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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC
 Hillside
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
State Highway 215
CITY, TOWN
Carlisle
STATE
South Carolina
VICINITY OF
 5th
COUNTY
Union
CODE
045
CODE
087

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Jeannette M. Christopher (Mrs. J.B.)
STREET & NUMBER
P. O. Box 145
CITY, TOWN
Carlisle
STATE
South Carolina

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Office of the Clerk of Court
STREET & NUMBER
Union County Courthouse
CITY, TOWN
Union
STATE
South Carolina

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Inventory of Historic Places in South Carolina
DATE
1973 (update)
DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
South Carolina Department of Archives and History
CITY, TOWN
Columbia
STATE
South Carolina

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located on a high hill just north of the town of Carlisle, the James Hill House is a two-story clapboard structure which was probably built ca. 1820-30. A central double piazza with slender wooden columns of the Tuscan order is featured on the front facade. In the pediment is a semi-circular fanlight which is identical (although larger) to those over the front doors which open onto the piazzas. Windows on the first floor are 9/9 while those on the second story are 9/6. The original louvered shutters remain. Exterior chimneys with free-standing flues are located on each side facade. The gable roof is covered with pressed tin shingles and the cornice is boxed.

Apparently the house originally was a typical upcountry style structure, each floor having a central hall and two rooms with a one-story shed-roofed section on the rear. Ca. 1850 the structure was enlarged by an addition to the right end which gave the house its present "L-shaped" plan.

The structure is in excellent condition. Although basically unaltered (since ca. 1850), the back porch has been enclosed and the house has been underpinned to accommodate modern plumbing.

Interior: Few alterations have been made to the interior of the house. The majority of the pine floors and ceilings remain as do the plaster walls. The earliest portion of the first floor contains a central hall with parlor on the right and the original dining room on the left. The Federal-style mantels, paneled wainscoting (with single-board panels), and most of the doors are intact. The woodwork in the parlor is marbled. Behind the dining room is a small room (a portion of which has been enclosed for a modern bath). Located in the central hall is the original staircase which features simple ornamental brackets, a truncated newel post, and slender balusters.

Located to the rear of the parlor is the ca. 1850s addition which extends perpendicularly to the original house. This wing contains a dining room, enclosed back porch onto which the rear staircase opens, and another room now used as the kitchen. Most of the woodwork, mantels and doors in this section are Greek Revival; the exceptions are in the dining room where ceiling beams and wainscoting appear to have been added ca. 1900.

The second story contains two bedrooms and a stair hall with Federal-style paneled wainscoting, woodwork and mantels in the original section. A portion of the bedroom on the left has been enclosed for a bath and closet. The door in the stair hall opens onto the front veranda. The 1850s wing contains two bedrooms and a rear stair hall.

Surroundings: The James Hill House is located in Union County on a high hill within a wooded area. Large sculptured granite gateposts (ca. 1861) are located at the end of the drive which leads to Hillside; smaller granite posts are located intermittently along the edge of the lawn. Also included within the nominated acreage are a hand-hewn barn, a well with modern well-house, and another small 19th Century structure.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES *ca. 1820-1830*

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Hillside is an excellent example of an upcountry version of the Federal style of architecture. Located in rural Union County it has belonged to the descendants of the same family since its construction by James Hill in the early 19th Century.

It is not known exactly when Hillside was built but architectural analysis suggests its having been constructed ca. 1820-30. Its builder, James Hill, was married in 1806 and, according to tradition, he and his wife then moved to Union County to settle on land given to him by his father. Traditionally, they first lived in a log cabin and later built their permanent home. The Census of 1810 records James Hill as a resident of Union County, and Mills Atlas of 1825 indicates a "Hill" residence in the area of the present structure.

Hill was a planter and in 1840 owned approximately 60 slaves. The Agriculture Census of 1850 indicates he owned a large farm of more than 3,300 acres of which 1,368 were improved. Hill died in 1854 leaving the property first to his wife and after her death to his son George Hill. Today the plantation home is occupied by the fifth generation of the same family.

Architecture: The James Hill House is a well-preserved example of the Federal Style in upcountry South Carolina. It also chronicles various changes which occurred in design between ca. 1820 and ca. 1850. The proportion and details of the original part of the house reflect the delicacy of the Federal style; those of the later addition are heavier and reflect the Greek Revival.

