

FORM F - STRUCTURE

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
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City Northampton

Address northside Prince Street

Name Horse Barn

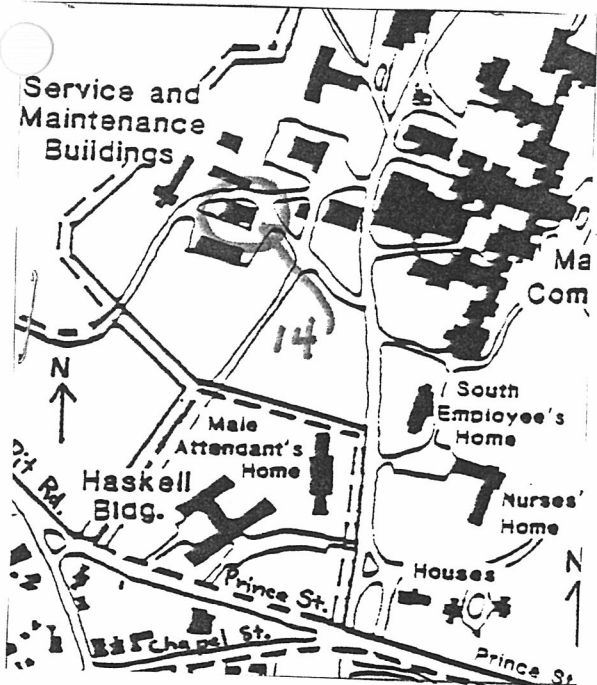
Present use Grounds Dept. Office

Present owner Comm. of Mass.

Type of structure (check one)

- Age _____
 - Al _____
 - 1 _____
 - Fort _____
 - Gate _____
 - Kiln _____
 - Lighthouse _____
 - Other barn
- pound
 - powder house
 - street
 - tower
 - tunnel
 - wall
 - windmill

4. Map. Draw sketch of structure location in relation to nearest cross streets, buildings, other structures, natural features. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

5. Description

Date 1914-1915

Source Annual Reports

Architects: Ellsworth & Howes

Construction material brick

Dimensions 25' x 50"

Setting west of Main Complex

Condition good

6. Recorded by Ed Lonergan

Organization Northampton Historical Commis:

Date February, 1981

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Comm. of Mass.

Original use horse barn

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates office for Grounds Dept. (Mid 20th century)

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input type="checkbox"/>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

In 1914 the State Legislature appropriated \$9000 for the construction of a stable for the farm horses. Plans were drawn by Ellsworth and Howes, a Holyoke architectural firm, and the building was completed the next year. There were stalls on both sides of a central corridor on the ground floor, and a hayloft above. This barn replaced an earlier, brick barn, which was than changed to a cold storage building, and later demolished.

The importance of horses on the farm decreased in the following decades, and this brick barn was remodelled to serve as office and storgae space for the Grounds Department.

10. Bibliography and/or references such as local histories. deeds. assessor's records. early maps. etc.

- Annual Reports: 1914-1915 - Forbes Library
- Original Plans: Horse Barn - NSH Engineer's Office