

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM

For Buildings and Structures

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
TOWN NO.:		SITE NO.:	
UTM: 18	/	/	/
QUAD:			
DISTRICT:	S	NR:	ACTUAL
			POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME: Common: _____ Historic: Starling Childs Camp
2. TOWN/CITY: Norfolk VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Litchfield
3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): Doolittle Lake, south shore
Estate of Dorothy McCain, c/o Hartford National
4. OWNER(S): Bank & Trust Co., Hartford, CT 06115 PUBLIC PRIVATE
5. USE: Present: Summer cottage Historic: Summer cottage
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain no

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: _____ DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1923
8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):
 clapboard ___ asbestos siding ___ brick
 ___ wood shingle ___ asphalt siding fieldstone
 ___ board & batten ___ stucco ___ cobblestone
 ___ aluminum siding ___ concrete: type: _____ ___ cut stone: type: _____
 ___ other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 ___ wood frame: ___ post and beam balloon
 ___ load bearing masonry ___ structural iron or steel
 ___ other: _____
10. ROOF: type:
 gable ___ flat ___ mansard ___ monitor ___ sawtooth
 ___ gambrel ___ shed hip ___ round ___ other _____
 material:
 ___ wood shingle ___ roll asphalt ___ tin ___ slate
 asphalt shingle ___ built up ___ tile ___ other: _____
11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 1½ APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: _____
12. CONDITION: Structural: ___ excellent good ___ fair ___ deteriorated
 Exterior: ___ excellent good ___ fair ___ deteriorated
13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site ___ moved, when: _____
 Alterations: no ___ yes, explain: _____
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 ___ barn ___ shed ___ garage ___ other landscape features or buildings: _____
 ___ carriage house ___ shop ___ garden
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 ___ open land woodland ___ residential ___ scattered buildings visible from site
 ___ commercial ___ industrial ___ rural ___ high building density
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The cottage faces a lake in the woods.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

Seen from the lake, this frame cottage is built on a high rubble stone basement with round, arched doorways. The wide front porch has elliptical arches as seen in the Noble and Moseley Houses, and the pierced balustrade of Hillside and the Farnham House.

SIGNIFICANCE

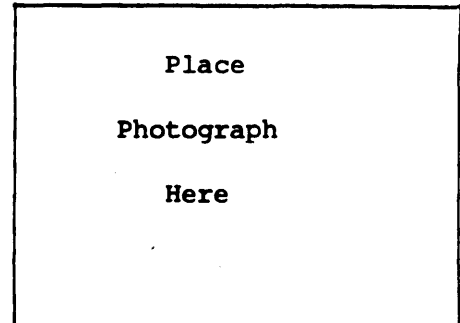
Architect: A.S.G. Taylor or Taylor & Levi Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The frame cottage superimposed on the stone basement is yet another example of Taylor eccentricity.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: D. Ransom
date: October 1978 view: South
negative on file: Connecticut Historical Commission



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19. SOURCES:

Strong local tradition and stylistic attribution.

20. ~~SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:~~

Verbal boundary description: NLR 55/362, 200 feet of lake frontage.
UTM Reference: 18/652660/4652440.
Less than one acre.

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other: _____
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: _____