.

The present owner has converted the Tufveson House back into a single-family dwelling. He has restored the rooms to their original configurations, replaced the oak egg-and-dart motif woodwork where necessary, and replaced the entrance stairway. The new stairs are of oak and feature a quarter-turn with landing, and turned balustrade and newel. Stencil frescoes remain in the plaster of the dining room and sitting room, but are presently covered with wallpaper.

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

**Specific dates** ca. 1900

**Builder/Architect** Nels Tufveson, builder

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Tufveson House is significant primarily as a fine example of Princess Anne architecture. It represents a great number of large, stylish homes built around the turn of the century during the transition from elaborately ornate Queen Anne and Victorian architecture to the more simple, modern, twentieth century "plain" house or Homestead House. The house is significant also for its association with its builder, Nels Tufveson--Swedish immigrant, cattle rancher and developer.

Tufveson was one of the original rancher settlers of the Souris River Valley, arriving in the area by 1884. (Census of Dakota Territory, 1885, Renville County, enumerations lists). Tufveson, like other ranchers of the Souris Valley, came to the area some years in advance of the general homestead settlement. Tufveson, who emigrated from Sweden at an early age, was a leading citizen in the young Renville and Ward Counties, and he served for a time as a Deputy U.S. Marshall. He was one of the founding fathers of the Missouri and Mouse River Valleys Stock Association, a protective association for area ranchers.

Tufveson expanded his energies into real estate development as well as ranching. In 1898 he purchased what is now all of Forsberg's Fourth Addition, where the house was built shortly thereafter, and the surrounding acreage south of the Souris River. The Tufveson House was the first home built in this district along the river, and the surrounding property was later sold to the family who built the remaining four houses. Tufveson continued his development activities in Minot, building and owning approximately 50 homes.

The Tufveson House is a rare survivor of late Victorian residential construction in Minot. The size, design and detail of the dwelling and grounds reflect the success and social stature of Nels Tufveson, and the house is a clear reminder of the preferred lifestyle and architecture of the community at the turn of the century. The Tufveson House and four adjacent dwellings are virtually the only examples remaining in Minot of the house-mansions built at the close of the Victorian era. The house is particularly significant because of its integrity of design and both interior and exterior material, and the integrity of the landscaped grounds.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

See continuation sheet

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property ca. 0.85 acres

Quadrangle name Minot Quadrangle

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

A 

14	3	2	9	1	3	0	5	3	4	5	3	8	0
Zone	Easting			Northing									

B 

Zone	Easting			Northing									

C 


D 


E 


F 


G 


H 


Verbal boundary description and justification

See continuation page

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

state NA code NA county NA code NA

state NA code NA county NA code NA

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Patricia Jessen

organization Cultural Research & Management Inc. date August 30, 1983

street & number P.O. Box 2154 telephone 701-258-1215

city or town Bismarck state North Dakota

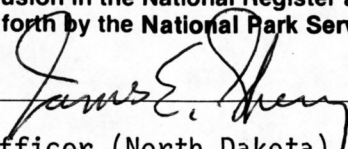
# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

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 National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

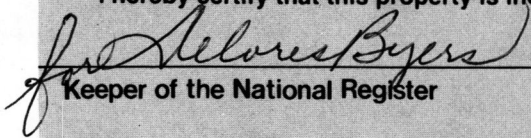


title State Historic Preservation Officer (North Dakota)

date March 8, 1984

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



Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the National Register

date

4/12/84

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

A certain tract of land, lying and being in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, Twp. 155N, Rge. 83W, Ward County, North Dakota, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point which is 1060.45 feet west and 33 feet north of the SE corner of said Section 14; thence running west and parallel with the south boundary line of said Section 14, a distance of 133 feet; thence running north at right angles with the said south boundary line of the said Section 14, a distance of 280 feet, more or less, to the south bank of the Mouse River; thence easterly along the south bank of the said Mouse River at a point opposite the point of beginning; thence south a distance of 235 feet to the point of beginning; also described as follows:- Beginning at a point 325.45 feet west of the intersection of the west line of 4th. St. NW and the North line of 4th. Ave. NW, Minot; thence west along said north line of 4th. Ave. NW 133 feet; thence north at right angles to the centre of the Mouse River; thence Easterly down the centre of the Mouse River until it comes opposite the place of beginning; thence south at right angles to the place of beginning.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Tufveson House  
Ward County  
NORTH DAKOTA

Working No. MAR 12 1984  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/5/85  
Date Due: 4/12/84 - 4/26/84  
Action:  ACCEPT 4-12-84  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

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

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ 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

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<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

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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Anonymous

Date: ca. 1906

Negative Location: State Historical Society of ND  
Heritage Center  
Bismarck, ND

View: facade from south

Photo: 1/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.

