

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO.	<u>103-06-0138</u>
QUAD	_____
SERIES	_____
NEG. NO.	_____

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C.I. #57

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: September 24, 1975
Town Hall

YOUR ADDRESS: 655 Main Street TELEPHONE: (516) 581-2000

ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning, Housing & Development

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Central Islip State Hospital's Photo Lab; Originally the
2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Central Isl. Laboratory
3. STREET LOCATION: East of Carleton Ave. (east of Group M Buildings)
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private Robbins Rd
5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____
6. USE: Original: Laboratory Present: Abandoned Photo Lab
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No Permission re-
Interior accessible: Explain By appointment only quired.

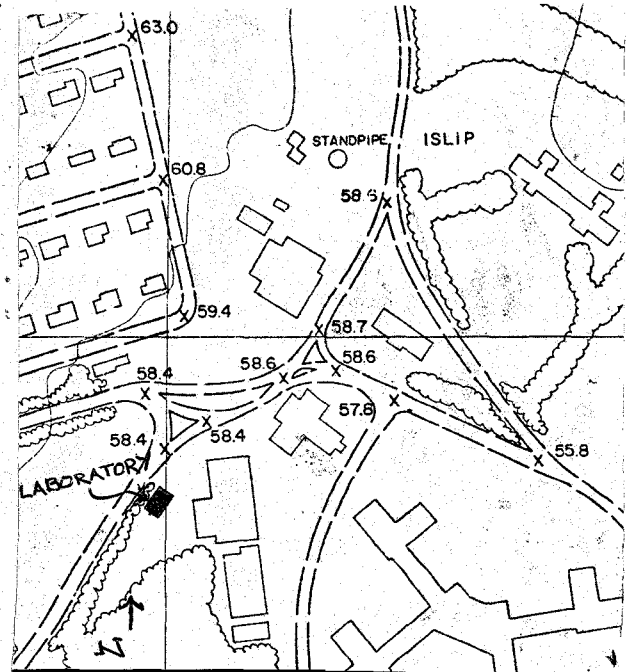
Bldg. 117

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
10. CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): _____

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:



HP-1 Roll #Q7; Neg. #1
South side

14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
 d. developers e. deterioration
 f. other: _____

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
 a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
 d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
 g. shop h. gardens
 i. landscape features: _____
 j. other: _____

16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
 a. open land b. woodland
 c. scattered buildings
 d. densely built-up e. commercial
 f. industrial g. residential
 h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Central Islip State Hospital is located on a 1000 acre wooded property, running from Clayton St. to Southern State Parkway, on both sides of Carleton Ave. The grounds contain buildings from various periods and in various architectural styles, including Tudor and Colonial

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

This one story brick building has a slate roof and decorative exposed rafter ends. It has a hipped roof with projecting gabled vents. The nine-over-nine windows have lugsills. There is a four pane transom above the front door. The basement is partially above ground, and has an exterior entrance.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: circa 1908

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: Commercial Const. Co.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This building was originally the Laboratory for the Central Islip State Hospital. In 1913 an important discovery, referred to as "The Breakthrough" took place here. Dr. J.W. Moore and Dr. Neguchi established the connection of general paresis with syphilis by discovering the spirocheta pallida in 12 out of 70 brain studies. After use as the Laboratory, the building became a photo lab. It is abandoned at present. But the one story brick building has its original slate roof, exposed rafter ends, and architraves.

21. SOURCES:

Bellsmith, Ethel. History of Central Islip State Hospital: 1887-1946.
 (Unpublished material by the Supervisor of Social Work)

22. THEME:

Research by the Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities.
 (Judith saltzman)