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1. Town **Oak Bluffs**
   
   Address **14 Kennebec Avenue**
   
   Name
   
   Present use **year-round private dwelling**
   
   Present owner **Wm. F. Herlihy et al**
   
   Menotomy Realty Trust
   
   3. Description:
      
      Date **1888**
      
      Source **Tax Records**
      
      Style **Carpenter Gothic/ Campground**
      
      Architect
      
      Exterior wall fabric **cedar shingles**
      
      Outbuildings (describe) **none**
      
      Other features **shed dormers; hooded entrance; white trim**
      
      **sheds added**
      
      Altered **cottage added** Date
      
      Moved Date
      
   5. Lot size:
      
      One acre or less **x** Over one acre
      
      Approximate frontage **30'**
      
      Approximate distance of building from street **5'**
      
   6. Recorded by **Donald Jacobson**
      
      Organization **O. B. Hist. Survey**
      
      Date **8/11/78**
      
      (over)
7. Original owner (if known)  William H. Davis

Original use  paint shop

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates  residence

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal  
Agricultural  
Architectural  X
The Arts  
Commerce  
Communication  
Community development  X

Conservation  
Education  
Exploration/ settlement  
Industry  
Military  
Political  
Recreation  X
Religion  
Science/ invention  
Social/ humanitarian  
Transportation  

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This house is of the expansive Campground cottage construction, with modifications and modernizations. This house is significant as a part of the Oak Bluffs Land and Wharf Company development, which began soon after the growth and popularity of the Wesleyan Grove Campground. It became the secular alternative to the Campground and flourished as one of the most popular and well known East Coast summer resorts. This building was originally a commercial property but has since become a private residence.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)
-Oak Bluffs Assessor's Maps, 1975, Oak Bluffs Town Hall, Oak Bluffs, MA
-Valuation Records, Edgartown Town Hall, Edgartown, MA