

**BEAUFORT COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITES SURVEY - 1997**

INTENSIVE LEVEL BUILDING INVENTORY FORM

Statewide Survey Site Form  
State Historic Preservation Office  
South Carolina Department of Archives and History  
Columbia, SC

Site Number: U- 13 - 38.08  
Access County Site #  
USGS Quad: 182 Frogmore  
Doc. Level: Intensive Level-Building

Historic name(s): Penn Center Historic District Map Ref.: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Number: R300 016 000 0094 0000  
Common name(s): Jessamine Cottage City Block Ref.: \_\_\_\_\_ Island: St. Helena Is.  
Address/location: 26 Penn Center Drive City/Vicinity of (vic.): St. Helena Island  
Date: 1911 Alteration date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership:  1. private  2. city  3. county  4. state  5. federal  6. unknown  
Category:  1. building  2. site  3. structure  4. object  
Historic use(s): single dwelling Current uses: single dwelling

National Register Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Listing Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NRIS # \_\_\_\_\_  
listed as part of NR Historic District 9/9/74 Penn Center Historic District

SHPO Determination: District:  Contributing  Non-contributing Potential: \_\_\_\_\_

Consultant Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Survey: \_\_\_\_\_ Reference: \_\_\_\_\_ Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
 H.A.B.S.  Other.. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Feiss-Wright (1969) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Historic Resources of the Lowcountry (1979) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Milner Historic District Inventory (1979) \_\_\_\_\_  
 A Guide to Historic Beaufort (1995 ed.) \_\_\_\_\_

Photograph:



Photographs:  
 prints  
 slides  
 negatives

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Style: Folk: hall-and-parlor \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial Form: \_\_\_\_\_

Core Shape: rectangular \_\_\_\_\_ Stories: 1 story \_\_\_\_\_ Construction: frame \_\_\_\_\_

Roof: Shape: gable (lateral) \_\_\_\_\_ Material: composition shingle \_\_\_\_\_

Chimney: Type: interior \_\_\_\_\_ Material: brick \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior Walls: weatherboard \_\_\_\_\_

Windows: single \_\_\_\_\_ Type: double hung \_\_\_\_\_ Pane 4/4 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Config.: \_\_\_\_\_

Doors: single \_\_\_\_\_ Foundation: brick piers \_\_\_\_\_

Porch Height: 1 story \_\_\_\_\_ Porch Width: over 1 bay, less than full \_\_\_\_\_ Porch Roof Shape: shed \_\_\_\_\_

Porch Details: insect screening \_\_\_\_\_ Decorative \_\_\_\_\_  
 posts \_\_\_\_\_ Elements: \_\_\_\_\_  
 other balustrade \_\_\_\_\_

Outbuildings: \_\_\_\_\_ Interior \_\_\_\_\_  
 Features: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Related Resources: \_\_\_\_\_

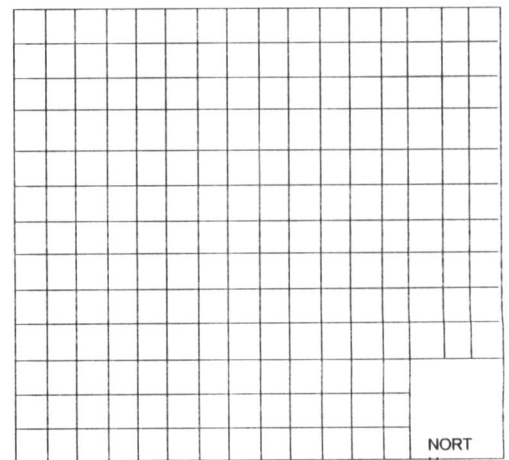
Surroundings: campus \_\_\_\_\_ Acreage: \_\_\_\_\_ Quadrangle: Frogmore \_\_\_\_\_

Alterations: Alteration date: \_\_\_\_\_ Integrity: fair \_\_\_\_\_ Condition: good \_\_\_\_\_

Description: Simple hall and parlor type house with off-center chimney. Four main window bays evenly spaced across the facade; central door between middle windows. Ell projects to the rear.

Historical Data: Part of Penn Center Complex. Built as housing for teachers. Won 3rd place in the National Better Homes Campaign of 1922.

Sketch:



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Informant/ Bibliography: NRHP Form, "Penn Center Historic District;" Penn's Campus Tour Guide," unpublished ms. located in NRHP files.