P.O. Box 2154

Bismarck, ND 58502

View: facade from south

Photo: 2/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: October 29, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.  
P.O. Box 2154  
Bismarck, ND 58502

View: facade from south

Photo: 3/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.

P.O. Box 2154

Bismarck, ND 58502

View: Detail of facade from south

Photo: 4/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.  
P.O. Box 2154  
Bismarck ND 58502

View: West & north elevations from northwest

Photo: 5/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative location: CRM, Inc.

P.O. Box 2154

Bismarck, ND 58502

View: east elevation from east

Photo: 6/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.  
P.O. Box 2154  
Bismarck, ND 58502

View: detail of facade porch from southeast

Photo: 7/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.  
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View: fishpond from east

Photo: 8/20



CHEVROLET

Tufveson House

Minot, ND

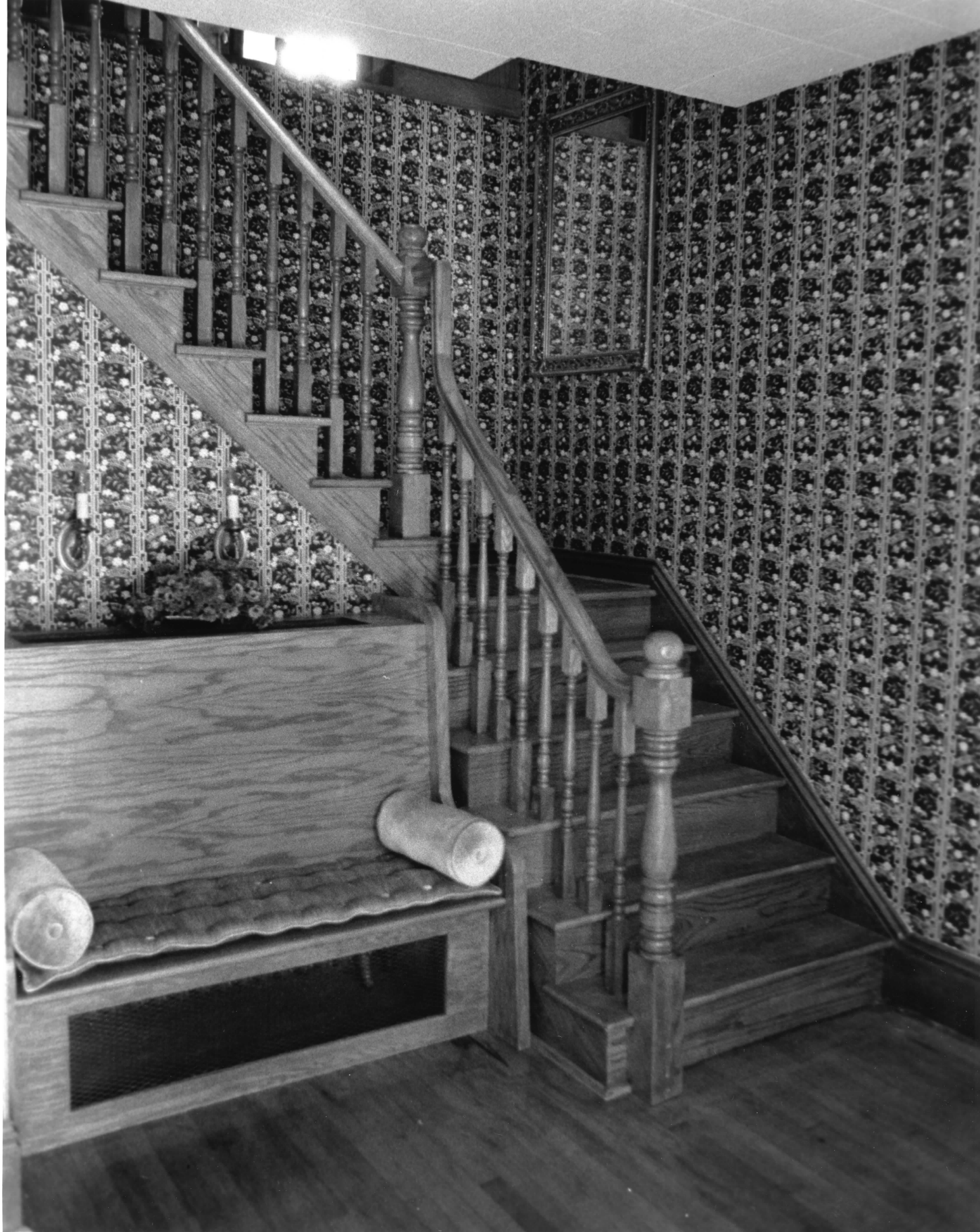
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View: garage from southwest

Photo: 9/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.

