NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON:
Hare Plantation House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1.6 miles west of junction of SR 1317 and US 258

CITY OR TOWN:

Como

STATE:
North Carolina

CODE: 37

COUNTY:
Hertford

CODE: 091

3. CLASSIFICATION

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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural
Government
Commercial
Industrial
Educational
Military
Entertainment
Museum
Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. Lokie Sumner

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:
North Carolina

CODE: 37

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Hertford County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Winton

STATE:
North Carolina

CODE: 37

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:

depository FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Hare Plantation is a two-story, gable-roofed house constructed of beaded weatherboards. It was built during the first quarter of the nineteenth century. The east end is pedimented and has a modillion cornice which carries around the adjacent sides of the house. The tympanum is decorated with a circular louvered vent which may not be original. The windows have nine-over-nine sash on the first story and six-over-nine on the second.

The central doorway has flush paneled double doors framed by a moulded architrave below a four-light transom. The entrance is sheltered by a simple three-bay pedimented porch supported by four square columns with cornice caps.

The north and south facades are three bays wide. Each has a door in the bay nearest the east end. This configuration raises the possibility that the house originally faced north with a side-hall plan.

On the west end, which is not pedimented, are two common bond single-shouldered chimneys. Between the shafts are two small six-over-six attic windows. The lower portion of the left chimney has been enclosed by a one-story lean-to addition.

The interior is essentially a side-hall plan with two unequal rooms. Stairs ascend to the second story from both the left side of the hall and from the northwest parlor. All rooms have original moulded chair rails above plastered dadoes and simple baseboards. The mantels and overmantels are quite elaborate. The fireplace in the southwest parlor is framed by superimposed bands of fluting in imitation of pilasters without caps. At the top of the fireplace opening is a full-length cornice shelf. Above this are three panels with fluted bands at either end supporting a second shelf. The overmantel consists of two ranges of four narrow panels divided by a heavily moulded rail and flanked by fluted bands. The topmost bands support primitive broken entablatures which in turn support a moulded cornice. This cornice, but not the entablature, is carried all the way across. The mantel in the northwest parlor is simpler, consisting of two ranges of three flat panels each. There are two cornice shelves, the upper decorated with dentils.
The Hare Plantation house was constructed probably about 1815 by Jacob Hare, on a large plantation in the Maney's Neck section of Hertford County. The Hare family had owned property in this area since the mid-eighteenth century and were prominent in state and local politics. Jacob served in the State Senate in 1830. After retiring from the legislature in 1831, he moved south and sold the plantation to Jethro W. Barnes. Barnes was a noted agriculturist and inventor, and often combined these vocations for the mutual benefit of the surrounding plantations. He perfected one of the first cotton sowers and in 1855 patented a fertilizer distributor. In 1860 the Barnes Plantation included twenty-three slaves and 640 acres of land. Barnes willed "the plantation on which I now live" to his son Richard in 1897. Richard had acquired a plantation in Virginia shortly after the Civil War so the house was used by his daughter Emily as her residence. Richard died in 1928 and left the place to his daughter Dorothy Bonniville who rented the house to tenants. In 1942 she sold the house to Guy Hill, who resold it to Rufus Brett in 1946. The house is presently owned by Mrs. Lokie Summer of Como, North Carolina.

Architecturally, Hare Plantation is an interesting example of traditional vernacular design combined with aspects of the classicism which was just becoming popular when it was built. As such, it is a significant link in the evolution of the temple-form building in North Carolina.
Hertford County Records, Hertford County Courthouse, Winton, North Carolina. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills, Estate Records, Census Reports.)

Hertford County Records, State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills, Estate Records, Census Reports.)


10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFining THE PROPERTY

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LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFining THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 8 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: John B. Wells, Survey Specialist; Sherry I. Penney, Survey Assistant

ORGANIZATION: State Department of Archives and History

STREET AND NUMBER: 109 East Jones Street

CITY OR TOWN: Raleigh

STATE: North Carolina

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National [ ] State [x] Local [ ]

Name: Dr. H. G. Jones

Title: Director, State Department of Archives and History

Date: October 20, 1970

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

DATE ____________________________

ATTEST:

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Keeper of The National Register

DATE ____________________________