

Area	Form no.
	31A-260



Town Northampton

Address 58 Paradise Rd.

Historic Name G. McCallum House

Use: Original residence

Present faculty apartments

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization Smith College

Public _____

Original owner George B. McCallum

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1912-13

Source Springfiled Daily Republican

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric stucco

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved --- Date _____

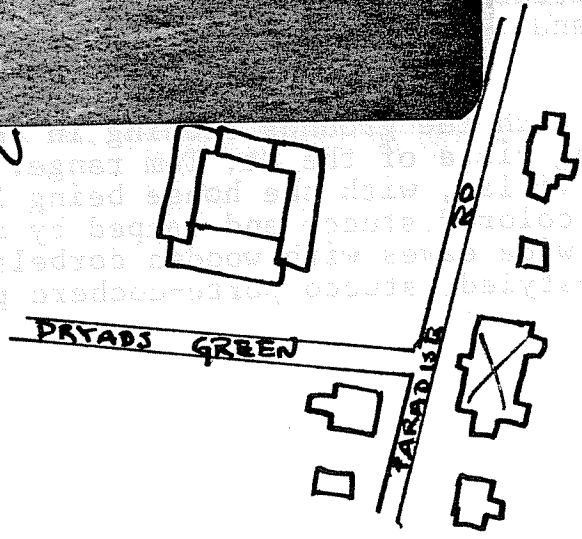
Approx. acreage one acre or less

Setting _____

Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date May 1980



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

See Below.

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

This elaborate house was built for George Mc Callum in 1912-13. The building report for 1912 describes this as not yet completed, with a final cost of \$60,000, making this one of the most costly residences of the turn-of-the-century period. Mr. McCallum was treasurer of the McCallum Hosiery Co. and the Northampton Silk Co. at the time, and he later became president of the hosiery concern and treasurer of Smith College. In 1937 Smith College purchased the property and converted the house to faculty apartments.

The house is admirably sited with the grounds sloping in the rear to Paradise Pond, and a commanding vista of the Mt. Tom range. The style is reminiscent of Mediterranean villas, with the house being 2½ stories in height, covered with a tan colored stucco and capped by a red-tiled, gently hipped roof. There are wide eaves with wooden corbels on all sides of the house, and a Baroque-styled, stucco porte-cochere projects from the facade.

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