FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

Northampton
Northside Prince Street

Original Name: North Home
Original dormitory - nurses
Present
Ship:

Private individual
Public Comm. of Mass.

Original owner:

Comm. of Mass.

OPTION:

Date: 1918-1920

Source: Annual Reports

Style:

Architect: Kendall, Taylor & Co.

Exterior wall fabric: brick

Outbuildings:

Major alterations (with dates):

Moved:

Approx. acreage:

Setting: North of Main Complex

Recorded by: Ed Lonergan

Organization: Northampton Historical Commission

Date: February, 1981

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

Kendall, Taylor & Co. were a Boston architectural firm that specialized in the field of hospital design. They constructed large modern hospitals in the Boston area during the early years of the 20th century, including the Boston State Hospital Westboro State Hospital and new additions to the Worcester State Hospital.

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

In 1918 the State Legislature appropriated $108,000 for the construction of two dormitories for nurses, each with room for sixty-three nurses. These were constructed at either end of the main complex and housed female nurses (at the South Home), or male attendants (at the North Home). These two buildings replaced the smaller structures erected at the rear of the main hospital building in the early 1890's.

This home is connected to the infirmary of the north wing by a tunnel.

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Annual Reports: 1918, 1919 - Forbes Library
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