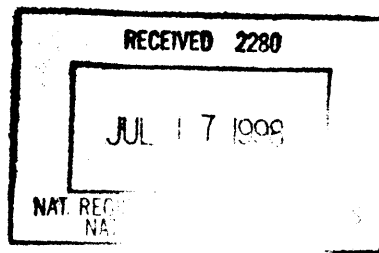


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Section II. Location
109, 112, 118, 119, 121, 127, West Lelia Street and 117, 118 West Mattie Lou Street, Florence, Lauderdale County, Alabama, 35630

Section III. State/Federal Agency Certification
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] 7-10-98
Signature of certifying official Date

Alabama Historical Commission (State Historic Preservation Office)
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] 8-14-98
Signature of commenting or other official Date

National Park Service
State or Federal agency and bureau

Section V. Classification
The district is being increased by eleven resources: nine contributing and two noncontributing. When consulting the original nomination, the NR Coordinator discovered that the original contributing count was incorrect (it should be seventy-one instead of seventy). As such the number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register should be changed to be seventy-one.

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Section VII.

Architectural Classification

Bungalow

Colonial Revival

Other: Minimal Traditional

Expansion Narrative Description

In the fall of 1997, two areas adjoining the existing College Place Historic District were surveyed with the proposal of listing in the National Register of Historic Places. This expansion to the College Place Historic District runs along two streets: West Lelia and West Mattie Lou. Both areas of the proposed expansion are contiguous with the existing boundaries, setting and landscape, with its grid street pattern, well established trees and shrubs, sidewalks, and closely spaced houses. Eleven residential resources are being added to the district: nine contributing and two noncontributing. There are seven houses and two outbuildings that contribute to the historic character of the district. Nearly all of the resources being added to the College Place Historic District were constructed from the end of the Depression to 1944, reflecting Florence's dramatic boom periods during the early decades of the twentieth century (see the Cherry Street Historic District National Register nomination for a good history of Florence's boom periods). The architectural character of the expansion area is simplistic, reflecting stylistic trends of the period. Bungalow forms still predominate with minimal decoration but Colonial Revival influences can also be seen on a couple of the houses.

Expansion Inventory

49. 109 West Lelia Street (Fieldstone Cottage) 1939; bungalow; one- and one-half-story fieldstone house with a side-gabled asphalt roof with exposed eaves and rafter ends; two sets of concrete steps lead up to the centrally located entrance with bracketed gable stoop; 6:6 wood windows with brick sills flank the entrance with one on the eastern side and a group of two on the western side; stone chimneys on the front facade and eastern elevation. (C)

-- outbuilding: 1955; one story, one bay, front-gabled, stone garage. (NC, due to age)

50. 112 West Lelia Street (Curren Home) 1930; Colonial Revival; one-story frame stuccoed house with a side-gabled asphalt roof and two front-gabled attic vents; symmetrical facade with centrally located entrance capped by an over scaled pediment supported by curvilinear brackets, a flanking group of three double hung wood windows with a 3:1, 4:1, 3:1 pane arrangement, and two internal chimneys; side-gabled carport attached on the western elevation and side-gabled lattice-screened porch on the eastern side. (C)

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51. 118 West Lelia Street (Chandler Home) 1937; bungalow; one- and one-half-story brick house with a side-gabled asphalt roof with a centrally located front-gabled dormer with four 6:6 wood windows; centrally located entrance with a pair of 6:6 wood windows on the western side and a recessed porch on the eastern side of the front door; the recessed porch and wrap-around section to the front door has a shed roof supported by five wood posts; a group of three 6:6 wood windows are located on the recessed southern facade of the house; a single brick chimney can be found on the eastern elevation. (C)

-- outbuilding: circa 1940 one story, one bay, side-gabled, wood garage. (C)

52. 119 West Lelia Street (Richardson House) 1944; one-story brick house with a clipped side-gabled asphalt roof; centrally located entrance flanked by pairs of 3:1 wood windows with brick sills; off-centered front porch (on the eastern side of the front facade) with clipped front gable roof supported by two wood posts; one internal central and one eastern elevation external chimney; Cecil R. Gargis, builder. (C)