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Bismarck, ND 58502

View: Entrance area and replacement staircase  
from southwest

Photo: 10/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management

Date: October 29, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.  
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View: Front parlor from north

Photo: 11/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

Photo Credit: Cultural Research & Management, Inc.

Date: August 19, 1983

Negative Location: CRM, Inc.  
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Bismarck, ND 58502

View: Living room opening into dining room  
from south

Photo: 12/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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Bismarck, ND 58502

View: kitchen from northeast

Photo: 13/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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Date: October 29, 1983

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Bismarck, ND 58502

View: Servants' stairs from east

Photo: 14/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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View: Morning room from west

Photo: 15/20



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Minot, ND

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View: south bedroom parlor from east

Photo: 16/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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Bismarck ND 58502

View: south bedroom parlor and bedroom from west

Photo: 17/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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Date: August 19, 1983

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Bismarck, ND 58502

View: west bedroom & parlor from southeast

Photo: 18/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

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Date: October 29, 1983

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Bismarck, ND

View: Facade & west elevation from southwest

Photo: 19/20



Tufveson House

Minot, ND

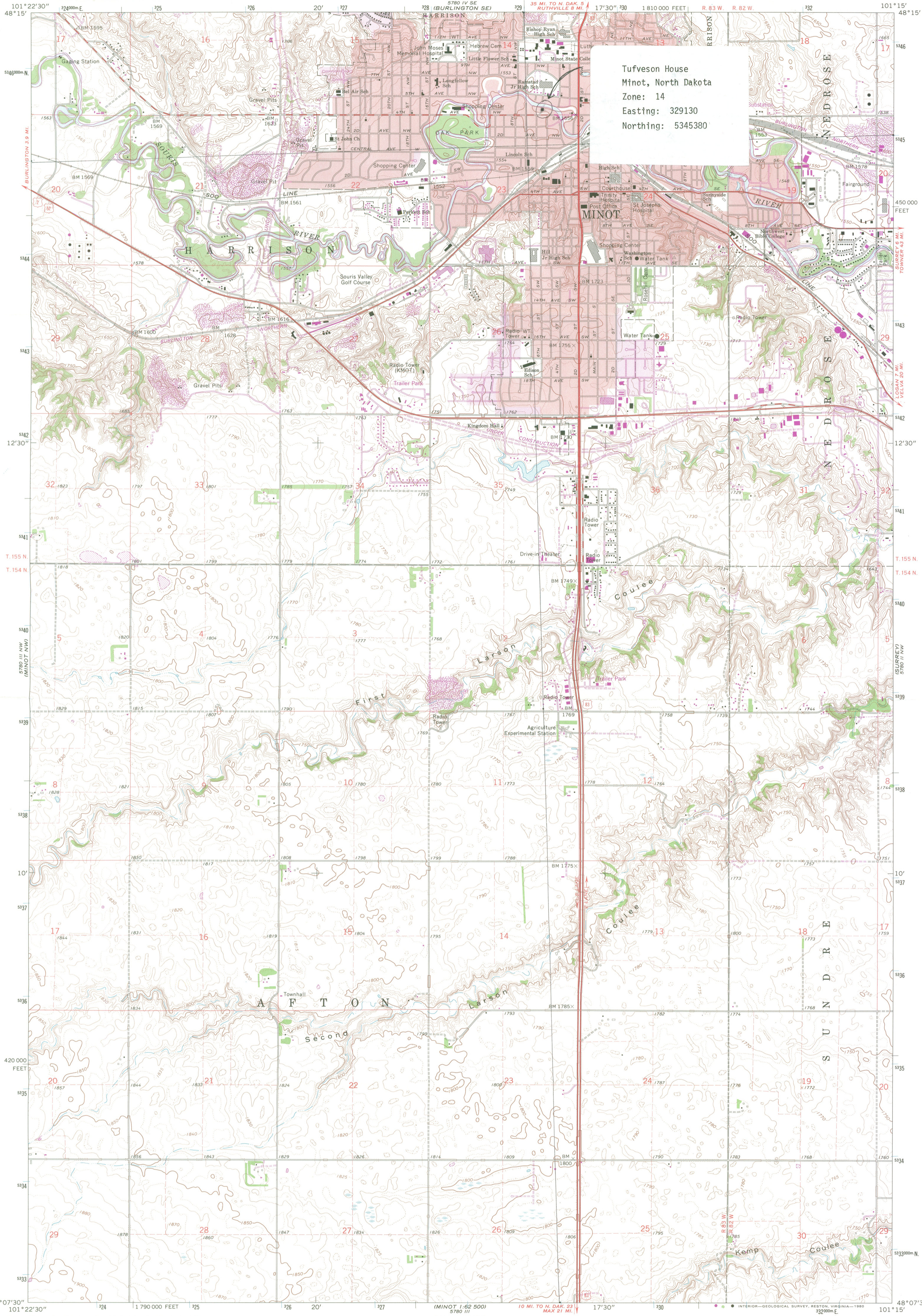
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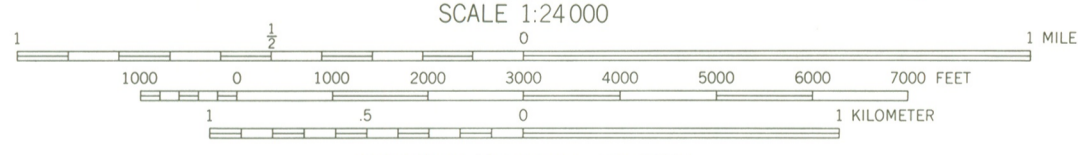
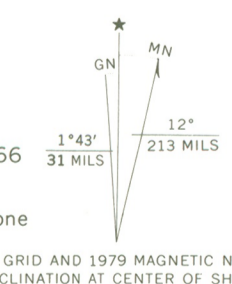
View: Facade from south

