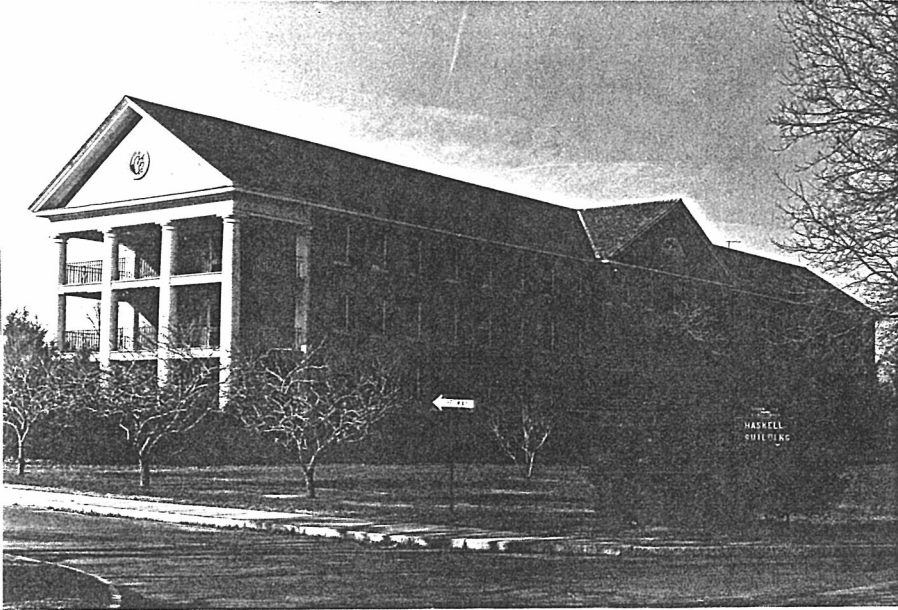


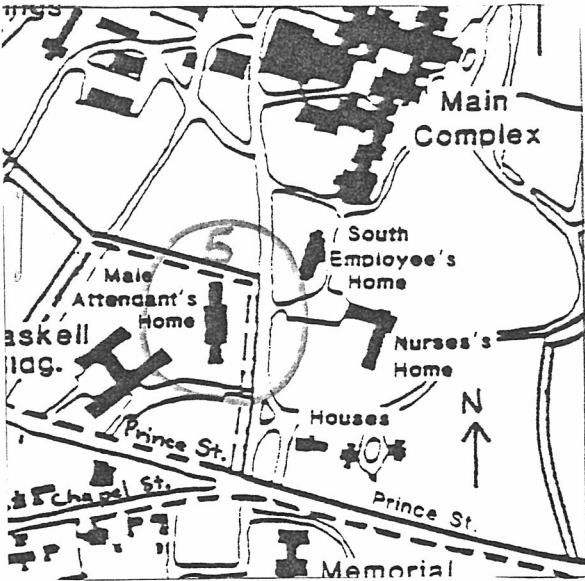
FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Draw map showing property location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



Northampton
S Northside Prince Street
 ic Name Attendants Home
 riginal dormitory - attendants
 resent -
 hip: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public Comm. of Mass.
 riginal owner Comm. of Mass.

OPTION:

Date 1931-1933

Source Annual Reports

Style _____

Architect Gordon Robb

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage _____

Setting _____

Recorded by Ed Lonergan

Organization Northampton Historical Commission

Date February, 1981

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This long rectangular block is situated perpendicular to Route 66, and features a three-story, recessed portico with pediment and Tuscan columns on the end facing the street. Centrally located on the long eastern side is a slightly projecting, pedimented pavilion.

Gordon Robb was a Boston architect who designed ten buildings at the State Hospital during the 1920's and 1930's.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This was the fourth and last dormitory for hospital staff to be constructed near the main hospital group in the fifteen year period between 1918 and 1933. All of these were detached structures in contrast to earlier dormitories which had been part of, or added to, the main hospital building.

In 1931 the State Legislature appropriated \$150,000 for a home for male attendants. The building was completed two years later and opened in August of 1933. Single rooms were provided for one hundred attendatns, there was a large reception room on each floor, and a large smoking room and card room were located in the basement.

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