53. 121 West Lelia Street (Zehner Home) 1942; nearly identical to # 52; one-story brick house with a side-gabled asphalt roof; centrally located entrance flanked by pairs of 3:1 wood windows with brick sills; off-centered front porch (on the eastern side of the front facade) with front gable roof supported by two wood posts; one internal central and one eastern elevation external chimney; Cecil R. Gargis, builder. (C)

54. 127 West Lelia Street (McGlamery Cottage) 1942; one-story brick house with a hipped asphalt roof; centrally located entrance with metal awning flanked by pairs of single-pane aluminum windows (this area was historically the front porch); other windows are 3:1; one centrally internal and one eastern elevation brick chimney; Cecil R. Gargis, builder. (NC, due to the adverse enclosure of the front porch)

-- outbuilding: circa 1942 one story brick garage. (C)

55. 117 West Mattie Lou Street (The Gables) 1930; bungalow; one-story frame house with a side-gabled asphalt roof with supporting brackets under eaves; centrally located entrance flanked by 4:1 wood windows; front porch has a front gable roof with attic vents and eave brackets; porch is supported by two low square brick bases with wood posts on each end; centrally located porch steps are flanked by low square brick posts; one chimney on the eastern elevation. (C)

56. 118 West Mattie Lou Street (The House Home) 1944; minimal traditional; one-story frame stuccoed house with side-gabled asphalt roof and off-centered (west) front gable; a small front-gabled vent is located on the front facade roof; centrally located entrance with a pair of 3:1 wood windows on the western side and a recessed porch on the eastern side of the front door; the recessed porch and wrap-around section to the front door has a shed roof

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supported by a single frame stuccoed post with a low frame stuccoed wall continuing to the front steps; a pair of 3:1 wood windows are located on the recessed southern facade of the house; a single brick chimney can be found on the eastern elevation; front steps are flanked by low frame stuccoed square bases; Hubert J. House, builder. (C)

Archaeological Component

Although no formal archaeological survey has been made of the district expansion area, the potential for subsurface remains is good. Buried portions may contain information that may be useful in interpreting the neighborhood.

Section VIII. Expansion Statement of Significance

Architect/Builder: Gargis, Cecil R., builder

Explanation of Expansion: The College Place Historic District is being expanded to incorporate eleven resources contiguous to the existing boundaries that have the same developmental history and architectural styling. The expansion is the result of additional survey work conducted in the fall of 1997 at the request of the property owners, so that they might take advantage of National Register listing. The great majority of buildings included in the expansion retain their original architectural integrity and contribute to the existing district in location, design, material, workmanship, feeling, and association. Just like the houses in the existing district, these are similarly styled and reflect a slice of life in Florence. Notable people who have lived in the houses in the expansion include Ms. Helen Chandler, a beloved and long-time educator in Florence City Schools and Mr. M.P. Curren, owner and operator of the popular Florence Bakery. Three of the seven houses in the expansion area were built by Mr. Cecil Gargis, a local contractor who was very active during the early 1940s through the mid-1950s. The small scale houses he built are structurally sound and have nice interior details.

Section X. Expansion Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: approximately 1.6

UTM References: 1. 16-437790-3852360 2. 16-437780-3852200

Verbal Boundary Description: The boundaries of the expansion to the College Place Historic District are indicated on the enclosed map at 1"=200'.

Boundary Justification: The expansion boundaries were drawn to include eight homes and their outbuildings along the eastern side of Sherrod Avenue, the main street through the existing College Place Historic District, on West Lelia and West Mattie Lou Streets. The great majority of these resources contribute and are contiguous to the existing boundaries.

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
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
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1. West Lelia Street, looking northwest
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4. 112 West Lelia Street, looking north
5. 118 West Lelia Street, looking north
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7. 121 West Lelia Street, looking south
8. 119 West Lelia Street, looking south
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1"=200'

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 contributing

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 expansion boundaries