Sculpture: Sculptured gateposts are located at the end of the drive to Hillside. These tall granite posts feature designs in relief sculpture and are notable examples of folk art of the mid-19th Century. According to tradition, they were carved ca. 1861 by J. E. Sherman, a Union soldier who became ill and was left at Hillside to recuperate just prior to the War Between the States. Other examples of his work are said to be in the area.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY ca. 15

UTM REFERENCES

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	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	1, 7	4 5, 6 2, 10, 0	3, 8 2, 8 4, 0, 0	D	1, 7	4 5, 6 2, 1, 0	3, 8 2, 8 8, 9, 0

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The "Hillside" property is bounded on the east by State Highway 215, on the south and west by East Highlands Pulpwood Company, and on the north by the property of Carlisle Methodist Church.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Kappy McNulty

Jeannette M. Christopher

ORGANIZATION

S. C. Department of Archives and History

DATE

July 26, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

1430 Senate Street

TELEPHONE

(803) 758-5816

CITY OR TOWN

Columbia

STATE

South Carolina

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Charles E. Lee

TITLE Charles E. Lee
State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

9/8/77

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Robert B. Rettig

DATE

2/17/78

ATTEST

Charles H. ...

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

2.14.78

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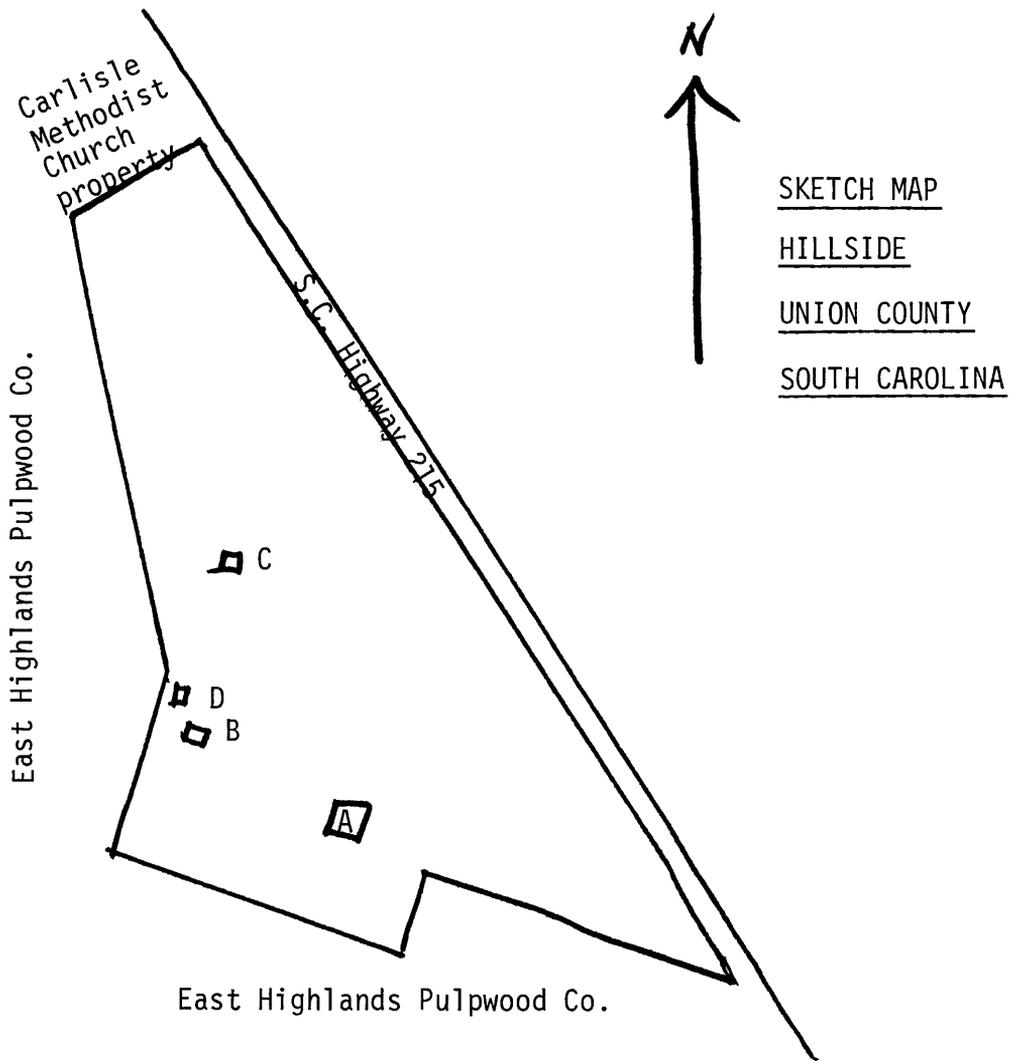
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- A - "Hillside"
- B - 19th Century barn
- C - 19th Century structure
- D - well

(traced from aerial photograph--scale: 1 inch/330 ft.)



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