Photo: 20/20



Tufveson House  
Minot, North Dakota  
Zone: 14  
Easting: 329130  
Northing: 5345380

Maped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey as part of the Department of the Interior program for the development of the Missouri River Basin Control by USGS and USC&GS  
Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken 1938. Topography by planetable surveys 1948. Revised 1966  
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on North Dakota coordinate system, north zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 14, shown in blue  
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown  
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked  
Revisions shown in purple and woodland compiled from aerial photographs taken 1977 and other source data. This information not field checked. Map edited 1979



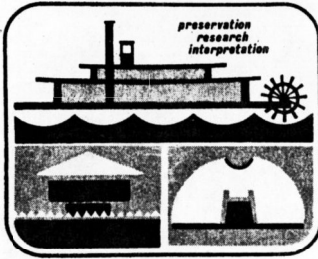
CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
DOTTED LINES REPRESENT 5-FOOT CONTOURS  
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS.  
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER COLORADO 80225, OR RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092  
AND BY THE STATE WATER COMMISSION, BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA 58501  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



MINOT, N. DAK.  
NE/4 MINOT 15' QUADRANGLE  
N4807.5—W10115.7.5

1966  
PHOTOREVISED 1979  
AMS 5780 III NE—SERIES 5871



# State Historical Society

of North Dakota (State Historical Board)

North Dakota Heritage Center, Bismarck, N.D. 58505

Telephone 701-224-2666

March 7, 1984

Ms. Carol Shull  
Keeper of the National Register  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
United States Department of the Interior  
440 G Street - Pension Building  
DOI  
W434  
Washington, D.C. 20243

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed please find three completed and documented forms nominating three properties to the National Register of Historic Places. The properties are identified as follows:

Andrew Carr Sr. House, (Minot)  
✓ Tufveson House, (Minot)  
Red River Valley University/Old Main, (Wahpeton)

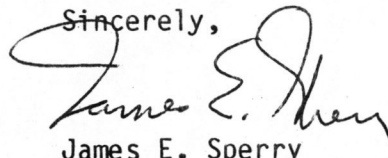
The properties have been reviewed by the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Review Board, who after reviewing the historical, architectural, and archeological facts pertaining to the properties and after applying the criteria for eligibility to them, agreed that the criteria were met and recommended that the properties be nominated. However, in approving the nomination of the Red River Valley University for submittal to the National Register of Historic Places, our State Review Board included in its motion the request that you substantively review this nomination. We heartily applaud our Review Board's interest in assuring that the integrity of the National Register is maintained and we fully support their request for substantive review of the nomination.

The owners of the properties have been notified by letter of the proposed nomination action and invited to comment. No comments have been received; if comments are received subsequently they will be forwarded to your office.

Ms. Shull  
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March 7, 1984

If you have any questions about these nominations please feel free to contact me or Mr. Louis N. Hafermehl of our staff at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James E. Sperry".

James E. Sperry  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
(North Dakota)

LNH/je  
Enclosures